

19-Day Mongolian Adventure Expedition

19 days · 6 stops · 2026-08-24

Embark on a **19-day solo adventure in Mongolia** this September, where you'll immerse yourself in the **rich history, vibrant culture, and breathtaking natural landscapes**. From the bustling capital of Ulaanbaatar with its ancient monasteries and museums, to the vast and mystical **Gobi Desert** with its iconic sand dunes and dinosaur fossils, this journey promises unforgettable experiences. Venture north to the remote **Darkhad Valley** to meet the unique Tsaatan reindeer herders, and head west to Bayan-Ölgii for thrilling **eagle watching** amidst stunning mountain scenery. This trip blend

San Pedro → Ulaanbaatar → Gobi Desert → Darkhad Valley → Bayan-Ölgii → San Pedro

San Pedro, Costa Rica

DAY 1–1

Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

DAY 1–4

Ulaanbaatar, the vibrant capital of Mongolia, is your gateway to an unforgettable adventure. Dive into the rich history and culture with visits to iconic sites like the Gandantegchinlen Monastery and the National Museum of Mongolia. From here, you can easily access the vast Gobi Desert, embark on eagle watching excursions, and journey to meet the Tsaatan reindeer herders in the remote northern for

ARRIVE · FLIGHT

SJO → UBN

28h 27m · 2 stops

\$1,073.71

STAY

Ulaanbaatar Hotel

Ulaanbaatar Hotel, B.Altangerel street-7, 8th subdistrict, Sukhbaatar district, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, Ulaanbaatar, 014200 · 7.6

ITINERARY

- Day 1 · Arrival and Relaxing Evening in Ulaanbaatar · 1 experiences: Modern Nomads
- Day 2 · Cultural Exploration and Traditional Performance · 1 experiences: Luna Blanca
- Day 3 · Genghis Khan Statue and Camel Ride Adventure · 1 experiences: Veranda
- Day 4 · Packing and Departure to Gobi Desert

Gobi Desert, Mongolia

DAY 4–9

The Gobi Desert in Mongolia is a vast and breathtaking landscape of sand dunes, rocky outcrops, and unique wildlife. It offers an authentic nomadic experience, with opportunities to explore ancient history, traditional Mongolian culture, and stunning natural beauty. Visiting the Gobi Desert is a highlight for any adventurer seeking remote and rugged terrain combined with rich cultural encounters.

ARRIVE · CAR

Ulaanbaatar → Gobi Desert

6h 22m

STAY

Gobi Desert Guesthouse

Dalanzadgad - Bayandalai Road, Dalandzadgad · 9.6

ITINERARY

- Day 4 · Arrival and Relaxation in the Gobi Desert
- Day 5 · Explore Flaming Cliffs and Bayanzag
- Day 6 · Khongoryn Els Sand Dunes Adventure
- Day 7 · Bayanzag Museum and Local Wildlife Spotting
- Day 8 · Cultural Immersion and Desert Photography
- Day 9 · Departure Preparation and Travel to Darkhad Valley

Darkhad Valley, Mongolia

DAY 9–14

The Darkhad Valley in Mongolia is a hidden gem for adventure seekers like you, offering a unique chance to experience the traditional lifestyle of the Tsaatan reindeer herders. This remote valley is surrounded by pristine nature, perfect for immersing yourself in authentic nomadic culture and witnessing the Tsaatan reindeer up close. It's also a fantastic spot for wildlife watching and exploring u

ARRIVE · CAR

Gobi Desert → Darkhad Valley

8h 52m

ITINERARY

- Day 9 · Arrival and Relaxation in Darkhad Valley · 1 experiences: Nomadic Hearth
- Day 10 · Explore Tsaatan Reindeer Herders
- Day 11 · Eagle Watching and Nature Walks · 1 experiences: Valley View Cafe
- Day 12 · Visit Local Villages and Cultural Sites · 1 experiences: The Ger Camp Restaurant
- Day 13 · Hiking and Scenic Photography · 1 experiences: Nomadic Hearth
- Day 14 · Departure Preparation and Travel

Bayan-Ölgii, Mongolia

DAY 14–20

Bayan-Ölgii is a stunning province in western Mongolia, renowned for its unique Kazakh culture and breathtaking eagle hunting traditions. It's the perfect place to experience authentic eagle watching and immerse yourself in the rich nomadic lifestyle. The region also offers beautiful landscapes and a chance to connect with the Tsaatan reindeer herders nearby.

ARRIVE · CAR

Darkhad Valley → Bayan-Ölgii

10h

ITINERARY

- Day 14 · Arrival and Relaxation in Bayan-Ölgii · 1 experiences: Altai Kazakh Restaurant
- Day 15 · Explore Bayan-Ölgii Town and Local Culture · 2 experiences: Nomad Coffee, Kazakh Yurt Restaurant
- Day 16 · Eagle Hunting Experience and Cultural Immersion · 1 experiences: Golden Eagle Lodge Restaurant
- Day 17 · Visit Tsaatan Reindeer Herders · 1 experiences: Altai Kazakh Restaurant
- Day 18 · Hiking in the Altai Mountains · 1 experiences: Kazakh Yurt Restaurant
- Day 19 · Local Handicrafts and Relaxation · 2 experiences: Nomad Coffee, Golden Eagle Lodge Restaurant
- Day 20 · Departure Day Preparation

San Pedro, Costa Rica

DAY 20–20

ARRIVE · FLIGHT

ULG → SJO

46h 13m · 2 stops

\$1,902.21

TRANSFER

San José Airport Transfer to San José Hotels or return

Travel time: 1h

\$38.11
