

# **Happy Camel Travel**

**Presents**

**Trekking in Hagyn Har Nuur  
(14 days)**

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14 Days ♦ 13 Tented Camp



*Happy Camel invites you to discover the natural and cultural wonders of Mongolia, one of the last remaining seldom-explored countries. Largely inaccessible to the Western world until only recently, Mongolia offers a rare glimpse into an ancient nomadic culture that has changed little over the centuries.*

*The traveller will discover this untouched country by exploring the rare combination of ancient traditions of Buddhism, nomadic horse-based culture and natural beauties such as the high mountains, the grasslands and the more.*



- ◆ Trekking ♦ Khentii National Park ♦ Terelj National Park
- ◆ Tuul River ♦ Gunjiin Sum ♦ Chingiss Khaan Monument
- ◆ Princess Monastery ♦ Horse Back Riding ♦ Aryaval
- ◆ Turtle Rock ♦ Family Stay



Trip Type: Rigorous Trekking in Hagyn Har Nuur

**QUICK ITINERARY REFERENCE**

DAY 1: KHENTII NATIONAL PARK

DAY 2, 3, 4, 5 AND 6: TREKKING IN KHENTII NATIONAL PARK

DAY 7: TREKKING TO BLACK LAKE

DAY 8: REST DAY AT BLACK LAKE

DAY 9: KHONGORIIN RIVER

DAY 10, 11, 12 AND 13: DUND BAYAN VALLEY

DAY 14: TEREJ NATIONAL PARK BACK TO ULAANBAATAR

**MAP OF THE ITINERARY**



## **DETAILED TOUR DESCRIPTION**

### **DAY 1: KHENTII NATIONAL PARK**

In the morning we will head east of UB, reaching **Khentii National Park** after a 3-hour drive, where the landscape consists of green, forested hillsides, and spectacular granite cliffs. Many nomads live in this area, and you can see yaks, sheep, goats and horses grazing in this peaceful valley. At noon we will have lunch at our horse breeding family. We will meet our horseman, load our gear and food on pack horses and set off for 13 days trekking in Khentii Mountains. We will hike through lush meadows for a couple of hours towards the **Terej River valley**. Then, we will have dinner and camp on the Terej River bank.

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### **DAY 2, 3, 4, 5 AND 6: TREKKING IN KHENTII NATIONAL PARK**

The **Khentii Mountains** are a mountain range in the Töv and Khentii Provinces in northern Mongolia. The chain overlaps the Khan Khentii Strictly Protected Area and includes Mongolia's sacred mountain, Burkhan Khaldun, which is associated with the origin of Genghis Khan.

The range forms the watershed between the Arctic Ocean (via Lake Baikal) and the Pacific Ocean basins. Rivers originating in the range include the Onon, Kherlen, and Tuul.

After breakfast, we will load our gears on our packhorses. You will be impressed at the strength of the small but sturdy Mongolian horses. We will hike into the valley along the base of the mountain ranges. As we leave civilization behind, you will hear and see ever more ground squirrels, marmots and birds. These amazing trek will take us through an area of tundra, which is the habitat of the moose. You will soon become an expert at 'moose detection. It is a typical Siberian landscape. We will climb up the mountain through deep forest where deer, wolves, moose and bears live. Keep your eyes open! The high mountains and the deep valley make this wonderful hiking through wide valleys to give a way to large mountain forests of birch, pine and cedar.

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### **DAY 7: TREKKING TO BLACK LAKE**

Today at the top of the mountain, we cross the pass and descend to the breathtakingly beautiful **Black Lake**. We will camp on the yellow sand beach of the lake.

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### **DAY 8: REST DAY AT BLACK LAKE**

Today we will stay camped by the lake and you can swim or fish in the clear water, hike in the forests or go bird and wild animal watching.

(Tented Camp, B, L, D)

**DAY 9: KHONGORIIN RIVER**

Today we will follow the **Khongoriin River** downstream for about five hours and camp near a river crossing. The high mountains and the deep valley make this a wonderful day of hiking.

(Tented Camp, B, L, D)

**DAY 10, 11, 12 AND 13: DUND BAYAN VALLEY**

Today as we hike along the Tuul River, you will notice how the landscape changes through silent pine forests where all you will hear is the occasional animal call. We will climb up a steep path for about two hours until we come to a high pass close to the Altan Olgii peak. At an elevation of 2646m, **Altan Olgii** (meaning Golden Cradle) is one of the highest peaks in the Khentii Mountain range. On the other side of the mountain, we will camp near a stream where you can cool off after your strenuous day.

Keep your ears open for the sound of woodpeckers and keep your eyes open for golden eagles, soaring far above us hunting for prey. After half way through our trekking we return to Terelj through the **Dund Bayan valley**. Our last few days' hike will take place in wide valleys which will eventually give way to large mountain forests of birch, pine and cedar.

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**DAY 14: TERELJ NATIONAL PARK BACK TO ULAANBAATAR**

Our adventure through wide valleys, high mountains with green forest end today and we will hike back to our arrival point. Enjoy your trek and stunning view along the valley longing the **Tuul River**, surrounded on both sides by high, densely forested mountains. Our luggage, food and equipment will be unloaded from our packhorses and we will meet up with our vehicles.

After lunch at family some sightseeing visit at Terelj national park is ahead of us. Our first stop will be **Turtle rock** and **Aryaval Monastery**, small meditation monastery at the foot of mountain. Further down at the exit of park we will visit the **100 monks' cave**, during the purge of Stalinism about 100 monks were hiding in this small cave from persecution.

Our last stop will be the **Genghis Khan Monument**. The Genghis Khan Monument is a vast aluminium monument of Genghis Khan on his horse. It's possible to climb to the top of the monument from where you have a gear view of the surrounding area.

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## **RESERVATION**

Your trip will be confirmed after a deposit of 35% of the due amount is paid to our bank account. Once the payment is done, we will start organizing your trip and book accommodation.

## **INCLUDED IN THE PRICE**

- Transport within Mongolia (vehicle, driver, fuel)
- Tented camp stay
- Meals 13B, 14L, 13D
- Tour guides
- Camping and kitchen equipment
- National park entrance fees/Museum and Monasteries entrance tickets

## **NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRICE**

- Hotel in Ulaanbaatar
- City touring
- International transport
- Passport and visa costs
- Medical, trip insurance and evacuation costs
- International airport taxes, excess baggage charges.
- Alcoholic and soft drinks
- Meals not included in the itinerary
- Laundry
- Telephone calls
- Items of personal nature
- Other items not specifically mentioned as included
- Airport transfer

## **DELAYS**

We are not responsible for any additional charges incurred arising from the delay or extension of a trip due to weather, equipment failure, illness, or other causes beyond our control. No refunds can be made for any unused services or accommodations on the trip.

## **TRANSPORT**

Toyota Land Cruisers series 80, 100, 105 - have 4 passenger seats. Comfortable on our bumpy road, forward facing seats equipped with seat belts and has air condition and plenty space for luggage in trunk and on roof track.

Delica - Japanese 4X4 van. Delicas have 5 passenger seats. Comfortable on our bumpy road, bit slower on off-road than Land Cruisers. Forward facing seats equipped with seat belts and has air condition. Panoramic

view windows. Having not much space in trunk, luggage mostly put on roof rack.

Furgon - Russian military van. Furgons have 7 passenger seats. Mostly forward facing seats. It has plenty space. Furgons have no air condition and not equipped with seat belts. If you are in group and looking for adventure on tight budget it might be a good solution. Excellent vehicle on rough off-road condition. However less comfortable than Land Cruisers and Delicas.

## **FOOD**

Traditional Mongolian food based on different type of meat: mutton, beef, goat, horse and camel. As well as we eat dairies and usually heavy meals due to our radical climate of cold long winter and hot dry summer. However nowadays our food culture is becoming more diverse and you can easily find international food in restaurants and buy diverse imported food at supermarkets. We will do our best to accommodate your food requirement. Please let us know in advance if you have any special food requirement.

## **ACCOMMODATION**

In Ulaanbaatar we can book your hotel. We offer accommodation from guesthouse to the most prestigious 5 star hotels with suites.

All hotel we recommend are centrally located and in walking distances from restaurant, shops and museums.

While in the countryside, depending on the trip you choose, you will overnight in Ger Camps, Family Stay and Tented Camp.

Gers from Ger Camp are the traditional felt tents of nomadic herders. Each ger is furnished with a wood stove and beautifully painted furniture such as beds, a table and stools. Gers are based on double occupancy. Each ger camp has its restaurant, western style toilet and hot water showers. Most visitors find their stay in gers, which provide an authentic taste of Mongolian culture and adventure, their most enjoyable experience in Mongolia.

Family Stay. In summer time many nomads build extra Gers next to theirs and welcome guests. You will have mostly your private Ger. However, facilities stay basic and simple

Tented Camp is a camp build on a nice spot. The travellers will sleep in Western style tents. We will however do our best to offer you the best available service. We pride ourselves on the level of comfort we provide while camping in these remote areas, but camping is not for everyone. It is important to remain open-minded and physically willing.

## **REMARK**



Mongolia is a developing country in terms of infrastructure. The standard of the roads is very low, with no tarmac outside the capital. As a result, be prepared for bumpy and dusty rides.

Travelling in a seldom-explored country, with very little infrastructure requires flexibility, tolerance, a spirit of adventure and respect and understanding for cultural differences. The trip itinerary is subject to changes due to weather, trail conditions, government restrictions, or other reasons beyond our control. We will however do every attempt to adhere to the given schedule.

### **PAYMENTS**

Your trip will be confirmed after a non-refundable deposit of 35% of the due amount payable by bank transfer or visa. The rest payment is due to settle once you are in Mongolia before your trip starts.