

Welcome to Uzbekistan!

Man has traveled a long and complex path on this land. The present-day territory of Uzbekistan has repeatedly been an arena of grandiose battles and conquests. It has been invaded by the armies of Alexander the Great, the Arab Caliphate, the hordes of Genghis Khan and multiple Turkic Khaganates. Highly civilized states were created and disappeared. Many times ancient culture has fallen into decline and has been revived again in the works of folk masters - builders, architects and craftsmen, the hard work of farmers, the labors of great scientists and the verses of remarkable poets. The cities of Uzbekistan are adorned with architectural masterpieces of bygone eras, little known to a wide circle of wanderers in the name of joining the beautiful, bequeathed by the labor of distant generations. The hospitable land of Uzbekistan is always open for guests!



“Along the Great Silk Road”

Package



Duration: 9 days/ 8 nights

**Route: Tashkent-Khiva-Bukhara-Samarkand-
Tashkent**

During our journey you will see not only monumental architectural constructions of different epochs, but also get familiarized with the history and centuries-old culture of the peoples inhabiting modern Uzbekistan.

You will taste dishes of Uzbek national cuisine (the most “delicious” in the Central Asian region!). You will visit the biggest bazaar in Samarkand, where you will “run away” your eyes from the abundance of oriental “tasty things”.



Day 1

*Arrival at Tashkent International Airport at (Uzbek time) you will be met by our representative with a sign "Plus 7 Travel".
Transfer to the hotel, upon arrival accommodation.*

Overnight in Tashkent.

Day 2

***07:00 -10:00** - after breakfast, rest till 13:00, we are waiting for you in hotel's lobby.*

Our guide will take you on a motorized sightseeing tour of historical objects (XV-XIX centuries) total duration of the tour - (3-4 hours).

TV tower and park of victims of repressions, Independence Square, Romanov Palace; Theater Square, Cosmonauts Park, Broadway, Amir Timur Square.

Lunch in one of the restaurants of the city.

You can walk around the capital on your own or we will take you to the biggest and oldest bazaar of Tashkent - "Chor-Su".

18:00 - transfer to Tashkent International Airport, departure to Urgench at 19:25. Arrival at Urgench International Airport at 20:55 (local time).

You will be met by our representative with a sign "Plus 7 Travel".

Transfer by tourist car to Khiva (25 km, travel time - 30 minutes). Transfer to the hotel, on arrival accommodation.

Dinner in "Ichon Kale".

Overnight in Khiva.



Day 3



08:00-10:00 - breakfast at hotels.

10:00 - walking tour to the architectural monuments of “Ichan-Kala”.

We will visit, surrounded by powerful walls, the inner historical city of Khiva - architectural complex “Ichan-Kala” (XII-XIX cc.).

The uniqueness of this place lies in the fact that it is one of the few cities-museums, in which almost all historical buildings have been preserved. An open-air museum, untouched for centuries.

Lunch at one of the city's restaurants. Continuation of Khiva tour.

Dinner in one of the chaykhanas of the city.

Overnight in Khiva.



Day 4 08:00 - breakfast at the hotel.

09:00 - departure to Bukhara by road through Kyzyl-Kum desert (450km). Snack on the way (fruits, vegetables). Accommodation in the hotel upon arrival. Late lunch in one of the restaurants of the city. Free time (you can safely, without worries walk along the streets of the “old town”, where souvenir shops with goods for any taste are located).

Dinner in one of the restaurants of the city.

Overnight in Bukhara.

Day 5

07:00 - breakfast at the hotel.

Excursion to the architectural monuments of X-XIX centuries (pedestrian):

- the core of ancient Bukhara - Ark fortress (I-XX cc.); Bala-Hauz ensemble;
- dynastic tomb of the Samanids; architectural construction of the XIV c;
- mazar (place of worship) - Chashma Ayub;

Lunch in one of the restaurants of the city.

- Poi-Kalyan ("the foot of the Great") complex of constructions grouped around the highest minaret of Bukhara - Kalyan (tower for calling to prayer);
- closed trading passages - "timas" (XV century) and domed market buildings - "taki" (XVI century);
- one of the oldest mosques - Magokki-Attari;
- the largest water body of the medieval city - Lyabi-Hauz, built in 1620. It is framed by three monumental buildings:

Nadir-Divan-Begi madrasah (spiritual Muslim school) (1622), Nadir-Divan-Begi khanaka (a strange house for dervishes and pilgrims) - the 20s of the XVI century, the third building - Kukeltash madrasah (1568-69) - it was one of the largest madrasahs of its time (160 hujras - cells).

Dinner in one of the restaurants of the city Overnight in Bukhara.

Day 6

8:00 - 8:50 breakfast at the hotel. Free time till **10:00, 10:30** departure from the hotel with your luggage.

Continuation of the excursion, you will go (by automobile) to the north of Bukhara to the country residence of the last emirs of Bukhara - "Sitara-i-Mahi-Khasa" (the end of the XIX century-1918).

Lunch in one of the restaurants of the city.

15:00 - transfer to the railway station to take the electric train "Afrasiab" to Samarkand, at 15:30, (Travel time 1-hour 35min.) arrival at 17:10. Accommodation in the hotel upon arrival.

Dinner in one of the restaurants of the city, evening show on Registan Square (if you wish).

Overnight in Samarkand.

Day 7

10:00 - start of excursion to the architectural monuments of XII-XX centuries:

- Registan ensemble - the square of three madrassahs (spiritual Muslim schools): Tillya-Kari madrassah (XVII c), Sher-Dor madrassah (XVII c), Ulugbek madrassah (XV c).

- Gur-Emir mausoleum - family tomb of the Timurid dynasty on the male line (XV c., XVII c.);

14:00 - 15:00 - lunch in the national restaurant. Continuation of the excursion to the architectural monuments:

- Memorial Museum of Ulugbek (grandson of Tamerlane) and the remains of the observatory built by his order (1428-29).

- visit to the museum of the foundation of Samarkand (on the territory of the ancient settlement of Afrasiab).

* Visit to the theater of Historical costume "EL-MEROSI (if desired).

Overnight in Samarkand.

Day 8

8:00 - 8:50 - breakfast at the hotel.

09:00 - continuation of the excursion to the architectural monuments of XII-XX centuries:

- visit to the factory for the production of Samarkand silk paper.
- Visit to the factory for handmade silk carpets, Lunch in one of the restaurants.
- Bibi-Khanim Cathedral Mosque (15th century).
- Ensemble of mausoleums Shah-i-Zinda (XII-XIX cc.);

Visit to “Siab Bazaar” which is the largest and oldest in the city, the area of 7 hectares. Visit to the new building “Great Silk Road”.

17:00 - transfer to the railway station to take the electric train “Afrasiab” back to Tashkent, departure of the train at **18:00** hours (2 hours 10 hours).

You will be met by our representative with a sign “Plus 7 Travel”.

Upon arrival accommodation in the hotel. Dinner in one of the restaurants of the city.

Overnight in Tashkent.



Day 9

08:00-08:30-breakfast at the hotel.

09:00-meeting with the guide in hotel's lobby, drive to the Tien Shan mountains. while on the way you will see the airfield "Tuzel". The drive to our first stop at the new ski resort Amirsoy will take about two hours. By modern cable car you will ascend to the height of 2290 meters, enjoy beautiful views of the mountain peaks and breathe clean, mountain air.

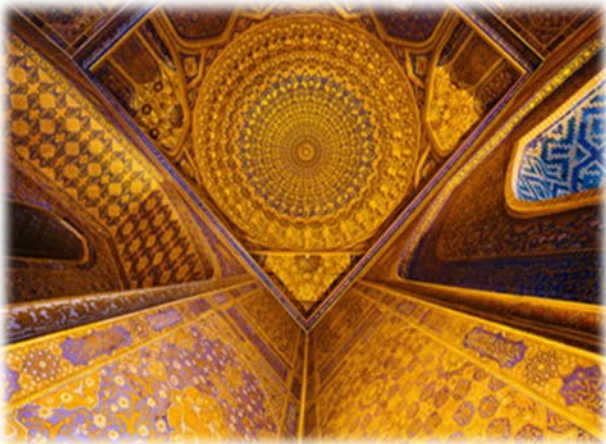
After passing near Beldersay resort, we will head towards Charvak Lake. Our way will also pass through the famous resort of Chimgan, which in the Soviet years was a popular place and received tourists from all republics of the big country.

Mountain lake Charvak, frozen petroglyphs, ancient plane trees.

On the lake Charvak we will have three stops to see the lake from different angles. On a high cliff above the lake, we will make our beautiful photos on the background of the most picturesque scenery.

We will look at the fish in the pond, climb higher and talk about Basmachi at the mountain waterfall. The road back to Tashkent will take an hour and a half.

Transfer to the international airport of Tashkent.





**Seasonality of the package is all year round.
The programs of stay in the package's 1st and last day depend on the time of arrival to the starting point of the package and the time of departure from the final point, may vary.**

For the active part of the package, it is necessary to have:

- comfortable shoes with thickened soles,**
- hats to protect from direct sunlight,**
- sunglasses,**
- warm clothes for the evening.**



** During the package program you can visit national theaters, houses, craft workshops and national wedding (by prior arrangement).*

Price for 2 persons per person is: \$1850

Price for 4 people per person is: \$1410

Price for 6 persons per person is: \$1140.

For single occupancy the surcharge is: \$240. Children under 10 years old travel at 50% discount.

The package's price includes: - accommodation in hotels 3*- 4* +breakfast with double accommodation;

Starex brand vehicles according to the program;

Economy class rail tickets on high-speed trains:

Bukhara-Samarkand-Tashkent;

Domestic air ticket Urgench-Tashkent;

The work day of the tour guide throughout the package, according to the program;

Entrance tickets to points of interest.

Bottled Water.

The package doesn't include:

- international air tickets

- medical insurance;

- payment for photography and videography at tourist sites;

- entrance tickets to Amirsoy.