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Kyrgyzstan

Bishkek is the capital of the Kyrgyz Republic and sits in the Tien Shan mountain range in the Chui Valley. It is a relatively new city and has limited historical sites, but it makes a great place to start your trips to the mountains and alpine lakes of the Tien Shans. Bishkek is, however, an interesting example of a planned city; laid on a grid with wide boulevards flanked by irrigation canals and large trees, buildings with marble facades, and Soviet apartment complexes. Kyrgyzstan has the most liberal tourist visa regime in Central Asia, so it makes a great place to start your tour of the silk road and collect your visas to neighboring countries. Ala Archa Gorge is a mountain gorge just to the south of the capital of Bishkek. There are rare busses which run to the gate, but it's still several kilometers to the end of the road for cars and the alplagen.

The Burana Tower is a large minaret near the town of Tokmok in the Chui Valley in northern Kyrgyzstan. The tower, along with remnants of a castle and three mausoleums, is all that remains of the ancient city of Balasagun, dating from the 9th century. Lake Issyk-Kul is Kyrgyzstan's largest lake and at about 180 km long by 70 km wide and 668 meters deep at the deepest point, it is the world's second largest mountain lake. There are no streams or rivers running out of Lake Issyk-Kul so the lake has a higher salinity than fresh water, actually tasting salty. The Ala Archa National Park was created in 1976 and occupies about 120,000 hectares of snow-covered peaks, steep forested slopes and the fast-flowing, Ala-Archa river. The national park is rich in flora and fauna with over 800 species of plants and about 170 specials of animals including Marco Polo sheep, wolves, bears, lynx, boar, eagles, and snow leopards.

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Bishkek, Ala Archa

Itinerary

Day 01: Friday Arrival Bishkek Via Tashkent

In the morning fly from Delhi to Bishkek via Tashkent. Lunch in a restaurant in Bishkek (Indian meal). Arrival in Bishkek at 13:05. Meeting with your guide in Bishkek airport and transfer to the city for lunch. After lunch we visit Osh Bazaar. We will go through the rows with vegetables, fruits, spices, flowers etc. It is the real essence of the city life! Also we watch handicrafts made by Kyrgyz craftsmen. Dinner in a restaurant in Bishkek (Indian meal). Overnight in hotel.

Day 02: Saturday Bishkek Sightseeing

After breakfast sightseeing tour in Bishkek. Visit Manas Monument, the main national hero of the Kyrgyz people. Then excursion to the State History Museum and walking tour around main Ala Too Square to watch ceremony of changing of the Guard of Honor, Independence Monument, main governmental buildings, and finish at the Old Square with Parliament House and the only survived in Central Asia Lenin's Monument. Transfer to the Victory Square to finish the city tour by short excursion there. Lunch in a restaurant in Bishkek (Indian meal).

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Day 03: Sunday Leisure / Entertainment

In the afternoon guests may spend their time at leisure. For those interested in shopping we can offer a special shopping tour in the largest trading centers in Bishkek. If some guests are interested in winter sport practicing we arrange visit of one of the skating rinks in the city or its suburbs. Bishkek is very famous for its gambling business in Central Asia, so the Players are welcomed to the most fashionable casinos! Lunch in a restaurant in Bishkek (Indian meal). Dinner in a restaurant in Bishkek (Indian meal) with farewell folklore show of traditional Kyrgyz music and songs. Overnight in hotel.

Day 04: Monday Ala Archa National Park - Bishkek - Departure

In the morning drive to Ala-Archa National Natural Park located in a picturesque gorge of Ala Archa 40 km off from Bishkek. On the way to the park short stop at the traditional Kyrgyz cemetery and excursion to the Gumbaz (mausoleum) of Baitik Baatyr, the local respected tribal leader. At the National Park you can easily hike along the main gorge of Ala Archa and back to enjoy views of magnificent peaks of Kyrgyz Alatau Ridge (Tien Shan Mountains). Drive back to Bishkek for lunch in a restaurant (Indian meal). In the late afternoon you will be transferred to the airport to catch your flight to Tashkent and further to Delhi.

Inclusions:

- » Hotel accommodation in mentioned hotels on twin sharing basis in Standard room
- » 03 Breakfasts at Hotel
- » Local city tour with ESG
- » 04 Lunches and 03 Dinners (Indian Meals) at Indian Restaurant
- » Arrival / Departure Transfer with English speaking guide
- » Bus up to 50 seats with A/C, DVD, M/PH
- » All mentioned monuments entry fee
- » All Taxes
- » Visa Support

Exclusions:

- » Personal Nature Expenses
- » Night club entry
- » Entry and Gambling in Bishkek Casinos
- » International airfare Delhi - Tashkent - Bishkek - Tashkent - Delhi
- » Visa Charges in India
- » Single Supplements
- » Video / Camera Charges
- » Tips and Porter charges
- » Any type of Soft / Hard drinks

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Inclusions:

- » Accommodation on twin base
- » Entrance fees
- » Meals (FB)
- » Transport from arrival till departure
- » Visa Support

Exclusions:

- » Single supplement
- » Inter airfares
- » All personal expenses
- » Alcohol Drinks
- » Tips for guide and drivers
- » Porter fee
- » Visa fee

03 Nights / 04 Days Bishkek-Issyk Kul

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Bishkek, Issyk-Kul, Cholpon Ata, Ala Archa

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Day 02: Bishkek - Issyk-Kul

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Day 03: Issyk Kul - Cholpon Ata - Bishkek

In the morning you visit Cholpon Ata Petroglyphs site, the temple in the open air of Scythians and

Hunguns civilizations dated back 9-8 centuries BC till 3-4 centuries AD. After excursion transfer to Bishkek along the northern shore of the Issyk Kul Lake.

Lunch in a restaurant in Bishkek (Indian meal). In the afternoon guests may spend their time at leisure. For those interested in shopping we can offer a special shopping tour in the largest trading centers in Bishkek. If some guests are interested in winter sport practicing we arrange visit of one of the skating rinks in the city or its suburbs. Bishkek is very famous for its gambling business in Central Asia, so the Players are welcomed to the most fashionable casinos! Lunch in a restaurant in Bishkek (Indian meal). Dinner in a restaurant in Bishkek (Indian meal) with farewell folklore show of traditional Kyrgyz music and songs. Overnight in hotel.

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- » Meals (FB)
- » Transport from arrival till departure
- » Visa Support
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