

14 DAYS ROUND TRIP IN GROUP KYRGYZSTAN



Highlights of the round trip in a group:

Bishkek – Capitol of Kyrgyzstan

Arslanbob – Forests and waterfalls

Overnight in in yurt camp

Karakol – City and nature in the surroundings

Issyk Kul – Beautiful landscapes

Direct contact with locals



Our services from Bishkek Airport in Kyrgyzstan:

- Airport transfer (personal pick-up)
- German and English speaking tour guide throughout the trip
- Early-Check-In in the first hotel in Bishkek (from 6 a. m. in the morning)
- All transfers in your own vehicle with an English-speaking driver (up to 8 people in one MB Sprinter minibus, from 9 people in two MB Sprinter minibuses)
- Overnight and breakfast in typical hotels and guesthouses
- 1 x lunch (on the 5th day), 11 x dinner (from the 2nd to the 12th day - including one dinner in Karakol with a local family)
- Two overnight stays in the yurt camp (multi-bed yurts - if booked in advance, occupancy with 2 people is possible)
- City tour in Bishkek
- Walk through a walnut forest and to two waterfalls with a hiking guide certified in Germany
- Getting to know felt handicrafts, local musical instruments and folk music in Kotschkor
- Yurt construction in Kysyl Tuu
- Eagle hunt in Bokonbaewo
- Short walks to be able to enjoy the breathtaking nature in the most beautiful places
- 1 liter of mineral water per person per day



Day	Schedule
1. day	Arrival in Bishkek - transfer to the hotel - city tour
2. day	Bishkek – Toktogul
3. day	Toktogul - Sary Chelek
4. day	Sary Chelek – Arslanbob
5. day	Walk through beautiful walnut forests and visit waterfalls
6. day	Arslanbob - Zhalal Abad – Kazarman
7. day	Kazarman - Son Kul (yurt camp)

8. day	Son Kul - Tasch Rabat (yurt camp)
9. day	Tasch Rabat – Kotschkor
10. day	Kotschkor - Bokonbaewo - Skazka – Tamga
11. day	Tamga - Zhey Oguz – Karakol
12. day	Karakol - Cholpon-Ata
13. day	Cholpon-Ata - Burana – Bishkek
14. day	Return to your country



Detailed travel schedule

1. day - Bishkek

Arrive at Manas Airport in Bishkek, where our team will pick you up and transfer you to the capital (early check-in at the hotel from 06:00).

We start our city tour from Bishkek and visit the heart of the city - Ala-Too Square. Afterwards, we can take a walk in Oak Park, one of the locals' favorite spots. Thanks to its numerous parks and avenues, Bishkek is a particularly liveable place and is also known as the greenest city in Central Asia.

After lunch we have time to visit the local market Osh Bazaar. Here you can observe the creativity and talent of local artisans. The moment you enter the market, a true oriental atmosphere begins: a never-ending flow of people and a great variety of goods and colors.

In the evening we go to one of the best restaurants of Bishkek, where delicious Kyrgyz national dishes can be tasted.

Meals included: Breakfast*

Accommodation: 3* Hotel (Rixon Hotel or similar)

*Breakfast is served in hotels until 10:00



2. day - Bishkek – Toktogul (350 km – aprox. 5 - 6 hours)

Breakfast at the hotel and departure.

At the beginning of our journey we overcome two mountain passes: Too Aschuu (3400 meters) and Alabel (3200 meters). This is followed by crossing the beautiful Suusamyр valley, a paradise for nomads. It is an important grazing area for locals who bring their yurts and flocks of sheep down into the valley in the summer.

Lunch on the way in a small cafe.

Our way continues to the town of Toktogul, where we will find the largest water reservoir of Kyrgyzstan. After arrival at the hotel we can walk on the shore of the artificial lake and enjoy the fascinating landscape around us.

Dinner at the hotel.

Meals included: breakfast and dinner

Accommodation: Hotel (Kok Bel Inn or similar)



3. day - Toktogul – Sary Chelek (150 km – 4 hours)

Departure after breakfast. Our goal today is to reach the unique biosphere reserve of Sary Chelek.

Lunch on the way or at the guesthouse on arrival.

Sary Chelek Lake is one of the most beautiful places in the country and is located at an altitude of 1800 meters above sea level. The formation is due to a very strong earthquake. The valley also has six smaller lakes and an extensive network of rivers. The favorable location of the Sary-Chelek reserve ensures a mild climate: warm summers and winters with little snow. There are walnut, apple and pear trees on a significant part of the area.

Directly after arrival in Sary Chelek there is an opportunity for a walk by the lake.

Overnight and dinner at the guesthouse.

Meals included: breakfast and dinner

Accommodation: Guesthouse (CBT Inn or similar)



4. day - Sary Chelek – Arslanbob (290 km – 5 hours)

After breakfast we continue to Arslanbob. There is a unique walnut forest that can only be found here in the world.

During the transfer you can admire and photograph the breathtaking landscapes. The route runs along the Naryn - the largest and most important river in the country. There is an opportunity to have lunch along the road.

In the evening we come to the small village of Arslanbob, which is surrounded by extensive walnut forests.

Overnight and dinner in a guesthouse. Meals included: breakfast and dinner

Accommodation: Guesthouse (CBT Inn or similar)



5. day – Arslanbob

Breakfast in the guesthouse.

On this day you will explore the majestic walnut forests of Arslanbob. We start with a walk to a first small waterfall with a drop of 25 meters, which takes about an hour. Then it goes up to a viewpoint with a wonderful view of the entire valley. The beautiful landscape invites you to take photos.

Afterwards there is the possibility to join a short hike (2 hours) to a second waterfall. The path runs through the beautiful walnut forests in the area.

Meals included: breakfast, lunch and dinner

Accommodation: Guesthouse (CBT Inn or similar)

6. day – Arslanbob – Zhalal Abad – Kasarman (230 km – aprox. 5 – 6 hours)

After breakfast we drive to Kasarman village.

The route leads through the Fergana Valley with its endless fields. En route, stop in the city of Zhalal-Abad to have lunch at a local restaurant.

In the evening we reach Kasarman. The very pronounced hospitality of the local population will surprise us in a very positive way. It is well known that people in the southern part of the country are very welcoming and friendly.

Dinner and overnight stay in a guesthouse.

Meals included: breakfast and dinner

Accommodation: Guesthouse (CBT Inn or similar)



7. day – Kasarman – Son Kol (160 km – aprox 5 - 6 hours)

Breakfast in the guesthouse.

The goal of the day is to reach Son Kol Lake, which is at an altitude of 3000 meters. On the way you will pass beautiful places and yaks and other animals can be observed.

Arriving at the yurt camp, we learn about the hospitality of the nomads, their know their lifestyle

and customs.

Note: Yurt capacity 4-5 people. But in the low season, depending on availability and timely booking, 2 people can stay overnight per yurt. Toilets and sauna are outside. There are no showers!

Meals included: breakfast and dinner

Accommodation: Yurt camp

Option: horseback riding (can be booked and paid for on site)



8. day – Son Kol – Tasch Rabat (260 km – 4 hours)

After breakfast in the yurt we continue our journey.

The goal of the day is the Tasch Rabat caravanserai. First, however, a mountain pass called Moldo Aschuu at an altitude of 3400 meters must be overcome.

Tasch Rabat is a historical place founded by monks in the 10th century. During the ancient Silk Roads, Tash Rabat gradually lost its religious importance. The main function of the monastery was to offer a stay for caravans and travelers.

Lunch at restaurant in Naryn and dinner at yurt in Tash Rabat.

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Meals included: breakfast and dinner

Accommodation: Yurt camp



9. day – Tasch Rabat – Kotschkor (230 km – 4 hours)

Breakfast in yurt camp and departure towards Kotschkor.

On the way we pass Naryn and overcome the Dolon Pass with 3000 meters.

After arrival in Kotschkor we can first take a shower and relax in the guesthouse. Later, Kyrgyz women show us how to make felt, which is used in traditional carpets.

Afterwards there is the opportunity to get to know local musical instruments and folk music of the region.

Dinner and overnight in a guesthouse.

Meals included: breakfast and dinner

Accommodation: Guesthouse (Mira Inn or similar)



10. day – Kotschkor – Kyzyl Tuu – Bokonbaewo – Skazka – Tamga (170 km – 3 hours)

After breakfast we start towards the largest lake in the country - Issyk Kol, the pearl of Kyrgyzstan. The route takes us to the southern shore of the lake, where we make a few stops.

Our first stop is the village of Kyzyl Tuu, where a local family will introduce you to the secrets of yurt production. The family has been dealing with this unique art for generations.

Later, in Bokonbaevo, an eagle hunter with his eagle will be waiting for the travelers. The eagle's speed and alertness is a unique spectacle. Hunting with an eagle is one of the oldest traditions of Kyrgyz nomads.

Afterwards we will visit the Skazka Gorges, which roughly translates to “fairy tale”. Rock formations of different shapes and sizes can be found here. With a little imagination, a real skyscraper or an animal can appear in front of visitors. There is also the option of a short hike in the gorge.

In the evening in Tamga there is an opportunity to try a real Russian sauna.

Dinner and overnight in a guesthouse.

Meals included: breakfast and dinner

Accommodation: Guesthouse (U Pavla Guesthouse or similar)



11. day – Tamga – Barskoon – Zhety Oguz – Karakol (150 km – 3 hours)

After breakfast we drive towards Barskoon Gorge. The gorge is famous for its waterfalls. One of the most famous of these is called "The Tear of the Snow Leopard". In the center of the gorge is the monument to the first cosmonaut (Y.A. Gagarin).

Continue to the Zhety-Oguz Valley. Translated, the name means "Seven Bulls" and is symbolic of seven huge, reddish-brown rocks standing together like angry bulls. The beautiful landscape and the fresh mountain air can be enjoyed as part of a short walk.

Upon arrival in Karakol we will visit the most famous sights like the Russian Orthodox Church and the Dungane Mosque.

In the evening, dinner with a Dungan family awaits us, who will introduce us to the variety of local cuisine with carefully prepared home-made dishes.

Meals included: Breakfast and dinner with a local family

Accommodation: Hotel 3* (Nomad Hotel or similar)



12. day – Karakol – Canyon Grigoriew and Semienow – Tschon Kemin (330 km – 5 hours)

After breakfast we drive towards Grigoriev and Semienov gorges. These places are considered the most famous sights of the Issyk-Kul region. You can go for a walk, enjoy the wild nature around you or just relax.

After that we drive to village Tar Suu in Tschon Kemin-Valley. Thanks to its incredible beauty and rich diversity of flora and fauna is a unique place. It is a good idea to take a short walk through the town and gain impressions of the life of the locals.

Dinner and overnight stay in a guesthouse.

Meals included: breakfast and dinner

Accommodation: Guesthouse (Kemin Inn or similar)



13. day – Tschon Kemin – Burana – Bishkek (200 km – 3 hours)

After breakfast at the guesthouse we drive back to the capital.

On the way there, the Burana Tower is still waiting for us, which is located about 80 km from the capital. The tower with funerary monuments, earthworks, remains of a castle and three mausoleums is all that remains of the city of Balasagyn, founded by the Karakhanids in the late 9th century.

After lunch there is still an opportunity to visit the local market and buy some gifts and souvenirs before finally returning to the capital.

Meals included: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hotel 3* (Rixon Hotel or similar)



14. day – Bishkek – airport transfer and return flight

PRICES

Persons	Price
From 6 persons	1.799,- US\$
From 8 persons	1.599,- US\$
From 10 persons	1.749,- US\$
From 12 persons	1.549,- US\$
Single room supplement*	299,- US\$

* in the yurt camps it is not possible to sleep individual





Which services are not included in the travel price:

- International flights
- Tips and und personal expenses
- Beverages (except mineral water)
- All not included meals (aprox. 250,- US\$ additionally)
- Travel cancelation insurance
- International health insurance
- Activities outside the program
- Any necessary visa



IMPORTANT TO KNOW:

- Citizens from the European Community do not need a visa to enter Kyrgyzstan
- Travelers from South America and non-European countries can apply for an electronic visa digitally (we support you!)
- Hotels and guesthouses do not always correspond to European standards. Some accommodations only have shared showers and toilets.

- In yurt camps, the toilet is outside; there are no showers there!



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