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# TURKMENISTAN

4 DAYS TOUR





### TOUR DETAILS

Period April - October

O Tour length and Participants 4 days, 1 - 16 participants

Price from605 USD / in a group of 9 people

# HIGHLIGHTS OF THE TOUR

Turkmenistan offers a blend of modern extravagance, ancient history, and natural wonders, promising an unforgettable and diverse travel experience. You will engage with the warm hospitality and rich cultural traditions of the Turkmen people. Explore well-preserved Silk Road citiy like Kunya-Urgench with ancient ruins and historical sites.

# TOUR INFORMATION

Price includes:

- Visa support (Letter of Invitation, State Registration, Travel Pass)
- Road transport in private air-conditioned vehicles, regular or SUV/4WD as per table (pls. see table below for seating capacity)
- Accommodation based on shared yurts (max 2-4 pax per yurt) and a shared double/twin hotel room, including breakfast
- BBQ-dinner
- English-speaking guide-interpreter services
- Entrance fees as per program
- Photo camera usage fee Kunya Urgench historical park
- Bottled water 1,5 ltr pppd
- Porter services



Price does not include:

- Turkmenistan tourist visa from 55 USD per person, when obtained at land borders (subject to change; nationality dependent)
- Turkmenistan migration tax 10+4 USD per person, to be paid at land borders (subject to change)
- COVID-19 PCR tests by arrival and/or departure 33 USD per person per test (subject to change!)
- Tourist fee per night, charged in the hotels at departure 2 USD per person per night (obligatory)
- Photo/video fees at Nissa and National Museum
- Tips for local guide(s) and/or driver(s)
- Souvenirs and other personal items
- All other charges and services not mentioned under "Included"

Hotel in Ashgabat	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Bagt Koshki 3*	1142	689	678	661	650	639	627	616	605
Sport 4*	1249	767	756	740	728	717	706	695	684
Diwan 5*/Archabil 5*	1277	795	784	767	756	745	734	723	712

Price Per Person in USD

Important Notes

- Please bring only cash USD for your local expenses in Turkmenistan, no EURO and no credit cards
- Please be aware that a member of staff of our agency will need to take your original passport for several hours for registration
- Please be aware that there may be various vehicles and drivers used during your tour, depending on the route section and type of transport needed on that section
- National History Museum and Fine Arts Museum are closed on Tuesdays
- National Carpet Museum is closed on Saturday afternoon and Sundays
- Weekend Bazaar (aka Tolkuchka or Altyn Asyr Gundogar Bazaar) is best visited on Sundays, when there is an additional livestock section. On Mondays-



Wednesdays and Fridays this bazaar is closed, but other city bazaars are open *(no photography permitted)* 

- Photo fees at historical sites and museums
- Nissa (UNESCO): ~3 USD per camera
- Kunya Urgench (UNESCO): ~3 USD per camera
- Carpet Museum: ~4 USD per photo!
- Fine Art Museum: ~14 USD per camera
- National Museum: ~14 USD per camera

### ITINERARY

Day 1 Border Point Hojeili-Kunya-Urgench-Darwaza

In the morning drive to Turkmenistan border point Nukus-Hojeili (80-100 km, 1, 5 h.). Be at the border at 9:00 AM when it opens and go through formalities on both checkpoints. Cross 1.5 km neutral zone (minibus available for car 1 USD). With your invitation letter you will be able to get your Turkmenistan visas at the border.

Please note: Depending on the number of people waiting to cross the border you will need to wait up to one or two hours, also be prepared to be thoroughly searched. On the Turkmenistan side of the border, meet your Turkmen guide and driver and transfer to Kunya Urgench (UNESCO)

(20 km, 0, 5 h.). Visit mausoleums of Turebek Khanym, Sultan Tekesh, Sultan II Arslan. Discover the Kutlug Timur Minaret.

In the afternoon drive to Darwaza gas crater located in the middle of Karakym desert (270 km, 4-5 h.). Discover the burning gas crater by day and nighttime. Accommodation in the yurts. Camp dinner and overnight in yurts (two people per yurt).



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Day 2 Darwaza-Ashgabat

After camp style breakfast drive to Ashgabat via water crater and Erbent desert community. Arrival in Ashgabat around noon. Check in at the hotel (at or after 14:00 hrs) and have some rest during the midday heat and after the long and shaky ride of the past couple of days.

In the afternoon, have a short sightseeing tour (3-4 hrs) in Ashgabat. The tour includes a visit of the National Museum of History, the Arch of Neutrality, and the Independence Park. Drive back to Ashgabat through New City area of Ashgabat enjoying the view with all its night illuminations (if time coincides with night illumination). Overnight in the hotel.





#### Day 3 Ashgabat

After breakfast, we drive to Old Nisa fortress (UNESCO World Heritage site) – the earliest of Parthian Empire capitals. Located in an atmospheric area on an irregular pentagon hill, at the foot of the Kopet-Dag Mountains, Old Nisa is a beautiful landmark. 14 hectares in size, the fort accommodates two semi-excavated complexes of Parthian period (III c. BC – III c. AD) structures, designated as royal residence and temple complex. We continue to the Spiritual Mosque, one of the biggest mosques in Central Asia.

Then drive back to Ashgabat, stopping en-route at National Memorial Complex "Halk Hakydasy" with WWII and Earthquake memorials. Spend some time at the Memorial Complex.

Overnight in the hotel.



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#### Day 4 Ashgabat departure

Transfer to the international airport for an departure flight from Ashgabat.

