

The Trans-Siberian - Russia and Mongolia 11-Day Railway Journey from Moscow to Ulan Bator

Moscow, Kazan, Yekaterinburg, Novosibirsk, Lake Baikal, Irkutsk, Ulan Ude, Ulan Bator



Experience one of the last great travel adventures. Your journey along the Trans-Siberian Railway, one of the world's most fascinating and safest train routes, is even more interesting, comfortable, and entertaining aboard old-world style railway cars. This train journey from Moscow to Ulan Bator via Lake Baikal is your chance to fulfil the dream of a lifetime.

HIGHLIGHTS

- City of Lights evening tour through Moscow and Kremlin in Kazan
- Welcome ceremony with bread and salt in Novosibirsk
- Siberian wooden houses in Irkutsk
- Panoramic train route directly alongside Lake Baikal
- Picnic on the shores of Lake Baikal (weather permitting)
- Mongolian archery demonstration
- Daily talks on the region's culture and people
- Vodka tasting with traditional Russian snacks and red caviar

Day 1 - 2 May 2020 - Welcome to Moscow

You are greeted at the airport and accompanied to your hotel. Our "City of Lights" tour shows you around the exquisitely illuminated Russian capital. You notice that Moscow is clearly on a par with Europe's other great metropolitan cities such as Madrid and Paris. You stroll across the famous Red Square with your guide and take a short trip on the underground to view several of Moscow's particularly beautiful metro stations.

Overnight: InterContinental Tverskaya/Radisson Royal Ukraina (or similar). Meals included: dinner (D).





Day 2 - 3 May 2020 - Moscow from its most beautiful side

In the morning you take an informative tour of Moscow, including the imposing Kremlin grounds and its magnificent cathedral from tsarist times. Toward evening, you are welcomed on board your private train unit prior to departure. A relaxed get-together in the dining car offers the chance to meet your fellow travellers and learn more details about your journey.

Overnight on board. Meals included: breakfast (B), lunch (L), and dinner (D).

Day 3 - 4 May 2020 - Kazan

In the morning you arrive in Kazan, the capital of Tatarstan. You take a tour of the Kazan Kremlin (UNESCO World Cultural Heritage) with its wonderful panoramic view over the Volga, where you learn about the turbulent history of the relationship between the Tatars, the Cossacks, and the Russians. Your private train unit resumes its journey eastwards in the evening.

Overnight on board. (BLD)



Day 4 - 5 May 2020 - Yekaterinburg

Your private train unit stops around noon in Yekaterinburg, the historical capital of the Urals. The city is remembered as the place where the Russian tsar Nicholas II and his family were murdered in 1918. During a brief tour you see the Cathedral of the Saviour on the Spilled Blood, which was built in 2003 in commemoration of that tragic historic event, and the city centre so attractively restored in 2009. Back on board, you continue on your journey through the vast steppes of western Siberia.

Overnight on board. (BLD)

Day 5 - 6 May 2020 - Novosibirsk

You arrive in Novosibirsk, the heart of Siberia. During a short city tour, you experience the most Soviet of all cities during your journey. You see the enormous Trans-Siberian Monument and the mighty Ob River. *Overnight on board. (BLD)*

Day 6 - 7 May 2020 - Trans-Siberia

Your private train unit crosses the wide Yenisei River and rolls on through Siberia. A vodka tasting accompanied by Russian snacks and clever toasts offers you a very enjoyable opportunity to combine pleasure and local hospitality. Your private train unit passes by villages with their typical wooden houses and through birch forests set against a background of impressive mountain-scapes and, hopefully, ample sunshine.

Overnight on board. (BLD)

Day 7 - 8 May 2020 - Lake Baikal

After arrival in Irkutsk in the morning you drive to the remarkable natural phenomenon of Lake Baikal, the largest reservoir of freshwater in the world. A short boat excursion takes you out onto the lake. Take a swim if you wish and visit the picturesque village of Listwyanka. Dinner is a Baikal-style picnic on the lakeshore with a view of the incredible natural surroundings (weather permitting).

Overnight: Hotel Mayak (or similar). (BLD)



Day 8 - 9 May 2020 - Irkutsk

In the morning you pay a worthwhile visit to an open-air museum with a focus on life and work in historical Siberia. Afterwards, we go to Irkutsk, the capital of Eastern Siberia in tsarist times. During your city tour you see

the Okhlopkov Drama Theatre, the new memorial to Tsar Alexander III, and the photogenic market hall. Overnight on board. (BLD)







Day 9 - 10 May 2020 - From Lake Baikal to Ulan Ude

The journey continues through the wild solitude of eastern Siberia's mountainous steppes. During an intermediate stop you visit an Old Believer's village close to Ulan Ude.

Overnight on board. (BLD)

Day 10 - 11 May 2020 - Arrival in Ulan Bator.

During your city tour you e.g. see the impressive Gandan Monastery and the odd Choijin Lama Temple. Lunch. Afterwards, you will attend a performance of traditional Mongolian folk arts including throat singing, horse-headed fiddle playing, national costumes and dances. Dinner in city restaurant (BLD).



Day 11 - 12 May 2020 - Breakfast and transfer to the airport for your return flight. (B)

*** Return home with wonderful memories ***

Price per person on a twin-sharing basis

Category	Rate per person Twin-sharing / single suppl
Classic	US\$ 6,160
SGL supplement	US\$ 3,320
Superior	US\$ 5,550
SGL supplement	US\$ 3,320
Bolshoi	US\$ 11,600
SGL supplement	US\$ 6,340

Hotels planned:

- Moscow 1 night InterContinental Tverskaya/Radisson Royal Ukraina

Lake Baikal 1 night Hotel MayakUlan Bator 1 Night Hotel Ramada

Price Inclusions:

- Journey aboard old-world style railway cars with guaranteed lodging in the booked category from Moscow to Ulan Bator (private train unit)
- English-speaking tour guide for each group of no more than 30 guests
- English-speaking local guides
- All transfers and bus tours according to itinerary
- Excursions and sightseeing tours according to itinerary, including all entry fees
- All meals according to itinerary (Indian restaurants at the stops wherever possible)
- Shower facilities on board the train
- Porter service at all railway stations
- 7 overnights on board private train unit
- 1 overnight in a well-appointed 4*-hotel in Moscow
- 1 overnight in a middle-class hotel in Listwjanka

Price Exclusions:

- International flights
- Visa and Insurance
- Gratuities
- Personal expenses
- Anything not mentioned under Price Inclusions
- 5% GST

Optional Shorter Variation

- Moscow platform Ulan Bator platform, tour starts from boarding the private train unit in Moscow on Day 2, sightseeing and overnight in Moscow are not included
 - → Reduction: 400 USD per person in categories Classic and Superior, 600 USD per person in category Bolshoi

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PLEASE NOTE

- Due to the intricate logistics of this tour, itinerary changes are sometimes unavoidable.
- This journey is generally not for guests with limited mobility or who depend on CPAP machines. Please contact us for more information about your specific requirements before booking.
- Payment to be made in INR only at the prevalent ROE

Payment Conditions:

- A non-refundable deposit of 15% is requested upon reservation
- The rest amount should be paid 60 days prior to departure

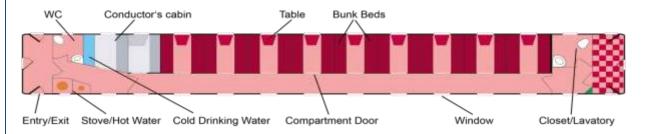
Cancellation Conditions:

Up to 92 days prior to departure: 15% of total price
Between 91 and 42 days prior to departure: 45% of total price
Between 41 and 11 days prior to departure: 80% of total price
10 and less days prior to departure/ no-show: 90% of total price

Trans-Siberian: Private Train Unit -- Your Comfortable Home During an Unforgettable Journey

Classic

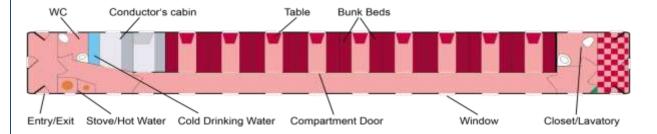
Compartments in the Classic Category offer considerably more space as they are shared by only two guests, with two lower beds measuring ca. 26.7 x 73.6 in. (68 x 187 cm), one on each side of the compartment. There are nine compartments per car, with combined toilet and washing facilities at both ends. Depending on the train configuration, a shower facility is shared by guests from one or maximum two sleeping cars.



Superior

This newly refurbished category now features interior design in a nostalgic look. The compartments have two

lower beds, one on each side, measuring ca. 26.7 x 72.8 in. (68 cm x 185 cm). The nine compartments per wagon share two combined washing and toilet facilities located at its ends. Depending on the train configuration, a shower facility is shared by guests from one or maximum two sleeping cars



Bolshoi

This category offers 60 sq ft (5.57 m2) of space. It has two beds, with the upper measuring 31.5 x 68.5 in. (80 x 174 cm) and the lower measuring 43.3 x 72.4 in. (110 x 184 cm). This compartment also offers comfortable seating, a table and a small wardrobe. The Bolshoi category has its own lavatory equipped with toilet, washing basin, and integrated shower with shower curtain. This category has only six compartments per car.

