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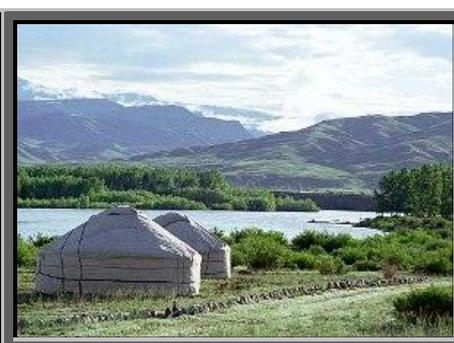


LAKE BAIKAL IN ITS BEST (LISTVYANKA – OLKHON – (BURYATIA)

Classic version: 9 days/8 nights

Short version: 6 days/5 nights

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The nature has its own favorites, which it creates with a special love and care and to whom it gives a special power. A lake that bears the majestic name of Baikal is definitely one of those. It is not a place for hustle and bustle. Here you feel like thinking about eternity and the world's harmony. Situated in the center of Asia, Lake Baikal is one of the biggest and most ancient lakes on this planet, and a pearl of Siberian nature. Besides its natural uniqueness, Lake Baikal possesses many historical treasures, which can be considered cultural monuments of the peoples of Central Asia. Today, as in the past, Lake Baikal remains a crossroads of different cultures, where native Sayats still herd reindeers and Buryat people keep many of their old traditions. The gateway to Mongolia makes it possible to get to know the ancient and amazing Mongolian culture.

CLASSIC VERSION, 9 days/8 nights / Tour Program

Day 1	Meeting at the airport/train station with guide. Transfer to Listvyanka (port town close by Irkutsk). Check-in to hotel "Krestova pad" 3*. Lunch. Free time. Half day sightseeing around Listvyanka. Visiting open-air ethnographic museum "Taltsi" where you can be a witness of local history of 18-20 th century. Visiting Baikal Museum, going up by funicular to Lake's view-point "Chersky's stone". Visiting St. Nikolay church and fish and souvenirs markets. Dinner at hotel restaurant. Overnight in the hotel.
Day 2	Breakfast at hotel. Check-out. Angara boat trip to Baikal port and taking full day excursion throughout the Circum-Baikal railway – the historical part of Transsiberian railways and one of the picturesque sights of the area around Lake Baikal with numerous of beautiful tunnels. Lunch with homemade food at Polovinnaya station. End of excursion at Sludyanka station and further trip to Irkutsk by the same train. Late evening arrival to hotel "Courtyard by Marriott" 4* following with dinner at hotel restaurant.
Day 3	Breakfast at hotel. Check-out and 2 hours Irkutsk city tour. Departure to Olkhon island by comfort bus. Lunch in café on middle way. Taking ferry to Olkhon island. Transfer is 5-6 hrs. Arrival to Khuzhir village and accommodation in "Baikal view" 3*. Rest. Dinner at hotel.
Day 4	After breakfast full day excursion to the northern point of the island – neck Hoboi. You will enjoy the beauty and power of Baikal lake, take memorable pictures, and listen to mysterious legend of Baikal.

	Picnic lunch with famous Omul fish will be organized for you. Evening arrival to hotel. Dinner <i>*The transportation will be provided by local UAZ-452. The road is gravel and very rough.</i>
Day 5	After breakfast – half day excursion to Shaman stone and Historical Museum. Lunch at the hotel. Transfer to pier and departure to Ust-Barguzin by regular boat. Timing: 4, 5 hrs. Transfer to Maximiha (about 1 hr) and accommodation in “Lukomor’ye” 3* hotel on the lakeside in front of Svyatoi Nos (Saint Nose) Peninsula. Dinner at hotel.
Day 6	Breakfast. Departure to Monakhovo in Zabaikalsky National Park across Chivyrkuisky Bay, is famous for its beauty, it is well-warmed bay with spectacular cliffs and beaches. The bay is full of fish and berries which grow on the lakeside. The road to the National Park goes through Barmashovyh lakes along Soft Carga national landmark. About halfway there is an observation tower, where all surroundings are well observed. In Monakhovo you will be taking ship. Trip to the Bay of Snake - this is one of the most famous bays of the Gulf for its healing thermal springs with water temperature of 45 ° C. These thermal springs treat diseases of the locomotor system and radiculitis. Landing on the beach, swimming in the sources. Return to hotel. Dinner.
Day 7	Breakfast. Transfer to Ulan-Ude by comfort buss (220 kms) Lunch at restaurant “Baatarai Urgoo” where you can enjoy traditional non-vegetable buryat cuisine. After lunch visiting ethnographical museum – one of the biggest open-air museum in Russia. Its square is 37 ha. Accommodation in hotel “SIBIR” 4*. Dinner.
Day 8	Breakfast. City tour with visiting Ivolginsky Datsan. It is a centre of Buddhism in Russia, visited by many believers, pilgrims and tourists from all over the world and protected by the government as religious architecture. It was open in 1945. Head of Russia’s Buddhist Pandito Hambo Lama’s residence is located here. Altars and temples complex’s interior features original works of art. Then trip to old believers’ village, visiting church and museum. Lunch at local family. Colorful and traditional folk program. Return to Uan-Ude. Dinner at hotel.
Day 9	Breakfast Transfer to airport/railway station

Included:

Transportation by comfort bus as per program,
 TWN accommodation + SGL for accompanying person
 Meals as per program – full board
 Japanese Guide services
 Excursions as per program
 Folk program
 Entrance tickets to museums, ferry and boat trip, touristic train, parks and reserves

Not included:

train and airline tickets, porter services, alcoholic drinks, services not mentioned in the program.

SHORT VERSION, 6 days/5 nights / Tour Program

Day 1	Arrival in Irkutsk. Transfer to Listvyanka (Hotel Mayak, 3*), where you can enjoy your day at leisure. If you wish explore the local market where you can see the local specialty of Omul fish for sale, open-air ethnographic museum and St Nikolay Church. Relax in the evening at your hotel.
Day 2	Irkutsk (Courtyard Irkutsk City Center, 3*+) After enjoying an inclusive breakfast at your hotel, check-out and start what promises to be a fun day of travelling, adventure and sightseeing. First, hop on a boat to Baikal port, before embarking on a train journey along the Circum-Baikal railway, one of the most historical and picturesque sections of the famous Trans-Siberian route. Lunch is along the way and you’ll eventually end the journey in Irkutsk, which is where you will spend the evening at leisure
Day 3	Olkhon Island (Baikalov Ostrog Hotel, 3*) Morning touring of Irkutsk, including historical sights and museums. Head to Olkhon Island by car and then ferry (6 hours total), before arriving at Khuzhir Village where you will spend the evening at leisure
Day 4	Olkhon Island (Baikalov Ostrog Hotel, 3*) Full day touring to the northern point of the island, where you can appreciate the beauty of the landscape and the lake. Return to your hotel for an evening at

	leisure.
Day 5	Breakfast. Back to Irkutsk with some touring along the way. Accommodation at the hotel Cortyard by Marriott 3*+.
Day 6	Transfer to airport

Included:

2 nights at hotel Cortyard Marriott Irkutsk City Center, TWN/DBL BB
2 nights at BAIKALOV OSTROG, TWN/DBL BB
1 nights at MAYAK, TWN/DBL BB
ESG for the whole program
Circum-Baikal Old Railway excursion with 1st class tickets and lunch included
Car for transfers and excursions as per program
Entrance tickets as per program

Not included:

train and airline tickets, porter services, alcoholic drinks, services not mentioned in the program.