



Kazakhstan & Kyrgyzstan

ALMATY | CHARYN CANYON | SATY
KARAKOL | BARSKOON | BISHKEK | SHYMBULAK
TURGEN | HUNS ETHNO VILLAGE

09 DAYS 07 NIGHTS

KAZAKHSTAN & KYRGYZSTAN

WHY US



Minimum travelling time on coach



Fine selection of hotels



Handpicked local restaurants



Personal time to explore

SPECIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Lose yourself in Charyn Canyon's surreal Valley of Castles
- Relax amid nature's calm at Kolsai Lake
- Journey by 4WD & Horseback to Kaindy Lake
- Witness eagle hunting, Kyrgyzstan's ancient nomadic tradition
- Be awed by Barskoon Gorge & Waterfall's natural beauty
- Browse spices and crafts in vibrant Osh Bazaar
- Ride the cable car high to Shymbulak
- Experience nomadic traditions at Huns Ethno Village

FINE SELECTION OF HOTELS

CITY	NIGHT	HOTEL
Almaty	1	Novotel City Centre*
Saty	1	Kolsay Grand Hotel*
Karakol	1	Hotel 78 Karakol*
Barskoon	1	Nest House*
Bishkek	1	Sofia International Hotel*
Almaty	2	Novotel City Centre*

* or similar hotels

MEALS

Breakfast - 7 | Lunch - 7 | Dinner - 6

*Lunch or dinner adjustments do not affect the total meal included.

EETPICKS

Features highlighted attractions, activities, hotels, restaurants and more that's not only rated with excellence, but also highly recommended by our experienced tour planners.

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KAZAKHSTAN



KYRGYZSTAN

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Kuala Lumpur ✈ Almaty



✓ Dinner

Board your flight to **Almaty**, the cultural and financial heart of Kazakhstan. Check into the hotel for a restful evening.



Kolsai Lake

DAY 2 Almaty - Charyn Canyon - Saty

307KM



✓ Breakfast



✓ Lunch



✓ Dinner

📍 **Charyn Canyon with Sparkling Wine, Caviar & Pate Experience** - Explore the otherworldly canyon that's often compared to the Grand Canyon, and its famed **Valley of the Castles**. Board a **Soviet Truck (Return Trip Included)** for a thrilling ride to the gorge, then indulge in a little luxury amidst the stunning scenery.

📍 **Kolsai Lake** - After lunch, wander the tranquil mountain lake nestled between forested slopes. Enjoy a gentle walk, sip coffee with a view, shop for local crafts, or **take a boat ride*** across crystal waters. ***Suggested activities are not included in the tour price.**

Proceed to dinner and overnight in **Saty**.



Soviet truck



Kaindy Lake

E! Moment



The Wild Road To Kaindy
Kaindy Lakes



The Russian Orthodox Church

DAY 3 Saty - Kolsay Lake Town - Karakol **235KM**

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

Kaindy Lake - An adventurous ride by **4WD and Horseback (Included)** leads you to a stunning alpine lake, where ghostly sunken trees rise from crystal-clear waters. **Access to Kaindy Lake may be limited to trail conditions.*

Black Canyon - Witness the dramatic rock formations and deep gorges carved by time, a striking contrast to the lush alpine lakes.

Cross the border into **Karakol**, Kyrgyzstan, and proceed to dinner and an overnight stay.



Barskoon Gorge & Waterfall



Fairytale Canyon



Seven Bulls Rocks

DAY 4 Karakol - Barskoon

80KM

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

Karakol, a quaint mountain town blending nomadic traditions with Russian and Dungan influences.

Dungan Mosque (Entrance Included) - Explore Karakol's diverse heritage through its pastel-hued Chinese-style mosque built entirely without nails.

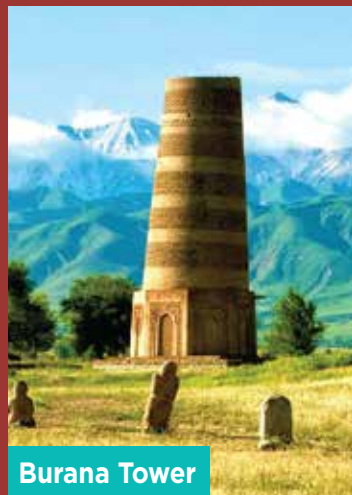
The Russian Orthodox Church (Entrance Included) - The wooden church with colourful windows and a golden dome is one of the oldest buildings in Karakol.

After exploring the town's landmarks, continue your journey into its food culture. Sample the refreshing **Ashlan-fu** (a cold, spicy noodle soup) with **Piroshki** (Hand Pie), or enjoy the town's playful take on fried chicken, fondly known as **Karakol Fried Chicken**.

Seven Bulls Rock (Jeti Oguz) - Marvel at the striking red sandstone formations, which local legends say were formed from a broken heart.

Barskoon Gorge & Waterfall (Entrance Included) - Also known as the **Tears of the Snow Leopard**, the area is a favourite picnic stop for locals and offers a great glimpse into Kyrgyzstan's natural beauty. At its entrance, you'll also find the **Statue of Yuri Gagarin Monument**, honoring the first human in space who once vacationed by Lake Issyk-Kul.

Fairytale Canyon (Skazka) - Enter a dreamy landscape sculpted into whimsical shapes by wind and time.



Burana Tower



Morning Eagle Hunting

DAY 5 Barskoon - Bishkek

327KM

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

Morning Eagle Hunting Show (Private Show Entrance Included) - Witness the centuries-old Kyrgyz tradition of hunting with eagles, pose for a photo with the majestic bird, and try your hand at traditional archery. **Outdoor show subject to weather conditions.*

Burana Tower [UNESCO] (Entrance Included) - Stop at this ancient minaret from the 11th century, once part of the Silk Road city of Balasagun. Explore its open-air museum featuring petroglyphs and carved warrior stones.

Overnight in **Bishkek**, Kyrgyzstan's capital.

DAY 6 Bishkek → Almaty

Breakfast Lunch

Bishkek Guided Tour

Osh Bazaar - Soak up the everyday rhythm of Kyrgyz life in a bustling market filled with fragrant spices, fresh nuts, traditional textiles, felt slippers, and local souvenirs.

Ala Too Square - Explore the historical and political core of Bishkek, where locals gather for national celebrations, protests, and festivals.

Dordoi Bazaar - Discover one of Central Asia's largest wholesale markets, where rows of colourful shipping containers transform into shops selling clothes, electronics, and accessories.

Make your way to the airport for the journey back to Almaty.



Osh Bazaar

DAY 7 Almaty - Shymbulak - Almaty 53KM

Breakfast Lunch Dinner

Almaty Guided Tour

Panfilov Park - Photostop at one of Almaty's oldest parks, named after the Panfilov Heroes of WWII.

Zenkov Cathedral - Admire one of the world's tallest wooden churches, built entirely without nails.

Medeo Skating Rink - Marvel at the world's largest speed skating rink surrounded by snow-capped peaks. This legendary venue is known for record-breaking speed skating and postcard-worthy views.

Shymbulak Ski Resort - Ride the Cable Car (Included) 2,200m up into the majestic Zailiyskiy Alatau mountains and take in breathtaking alpine views. *Cable car operation is subject to weather conditions.

Return to Almaty for dinner and an overnight stay.



Zenkov Cathedral



Shymbulak Cable Car



Huns Ethno Village

DAY 8 Almaty - Huns Ethno Village - Almaty 186KM → Kuala Lumpur

Breakfast Lunch

Huns Ethno Village (Entrance Included) - Step back in time as you're greeted by Kazakh warriors in traditional armor and national ritual called "Shashu". Try your hand at making Boursaks (Kazakh puffy bread), and observe demonstrations of nomadic life such as hand-flour grinding, wool whisking, cradle-swaying rituals, and Syrga Salu, the ceremony of preparing the bride for the wedding. Conclude with a farewell lunch, complete with an archery master class.

Return to Almaty for leisure time before transferring to the airport for your flight home.



Boursaks Master Class

DAY 9 Kuala Lumpur

Home sweet home. Till next time!



Ashlan-fu



Piroshki



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However, the night stay & number of meals will remain unchanged.