



Khuvsgul Lake Ride

You will fly on a domestic flight to Murun, the aimag capital of Khuvsgul. Once getting in Murun, you will be transferred to the first field camp Khurkhuree Am which located in the southern east edge of the Khuvsgul lake and 125 km from Murun. Picnic lunches always will be provided on the way. You will experience mountains, steppes, forests, camping along the rivers.



Day 1: Ulaanbaatar

Upon arrival in Ulaanbaatar you will be met by our horse guide and transferred to your hotel. There will be a tour briefing and dinner.

Day 2: To Khurkheree Am

Transfer to the airport and fly on a domestic flight to Murun, a capital of Khuvsgul province. You will head out to Khurkheree Am tented camp via Hatgal town, that is 125 km from Murun. Picnic lunch will be provided on the way. After 5 o'clock tea at the camp, you will have brief meeting to get some instruction regarding riding and meet your horse guide and other staff. Then you can make short ride in order to become familiar with your horse. Dinner at the camp.



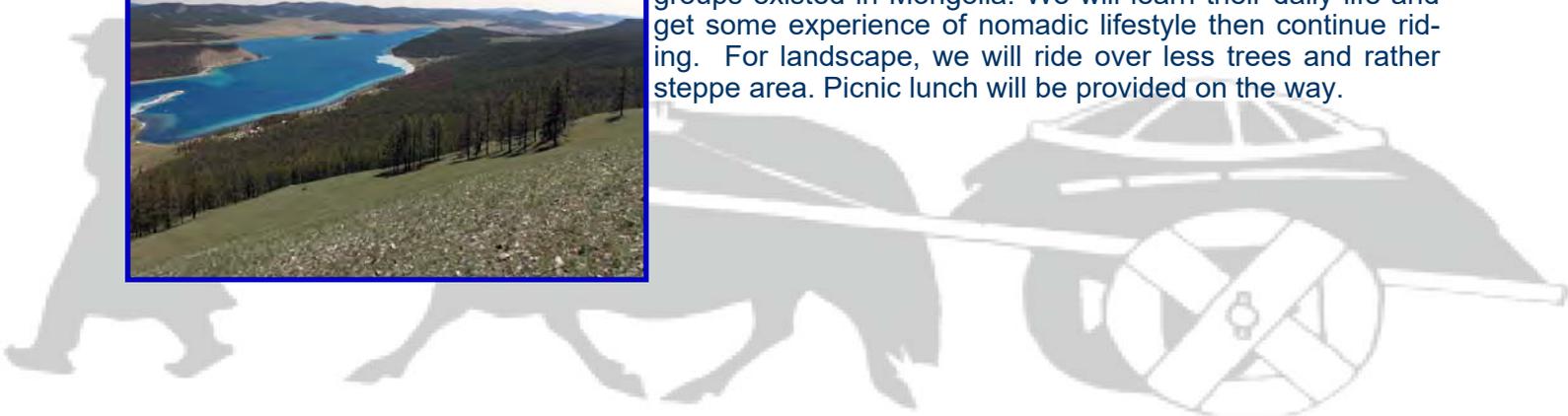
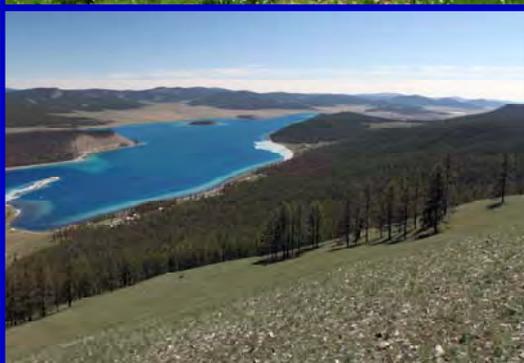
Day 3: To Nariin Davaa

We will ride across rather hilly terrain with occasional patches of Siberian larch forest. Throughout the ride we will see the grandeur of nature and the edge of the lake and come across a couple of clean water rivers such as Nariin, Halkh, Kheekhter rivers. Picnic lunch will be provided on the way. Our camp support structure is free from vehicles. Our all provisions, camping equipment and luggage will be loaded onto horse. We will arrive at the camp just before 5 o'clock tea. After the tea, relax and we can walk around the camp.



Day 4: To Wolves Pass

We will have another nice day of riding. At noon, we will visit nomadic family from Uriankhai ethnic group, which is located near by Khukhuu tolgoi. Uriankhai (also written as "Uriyangkhai", or Uryangkhai) is a Mongolian term applied to several neighbouring "Forest" ethnic groups such as the Altai Uriankhai, Tuvans and Yakuts and is one of 21 small ethnic groups existed in Mongolia. We will learn their daily life and get some experience of nomadic lifestyle then continue riding. For landscape, we will ride over less trees and rather steppe area. Picnic lunch will be provided on the way.



Day 5: Hot spring of Bulnai Mountain

We will ride up-and down and cross a couple of forested small and high mountain passes through thick forested area. It means today's riding a little bit slower than previous days. Picnic lunch will be provided on the way. After relaxing, we will reach to hot spring of Bulnai Mountain which is 40 km in north of Chandmani-Undur soum, elevated 1600 meter and located among big mountains covered larch forested and granite cliffs. There are many geysers, of which temperature is between 27-45 degrees Centigrade. The springs are situated in little wooden huts and are basically just a triangular hole cut in the wooden floor containing very hot water. The sulphat, chloride, sodium and calcium had been explored as chemical composition of the spring was analyzed in 1971. This spring is widely used for healing the neurogenic and pituitous disorders. We will explore the spring area for a while.

Day 6: Camp Borsog

Today we will ride through again the thick forested area and rather long and by the obstacle course. Picnic lunch will be provided on the way. However we will have today little bit slower riding, and might see some wild animals such as boar, roe deer, red deer, and moose. Picnic lunch will be provided on the way.

Day 7: Camp Dalbaa

We will ride through the larch forests, up the slopes of the mountains and to follow ridges that have views of superb scenery. Some places the forests will suddenly start to appear and disappear and we are riding towards the Khuvsgul lake. There we will see huge water of the lake and some piece of sand dunes which means it is a fascinating combination of Khangai and Gobi zone. Also we will have a great chance to see almost whole lake. Picnic lunch will be provided on the way.

Day 8: Camp Alagtsar

We In the morning we can make a short hike or can ride horses until lunch time. In the afternoon, after saying thanks and goodbye to the field camp staff and horse guides, we will get on a motor boat to head out to Alagtsar ger camp located at the northern east edge of the lake. Picnic lunch will be provided on the way.

While boating, we will stop by two small islands and see the lake from the middle of the lake. Generally, there are 4 islands among the lake; Khadan Khui, Modon Khui, Baga khui, and Dalain khui. Khadan khui is a very high mountain cliff where many birds gather. Modon khui is beauty nature and transparent to depth of 24.5 meter. After arriving at the ger camp, we can have hot shower, relax and pack for tomorrow.

Day 9: To Ulaanbaatar via Murun

In the morning we will drive back to Murun and fly to Ulaanbaatar. Check into the hotel and see the capital city on your own.

Day 10: Departure

Transfer out back home or on to your next destination.





Practicalities

Transport: Apart from the drive to the starting point of our horse riding adventure and back to the city we will not rely on any motor vehicle support. Instead we utilize traditional wooden carts, that Mongolian families still frequently use, when moving from one pasture to another (Although increasingly small trucks are being used). Animals prevalent in the region pull these carts. At the Khuvsgul Lake we will use horses. The services of local herdsman will be employed by the expedition, and they will provide us with their animals.

Accommodation: During the horse ride we will sleep in spacious Tentipis. It allows us to use large foldable cots, sleeping well above the ground. Bring your own sleeping bag. We take along a tent to serve as our restaurant, as well as showers and compost toilets housed in traditional Mongolian marquee style tents. All accommodation in double occupancy. Single tent is available at an additional cost of USD 1880.

Staff: A Mongolian English speaking guide will accompany the group at all times. A cook will follow with the horses. In addition, the services of several local herdsman will be employed along with their animals. The horsemen follow a traditional lifestyle in the areas where we will be riding. If the group consists of four riders or more, we will also have a Mongolian doctor accompanying us as part of the crew.

Meals: Our cook will prepare all the meals. We pride ourselves in having cooks adept at both western and Mongolian cooking on our trips. There are always vegetables available, and we have no problem accommodating vegetarians on this trip.

Minimum riding ability: You should be a competent rider, fit and capable of riding at all paces confidently. We will cover varying terrain, and will be in the saddle for several hours on most days.

Includes: English speaking guide. All meals outside Ulaanbaatar. All overnights in and tepee tents (6n.) and in ger camp (1n.) in shared doubles. Camping equipment and all local transport. Local medevac coverage.

Excludes: Imported drinks. Laundry. Lunch and dinner in Ulaanbaatar. Air or train tickets in and out of Mongolia. Bring your own sleeping bag, riding helmet and short chaps!

Reversal of trip: Trips may be done in the reverse for operational reasons.

PRICE 2017 ex Ulaanbaatar:
USD 3850 per person (2/6 riders)
 Single tent supplement: **USD 1880**

There are other language guides such as French, German, Italian, Korean etc. available at additional cost, which need to be booked and confirmed ahead of time. Please enquire.

DATES ex Ulaanbaatar: 2017
 July to end of August

