





GREAT TRANS-SIBERIAN JOURNEY

DAY 1: MOSCOW

Welcome to Russia! Arrival in Moscow, guided transfer to the hotel.

DAY 2: MOSCOW

In the morning explore the vibrant city of Moscow attending our exciting sightseeing tour. In the afternoon we offer you to visit the very heart of Russia, the Moscow Kremlin. In the evening transfer to the railway terminal to board the train. Accommodation on board the train

DAY 3: KAZAN

Arrival in Kazan, the capital of the Rebublic of Tatarstan, a city of a 1,000 year-long history. Enjoy a guided city tour and a folk show.

Accommodation on board the train

DAY 4: EKATERINBURG

Arrival in Ekaterinburg the city which is considered to be the border between Europe and Asia. Guided city tour around the city. Accommodation on board the train.

DAY 5: NOVOSIBIRSK

Arrival in Novosibirsk,. Enjoy our guided city tour around the biggest city in Siberia. In the afternoon we offer you an excursion to the open air museum of railway machinery with an extensive exposition of the railroad history, locomotives and cars. Accommodation on board the train.

DAY 6: KRASNOYARSK

Arrival in Krasnoyarsk, Guided city tour of the key landmarks. Accommodation on board the train.

DAY 7: IRKUTSK

Arrival in Irkutsk, the oldest city in Eastern Siberia, a historical transit point on trade routes between Russia and China. Enjoy our exciting city tour combined with visit to the Taltsy open-air museum of wooden architecture. Accommodation on board the train.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

THE <u>LONGEST RAILWAY</u> IN THE WORLD

UNESCO listed the RED SQARE

EUROPE – ASIA BORDER

UNESCO listed LAKE BAIKAL

the **deepest** and the most voluminous freshwater lake in the world. It is also among the clearest of all lakes, and thought to be the world's oldest lake.

VISIT TO A NOMADIC FAMILY

THE CREAT WALL OF CHINA

the world's largest military structure declared a **UNESCO World Heritage** Site







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DAY 8: LISTVYANKA

Arrival in Listvyanka Village to board the train for a ride on the Circum Baikal Line. A photo stop is arranged at a small village where the passengers can get off the train and put their feet into the clear and cold water of Lake Baikal. A barbeque by the lakeside is also part of the program. Accommodation on board the train.

DAY 9: ULAN-UDE

Arrival in Ulan Ude. The program includes a visit to local Datsan, prominent Buddhist Monastery and centre of Buddhism in Russia. On the way to Mongolia, our train crosses the Russian border at Naushki and the Mongolian border at Sukhe Bator and joins the Trans-Mongolian Mainline. All passport and customs control formalities are done on board the train. Accommodation on board the train.

DAY 10: ULAN-BATOR

Arrival in Ulan Bator, the capital of Mongolia. In the morning transfer to Terelj National Park (70 km). In the afternoon excursion to the beautiful Turtle Rock to be followed by a short hiking tour to the top of the Overlooking Hill to have a panoramic view on Terelj National Park. Horse riding. Disassembling and setting up a smaller Mongolian ger. Admire the sunset and bright shining night stars in the wide steppe. Accommodation in Gers.

DAY 11: ULAN-BATOR

In the morning a visit to a nomadic family to learn the authentic lifestyle of Mongolian nomads and try traditional dairy food.

After lunch transfer to Ulan Bator and guided tour around the city. In the evening Mongolian traditional music and dance performance.

Accommodation on board the train.

DAY 12: ERLYAN

In the morning arrival at the Mongolian border village of Zamyn-Uud and the Chinese border town of Erlian. All passport and customs control formalities take place on board the train.

Cjange our train to private Chinese train, passengers enjoy a sumptuous Chinese welcome lunch. In the afternoon the train goes via the Gobi Desert famous for its spacious territory, most severe environment and unique fauna.

Accommodation on board the private Chinese train.

DAY 13: BEIJING

In the morning arrival in Beijing, the capital of China, a city of ancient history and culture, unique architectural monuments and modern dynamic life.

Full day guided city tour. Accommodation in hotel.

DAY 14: BEIJING

In the morning excursion to the Great Wall and after lunch to the Ming Tombs. Accommodation in Beijing hotel.

DAY 15: BEIJING

Transfer to the airport.