

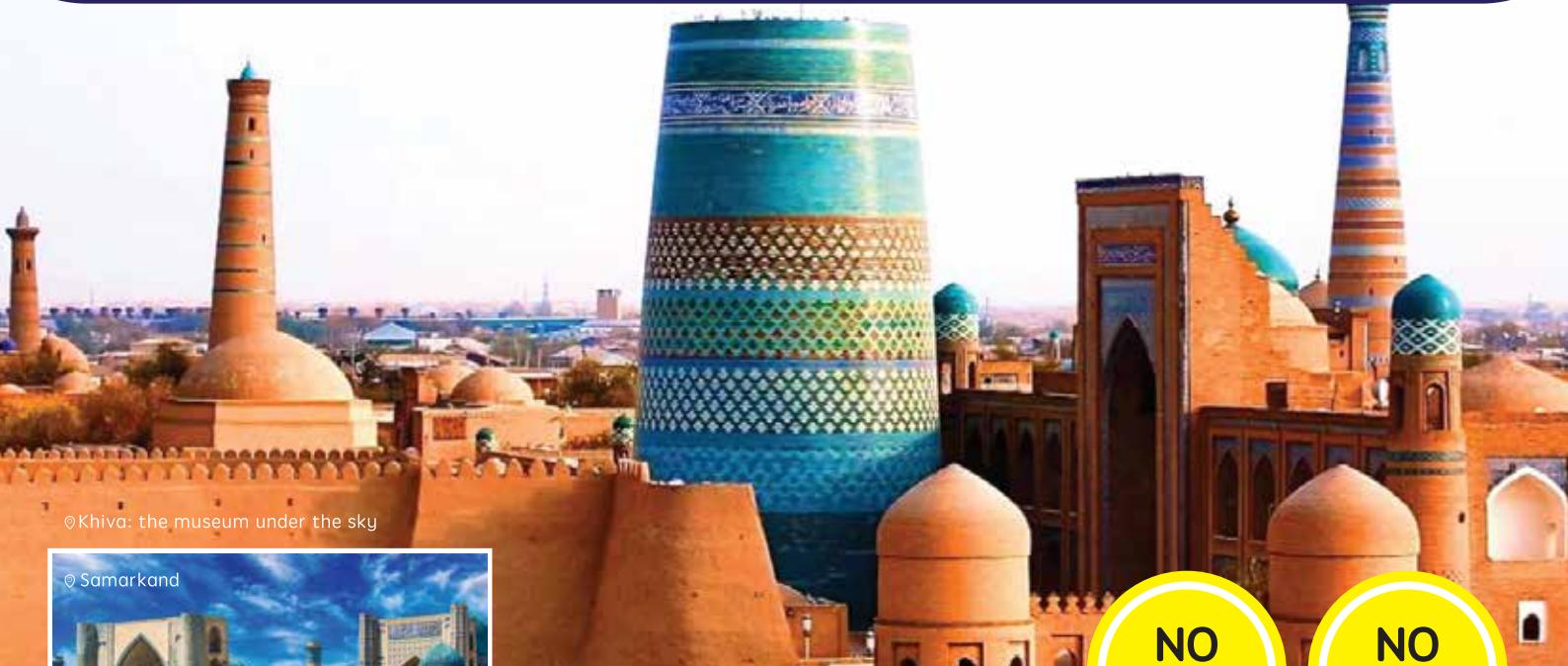
20D19N CENTRAL ASIA

UZBEKISTAN + TAJIKSTAN + KYRGYZSTAN + KAZAKHSTAN

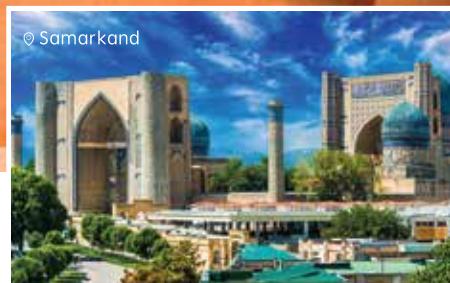
20天19晚 探索中亚游 乌兹别克斯坦 + 塔吉克斯坦 + 吉尔吉斯斯坦 + 哈萨克斯坦

Tour Code: UTKK20

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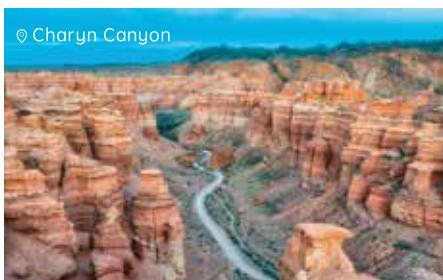
© Khiva: the museum under the sky



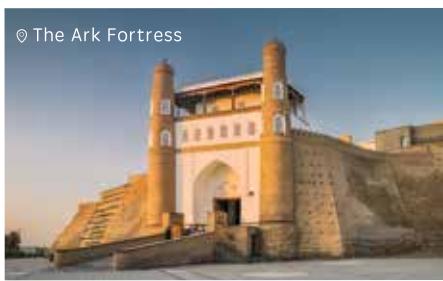
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Tour Highlights:

- **Khiva: Itchan Kala:** Islamic architecture with intricate blue tiles and detailed carvings. (UNESCO World Heritage)
- **Samarkand: Registan Square:** Breathtaking Islamic architecture (UNESCO World Heritage)
- **Son Kul Lake:** The second-largest alpine lake in Kyrgyzstan
- **Charyn Canyon:** Known as Kazakhstan's 'Grand Canyon'
- **Kolsai Lakes:** Known as the "Pearls of the Northern Tien Shan"
- **Bukhara - Historic Centre:** The Ark Fortress, Poi Kalyan Complex, and Ismail Samani Mausoleum (UNESCO)
- **Western Tien Shan:** Beautiful natural World Heritage

NO
OPTIONAL

NO
SHOPPING

Additional Perks:

- Traditional Winter Fishing
- Snow Circle Drift
- Horse-Drawn Sleigh Ride
- Ice and Snow Activities (ice fishing, ice slides, and ice bowling)
- Eagle Hunting Demonstration
- Handicraft Museum Visit

Meals:

19 Breakfast | 19 Lunch | 19 Dinner

Accommodations:

- 4* or 5* Hotel or equivalent



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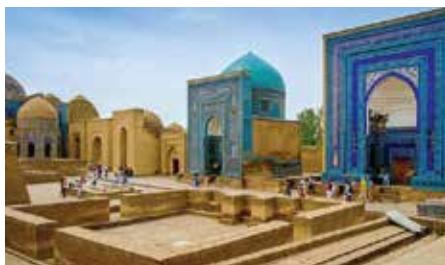
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1 Singapore → Uzbekistan

Meal on board

- Fly to Tashkent.

2 Tashkent, Uzbekistan

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

- Arrive in Tashkent, the capital city of Uzbekistan.
- Transfer to the hotel upon arrival.

3 Tashkent → Urgench

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

- **National History Museum of Tashkent:** Explore this museum showcasing many Buddhist heritage relics, giving insights into Uzbekistan's rich history and culture.
- **Independence Square:** A significant landmark symbolizing Uzbekistan's sovereignty, featuring impressive monuments and fountains.
- **Parliament House:** Admire the architecture and significance of the building where national decisions are made.
- **Handicraft Museum:** Discover traditional Uzbek crafts and artworks, showcasing the country's artisanal heritage.
- **Shashi Duff Memorial Plaza:** A peaceful plaza dedicated to an influential figure, offering a place for reflection.

After Dinner in Tashkent, take an evening flight to Urgench and Transfer to Khiva for an overnight stay at the hotel.

4 Tashkent → Urgench → Khiva

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

- **Khiva Ancient City Tour:** Wander through the ancient streets of Khiva, where historic buildings and walls narrate the city's rich past.
- **Itchan Kala:** Visit the inner fortress of Khiva, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, known for its Islamic architecture, featuring towering minarets and majestic madrasahs adorned with intricate blue tiles and detailed carvings.
- **Islam Khoja Minaret:** Admire the 47-meter high tower, an iconic landmark that offers sweeping views of Khiva's old town and the surrounding desert landscape.
- **Kuhna Ark:** Discover the ancient castle with its grand courtyard, watchtower, and beautiful mosaics, showcasing the opulence of Khiva's historical rulers.
- **Juma Mosque:** Visit this historic mosque, famous for its 218 uniquely carved wooden columns, creating a tranquil atmosphere with views of the ancient cityscape.
- **Stone Palace:** Visit to the Tash Kauli Palace, also known as the Stone Palace, renowned for its stunning architecture, intricately carved wooden ceilings, and beautifully decorated walls, reflecting the grandeur of Khivan khans.

5 Khiva → Bukhara (480 km, bus)

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

- Drive to Bukhara after breakfast, embark on an approximately 8-hour drive to Bukhara, passing through the vast Kyzylkum Desert renowned for its unique red sand and arid landscape.

Upon arrival in Bukhara, transfer to the hotel for check-in and relaxation.

6 Bukhara

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

- **Ismail Samani Mausoleum:** A historical mausoleum, showcasing exquisite craftsmanship from the Samanid era.
- **The Ark of Bukhara:** Visit this grand fortress with its imposing walls and ancient towers that tell the history of Bukhara.
- **Bolo-Khauz Mosque:** This mosque is renowned for its elegant Islamic architectural design, featuring intricate geometric patterns and beautiful floral decorations.
- **Poi Kalyan Complex:** Includes the Kalyan Mosque and Kalyan Minaret, showcasing architectural grandeur and religious solemnity.
- **Taki and Tims:** Stroll through the ancient market area and experience the local culture.
- **Abdulaziz Khan Madrasa:** Discover this intricately decorated madrasa, reflecting unique architectural styles.
- **Kalyan Minaret:** Enjoy the stunning views from this minaret, overlooking the entire city of Bukhara.

In the evening, enjoy a dinner featuring local specialty dishes while watching traditional dance performances.

7 Bukhara

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

- **Bukhara City Tour:** Discover more of Bukhara's historical sites, the impressive architectural landmarks and cultural treasures that reflect the city's rich heritage.

After lunch, board the high-speed train and enjoy the view on our way to Samarkand. (Approx 1h 30m)

- **Registan Square:** Experience the breathtaking Registan Square light up at night, showcasing its stunning Islamic architecture and historical significance.

- **Gur-e-Amir Mausoleum:** A beautifully lit Gur-e-Amir Mausoleum, the final resting place of Tamerlane, renowned for its intricate decorations and tranquil atmosphere.

8 Samarkand → Pendjikent (Tajikistan)

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

- **Registan Plaza:** Visit the stunning Ulugbek Medressa, Tillya-Kori Mosque, and Sher Dor Medressa. These architectural showcase intricate Islamic art and design.

- **Gur-e-Amir Complex:** Explore the magnificent complex, the final resting place of Tamerlane, renowned for its grand domes and beautiful tileworks.

- **Shahi Zinda:** Discover the necropolis with its richly decorated mausoleums, offering a glimpse into the city's long history and architectural brilliance.

- **Siob Bazaar:** A bustling old market that is 2000-year-old, find a variety of local goods and experience the vibrant culture of Samarkand.

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© Ancient Penjikent Ruins



© Rudaki Park



© Tashkent City Tour



© Chon Kemin Gorge



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- **Ulugh Beg Observatory:** An ancient astronomical site highlighting the scientific achievements of the Timurid era.

In the late afternoon, proceed to the border and travel onwards to Pendjikent. Enjoy dinner and an overnight stay.

9 Pendjikent ⇔ Dushanbe (250 km)

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

- **Rudaki Museum:** Discover the rich history and cultural heritage of the region through exhibits dedicated to the famous Persian poet Rudaki.

- **Local Bazaar:** Explore the vibrant local market, filled with a variety of goods and handicrafts.

- **Ancient Penjikent Ruins:** Visit the ruins of this ancient Sogdian city, since 5th century and destroyed in the 8th century by Arab conquerors. The site features remnants of residential houses, temples, and fortifications.

- **Ismoili Somoni Square:** The central square of Dushanbe, featuring a grand statue of Ismoili Somoni, the founder of the Samanid dynasty.

- **Rudaki Park:** A beautifully landscaped park named after the famous poet Rudaki, perfect for a leisurely stroll amidst fountains and flowerbeds.

End the day with dinner at a Chinese restaurant and an overnight stay at a local hotel.

10 Dushanbe ⇔ Khujand ⇔ Tashkent

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

- **Dushanbe City Tour:** Visit the Tajikistan United Museum, featuring exhibits on history, natural history, and art. The Nirvana Buddha statue is one of the most valuable exhibits (closed on Mondays).

- **Pushkin Square and Kamoli Khujandi Square:** Pushkin Square is surrounded by greenery and features a statue of the famous Russian poet Alexander Pushkin. Visit Kamoli Khujandi Square, which is decorated with beautiful gardens and fountains.

- **Arbob Palace:** This palace boasts exquisite architectural design and lovely gardens, making it a great spot for photos.

11 Tashkent ⇔ Bishkek (Kyrgyzstan)

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

- **Tashkent City Tour:** Visit the main attractions of Tashkent, experiencing the unique charm of the city and its rich cultural and historical heritage.

Afternoon, take an Uzbekistan Airways flight to Bishkek. After dinner, transfer to the hotel for check-in.

12 Bishkek ⇔ Burana ⇔ Chon Kemin ⇔ Cholpon Ata

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

- **Chon Kemin Gorge:** Visit the Burana Tower, an 11th-century minaret, and the open-air museum of Balbals (stone warriors). Climb to the top of the tower for a panoramic view.

13 Cholpon Ata ⇔ Issyk Kul Lake Northern Shore ⇔ Karakol

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

- **Issyk Kul Lake:** The second-largest alpine lake in the world, located 1608 meters above sea level and often referred to as the "Pearl of Central Asia".

- **Petroglyphs:** Visit an ancient site with stone carvings, offering a glimpse into the history and culture of the region.

- **Dungan Mosque:** An unique and old mosque, built in a unique Chinese style without the use of nails.

- **Orthodox Church:** An old wooden a historical and architectural landmark in Karakol.

14 Karakol ⇔ Jeti Oguz ⇔ Issyk Kul Southern Shore ⇔ Kochkor

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

- **Jeti Oguz Gorge:** Known for its striking red rock formations called the "Seven Bulls" (Jeti Oguz). Also, see the distinctive Broken Heart Mountain. You may take a 20-mins hike to the top of the mountain offers a panoramic view of the gorge.

- **Bokonbaeva Village:** Meet a local eagle hunter who demonstrates traditional nomadic hunting techniques with eagles, hunting hares and foxes.

Night stay in a guesthouse in Kochkor.

15 Kochkor ⇔ Son Kul

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

- **Son Kul Lake:** The second-largest alpine lake in Kyrgyzstan (3013 meters). Surrounded by majestic mountains, and stunning lake and a pastureland.

Overnight Stay: Stay in traditional yurts, made of a wooden frame covered with felt, providing a unique and authentic nomadic experience.

16 Son Kul ⇔ 33 Parrots Pass ⇔ Kochkor ⇔ Bishkek

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

- **33 Parrots Pass:** Traverse the scenic 33 Parrots Pass at an elevation of 3,133 meters, offering breathtaking views of the surrounding landscapes.

- **Kochkor Village:** Spend time in Kochkor village with a local family who will demonstrate the traditional process of producing national felt carpets.

- **Handicraft Museum:** Visit a small handicraft museum featuring a variety of local crafts, including silver decorations, horse saddle decorations, and carpets.

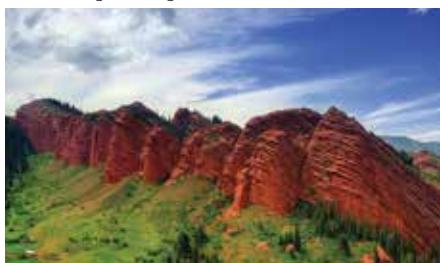
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17 Bishkek 🚅 Almaty 🚅 Saty Settlement (Kazakhstan)

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

- **Saty Settlement:** Known for its stunning natural landscapes and proximity to the beautiful Kolsai Lakes and Kaindy Lake, famous for their crystal-clear waters and scenic views.

18 Saty Settlement 🚅 Kolsai Lakes 🚅 Kaindy Lake

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

- **Kolsai Lakes:** Known as the "Pearls of the Northern Tien Shan", a beautiful valley surrounded by towering mountains
- **Kaindy Lake:** Famous for its submerged forest and crystal-clear waters, the lake offers a unique landscape where trees appear to float on the water's surface, providing a captivating and surreal view.

19 Saty Settlement 🚅 Charyn Canyon 🚅 Almaty

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

- **Charyn Canyon:** Admire the grand panorama of this stunning canyon, often compared to the Grand Canyon. Take a leisure walk to the bottom of the canyon and explore the captivating Valley of Castles, with its striking rock formations and intricate pathways that stretch for about 2 kilometers.

20 Almaty 🚅 Singapore

Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner

- **City Tour:** Enjoy a delightful breakfast at the hotel followed by a city tour of Almaty. After dinner, transfer to the airport for your onward journey back to Singapore.

21 Singapore

Meal On Board

- Arrival Singapore. Home sweet home.

Guide & Driver Services Fee:

/day/pax

Notes:

1. All explanations will be in Chinese.
2. The itinerary sequence may be changed due to religious activities or unforeseen weather conditions. Any changes will be made without prior notice.
3. In the event of flight delays or cancellations due to unforeseen weather conditions, guests will be responsible for all additional expenses incurred due to flight delays/cancellations.
4. The local travel agency has the right to change the itinerary sequence, hotel accommodation or meals according to local conditions. Room types are allocated according to the hotel, and the company is not responsible for the difference in room types allocated. Any triple room is based on a folding extra bed.
5. All orders are subject to the terms and conditions of the tour brochure.
6. During major events, accommodation may not be available in the above cities.
7. All flights are subject to change without prior notice.
8. In the event of any discrepancy between the Chinese and English versions of the itinerary, the Chinese version will be used as the basis.
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