CENTRAL ASIA GUIDE



GROUP TOUR · 22 DAYS

The Best of the Five Stan Tour

Bishkek – Ashgabat · Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan

Duration 22 days, 21 nights	Start and end Bishkek – Ashgabat	Best time to visit Apr–Jun, Aug–Oct
Group tour from $4,140 per person	Tour type Culture, Multi-country, Nature, Silk Road	Difficulty Moderate
Flights and train A flight and the train included	Departures 6 guaranteed dates	

Prices and dates valid for 2027 departures. Issued 23 November 2026.

Tour highlights

Embark on a 22-day journey through all five countries of Central Asia, beginning in Bishkek and ending in Ashgabat. In Kyrgyzstan you walk in Ala-Archa Gorge, watch a Kok-Boru horseback game near the Burana Tower, join a felt-making master class in Kochkor and drive up to Naryn for a day trip to the Silk Road caravanserai of Tash-Rabat. Along the southern shore of Issyk-Kul you meet eagle hunters in Bokonbaevo, explore Skazka Canyon, sleep in a yurt camp in Tamga and hike in the red-rock Jeti-Oguz Gorge before reaching Karakol.

Cross into Kazakhstan via Charyn Canyon to Almaty, fly to Dushanbe and drive past Iskanderkul Lake to Penjikent and Khujand. In Uzbekistan the Silk Road cities of Tashkent, Samarkand, Bukhara and Khiva follow, with a plov cooking class in a Bukhara family home. The journey ends in Turkmenistan with a night by the burning Darvaza Gas Crater and the white-marble capital Ashgabat with the Parthian ruins of Nisa.

Difficulty: Moderate. Sightseeing tour with easy walks (Ala-Archa, Jeti-Oguz, Charyn Canyon), but a fast pace: 22 days, five countries, three land-border crossings and several long road days of 300–460 km. Naryn lies above 2,000 m and the Shymbulak cable car rises to 3,200 m.



Darvaza crater from above



Khiva walled oasis city in Kyzyl Kum desert

Where you'll stay

Nights 1–2	**Bishkek**	My Hotel 3* or similar
Nights 3–4	**Naryn**	Grand Khan Tengri Hotel 3* or similar
Night 5	**Tamga Gorge**	Oymo Tash yurt camp
Night 6	**Karakol**	Green Yard Hotel 3* or similar
Nights 7–8	**Almaty**	Grand Sapphire 3* or similar
Nights 9–10	**Dushanbe**	Atlas Hotel B&B 3* or similar
Night 11	**Panjakent**	Panjakent Plaza Hotel or similar
Night 12	**Tashkent**	Avant Hotel 3* or similar
Nights 13–14	**Samarkand**	Arba 3* or similar
Nights 15–16	**Bukhara**	Asal Boutique 3* or similar
Nights 17–18	**Khiva**	Darvaza Hotel 3* or similar
Night 19	**Darvaza Gas Crater**	Yurt
Nights 20–21	**Ashgabat**	Ak-Altyn Hotel 3* or similar

Listed accommodation or similar, same category.

Day-by-day itinerary

DAY 1

Bishkek, arrival

We arrive in Bishkek early in the morning and head straight to our hotel to freshen up and enjoy a short rest after the flight. After breakfast, our journey through Central Asia truly begins. Leaving the city behind, we drive about 45 km south into the mountains to visit the stunning Ala-Archa Gorge, one of Kyrgyzstan's most beautiful national parks. Nestled in the foothills of the Tien Shan Mountains, Ala-Archa is a perfect introduction to the country's wild nature — crisp mountain air, fast-flowing rivers, pine forests, and dramatic snow-capped peaks all around us. Here we enjoy a gentle walk along mountain trails, taking in the scenery, breathing in the fresh alpine air, and easing into the rhythm of the journey. It's a peaceful and refreshing start, allowing us to connect with nature without rushing.

In the afternoon, we return to Bishkek and set out to discover the city's main highlights. We explore the spacious Ala-Too Square, watch the changing of the guard at the National Flagstaff, and see key monuments dedicated to Lenin, Freedom, and Manas the Great — the legendary hero of the Kyrgyz people. The evening is free to relax after a long first day. Overnight in Bishkek.

Overnight	**Bishkek** · My Hotel 3* or similar
Meals	Breakfast
Travel	Bishkek – Bishkek

DAY 2

Bishkek

After breakfast at the hotel, we meet our local guide and leave Bishkek for a short drive into the countryside. Our destination is the Burana Tower — an impressive 11th-century minaret and one of the very few surviving landmarks of the ancient city of Balasagun, once an important stop on the Silk Road. We walk around the open-air archaeological area surrounding the tower, where stone balbals (ancient Turkic grave markers) and scattered ruins give a tangible sense of the region's deep and layered history. The site feels quiet and open, allowing us to imagine life here centuries ago. Nearby, we stop at a local family home for lunch. We are welcomed with warm hospitality and enjoy a traditional home-cooked meal, offering a genuine taste of Kyrgyz cuisine and everyday life.

After lunch, we witness a truly distinctive cultural experience — Kok-Boru, the Kyrgyz national horseback game. Often compared to Buzkashi, this traditional sport involves riders competing to carry and score with a goat or sheep carcass. It demands remarkable strength, balance, and riding skill, and watching it up close offers a powerful insight into Kyrgyz nomadic traditions that are still very much alive today. In the afternoon, we return to Bishkek and head back to the hotel to relax. Overnight in Bishkek.

Overnight	**Bishkek** · My Hotel 3* or similar
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch

DAY 3

Bishkek – Kochkor village – Naryn by road

After breakfast, we leave Bishkek and begin our journey toward Naryn, a remote mountain town set high in the heart of Kyrgyzstan. The road gradually climbs into wide valleys and open highland landscapes, giving us a sense of how quickly the country shifts from city life to vast, rugged terrain. Along the way, we stop in the village of Kochkor, well known as the country's center of traditional felt making. Here we visit a local workshop and take part in a hands-on masterclass, where we learn how shyrdaks — traditional felt rugs — are created. From washing and layering the wool to shaping the final patterns, the process is entirely handmade and deeply rooted in everyday nomadic life.

After lunch, we continue our drive into the mountains. By evening, we arrive in Naryn, a quiet town located at an altitude of over 2,000 meters above sea level. Surrounded by dramatic mountain scenery and wide-open spaces, Naryn feels far removed from the bustle of the lowlands.
We check in at our hotel and enjoy a well-earned rest after a day on the road.
Overnight in Naryn.

Overnight	**Naryn** · Grand Khan Tengri Hotel 3* or similar
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch
Travel	Bishkek – Naryn (320 km)

DAY 4

Naryn, day trip to Tash-Rabat caravanserai

After breakfast, we set off on a day trip to one of Kyrgyzstan's hidden treasures — the Tash-Rabat Caravanserai, a well-preserved stone fortress that once sheltered Silk Road traders, travelers, and their caravans.

Surrounded by high mountains and wild meadows, this 15th-century caravanserai stands as a silent witness to centuries of trade and adventure. We explore its cool stone chambers and learn how merchants once rested here after crossing the high passes from China. After a picnic-style lunch in the fresh mountain air, we return to Naryn for the evening. Overnight at the hotel.

Overnight	**Naryn** · Grand Khan Tengri Hotel 3* or similar
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch
Travel	Naryn – Tash Rabat (110 km) Tash Rabat – Naryn (110 km)

DAY 5

Naryn – Bokonbaevo village – Tamga (Issyk-Kul)

After breakfast, we continue our journey along the southern shore of Issyk-Kul Lake, one of the largest alpine lakes in the world. The scenery changes from wide valleys to mountain ridges that seem to touch the sky. Our first stop is the village of Bokonbaevo, where we meet local eagle hunters — the proud keepers of a centuries-old Kyrgyz tradition. We watch a falconry demonstration and learn how these majestic birds are trained to hunt in the wild. We enjoy lunch en route, experiencing the warm hospitality of the Kyrgyz people.

Next, we visit the fascinating Fairytale Canyon (Skazka) — a magical place where colorful clay formations have been shaped by wind and time into towers, castles, and dragons. It truly feels like stepping into another world! By evening, we arrive in Tamga village, located near the lakeshore. We stay overnight in a yurt camp (twin yurts with private en-suite bathrooms) and enjoy dinner.

Overnight	**Tamga Gorge** · Oymo Tash yurt camp
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Travel	Naryn – Tamga Gorge (230 km)

DAY 6

Tamga – Djety-Oguz gorge – Karakol

After breakfast, we take a short drive with our guide to explore the stunning Djety-Oguz Gorge, whose name means “Seven Bulls.” The gorge gets its name from seven striking red cliffs of sandstone that rise like giant guards over the valley. The contrast of the crimson rocks against the dark green Tien Shan spruce forests is simply breathtaking.
We enjoy an easy hike along the winding mountain river, listening to the sound of rushing water and birds echoing through the gorge — a perfect moment to connect with nature.
Afterward, we continue to Karakol, a cozy town at the eastern edge of Issyk-Kul.

Upon arrival, we visit its main highlights: the colorful Dungan Mosque, built entirely of wood without a single nail, and the Russian Orthodox Cathedral, famous for its carved details and peaceful atmosphere. We also stop by the Przhevalsky Museum, dedicated to the Russian explorer who mapped much of Central Asia. Evening at leisure and overnight at the hotel.

Overnight	**Karakol** · Green Yard Hotel 3* or similar
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch
Travel	Tamga Gorge – Karakol (90 km)

DAY 7

Karakol – "Kegen" land border – Charyn canyon – Almaty

We have an early breakfast at the hotel and depart from Karakol around 8:00 a.m., heading toward the Kazakh border at Kegen. After completing the border formalities, we continue our scenic drive through wide valleys and mountain passes toward Almaty, Kazakhstan’s cultural capital.

On the way, we stop to explore the spectacular Charyn Canyon, one of Central Asia’s most impressive natural wonders. Often called the “Grand Canyon’s little brother,” it stretches for about 150 km, with cliffs rising up to 300 meters high. The most famous part, the Valley of Castles, features dramatic rock formations that look as if they were carved by ancient architects.

We take a leisurely walk through the canyon, surrounded by colorful stone walls glowing red and orange in the sun — it’s a truly unforgettable landscape.
By evening, we arrive in Almaty, check into our hotel, and relax after a full and beautiful day.

Overnight	**Almaty** · Grand Sapphire 3* or similar
Meals	Breakfast, Lunch
Travel	Karakol – Almaty (380 km)

DAY 8

Almaty

Breakfast at the hotel. Today enjoy a full-day tour of Almaty, Kazakhstan’s largest and most vibrant city. Begin with the colorful Green Bazaar, then stroll through Panfilov Park to see the striking wooden Zenkov Cathedral and the moving Memorial of Glory and Eternal Flame.

Next, ride up to Kok-Tobe Hill, crowned by the tallest TV tower in the world. Take in panoramic views of the city before descending by the famous Almaty cableway.
After lunch, head into the mountains: visit Medeo, the world’s highest ice-skating rink, and continue to Shymbulak Ski Resort. Ride the cable car up to 3,200 meters above sea level for unforgettable alpine views. Return to the hotel in the evening. Overnight in Almaty.

Overnight	**Almaty** · Grand Sapphire 3* or similar
Meals	Breakfast

DAY 9

Almaty – Dushanbe by evening flight

After breakfast at the hotel, we enjoy a slow and relaxed morning in Almaty. This is a chance to spend a few final hours in the city at our own pace — perhaps return to the bazaar to pick up something tasty or memorable or take a leisurely walk along Almaty's well-known Arbat pedestrian street, watching city life unfold. Please note that hotel check-out is at 12:00, but luggage can be safely stored at the hotel, allowing us to continue exploring the city without any rush.

At the time agreed with the guide, we meet in the hotel lobby and transfer to the airport for our evening flight to Dushanbe. Upon arrival in Dushanbe, we are met and transferred to the hotel. The rest of the evening is free to rest and recover after the journey.

Overnight	**Dushanbe** · Atlas Hotel B&B 3* or similar
Meals	Breakfast
Travel	Almaty – Dushanbe (flight)

DAY 10

Dushanbe

After breakfast, we begin our exploration of Dushanbe, a city that beautifully blends Soviet heritage with modern Central Asian charm. We visit the National Museum of Antiquities, home to the famous "Buddha in Nirvana", a 13-metre reclining clay Buddha and one of the largest in Central Asia. We continue to the colorful Botanical Garden, a green oasis in the city, and then stroll through the bustling Oriental Bazaar, where locals shop for fruits, spices, and handmade goods.

After lunch, we drive about 25 km outside the city to visit the impressive Hisor Fortress, once an important stronghold along the Silk Road. Inside the complex, we explore the Madrasah Kukhna, a beautiful example of traditional architecture. We return to Dushanbe in the evening for rest and overnight at the hotel.

Overnight	**Dushanbe** · Atlas Hotel B&B 3* or similar
Meals	Breakfast

DAY 11

Dushanbe – Iskanderkul Lake – Penjikent

In the morning, we depart from Dushanbe and begin our drive towards Penjikent, traveling through the mountain landscapes of northern Tajikistan. Along the way, we stop at the beautiful Iskanderkul Lake, named after Alexander the Great. Set high in the mountains, the lake is known for its striking turquoise water and dramatic surroundings. We spend some time walking along the shore, taking photos, and enjoying the quiet atmosphere and fresh mountain air. After our visit to Iskanderkul, we continue the drive to Penjikent.

Upon arrival, we begin a city tour, exploring the town's history and cultural heritage. We visit the ancient settlement of Sarazm, an important archaeological site and UNESCO World Heritage Site, which offers insight into early civilizations of Central Asia. We also visit the local museum, where exhibits help bring the region's long and layered history to life. After the sightseeing, we transfer to the hotel, check in, and enjoy time to rest after a scenic day on the road. Overnight in Penjikent.

Overnight	**Panjakent** · Panjakent Plaza Hotel or similar
Meals	Breakfast
Travel	Dushanbe – Panjakent (235 km)

DAY 12

Penjikent – Khujand – "Oybek" land border – Tashkent

After breakfast, we continue our journey north, driving toward Khujand, the second-largest city in Tajikistan, located in the fertile Fergana Valley. Upon arrival, we make a short stop for sightseeing tour of Khujand, one of the oldest cities in Central Asia and an important stop along the Silk Road. We explore the Archaeological Museum, then continue to the Shaikh Muslihiddin Mosque and Madrasah, an important religious and cultural complex for the city. Our tour concludes at Payshanba Bazaar, the main market of Khujand, where locals come to shop for produce, spices, bread, and everyday goods — a good place to observe daily life in the Fergana Valley.

After the city tour, we continue our drive toward the “Oybek” land border. Border formalities are completed en route. On the Uzbek side, we meet our Uzbek guide and driver and continue the drive to Tashkent. Upon arrival, we transfer to the hotel and enjoy time to rest after a long day on the road.

Overnight	**Tashkent** · Avant Hotel 3* or similar
Meals	Breakfast
Travel	Panjakent – Tashkent (460 km)

DAY 13

Tashkent – Samarkand by evening train, 2 hours

After breakfast, we spend the day discovering Tashkent, Uzbekistan’s capital, a city where layers of history sit alongside wide avenues and modern life.
We begin at Khast-Imam Square, the spiritual center of the city, home to historic madrasahs, mosques, and mausoleums. Walking through the complex, we get a sense of Tashkent’s religious and scholarly heritage. From here, we head to Chorsu Bazaar, one of the oldest markets in Central Asia. Under its vast domed halls, we wander among stalls filled with spices, bread, fruits, sweets, and everyday goods, observing the rhythm of local life.

After lunch, we continue our city walk through Independence Square, an open and symbolic space reflecting Uzbekistan’s modern history, and Amir Temur Square, framed by elegant buildings and shaded walkways. Another memorable experience is a ride on the Tashkent Metro — each station designed with its own style, turning a simple journey into a walk through an underground gallery. In the evening, we head to the railway station and board a comfortable train to Samarkand. After arrival, we transfer to the hotel and settle in, ready for the next day in one of the most legendary cities of the Silk Road. Overnight in Samarkand.

Overnight	**Samarkand** · Arba 3* or similar
Meals	Breakfast
Travel	Tashkent – Samarkand (train, 343 km)

DAY 14

Samarkand

After breakfast we set off to discover the treasures of Samarkand, one of the most dazzling cities of the Silk Road. Our tour begins at the iconic Registan Square, framed by three grand madrasahs – Ulugbek, Sher-Dor, and Tilla-Qori – each a masterpiece of Islamic architecture. We continue to the Gur-e Amir Mausoleum, the resting place of Tamerlane and his dynasty, with its turquoise dome and richly decorated interiors.

After lunch, we visit the Bibi-Khanym Mosque, once one of the largest in the Islamic world, and wander through the Shah-i-Zinda Necropolis, where vibrant, blue-tiled mausoleums line a narrow medieval street. The day ends at the Ulugbek Observatory, where the great astronomer charted the stars centuries ago. Return to the hotel for overnight.

Overnight	**Samarkand** · Arba 3* or similar
Meals	Breakfast

DAY 15

Samarkand - Bukhara

After breakfast we depart for Bukhara, one of the most atmospheric cities along the Silk Road. The journey takes us across the Kyzylkum plains — once the route of ancient caravans linking oasis to oasis.

Upon arrival, we step into the old town, where centuries of history seem to linger in every brick and dome. We'll begin our exploration with the majestic Po-i-Kalyan Complex, its elegant minaret once guiding weary travellers by torchlight. Nearby, we'll visit the Miri-Arab Madrasa, the Magoki-Attori Mosque, and Ulugbek Madrasa, each telling its own story of faith and learning. The day concludes at the tranquil Lyabi-Hauz Square, where mulberry trees shade the reflecting pool and local life unfolds around us.
In the evening, we check into our hotel and rest.

Overnight	**Bukhara** · Asal Boutique 3* or similar
Meals	Breakfast
Travel	Samarkand – Bukhara (280 km)

DAY 16

Bukhara

Breakfast at the hotel. Today we continue our discovery of Bukhara, one of the most atmospheric cities on the Silk Road. We'll start with the Ismail Samani Mausoleum, a masterpiece of early Islamic architecture, and the Chashma Ayub Mausoleum, associated with the legend of the Prophet Job. Then we'll wander through the bustling local bazaar, before visiting the elegant Bolo-Khauz Mosque and the mighty Ark Citadel with its old Zindan prison — echoes of the city's rich and sometimes dramatic past.

In the afternoon, we head beyond the city to explore the Sitorai Mokhi-Khosa Palace, once the lavish summer residence of the last emir, and the Mausoleum of Bakhouddin Naqshbandi, one of the most sacred pilgrimage sites in Central Asia.

As evening falls, we're welcomed into a traditional Uzbek home for a heartwarming culinary experience. Together with our hosts, we'll take part in a plov master class, learning how to prepare Uzbekistan's most beloved dish step by step — before sharing a delicious homemade dinner filled with laughter, aromas, and stories of local life.

Overnight	**Bukhara** · Asal Boutique 3* or similar
Meals	Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 17

Bukhara – Khiva

After breakfast we set off on a long but scenic journey across the Kyzyl-Kum Desert and along the mighty Amudarya River. This vast landscape of golden sands and rippling dunes gives a real sense of the Silk Road's endurance.

We stop for lunch en route and continue our drive to Khiva, a perfectly preserved medieval city that feels like an open-air museum. On arrival, we have leisure time to wander its narrow streets, visit traditional workshops, and browse local souvenir shops.

Overnight	**Khiva** · Darvaza Hotel 3* or similar
Meals	Breakfast
Travel	Bukhara – Khiva (460 km)

DAY 18

Khiva

After breakfast we explore Ichan-Kala, the walled inner city of Khiva and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Its mudbrick walls, minarets, and madrassahs create one of the most atmospheric cities in Central Asia.

Highlights include the Pakhlavan Mahmud Mausoleum, the Kunya-Ark Fortress, and the tall Islam Hajji Minaret. After lunch, we visit the ornate Tash Khauli Palace, the Juma Mosque with its 200 carved wooden columns, the Muhammad Aminkhan Madrasah, and the Avesta Museum. Return to the hotel in the evening and rest.

Overnight	**Khiva** · Darvaza Hotel 3* or similar
Meals	Breakfast

DAY 19

Khiva – "Shavat" land border – Darwaza

In the morning, we depart from Khiva and drive toward the “Shavat” land border. After completing border formalities, we meet our local Turkmen guide and driver and continue our journey across the vast desert landscapes of Turkmenistan. The road leads us through wide, open terrain toward one of the country’s most unusual natural sights — the Darwaza Gas Crater. We arrive in the Darwaza area before sunset, giving us time to settle in and take in the surroundings as daylight slowly fades.

As evening approaches, we enjoy a BBQ dinner near the crater. After dark, we walk closer to the edge to observe the crater glowing against the night sky — an unforgettable sight as flames rise from the depths, illuminating the desert around us. We have time to experience the crater both in daylight and after nightfall, when its scale and atmosphere feel especially striking. Overnight is spent in shared yurts (3–4 travellers per yurt), offering a simple but memorable stay in the heart of the Karakum Desert.

Overnight	**Darvaza Gas Crater** · Yurt
Meals	Breakfast, Dinner
Travel	Khiva – Darvaza Gas Crater (360 km)

DAY 20

Darwaza – Ashgabat

After breakfast at the desert camp, we leave Darwaza and continue our drive toward Ashgabat, crossing the wide landscapes of the Karakum Desert. Along the way, we stop at the nearby mud and water craters, lesser-known natural features that add to the unusual character of this region.

Upon arrival in Ashgabat, we begin an introductory tour of Turkmenistan’s capital, a city known for its grand avenues, white marble buildings, and carefully planned layout. We visit the Sunday Bazaar, where locals shop for fresh produce, textiles, and everyday goods. We then continue to the Ahalteke horse stables, home to the famous Akhal-Teke horses — a national symbol of Turkmenistan, admired for their elegance and endurance.

Our tour also includes a visit to the Ertogrul Ghazi Mosque, one of the city’s most impressive modern mosques, inspired by classical Ottoman architecture. After the tour, we transfer to the hotel and enjoy time to rest after a long day of travel.

Overnight	**Ashgabat** · Ak-Altyn Hotel 3* or similar
Meals	Breakfast
Travel	Darvaza Gas Crater – Ashgabat (300 km)

DAY 21

Ashgabat

After breakfast, we continue exploring Ashgabat, focusing on the city's key cultural, historical, and architectural landmarks. We begin at the National Museum, where exhibitions provide an overview of Turkmenistan's ancient civilizations, archaeological discoveries, and modern history. From there, we visit Independence Park, a vast ceremonial space filled with monuments and carefully designed alleys reflecting the country's national identity.

Our route continues to the Rukhnama Monument and the Neutrality Arch, one of Ashgabat's most recognizable structures. We also stop at the Wedding Palace, where a panoramic viewpoint offers wide views over the city's distinctive white-marble skyline. Outside the city, we visit Nissa, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and the former capital of the Parthian Empire, whose ruins give insight into the region's ancient past. We conclude the day at the Turkmenbashi Mosque-Mausoleum, an important religious and memorial complex.
After the sightseeing program, we return to the hotel for rest.

Overnight	**Ashgabat** · Ak-Altyn Hotel 3* or similar
Meals	Breakfast

DAY 22

Ashgabat, departure

Breakfast at the hotel. At the scheduled time, transfer to Ashgabat International Airport for your departure flight.

Overnight	Departure day, no overnight
Meals	Breakfast

What's included

Included

- Accommodation at the hotels listed below, or at similar properties of the same category, in double/twin rooms with breakfast. Early check-in on Day 1 in Bishkek is included; check-in at other hotels is at 14:00, check-out at 12:00.
- Accommodation at the yurt camp in Tamga village (twin accommodation with private en-suite bathrooms).
- Accommodation at the yurt camp in Darwaza (3-4 travelers per yurt, bathrooms are shared, outside the yurt).
- Meals – daily breakfasts, 6 lunches, and 3 dinners (incl. a cooking class in Bukhara) as per the program.
- Entrance fees to the monuments and museums mentioned in the itinerary.
- Kok-Boru horseback game demonstration.
- Falconry demonstration and felt-making master class in Kyrgyzstan.
- Felt carpet master class.
- Services of English-speaking local guides for sightseeing.
- Comfortable air-conditioned transportation throughout the tour, including all airport–hotel–airport transfers.
- Railway transfer from Tashkent to Samarkand (economy class).
- Flight ticket Almaty–Dushanbe (economy class).
- Assistance with the Turkmenistan e-visa application (a letter of invitation is no longer required): once we receive your documents, we submit the application, and the State Migration Service then sends you a link to complete the form and pay the fees.
- * Tickets for high-speed trains are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed in advance.

Not included

- Meals not mentioned above (in Turkmenistan on average 10–18 USD per meal).
- Medical expenses and travel insurance.
- Porterage at hotels, railway stations, and airports.
- Tips for guides and drivers.
- Turkmenistan e-visa fee: standard 40 USD per person (processing about 10–14 business days) or urgent 80 USD per person (about 5–7 business days).
- Customs fee in Turkmenistan, paid at the border: 16 USD per person.
- PCR test in Turkmenistan, still mandatory, paid at the border: 35 USD per person.
- Other personal expenses (e.g. tourist fee in Turkmenistan hotels — 2 USD per person per night).

Prices and dates

Valid for 2027 departures

Group tour, per person

Tour	Double / twin room	Single supplement
22 days, 3 star hotels	**$4,140**	+ $585
22 days, 4 star hotels	**$4,620**	+ $920

Same price on all departures. 20% deposit, balance 30 days before tour starting date.

Guaranteed group departures

2027

Start	End	Weekdays	Status
7 Apr 2027	28 Apr 2027	Wed – Wed	Available
5 May 2027	26 May 2027	Wed – Wed	Available
2 Jun 2027	23 Jun 2027	Wed – Wed	Available
11 Aug 2027	1 Sep 2027	Wed – Wed	Available
8 Sep 2027	29 Sep 2027	Wed – Wed	Available
6 Oct 2027	27 Oct 2027	Wed – Wed	Available

Availability as of 23 November 2026. Check current availability on the tour page.

Book or ask a question

Choose a date or ask us anything about this tour. We usually reply within one working day.

Tour page	central-asia.guide/central-asia-tours/the-best-of-the-five-stan-tour
Email	info@central-asia.guide
Phone and WhatsApp	+358 40 812 4448
Telegram	t.me/zhetigenova
Messenger	m.me/Centralasiaguidefb

Central Asia Guide KG · Yusup Abdrakhmanova 252, Bishkek · ID 33842079 · Copyright © 2020 – 2026