

Camel riding at Black Lake of Zavkhan Province

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Detailed tour description

Day 1. Arrival in Ulaanbaatar

Upon your arrival, our team will pick you up at the airport and takes you to a comfortable, centrally located hotel. Depending on the arrival time we can organise a city sightseeing tour which includes a visit of Gandan Monastery, the main square, the Bogd Khaan's Winter Palace museum and the Zaisan Memorial hill. In the evening the tour guide will give you a short briefing about the whole trip and answer all your questions before he takes you to a famous Mongolian restaurant for the first taste of Mongolian food.

(Hotel, D)

Day 2. Flight to Uliastay

We have an early flight to Uliastay, Zavkhan province. The two hours of flight lands in the very beautiful "Donoi valley" in the morning. Our local transportation picks you up there and drive to the Black Lake. We will meet our camel breeding family in the afternoon. Overnight will be in a ger camp.

(Ger camp, B, L, D)

Day 3. Camel riding at Black Lake

We will start the camel riding around the lake and ride along the enormous sand dunes. Black Lake occupies a dale in the Khangai Mountains to the East from the Great Lakes Depression. It is located to west side around 1000 km from Ulaanbaatar capital city. The Black Lake is surrounded by huge sand dunes in the north and mountain hills in the southern shore. Our camel guide will take us in the right path to show all beautiful places during our journey.

Some time we will learn about two humped Bactrian camels and how to take care of them such as watering, preparing saddles as nomads do in their daily life. Overnight will be tented camping at the shore of the lake.

(Tented camping, B, L, D)

Day 4. Camel riding continues at Black Lake

We will continue riding the camels further north of Black lake, where mass of sand dunes blowing slowly with the wind. We do several short stops for enjoying the scenery and taking the picturesque moments.

(Tented camping, B, L, D)

Day 5. Camel riding to Mukhart Oasis

We are exploring the uniqueness of Mongolia that is mixture of desert, grassland and great lake. Several sites of the sand dunes are rich of small or big rivers. But most interesting one is Mukhart river that arises beneath the sand dunes and flows throughout the desert and finally join Zavkhan River. There is an option to climb those dunes and hike around the river.

(Tented camping, B, L, D)

Day 6. Camel riding to Senjit Rock

Today we will take the camel riding to Senjit Rock, the stone gate that has a shape of granite rocky arch located on a top of hill. In ancient times the rock used to be solid but the strong wind carved the gate into today's formation over millions of years. The size of the gate is 6m in width, 3.5m in height and beautifully existing in the area.

(Tented camping, B, L, D)

Day 7. Camel riding to Tuvkhush Mountain

Tuvkhush Mountain is located in the west south side of Black Lake, also considered natural beauty of Zavkhan Province due to its scenic formation. In the afternoon we will set up our campsite and overnight here.

(Tented camping, B, L, D)

Day 8. Camel riding towards Black Lake

Today we start go back to the camp. Our camel guide will find shortcut because we have already passed quite long distance from the camp site. The journey back to the lake will be semi-desert plain with green bushes and granite rocky mountain hills.

(Tented camping, B, L, D)

Day 9. Camel riding back to the ger camp

Our last day of the camel riding will end once we arrive at the camp. The camel guide prepares all the animals for way back home. In the evening we will take some rest.

Day 10. Flight back to Ulaanbaatar

It is time for us to leave the beautiful place and take a flight back to the capital city, Ulaanbaatar. Afternoon is free to catch all activities you haven't completed yet.

Day 11. Departure

Our team will take you to the airport depending on your departure time.

Included:

- ✓ Airport transfers
- ✓ Land transportation
- ✓ Hotel stays in Ulaanbaatar
- ✓ Meals - 13B, 11L, 11D
- ✓ Tour guides/Camel guide/Packing and Riding camels
- ✓ Camping equipment
- ✓ Ger camp stays
- ✓ National park entrance fees/Museum and Monasteries entrance tickets

Not Included:

- ✓ International flights
- ✓ Visa fee
- ✓ Optional activities fee
- ✓ Extra food and drinks