

## Bishkek to Almaty: a Journey through Kyrgyzstan & Kazakhstan

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Embark on an 8-day adventure through the heart of Central Asia, exploring the captivating landscapes and rich cultural heritage of Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan. Starting in Bishkek, you'll immerse yourself in vibrant cities, ancient landmarks, and stunning natural beauty, including the Chon Kemin Valley, Issyk-Kul Lake, and dramatic canyons. Discover the nomadic way of life, witness the ancient art of eagle hunting, and marvel at the striking formations of Fairy Tale Canyon, Djety Oguz, and Kolsai Lakes. Cross into Kazakhstan to explore the awe-inspiring Charyn Canyon and experience the dynamic energy of Almaty, where history and modernity seamlessly blend. This tour offers a perfect mix of guided exploration and relaxation for an unforgettable Central Asian experience.

### DEPARTURE DATES:

10.05.2025; 17.05.2025; 24.05.2025; 31.05.2025; 07.06.2025; 14.06.2025; 21.06.2025;  
28.06.2025; 05.07.2025; 12.07.2025; 19.07.2025; 26.07.2025; 02.08.2025; 09.08.2025;  
16.08.2025; 23.08.2025; 30.08.2025; 06.09.2025; 13.09.2025; 20.09.2025; 27.09.2025;  
04.10.2025; 11.10.2025.

### ITINERARY

#### Day 1 - Bishkek

Begin your journey in Bishkek, the vibrant capital of Kyrgyzstan. Upon arrival, you'll be warmly welcomed and transferred to your hotel. After check-in, take the rest of the day to relax or explore the city at your own pace, preparing for the exciting adventures ahead. Overnight in Bishkek. (Dinner)

#### Day 2 - Bishkek / Burana Tower / Chon Kemin National Park

After a leisurely breakfast, embark on a guided city tour of Bishkek to explore its rich history and Soviet-era charm. Visit iconic landmarks such as Ala-Too Square, the Monument of Manas, Oak Park, and Victory Square, honoring the heroes of WWII. Later, journey to the scenic Chon Kemin Valley, stopping en route to visit the historic Burana Tower, a fascinating relic of the ancient Silk Road. Upon arrival in Chon Kemin, settle into a cozy guesthouse and unwind for the night. Overnight in Chon Kemin. (Breakfast, Dinner)

#### Day 3 - Chon Kemin / Bokonbaevo

Start the day with a refreshing morning hike through the picturesque Chon Kemin Valley, where stunning mountain views and pristine landscapes await. Alternatively, explore the local gorges or take part in cultural activities such as horseback riding or learning the traditional craft of yurt construction. Next, we'll head towards Lake Issyk-Kul, where you'll be captivated by the shimmering waters framed by towering mountains. On the way, visit Kyzyl Tuu village, renowned for its expert yurt-making. Our journey continues to Bokonbaevo, where you'll meet a skilled eagle hunter and witness the ancient art of falconry. Overnight in Bokonbaevo, immersed in Kyrgyzstan's nomadic culture. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

#### Day 4 - Bokonbaevo / Skazka Canyon / Djety Oguz

### TOUR INCLUSIONS AND OPTIONAL EXTRAS

#### Included

International flights  
Accommodation  
Breakfasts - daily  
Lunches - as indicated  
Dinners - daily  
English - speaking guides  
Guided tours & entrance fees  
Airport transfers

#### Not included

Personal travel insurance  
Optional excursions

#### Practical information

About Go Russia company  
Accommodation options

### **Canyon / Karakol**

Explore the shores of Issyk-Kul Lake, heading towards the captivating Fairy Tale (Skazka) Canyon, where colourful rock formations create an enchanting landscape. Continue to Djety Oguz Canyon, famous for its dramatic red cliffs, including the iconic "Broken Heart" rock and the "Seven Bulls" formations. In Karakol, a town rich in cultural heritage, visit the Dungan Mosque, designed like a Chinese pagoda, and the beautifully preserved Russian Orthodox Holy Trinity Cathedral. Discover the N. M. Przhevalsky Museum, dedicated to the famous Russian explorer. Spend the night in Karakol, surrounded by its unique blend of history and culture. (Breakfast, Dinner)

### **Day 5 - Karakol / Border Crossing / Kolsai Lakes / Saty**

Cross the border into Kazakhstan and travel to the picturesque Saty Village, located within the stunning Kolsai Lakes National Park. Here, you can explore the breathtaking surroundings, including a hike to the serene Kolsai Lakes, known as the "Blue Necklace" of the Tien Shan Mountains for their striking beauty. If time allows, we'll also visit Kaindy Lake, famous for its submerged forest and crystal-clear turquoise waters, offering an otherworldly sight. Overnight in Saty Village. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

### **Day 6 - Saty / Charyn Canyon / Almaty**

We set off towards Almaty, with a memorable stop at the stunning Charyn Canyon. As we wander through the "Valley of Castles," we'll be captivated by the dramatic rock formations and breathtaking panoramic views that reveal the incredible beauty of nature. After experiencing the magic of this natural wonder, we'll continue our journey to Almaty, Kazakhstan's largest and most vibrant city. Upon arrival, we'll check in to our hotel, giving you the perfect opportunity to relax and unwind after a day of exploration. Overnight in Almaty. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

### **Day 7 - Almaty**

Your day in Almaty begins with a visit to Panfilov Park, where you'll learn about the 28 heroes who sacrificed their lives for the country's freedom. Admire the Zenkov Cathedral, the city's oldest wooden building, and pay respects at the Memorial Complex with its eternal flame. Next, we'll explore the lively Green Bazaar, perfect for picking up unique souvenirs, before visiting the central Mosque and stopping at Republic Square to see the Independence Obelisk and other national symbols. In the afternoon, we'll head to Kok-Tobe Hill, where you can enjoy panoramic views of the city, followed by a leisurely walk through Kok-Tobe Park, home to a monument dedicated to "The Beatles." To round off the day, we'll take a scenic cable car ride back to the city centre before returning to your hotel. Overnight in Almaty. (Breakfast, Dinner)

### **Day 8 - Almaty**

On the final day, we'll transfer you to the airport for your departure, bringing your unforgettable journey through Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan to a close. (Breakfast)

## AVAILABLE PACKAGES

### COMFORT - 3\* PACKAGE

Dates	Tour Price	Incl. flights*	Single suppliment
10/05/2025 - 17/05/2025	Rs 179500	Rs 249500	Rs 15500
17/05/2025 - 24/05/2025	Rs 179500	Rs 249500	Rs 15500
24/05/2025 - 31/05/2025	Rs 179500	Rs 249500	Rs 15500
31/05/2025 - 07/06/2025	Rs 179500	Rs 249500	Rs 15500
07/06/2025 - 14/06/2025	Rs 179500	Rs 249500	Rs 15500
14/06/2025 - 21/06/2025	Rs 179500	Rs 249500	Rs 15500
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26/07/2025 - 02/08/2025	Rs 179500	Rs 249500	Rs 15500
02/08/2025 - 09/08/2025	Rs 179500	Rs 249500	Rs 15500
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11/10/2025 - 18/10/2025	Rs 179500	Rs 249500	Rs 15500

### PREMIUM - 4\* PACKAGE

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10/05/2025 - 17/05/2025	Rs 189500	Rs 259500	Rs 20500
17/05/2025 - 24/05/2025	Rs 189500	Rs 259500	Rs 20500
24/05/2025 - 31/05/2025	Rs 189500	Rs 259500	Rs 20500
31/05/2025 - 07/06/2025	Rs 189500	Rs 259500	Rs 20500
07/06/2025 - 14/06/2025	Rs 189500	Rs 259500	Rs 20500
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09/08/2025 - 16/08/2025	Rs 189500	Rs 259500	Rs 20500
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## ALTERNATIVE TOURS AND TAILOR-MADE ARRANGEMENTS

In addition to organised group tours, we also offer individual trips. This could be an entirely separate holiday arrangement or an extension to a regular "Go Russia" trip. Whether you would like to travel independently, or just with the group of your friends or colleagues, we can help to realise your holiday plans. Depending on your preference for either comfort or budget, we can help you to design the ideal itinerary and provide the optimal value-for-money quote. Please [contact us for a quote](#).



Based on your chosen tour we believe you might be interested in alternative trips listed below:

- > Best of Kyrgyzstan: Discover Finest Lakes, Steppe Land & Historic Towns - 8 days (SR-05), Price from Rs 139,950, 8 days
- > Great Uzbekistan Discovery: from Fergana to Khiva (SR-06), Price from Rs 179,950, 13 days
- > Best of Uzbekistan: Tashkent, Chimgan, Samarkand, Shakhrisabz, Bukhara, Khiva (SR-07), Price from Rs 144,450, 10 days
- > Discover the Silk Road: a Journey across 5 Stans (SR-08), Price from Rs 479,500, 23 days

## INFORMATION ABOUT VISAS

Go Russia provides assistance in processing visas and visa fees are included in the cost of most of our trips as detailed in the tour dossier. The visa application process is very straightforward. We have years of practical experience in dealing with tourist visas, and our in-house visa team provides assistance with completing the forms and checking the documents before consular submission. Please do not worry that your application will be unsuccessful (unless you have had any immigration issues with the relevant authorities in the past). All our tourists get their visas.

All nationalities require a full passport valid for at least six months beyond the intended length of stay. Please also make sure there are enough blank pages in your passport: Russian consulate requires minimum two blank pages.

### India, USA, UK, Germany, France, Spain residents

We have in-house visa teams in India, US, UK, Germany, France and Spain. Upon your booking we will email you detailed guidance notes how to fill in the visa forms and what additional documents depending on nationality and your immigration status will be required. You will need to post your application pack to our visa processing office including your original passport. Please allow about two weeks for each visa application to be processed. Please advise us if you require your passport urgently, we can arrange urgent processing for an additional charge.

### Non-India, USA, UK, Germany, France, Spain residents

If you are not resident in India, USA, UK, Germany, France or Spain, we will issue official paperwork and email the required documents to you. You will need to apply for your visa at the local consulate. The process is very straightforward and we can assist you with completing the visa forms. You will have to pay the correct visa fee at the consulate in the country of your residence.

You can read more information about visa and application forms on our website:

[www.justgorussia.in/in/visa\\_services.html](http://www.justgorussia.in/in/visa_services.html)

## HOW TO BOOK

### Step 1 - Choose Your Holiday & Departure Dates

It is important that you choose a trip that is well suited to your interests, capabilities and experience. All our staff has first hand experience of a range of Go Russia holidays and will be happy to talk to you about your chosen trip, enabling you to assess its suitability. We also recommend that you read the descriptions of the relevant region, general information about our services, booking conditions, and trip dossiers carefully. Once you know what tour is right for you, as well as your departure dates, you can start your booking.

### Step 2 - Complete the Booking Form

**Online:** log on to [www.justgorussia.in](http://www.justgorussia.in) and open the tour you wish to book and click "Book now". To provide you with a more personalised and relevant experience in all your contact with Go Russia, when you book online we ask you to register on our system. Once registered you can retrieve your bookings, brochure requests, lecture participation, update newsletter subscriptions, passenger and emergency contact details, submit special dietary requests, view invoices and receipts, download trip documents.

**Email:** alternatively, you can book your tour per email - [info@justgorussia.in](mailto:info@justgorussia.in), or

**Phone:** call us on 000 800 050 24 14

When booking by email or over the phone please confirm your personal details (full name and address), chosen tour, departure date, package type (hotel / cabin category), and available upgrades.

### Step 3 - Confirmation of your booking

On receipt of your booking form, we will make any necessary reservations for you and send you confirmation invoice, including the flight details, and additional information about your destination: advice on visas, vaccinations and what to take. The invoice will also show you the exact due date of the payment.

#### **Step 4 - Payment**

Please note, if your departure date is more than 56 days you will need to pay the deposit, which should cover the full cost of the flight (if applicable), plus 10% of the land-only arrangements (minimum Rs15,000) per person towards your tour. The outstanding payment must be made 56 days prior to departure. If you book less than 56 days before departure, full payment must be made at the time of your booking. You can make your payment by bank transfer or credit card (2% surcharge applies for credit card payments). You will find all relevant payment details in your invoice.

On request we can organise an additional programme for you, please inquire about the price and availability of the optional excursions.

Please find below some space to write down your queries or comments regarding this trip.

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