



Nomadic Explorer
BEYOND GUIDEBOOK

2026 MONGOLIA

8 DAY SOUTHERN MONGOLIA TOUR

Golden Sands & Flaming Cliffs *Adventure*



TOUR CODE: V1G

Introduction

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In just 8 days, explore the stunning landscapes and nomadic culture of Mongolia's Gobi Desert. Discover towering sand dunes, dramatic canyons, flaming cliffs, and endless steppe while enjoying camel riding, local hospitality, and unforgettable adventures beneath the Eternal Blue Sky.



Tour Highlights

GOBI MONGOLIA



Experience authentic Mongolian nomadic life and stay with local herder families



Ride camels across the golden dunes of Khongor Sand Dunes



Explore the dramatic landscapes and ancient wonders of the Gobi Desert

Trip Overview

Day	Theme	Key Activities	Meal
1	Ulaanbaatar arrival	Airport transfer and free time for leisure	D
2	White Stupa	Drive to White Stupa, guided walk, panoramic views, photography	B,L,D
3	Yol Valley	Explore Yol Valley, horseback riding, canyon walk, wildlife spotting	B,L,D
4	Khongor Sand Dunes	Visit nomadic camel herder family, camel riding, dune hiking, sunset views	B,L,D
5	Bayanzag	Explore Flaming Cliffs, dinosaur fossil site, visit Gobi Museum	B,L,D
6	Baga Gazriin Chuluu	Explore granite formations, caves, rock inscriptions, sunset views	B,L,D
7	Return Ulaanbaatar	City tour and folk concert	B,L,D
8	Departure	Airport transfer	B

Day 1 – Ulaanbaatar Arrival

Welcome to Mongolia! Your journey kicks off at Chinggis Khaan International Airport. Once you've cleared immigration and grabbed your bags, look for your friendly local guide and driver waiting for you in the arrivals hall. They'll whisk you away for a smooth transfer to your hotel in the heart of Ulaanbaatar. Depending on your arrival time, you may have free time to rest or explore the city. enjoy a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. This will be your official introduction to authentic Mongolian cuisine. After dinner, return to your hotel for a comfortable overnight stay.



Day 2 – White Stupa

After an early breakfast at the hotel, begin your journey toward the Gobi Desert and the spectacular White Stupa (Tsagaan Suvarga).

This breathtaking limestone escarpment rises nearly 30 meters high and stretches for hundreds of meters, shaped by wind and water erosion over millions of years. The colorful layers of white, pink, and orange resemble the ruins of an ancient city. The area was once covered by a prehistoric sea, and marine fossils can still be found scattered across the surrounding plains.

Enjoy a guided walk along the cliffs, panoramic photo stops, and time to admire the vast open landscapes of the Gobi. In the late afternoon, arrive at a nearby tourist camp, check in, and enjoy dinner under the wide Mongolian sky.

Overnight at a tourist camp.



Day 3 – Yol Valley

After breakfast, continue your journey deeper into the Gobi region toward Yol Valley. Proceed into Gobi Gurvansaikhan National Park, home to dramatic mountain ranges, deep canyons, and rare wildlife. Yol Valley, also known as the “Valley of the Vultures,” is famous for its towering rock walls and permanent ice fields that often remain frozen even during the summer months. Explore the valley on a scenic horseback riding tour, following narrow trails along the frozen riverbed and between high canyon walls. Keep an eye out for ibex, wild sheep, and soaring lammergeier vultures overhead. In the evening, arrive at your tourist camp, enjoy dinner, and relax in the peaceful desert surroundings.



Day 4 – Khongor Sand Dunes

After a hearty breakfast, depart for the legendary Khongor Sand Dunes, the largest and most impressive dunes in Mongolia.

These golden dunes, known as the “Singing Dunes,” stretch over 180 kilometers and rise more than 300 meters high. When the wind blows, the sand creates a deep humming sound that echoes across the desert, giving the area a mystical atmosphere.

Visit a local nomadic camel herding family and enjoy a traditional welcome. Experience a memorable Bactrian camel ride across the desert landscape, explore nearby green oases, and climb to the top of the dunes for breathtaking panoramic views of the Gobi Desert.

Return to the camp for dinner and an overnight stay.



Day 5 – Bayanzag

After breakfast, journey to Bayanzag, famously known as the Flaming Cliffs.

This world-renowned paleontological site became famous after the discovery of the world's first dinosaur eggs by explorer Roy Chapman Andrews in the 1920s. The red sandstone cliffs glow brilliantly under the sunlight, especially during sunset, creating one of the most iconic landscapes in Mongolia.

Explore the fascinating cliffs on foot while learning about the region's prehistoric past and dinosaur fossil discoveries. Later, continue to Dalanzadgad and visit the local Gobi Museum to gain deeper insight into the desert's wildlife, geology, and history.

Dinner and overnight stay at a local hotel.



Day 6 – Baga Gazriin Chuluu

After breakfast, depart for Baga Gazriin Chuluu, a striking granite mountain formation rising from the middle of the open steppe.

This unique area is known for its fascinating rock formations, hidden caves, ancient inscriptions, and peaceful natural scenery. Explore the rocky landscape on foot while discovering narrow passages, small springs, and historical remains connected to old monasteries.

As evening approaches, enjoy a spectacular sunset as the granite rocks glow in warm golden and red colors beneath the vast Mongolian sky. Dinner and overnight stay at a nearby tourist camp.



Day 7 – Return to Ulaanbaatar

After breakfast, drive back to Ulaanbaatar. Arriving in the afternoon, you will have free time to shop for souvenirs and explore local cashmere products. In the evening, enjoy a traditional Mongolian folk concert, experiencing authentic music and cultural performances, followed by a farewell dinner to conclude your journey.

Day 8 – Departure

After breakfast, check out from your hotel. Your guide and driver will transfer you to Chinggis Khaan International Airport for your departure flight.

Your unforgettable journey through the diverse landscapes, rich history, and nomadic culture of Mongolia comes to an end.



Accommodation



Where You'll Stay

- Stay in comfortable 3–4 star hotels in Ulaanbaatar
- Experience authentic Mongolian ger camps and nomadic hospitality
- Enjoy accommodations surrounded by Mongolia's beautiful natural landscapes



Price

Price per person based on twin/double sharing

People	Price (per person USD)
2-3	\$2100
4-5	\$1550
6-7	\$1350
8-9	\$1250
10+	\$1150

Service Includes

- All activities on the itinerary;
- Meals (not drink) as stated in the itinerary (B: Breakfast; L: Lunch; D: Dinner);
- Experienced English-speaking guide;
- Entrance fees for all visits as mentioned in the itinerary;
- Transfers: Airport Pick up and drop as per your flight timings
- Bottle of water on the coach (1 bottle/1 person/1 day)
- Accommodation as mentioned above.
Check in: 2 pm. Check out: 11.am
- Transportation

Service Excludes

- Drinks
- Early check in & late check out room (available upon request and depend on room availability)
- Travel insurance (we highly recommend that you purchase adequate insurance).
- International or Domestic flight tickets
- Mongolian Visa
- Tipping for guides, drivers, hotel staff, restaurant staff, etc.
- Personal expenses, such as laundry, telephone, drinks, etc.
- Meals, if not specified in the itinerary
- All other services not specified in the itinerary
Surcharge for Peak season, Naadam festival(11 of July – 15 of July).

Travel guide & Tips

Mongolia is known for its vast landscapes and rapidly changing weather, so we recommend bringing comfortable outdoor clothing and dressing in layers. Even during summer, mornings and evenings can become cool, especially in the countryside. A light waterproof jacket, comfortable walking shoes, sunscreen, sunglasses, and a hat are highly recommended for outdoor activities.

While staying in ger camps and visiting remote areas, facilities may be simpler than in the city, but they offer an authentic experience of Mongolian nomadic life. Internet connection can be limited outside Ulaanbaatar, so preparing offline maps or essential information in advance can be helpful.

Mongolian people are known for their warm hospitality, and guests are always welcomed with respect.

When visiting monasteries or nomadic families, modest clothing and respectful behavior are appreciated. Horseback and camel riding activities are suitable even for beginners, and local guides will assist you throughout the experience.





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