Backcountry skiing in Kyrgyzstan

11 days, including 7 days of ski touring / Ski touring, cultural visits and a road trip

Bishkek – Suusamyr Valley – Kochkor – Issyk-Kul Lake

Map



Program

Day 1 > Bishkek – Suusamyr: *Your local guide and interpreter meets you at the airport. Rest, shower and have breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to Suusamyr Valley through Kara-Balta Canyon and the tunnel at Too-Ashuu Pass. Lunch with a view over the valley. Settle in at Too-Ashuu ski resort, with the option of downhill skiing. Transfer: 4 hours.*



Day 2 > Ski touring: *A 7–8-hour day of skiing towards a peak at 3,800 m. Transfer to the yurt camp for dinner and overnight. The vehicle cannot reach the camp; the final approach takes about 20 minutes on touring skis. Driving: 80 km.*



Day 3 > Ski touring around the yurt camp: *Dinner and overnight at the same yurt camp.*



Day 4 > Ski touring around the yurt camp: *Dinner and overnight at the same yurt camp.*



Day 5 > Ski touring at Ala-Bel Pass: *Drive for about one hour to the starting point. Ski towards a peak near the pass at 3,100 m. Return to the same yurt camp.*



Day 6 > Short ski tour: *Picnic at the refuge. Drive to Kyzart, a journey of about four hours. Dinner and overnight with a local family. Visit the village public bath in the evening.*



Day 7 > Transfer to Arabel: *Leave early for Issyk-Kul Lake. Visit the handicraft centre in Kochkor and an eagle hunter. Lunch with a local family in Bokonbaevo. Continue to the high mountain plateau of Arabel. Dinner and overnight at a mountain refuge.*



Day 8 > Ski touring on Arabel Plateau: *Climb towards a peak at 4,300 m and return in the afternoon. Dinner and overnight at the same refuge.*



Day 9 > Ski touring on Arabel Plateau: *Climb towards another peak at 4,400 m near Sook Pass. Transfer to Bokonbaevo for dinner and overnight with a Kyrgyz family.*



Day 10 > Transfer to Bishkek: *Leave early for the capital. Take a short tour of the city centre and check in at a guesthouse. Dinner at a restaurant serving Central Asian food. Overnight at the guesthouse.*



Day 11 > Departure: *Transfer to the airport. End of services.*

Price per person in euros	
4 pax	1930 €/per
5 pax	1710 €/per
6 pax	1560 €/per
7 pax	1450 €/per
8 pax	1370 €/per
9 pax	1310 €/per

Price includes

- ✓ Transportation, including pickup and drop-off at Bishkek Airport
- ✓ Professional ski touring guide
- ✓ Accommodation according to the program
- ✓ Golden eagle hunting demonstration
- ✓ Food and water

Price excludes

- × International flights
- × Travel insurance
- × Alcohol
- × Ski equipment rental
- × Services not mentioned in the program

Notes:

- Visa-free entry: Citizens of the EU, Canada, Japan, Singapore and some other countries can enter without a visa for up to 60 days.
- Passport validity: Your passport must be valid for at least 6 months from your entry date.
- Other nationalities: Check https://evisa.e-gov.kg for the entry requirements applicable to your nationality.
- Please take an adequate equipment for backcountry skiing and for 4300m. We will ride on the glacier.
- The tour oriented for the adults, +20.
- Provide your personal medicament the guide has only a basic pharmacy.
- Please inform us if you have a preference to some foods ; allergic or vegetarian.
- For the confirmation of the trip, we ask 300€ prepayment as confirmation. In case of cancellation, we keep the prepayment. The rest of total amount, you have to pay in cash at your arrival in Bishkek..

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