

Highway to China 15 days



Riding the Trans-Siberian & Trans-Mongolian from Moscow east to Beijing; crossing Siberia the train pulls into Irkutsk, gateway to Lake Baikal and Ulaan Baatar in the heart of Mongolia.

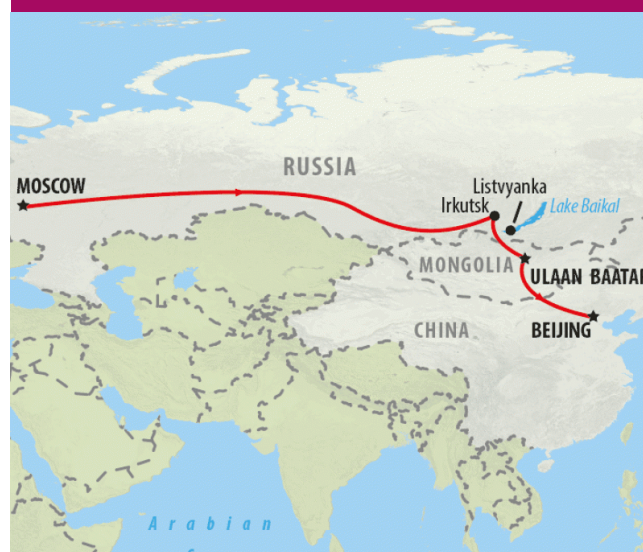
TOUR DETAILS:

- Starts in: Moscow / Ends in: Beijing
- Departs: Fridays - year round
- No local payment required
- Breakfast: 7, Lunch: 0, Dinner: 0
- Hotel Rating: 3 star
- Tour Guide: Yes - for optional touring

ONLINE RESOURCES:

- For a detailed GO GUIDE - [click here](#)
- To book this trip - [click here](#)
- To enquire about this trip - [click here](#)

TOUR MAP:



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Days 1 - 2:

Moscow. Arrival transfer from Moscow airport. Enjoy free time in Russia's lively capital. On day 2 you can independently explore the sights or book an optional guided walk around Red Square, escorted by a knowledgeable local guide. Overnight - [Moscow](#)

Days 3 - 6:

Moscow - Irkutsk. The morning of day 3 is free for you to relax before a midday transfer to the rail station to start your Trans-Siberian journey. Settle into life aboard the train as it plies its way across the Urals and large tracts of Siberia.

Settle into life on board as the train plies its way across the Urals and large tracts of Siberia on days 4 to 6. Enjoy the views of the changing landscape, relax and get to know your fellow passengers. Overnight - Train

Days 7 - 9:

Irkutsk. Morning arrival into Irkutsk, a town with the Asiatic influences of nearby Mongolia and China and curious architecture - a legacy of Siberia's exiled aristocrats. Spend the next three days at leisure exploring the town. Or choose from the following optional excursions:

Listvyanka & Lake Baikal: Spend two relaxing days in the village of Listvyanka by beautiful Lake Baikal and perhaps choose one of the optional activities.

Irkutsk Summer Trek & Camp: Enjoy an overnight trekking excursion through the scenic taiga of the Primorsky Mountain to Lake Baikal, camping overnight in a picturesque bay. Overnight - [Irkutsk](#)



Day 10:

Irkutsk - Ulaan Baatar. Very early morning transfer to the rail station to continue your momentous journey into the heart of Mongolia, a land of endless steppe, towering mountains, pristine lakes, rivers and desert. Overnight - Train

Days 11 - 13:

Ulaan Baatar (Mongolia). Morning arrival into Ulaan Baatar after crossing the Mongolian border during the very early hours of day 11. The pine-covered mountains, wide boulevards, vast public squares and park give the city a feeling of spaciousness, while the ger communities, Buddhist temples and bustling market places give it a rustic charm. Transfer to your hotel and spend three days at leisure exploring the city. Or book an optional two night excursion to Terelj National Park:

Terelj National Park & ger camp bolt-on: Spend two nights camping out in a Mongolian ger on the steppe in Terelj National Park. Overnight - [Ulaan Baatar](#)



Days 14 - 15:

Ulaan Baatar - Beijing. Morning transfer to rail station on day 14 for the final leg of your journey. Enjoy panoramic views of uninterrupted steppe, with the occasional nomad, camel and ger dotting the landscape. Continuing south the train enters the flat, dry and sparsely populated landscape of the Gobi desert before crossing the border into China on day 14. The train pulls into Beijing, China's bustling capital, in the afternoon on day 15. Train (day 14)



WHAT YOU SEE AND WHAT YOU GET:

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Below is a list of key highlights and what is included on this tour. Further, where appropriate, we have listed the items that are not included in the tour price.

Trip Highlights

- Moscow, Russia's lively capital
- Trans-Siberian, Mongolian & Manchurian route
- Irkutsk - former Cossack garrison & trading centre
- Views of Siberian forest, Gobi Desert and Lake Baikal en route
- Ulaan Baatar - Mongolia's capital, set on banks of the Tuul River
- Beijing - extend your stay to visit the sights

What's Included

- 7 breakfasts
- 2 nights 3 star hotel in Moscow
- 3 nights 3 star hotel in Irkutsk
- 3 nights 3 star hotel in Ulaan Baatar
- 6 nights on board train (2nd class, 4 berth sleeper cabin)
- Train journey: Moscow - Beijing
- Moscow airport arrival transfer on day 1
- Transfer to Moscow train station (not platform) on day 3
- Return rail station transfers in Irkutsk and Ulaan Baatar

What's Not Included

- Flights and visas
- Meals aboard the train
- Laundry, drinks and items of a personal nature
- This journey is semi-independent and is unescorted. It is not a group departure and you will not have a tour guide.

BOLT-ONS:

Make the most of your time away! Listed below are the optional activities that are available on this trip. Please note that you will need to book these prior to travel as we cannot always guarantee availability of these activities once you are on holiday.

Terelj NP & Ger Camp - USD \$229

Just a short distance from Ulaan Baatar is Terelj National Park where you can spend 2 nights camping in a traditional Mongolian ger, surrounded by pine covered cliffs, grassy steppe and giant granite rock formations. Starts/ends: Ulaan Baatar

Listvyanka & Lake Baikal - USD \$279

Discover the beauty of Lake Baikal on this 2 night excursion to lakeside Listvyanka. Listvyanka is a charming village with a main road which runs along the shore of Lake Baikal, making it an ideal base to explore this picturesque region. Starts/ends: Irkutsk

Moscow Walking Tour - USD \$109

Travel on Moscow's famous Metro into the heart of the capital for a guided walking tour, taking in the sights of Red Square - the brightly coloured St Basil's Cathedral, the ritzy GUM department store and Lenin's Mausoleum. Starts/ends: Moscow

Summer Trek & Camp - Lake Baikal - USD \$279

Enjoy a scenic and leisurely trek through the stunning taiga of the Primorsky Mountain to a nearby bay on the shores of Lake Baikal where you'll camp overnight before continuing your trek to the lakeside village of Listvyanka. Starts/ends: Irkutsk.

Lake Baikal Discovery - Lake Baikal - USD \$539

If you are booking our Listvyanka & Lake Baikal bolt-on, consider enhancing your stay with a guided walking tour of Listvyanka and the Lake Baikal Museum, and a scenic Lake Baikal excursion. Starts/ends: Listvyanka

Cross Country Ski - Lake Baikal - USD \$429

If you're booking the Listvyanka & Lake Baikal bolt-on then consider enhancing your stay with a guided walking tour of Listvyanka and some winter fun, cross country skiing on the shores of Lake Baikal. Starts/ends: Listvyanka

PRICES AND DATES: from USD \$3,699

Prices shown are per person travelling based on a travelling party of at least 2 adults. 'Twin/Double' prices per person apply when there are 2 people travelling sharing a twin room/2nd class 4 berth train cabin. The 'single supplement' applies to travellers requiring a single hotel room at stops along the way, train accommodation remains 2nd class 4 berth. Please add this supplement to the 'Twin/Double' price. If you are a single traveller, a party of two wishing to upgrade to a 2 berth cabin or a party of 3 wishing to exclusively occupy a 4 berth cabin, please contact us for rates and availability. Please note that from May to October all routes are particularly busy and an upgrade may be difficult to obtain. Please note that train schedules are subject to change, which can alter the itinerary. These train timetable changes are beyond our control. Check with us at time of booking.

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Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
30 JAN - 13 FEB	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
13 FEB - 27 FEB	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
27 FEB - 13 MAR	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
13 MAR - 27 MAR	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
27 MAR - 10 APR	USD \$3,699	USD \$729

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10 APR - 24 APR	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
24 APR - 08 MAY	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
08 MAY - 22 MAY	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
29 MAY - 12 JUN	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
05 JUN - 19 JUN	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
12 JUN - 26 JUN	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
19 JUN - 03 JUL	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
26 JUN - 10 JUL	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
03 JUL - 17 JUL	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
10 JUL - 24 JUL	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
17 JUL - 31 JUL	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
24 JUL - 07 AUG	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
31 JUL - 14 AUG	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
07 AUG - 21 AUG	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
14 AUG - 28 AUG	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
21 AUG - 04 SEP	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
28 AUG - 11 SEP	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
04 SEP - 18 SEP	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
11 SEP - 25 SEP	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
18 SEP - 02 OCT	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
25 SEP - 09 OCT	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
02 OCT - 16 OCT	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
09 OCT - 23 OCT	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
16 OCT - 30 OCT	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
23 OCT - 06 NOV	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
30 OCT - 13 NOV	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
06 NOV - 20 NOV	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
13 NOV - 27 NOV	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
20 NOV - 04 DEC	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
27 NOV - 11 DEC	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
04 DEC - 18 DEC	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
11 DEC - 25 DEC	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
18 DEC - 01 JAN	USD \$3,699	USD \$729
25 DEC - 08 JAN	USD \$3,699	USD \$729

- I've just made it down to Shanghai, ready to fly back on Monday. The stop-overs in Moscow, in Irkutsk for the Baikal trek and Ulaan Bataar were superb - I have to highlight the ger camp which was superb and in such a wonderful setting. Your representatives in both places were excellent - as was Constantin in Moscow. Thanks again. Regards

[Jon Burgess, Jun 2012](#)

We really enjoyed our Trans-Siberian experience especially our stays in Lake Baikal, Terelj NP and Beijing. The family we stayed with were very hospitable, friendly and excellent food.

[Christine Hood,, May 2009](#)

Hi Jane Just to let you know have done the trip and it went without a hitch. All the guides turned up on time at the right place and were very helpful to me.... couldn't have asked for much more.... the accommodation was situated in the right area of town at all stops, and the service offered by them was good to excellent.... the meals that were included were all of a good standard.... Overall I would recommend this tour to others... keep up the good work... Lastly but not least, thank you for organising and making the trip booking as smooth as possible, i'm glad i took your advice to do the classic it was definitely the right thing to do for me. Thanks Jitinder

[Jitinder Bhandal, Oct 2008](#)

POSTCARDS:

Here's what some of our past travellers have written in to us and said about their experiences on this trip.

Hi Sarah, Just thought that I'd let you know that we've had a great trip