



GOBI DESERT ADVENTURE MONGOLIA TOUR WITH SAMAR MAGIC TOURS



Key Information:

Trip Length: 10 days/9 nights.

Tour Code: **SMT-GT-10D**

Specialty Categories: Adventure 4x4 Expedition, Archaeology sites, Birdwatching, Camel riding, Gobi Desert, Local Culture, Nature & Wildlife, National Parks.

Meeting/Departure Points: Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. Your international flight to Mongolia is on your own arrangement.

Group Size: **4-32 travelers-guaranteed!**

Valid Season: **June, July, August, September 20th.**

Guarantee Tour Booking: Booking need to be done at least **180-160** business days, before tour starts **to guarantee the domestic flight from Gobi Desert to Ulaanbaatar** (your valid copy of passport is needed to buy the domestic air ticket!).

Tour Highlights: Upon your arrival in Ulaanbaatar ` ` **Genghis (Chinggis) ` ` Khan New Airport** (52 km/32.3 miles), meet Samar Magic Tours team. **Mongolia Adventure Gobi Desert Tour** gets you to the **Natural Wonders of Southern regions of Gobi Desert. Tsagaan Tsuvarga in Middle Gobi** (Stupas or White Pagodas, about 280 km/174 miles, 6hours drive from the **Bagazarin Chuluu Rock Formations**): are located approximately 426 km (265 miles) from Ulaanbaatar, and 30 km east of the main road Ulaanbaatar - Umnugobi (Gobi South). The 30-60 m (196.85 ft) high, 400 m (1312.34 ft) long, colourful limestone formation was once the ocean floor where visitors find marine fossils and shells. Its colours stand out in the morning and at night. **Tsagaan Suvarga** got its name because its shape resembles relict Buddhist stupas or pagodas. There are some trails to walk down and up through the cliffs. Opportunity to photograph its colors in the morning and at night. The Gobi Desert is the source of many important fossil finds, including the first dinosaur eggs. Despite the harsh conditions, these deserts and the surrounding regions sustain many animals, including black-tailed gazelles, marbled polecats, Bactrian camels, Mongolian wild ass and sand plovers. They are occasionally visited by snow



leopards, brown bears, and wolves. Camel riding, meeting nomadic people, staying in a traditional tent, seeing grasslands and beautiful vistas. Explore **Yolyn Canyon** in Gobi Desert. Climb up the towering piles of the **Khongor Largest Sand dunes**. Expedition to the **Spectacular Flaming Cliffs** in Gobi Desert, where many fossilized dinosaur bones and eggs have been found. **We would be pleased to have you join us!**



10-DAY OF GOBI DESERT ADVENTURE MONGOLIA TOUR WITH SAMAR MAGIC TOURS

BRIEF ITINERARY:

Day 1-Upon your arrival in Ulaanbaatar `` **Genghis (Chinggis)** `` New Airport, meet **Samar Magic Tours team**. Ulaanbaatar Grand Tour. **(L)**

Day 2-Ulaanbaatar - the 40meter /~133,3 feet **Genghis Khan** Statue on horseback - Ulaanbaatar. **(B)(L)**

Day 3-Ulaanbaatar-Bagazarin Chuluu (Rock Formations) in Middle Gobi. **(B)(L)(D)**

Day 4-Tsagaan Tsuvarga (Stupas or White Pagodas) in Middle Gobi. **(B)(L)(D)**

Day 5-Tsagaan Tsuvarga-Gobi Desert-Yolin Am Canyon. **(B)(L)(D)**

Day 6-Gobi Desert: Khongor Largest Sand Dunes-True Camel Family-Camel Riding. **(B)(L)(D)**

Day 7-Gobi Desert: Bayanzag or Flaming Cliffs. **(B)(L)(D)**

Day 8-**Take the flight from Gobi Desert-Ulaanbaatar**. **(B)(L)**



Day 9-Ulaanbatar. Last Shopping for souvenirs and cashmere. **(B)(L)**
Day 10-Departure Mongolia. (B)



DAY BY DAY ITINERARY:

Day 1-Upon your arrival in Ulaanbaatar `` **Genghis Khan** `` New Airport and after custom formalities and baggage claim, you will be met by **Samar Magic Tours team** and taken to the centrally located hotel in Ulaanbaatar (by hotels policy the check-in time is after **02:00PM/14:00**). **Ulaanbaatar City Grand Tour:** visit the **Gandantegchinlen Monastery** is a Tibetan-style Buddhist monastery that has been restored and revitalized since 1990. The Tibetan name translates to the "**Great Place of Complete Joy**". It currently has over 150 monks in residence. It features a 26.5-meter-high statue of Avalokitesvara. It came under state protection in 1994. **10:00AM-Here you will have the opportunity to attend a Buddhist ceremony.** Next, we will **visit a small**



museum of dinosaur fossils. The centerpiece of the museum is the 4m-tall, 3-ton ultraviolet **Tarbosaurus bataar (cousin of Tyrannosaurus rex)** and a smaller Saurolophus, with its distinctive cranial crest. The **Tarbosaurus bataar** made international headlines in 2012, when it sold for more than US\$1 million at an auction in Texas. The Mongolian Government protested that the fossil had been illegally removed from Mongolia and demanded its return. The legal battle ended when a US judge ruled in favor of Mongolia. **Nicolas Cage** has agreed to return a rare dinosaur skull to the Mongolian government. The Oscar-winning actor bought the Tyrannosaurus bataar skull in 2007, not knowing it had been stolen. Authorities said he voluntarily agreed to hand over the skull after learning of the circumstances. The museum also includes examples of Velociraptor and Protoceratops, and a nest of Oviraptor eggs. It is located inside the former Lenin Museum, built in 1974. Here you will see a large statue of the **Genghis Khan**-inaugurated in 2006 on the occasion of 800th Anniversary of the **Great Mongolian Empire of Genghis Khan (1206-2006)**, the **Sukh Baatar Hero** along with The Parliament House, Stock Exchange, the Drama Theatre and the Palace of Culture. Visit the **National History Museum**-where you will see artefacts from Mongolia and Central Asia from the Stone Age to the present. Visit the **National History Museum**-where you will see artefacts from Mongolia and Central Asia from the Stone Age to the present. **Welcome lunch in traditional local restaurant.** Visit the **New Museum "Genghis Kan" ("Chinggis Khaan")**, opened in the month of **Octubre 11, 2022**. The museum is designed to show the history of the Mongol kings from the reign of King Hunnu Modun Shanyu to the abdication of the Eighth Jebtsundamba. **06:00PM-Mongolian National Performers** (concert which includes the Tsam dance, traditional Mongolian singers, dancers, Tuvan throat singing and contortionists). Transfer to hotel. Overnight at selected and confirmed hotel. **Dinner is not included. (L)**





Day 2-Breakfast. 09:00AM-Meet Samar Magic Tours team at reception of the hotel. Drive towards to visit the **40meter /~133,3 feet Genghis Khan Statue on horseback** (55km/34mi) N/E of the Mongolian capital Ulaanbaatar. The statue is symbolically pointed east towards his birthplace. It is on top of the **Genghis Khan Statue Complex**, a visitor center, itself 10 meters (32 ft 10 in) tall, with 36 columns representing the 36 khans from **Genghis** to Ligdan Khan. Visitors walk to the head of the horse through its chest and neck of the horse, where they can have a panoramic view. Near the Great Statue of **Genghis Khan**, we can take beautiful photos with **the Kazakhs and their Golden Eagles**, rides on the backs of **Bactrian camels**, or rides on **Mongolian horses** through the steppes, **shooting with a bow and arrow** (***extra payment at the same place**). **Mongolian lunch is included on the way**. After, continuous drive north further to reach **Gorkhi/Terelj National Park**. Seeing grasslands and beautiful vistas. The valley is about 20kms/12miles long at 1600m. This picturesque National Park is a part of **Khan Khentii Strictly Protected Area**. It is a great place for hiking, trekking, even you can rock climb here at its natural steep granite walls. Explore the **Turtle shaped original giant rock** - symbol of Gorkhi/Terelj National Park. Walking & Easy Trekking to **Arryabal Meditation Temple**, on the top of the small hill. **Drive back to Ulaanbaatar**. Transfer to hotel. Overnight at selected and confirmed hotel. **Dinner is not included. (B)(L)**



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Day 3 -Breakfast. Meet Samar Magic Tours team at reception of the hotel. Drive towards south to **Baga Gazariin Chuluu Rock Formations** – located in Delgertsogt sum, Dundgovi province and surrounded by plain. The highest one is 15 km long and 10 km wide granite stone-mountain elevated at 1768m above sea level. You will see rocks and stones in unique shapes and buries of Mongols from Middle Ages. Today, we explore **the ruins of Sum Khukh Burd Temple**. It was built in the 10th century from rocks transported from over 300kms/187 miles away. Accommodation in tourist Gers camp. **(B)(L)(D)**



Day 4-Breakfast. Meet Samar Magic Tours team. Drive towards to **Tsagaan Tsvurga White Stupas or White Pagodas**, about 280 km/174 miles), 5-6hours drive from the **Bagazarin Chuluu (Rock Formations)**. **Tsagaan Tsvurga (Stupas or White Pagodas)** are located approximately 426 km (265 miles) from Ulaanbaatar, and 30 km east of the main road Ulaanbaatar - Umnugobi (Gobi South). The 30-60 m (196.85 ft) high, 400 m (1312.34 ft) long, colorful limestone formation was once the ocean floor where visitors find marine fossils and shells. Its colors stand out in the morning and at night. **Tsagaan Suvarga** got its name because its shape resembles relict Buddhist stupas or pagodas. There are some trails to walk down and up through the cliffs. Opportunity to photograph its colors in the morning and at night. Overnight in tourist Gers camp. **(B)(L)(D)**





Day 5-Breakfast. Meet Samar Magic Tours team. Drive to **Gobi Desert** in South Gobi province. Explore **Yolin Canyon** on foot in **Gobi Gurvansaikhan National Park**-was established in 1993, and expanded to its current size in 2000. This is the **largest national park in Mongolia**. Famed for its rich bird habitat, **Yolin Canyon or commonly known as (Vulture's Gorge)** was originally established as a bird preserve and later for its stunning beauty and great hiking options **Yolin Canyon** became one of the major destinations in Gobi. **Here you will have the opportunity for hiking** in the ice valley of Gobi, the stunning landscapes. **There is a small museum**, which displays dinosaur eggs, some bones and stuffed birds and leopards. Overnight in tourist Gers camp. **(B)(L)(D)**



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Day 6-Breakfast. Meet Samar Magic Tours team. Drive towards to the **Largest Khongor Sand dunes. Exploration and enjoy and climb up.** Visit an **authentic camel breeding family. See their real nomadic life and ride two humped camels around.** Overnight in tourist Gers camp. **(B)(L)(D)**

Day 7-Breakfast. Meet Samar Magic Tours team. Drive towards to **Bayanzag (Rich in Saxual) or Flaming Cliffs** in Gobi desert. **Explore Bayanzag (Rich in Saxual) or Flaming Cliffs- here Roy Chapman Andrews,** an American palaeontologist and staff of the Museum of Natural History in New York first found 4-6 inches dinosaur eggs here in 1922. **Bayanzag** is referred as **Flaming Cliffs** for its amazing colours and shape). **Enjoy the Gobi sunset at the legendary "Flaming Cliffs," which glow brilliantly at sunrise and sunset.** Overnight in tourist Gers camp. **(B)(L)(D)**

Bayanzag or Flaming Cliffs





Day 8-Breakfast. At the time finally confirmed by the National Air Agency. Meeting with the team Samar Magic Tours. Transfer to **Dalanzagad Gobi desert local airport**. **Take the flight to Ulaanbaatar** (about 2.00 flight hours). Meeting with the Samar Magic Tours team at the New Airport ``Genghis Khan`` (52 km/32.3 miles), and taken to the centrally located hotel in Ulaanbaatar (*by hotels policy the check-in time is after **02:00PM/14:00**). **Rest of the day of rest at hotel**. Overnight at selected and confirmed hotel. **Dinner is not included. (B)(L).**



Day 9-Breakfast. **10:00AM**-Meet Samar Magic Tours team at reception of the hotel. Next, visit **Zaisan Hill**, which offers an overview of Ulaanbaatar. Next, we will visit the **Buddha statue**, located at the base of the 75-foot-tall (23-meter-high) **Zaisan Memorial**. Below the statue is a



small room containing sutras and images of Buddha and his disciples. **Last Shopping for souvenirs and cashmere. Lunch is included in local restaurant.** Overnight at selected and confirmed hotel. **Dinner is not included. (B)(L)**

Day 10-Breakfast. The rooms must be vacated before **12 noon** on the day of departure. Meeting with Samar Magic Tours at the hotel reception. Transfer to Ulaanbaatar `` **Genghis Khan** ´´ New Airport. **Departure Mongolia. (B). Tour Ends.**

INCLUDED SERVICES:

One Airfare from Gobi Desert/Ulaanbaatar (one way), including the domestic tax (the air-ticket costs about \$ US 300 per person). **It is subject to the change by Mongolian airlines.**

4 nights of accommodation in the selected and confirmed hotel, based on the indicated double room with breakfast.

5 nights of lodging in the typical traditional tourist camps based on standard Ger for **2** people or more (according to the request!) with bathrooms outside (that is, shared, 1 building for the gentlemen, and 1 building for the ladies), in the rest of the route.

Meals as specified (**9B,9L,5D**) with 1 bottle of mineral water per person/daily.

Welcome lunch in a traditional local restaurant.

All transfers in private, traveling in a comfortable Japanese vehicle 4x4 or similar with all fuel included.

English or Spanish speaking local guide (according to the request!).

All entrance fees to the 40 meter /~133,3 feet Genghis Khan Statue on horseback, Gobi Gurvasaikhan National Park, Gorkhi/Terelj National Park, monuments, museums, and monasteries.

Visits an authentic family nomad with camel herds in the dunes of the Gobi Desert.

Attend a folk show with the fascinating sounds of khoomi throat singing and Mongolian dance.

Excursion to explore the dunes on the back of a Bactrian camel.

Gentle hiking through wonderful landscapes.

Service fees include 10% VAT, 2% Ulaanbaatar city tax and 5% service charge for Ulaanbaatar city hotels.

What's Not Included?

Airfares. Occasional flight delays or cancellation. Excess baggage. Visa. Any rescue costs or costs of early departure. Changing of date of departure from Ulaanbaatar. **Early Check-in or Late Check-out.** The traveller is responsible for having proper travel documents, such as a valid passport, and the necessary passport pictures. Travel insurance. Items of personal nature such as gratuities to porters at hotels, telephone / telex / fax charges, laundry, beverages, meals, optional activities, and services not specified in the itinerary. **Binocular.** Any circumstances beyond of our control, such as the imposition of quarantine restrictions, weather conditions, road conditions, etc.



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OUTSTANDING EXPERIENCES:

- Visit the 40meter /~133,3 feet Genghis Khan Statue on horseback.
- We will explore the Yolyn Canyon or Vulture Gorge in the "Gobi Gurvan Shaikhan" National Park.
- We will walk through the largest Khongor sand dunes and we will be able to climb the highest peak, where we will be able to observe a wonderful landscape of Khongor sand dunes and we will enjoy the contrast of the Gobi desert.
- We will visit an authentic family with Bactrian camel farms. We will get to know the Mongolian nomadic lifestyle. We will enjoy an excursion on the back of a Bactrian camel.
- We will explore the Bayan Zag Fire Cliffs on foot, where hundreds of fossilized dinosaur eggs have been discovered, as well as complete skeletons of these great prehistoric reptiles from the Cretaceous period.
- Listen to the mesmerizing sounds of Khoomi throat singing during a traditional dance performance.

TO CONSIDER:

- Guaranteed services from **4-32** people.
- Mongolian visa not included.
- International flights not included.
- Excess baggage: (*local flight allows **15kg** per person, payment for excess weight: \$1.5 per kg).
- Excess baggage: Limit: **15** kg per person.
- Accommodation outside Ulaanbaatar is in the tourist camps in Ger Standard for 2 people with bathrooms outside (so shared, 1 building for men, and 1 building for women). The tourist camps in Gers do not have an official category.
- The hotel category information is for the Ulaanbaatar hotel.
- The entrance to the rooms in the hotels of Ulaanbaatar is at **02:00PM (14:00)**. Early entry to rooms is not included.
- The departure of the rooms in the hotels of Ulaanbaatar is at **12:00M**. Late check-out of rooms is not included.
- **When visiting nomadic families:** you must enter the Ger from the left side and with your right foot. Once you cross the threshold, your hosts will invite you in, telling you where you should sit. The correct thing to do is to bring a gift for the nomads' children, never money because it is offensive. They can be sweets, cookies, chocolates, candies, colored pencils, caps... some whim of this style.



- Samar Magic Tours organizes trips in Mongolia in comfortable all-terrain vehicles through the Gobi Desert. All transfers are private. Samar Magic Tours reserves the right to change the vehicle depending on the number of participants. Under no circumstances will we accept a claim for these reasons, without refund.
- Mongolian Domestic flights may be canceled or modified without prior notice. In these cases, we will do everything in our power to find the best available solution, in no case will we accept a claim for the consequences, without this entailing a refund.

RESERVATION CONDITIONS AND FINAL PAYMENT

PRICE: The price of our trips has been calculated based on exchange rates, transport rates, fuel costs and applicable taxes and fees on the date of publication of the program/brochure or subsequent dates that, if applicable, are have been made public in print. Any variation in the price of the aforementioned elements may give rise to the revision of the final price of the trip, both upwards and downwards, in the strict amounts of the aforementioned price variations. These modifications will be notified to the consumer, in writing or by any means that allows proof of the communication made, being able, when the modification made is significant, to withdraw from the trip, without any penalty, or accept the modification of the contract. In no case, will it be revised upwards in the twenty days prior to the departure date of the trip, regarding the requests already made. Prices are calculated based on double room. Prices and fees are quoted in \$ Us dollars or in € euros and are subject to change.

Please note: Naadam Festival surcharge applies for travel from **Jul 01 to Jul 15 - Peak Season in Mongolia**, where all services, accommodations are overcrowded.

- At the time of registering for the trip, the amount of \$ US 660.00 or 660.00 € (six hundred and sixty) per person will be paid immediately by bank transfer as a **guarantee deposit**, with a minimum advance notice of **180-160** business days, before arrival in Mongolia.
- You must send us a photocopy of the original passport with a minimum validity of 6 months, in order to reserve and purchase domestic air tickets in Mongolia, hotels in Ulaanbaatar, and tickets to the Naadam Festival in the month of July.
- No registration will be considered valid until these requirements are formalized.
- The final payment of the trip will be made by bank transfer **95** business days before arrival in Mongolia, in order to guarantee the domestic air tickets (if any on the route) and all the indicated reservations.

VERY IMPORTANT NOTE: If you do not pay us on the indicated dates, we cannot guarantee the indicated services (*so in this case, you need to check the new rates and if there is availability in other hotels).



CANCELLATION

Refunds for package holidays: Deposits are non-refundable.

90-19 business days before departure: 50% of the Land Cost.

18-00 business days before departure: No refund.

In the case of cancellations of air and train tickets: it is another concept. The rates of air tickets or international and national trains subject to modifications, depending on availability at the time of entering the reservation. Rates on air tickets or on international and national trains are only frozen with the issuance and full payment of the tickets. Tickets are non-refundable and can only be cancelled on the day of issue.

Domestic flights: may be canceled or modified without prior notice. In these cases, we will do everything in our power to find the best available solution, in no case will we accept a claim for the consequences, without this entailing a refund.

PERSONAL TRAVELING FOR FREE IN MONGOLIA:

A) If the group is of **16** people (**15** pax subscribers + **1** person for free by land, based only on DOUBLE room: **8**). Samar Magic Tours will pay all expenses for land, accommodation in **DOUBLE** room. **Not included: accommodation in a single room, and air tickets.**

B) If the group is of **32** people (**30** pax subscribers + **2** people for free by land, based only on DOUBLE room: **16**). Samar Magic Tours will pay all expenses for land, accommodation in **DOUBLE** room. **Not included: accommodation in a single room, and air tickets.**

CHARGE FOR CHILDREN IN MONGOLIA:

0-3 years: free;

From 4 to 11 years old: 50% of the usual adult price.

From 12 years old: 100% of the regular adult price.

CONDITIONS OF FORCE MAJEURE: Although it is our absolute desire to fulfil the trip as detailed in the program, sometimes there are conditions of force majeure that mean that it may be modified. Samar Magic Tours is not legally responsible for those conditions of force majeure outside the organization of the trip that may force changes to the travel program. These reasons and circumstances of force majeure include possible situations of insecurity for the traveller, political instability or violence, rebellions or risk of rebellion, strikes, altercations and violent actions, decisions of governments or local authorities, technical or maintenance problems related to transportation, changes in schedules or aviation or road routes, natural disasters, epidemics, adverse weather conditions, as well as any other circumstance beyond the control of Samar Magic Tours. If due to unusual circumstances of force majeure it is necessary to carry out a cancellation of the trip, there is no obligation for compensation.



FORM TO FILL IN:

NAMES AND SURNAMES (*HOW IT IS WRITTEN ON THE PASSPORT):

CITIZENSHIP:

SEX:

VALID PASSPORT NUMBER:

DATE OF ARRIVAL IN ULAN BATOR, NO. OF THE FLIGHT AND TIME OF ARRIVAL:

DATE OF DEPARTURE FROM MONGOLIA, NO. OF THE FLIGHT AND THE SCHEDULE:

THE SELECTED HOTEL IN ULAANBAATAR:

I have read and understand the Obligations and Responsibility section detailed above on the form and the General Information and Special Booking Conditions as set out in the tour information literature and accept them on behalf of myself and my group. I declare that I am not traveling against any medical advice.

SIGNATURE:-----

DATE:-----