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A Sense of Pure Nature: Horse riding in the Khangai

The geography of Mongolia is characterized by great diversity. The Khangai landscapes bear the marks of ancient volcanic processes: lava flows, conical hills and hot mineral springs. The vegetation of the Khangai is richer and more varied than that of the Altai.

According to the Mongol proverb “a Mongol man without a horse is like a bird without wings”. Mongolian nomadic culture is intensely linked to horses. The horse and a nomadic lifestyle of living enabled the Mongols led by Chinggis Khan and his descendant to amass the largest empire to world has ever known.

Destination:	Uvurkhangai and Tuv provinces
Hot spots:	Kharkhorin and Erdenezuu Monastery, Orkhon Waterfall, the Naiman Nuur Lake and Tuvkhun Monastery
Lengths:	11 nights/12 days
Adventure level:	Medium
Total driving km:	1500km
Transportation:	Drive, horse & yak riding and trekking
Season:	June 1 – September 1



Tour Itinerary

Day 1: Ulaanbaatar City

Accommodation: Bayangol Hotel
Meals: Lunch/Dinner

You will be greeted by a professional Juulchin World Tours Team at the "Chinggis Khaan" international airport and transfer to the one of the best quality hotels in downtown Ulaanbaatar. After relaxing from your flight, we start our first day exploring Ulaanbaatar, the nation's capital. Sukhbaatar square is a public square at the heart of the capital. Our next stop is Zaisan Hill. This hill provides a panoramic view of Ulaanbaatar. We will visit the National History Museum which is well-known for its precious exhibition from prehistoric times till present days. In the evening, we will witness a fascinating performance of traditional folk songs, throat singing, and beautiful melodies from a "horse-headed" fiddle, ethnic dances, and artistic contortionism.

Day 2: Kharkhorin

Accommodation: Urguu camp
Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner
Distance: 380 km/6 hour driving

After early morning breakfast, we will drive to the west to Bayangobi, a unique combination of Gobi sand dunes, forests and Rocky Mountains. Lunch in ger camp. We will continue our drive to Kharkhorin and visit the ancient Capital of Great Mongolian Empire and Erdenezuu Monastery; main treasure of Mongolian Buddhism, Kharkhorin was established in the valley of the Orkhon River in 1220. It was one of the stops along the legendary Silk Road for 140 years. Kharkhorin played significant role in Mongolian history. It was the capital city of the Mongolian Great Empire until Khubilai Khaan, a grandson of Chinggis Khaan, moved the capital to Beijing during the Yuan Dynasty. Visit Erdenezuu Monastery and Kharkhorin Museum in the afternoon. Overnight in the ger camp.

Day 3: Baga Khurkhree in Orkhon Valley

Accommodation: Tented night
Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner
Distance: 180 km/5 hour driving/2 hours of horse trek

Enjoy breakfast in the camp, and then we will start our discovery of the land of Mongolia's ancient khans and aristocrats. The Orkhon River and its valley are the site ancient mysteries and centuries. We will see Khangai Mountain and lots of gorgeous Alpine wild flowers and pine tree forests. We will have lunch in a ger camp. In the afternoon, we will visit the picturesque Orkhon waterfall which is situated on the Orkhon River, Mongolia's longest river at 1120km. The local name of the waterfall is Ulaan Tsutgalan and the height is 24m. There will be hiking opportunities to the bottom of the gorge. Start a horse trek to Baga Khurkhree and overnight in the tent.

Day 4: Buureg Pass

Accommodation: Tented night
Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner
Distance: 80 km/2 hour driving/3-4 hours of horse trek

We will continue our trekking through the high mountains of Khangai Range. We will see beautiful canyons formed from earthquakes. Our trekking will be a little challenging to the Naiman Nuur Lake area. There are eight majestic alpine lakes located at 2200m above sea level and surrounded by magnificent high mountains covered by larch forests. Overnight in tent near Buureg pass.

Day 5: Khuis Lake

Accommodation: Tented night
Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner
Distance: 4-5 hours of horse trek

Today we will trek to Khuis Lake. The area is extremely remote and you can enjoy total wilderness and sense of pure nature without any human trace. Approximate trekking distance will be 15-18km. In some areas we will see extinct volcanic craters creating wild image of the surrounding area. Lunch. Afternoon trekking to Bayan and Duruu lakes. Visit a local nomadic family on the way. Overnight in tent near Khuis Lake. Optional hiking in the evening.

Day 6: Khuis Lake

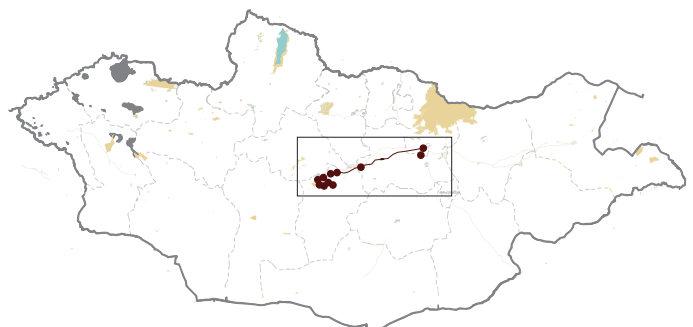
Accommodation: Tented night
Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner
Distance: 4-5 hours of horse trek

We will be hiking through forests and grassland with boulders. On the way, we will hike by a few small lakes such as Haya, Shanaa, Bugat, Khuis and Shireet lakes. The Shireet Lake is a fresh water lake and is the biggest in the area. We will settle our tented camp on the long stretching island of the lake. We can go fishing and swimming in the lake. Overnight in tent. Optional hiking in the evening.

Day 7: Buureg pass

Accommodation: Tented night
Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner
Distance: 3-4 hours of horse trek

We will continue to hike to the Buureg Pass. This pass is located on the range of Khangai Mountain with a breathtaking view. We will observe unique wildlife and wonderful alpine flowers. Overnight in tent near the Shurankhai Rock.



Day 8: Baga Khurkhree in Orkhon Valley

Accommodation: Tented night
 Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner
 Distance: 80 km/ 2 hour driving/3-4 hours of horse trek

Today, we will continue hiking to Orkhon Waterfalls where we will meet our drivers and vehicles again. Overnight in tent near the waterfall.

Day 9: Tuvkhun Monastery

Accommodation: Talbiun camp
 Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner
 Distance: 120 km/ 4 hour driving

After breakfast, we will drive to Tuvkhun Monastery. The first Bogd Gegeen Zanabazar built this monastery in 1651 for his meditation. He subsequently created some of his most famous works of art in this place. The monastery is located at the altitude of more than 2000m, surrounded by mountain larch forests. On the back of this temple there is cave called the "Mother's cave." Overnight in the ger camp.

Day 10: Bayangobi

Accommodation: Hoyor Zagal camp
 Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner
 Distance: 260 km/ 5-6 hour driving

After a late morning breakfast, we drive to the Bayangobi. It is a unique place with many different forms of natural landscapes; Gobi sand dunes, forests, and Rocky Mountains. There are opportunities to hike in the small sand dunes and ride a camel. In the afternoon, we will visit Erdene Khambyn Khuree which is 20 kms drive from our ger camp. The monastery is located in the majestic Khugnu Khaan Mountains. Our next stop is a small lake in the area and bird watching. Overnight in the ger camp.

Day 11: Ulaanbaatar City

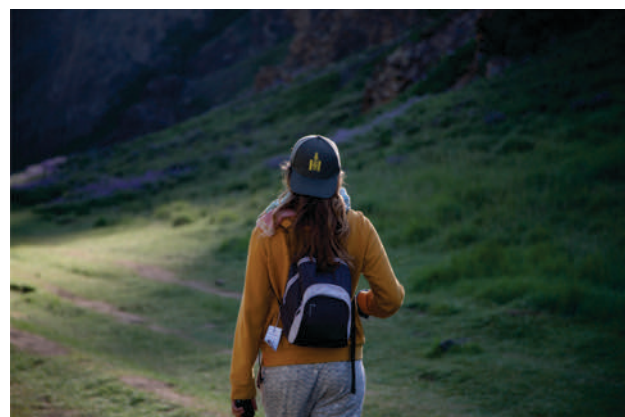
Accommodation: Bayangol Hotel
 Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner
 Distance: 280 km/ 4-5 hour driving

After breakfast, we will drive back to Ulaanbaatar. In the late afternoon we will tour the Zanabazar Museum of Fine Arts. Overnight in the hotel.

Day 12: International departures.

The package includes:

- ▲ Transfer to/from 4 star hotel
- ▲ 3 meals a day during the trip
- ▲ English speaking guide
- ▲ Transportation in the countryside
- ▲ Accommodation at Mongolian 4 bedded ger camps
- ▲ Sightseeing as per itinerary
- ▲ Entrance fees to museum and National Park
- ▲ Camping



NECESSARY EQUIPMENT TO BRING:

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| ▲ Good hiking 2 pairs of shoes | ▲ Long pants /waterproof/ | ▲ Lip protection balm |
| ▲ Riding boots /waterproof/ | ▲ Jacket /waterproof/ | ▲ Windbreaker |
| ▲ Helmet | ▲ Hat /waterproof/ | ▲ Rain jacket |
| ▲ Chaps | ▲ Sunglasses | ▲ Backpack |
| ▲ Headlight | ▲ Sleeping bag | ▲ Binoculars /small/ |
| ▲ Water bottle | ▲ Cap and hats | ▲ Power bank |
| ▲ Hiking stick | ▲ Gloves | |
| ▲ Hiking socks | ▲ Sunscreen | |

