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UZBEKISTAN-TAJIKISTAN 07-22 OCTOBER 2025 16D14N (Tashkent,Bukhara,Uhum,Asraf,Samarkand,Penjikent,Artuch,Iskanderkul,Khujand)

Trip Cost Per Person RM11,700 (8-16PAX)

EXCLUDES INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS VIA BATIK AIR (RETURN FARE PRICED AT RM3376 ON 25 MAY 2025) 07 OCT 2025 TUE KULTAS 1700-2150 OD751 21 0CT 2025 TUE TASKUL 2310-1040+1 OD752

NOTE: PLEASE DO NOT BOOK THE FLIGHT TICKET UNTIL ADVISED BY US

NATURE OF TRIP: SIGHTSEEING WITH EASY TO MODERATE TREKKING/HIKING ACTIVITIES

<u>IMPORTANT NOTICE</u>. This is meant to be a "free and easy" budget trip. Participants should be relatively fit, with a good sense of humour, and above all, have the <u>right attitude</u> for close travel with others through possibly some trying times. Most definitely, this is not a trip for prudes, whiners, fuss-pots, and other similiarly assorted types! Although every effort will be made to stick to the given itinerary, ground conditions may change and cause some disruption and/or deviation from the norm. Otherwise, have fun!



DAY 1 (TUE) 07 OCT 2025 - KUALA LUMPUR-TASHKENT Gather airport 3 hours before departure. Depart Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KUL) at 17:00PM on Batik Air flight OD751. Arrive in Tashkent at 21:50 local time. Upon arrival, transfer to the hotel and rest. Overnight in Tashkent.

DAY 2 (WED) 08 OCT 2025 - TASHKENT-BUKHARA Early morning transfer to the train station for the 07:28 fast train to Bukhara. After hotel check-in and a short break, begin a walking city tour. Visit historical landmarks like the Samanid Mausoleum, Bolo Hauz Mosque, Ark Fortress, and the photogenic Poi Kalon complex. Explore Ulughbek Madrassa, Caravanserai Sayfuddin, and the unique Magoki Attari Mosque.

Overnight in Bukhara (B,L,D)



DAY 3 (THU) 09 OCT 2025 - BUKHARA-UHUM VILLAGE Drive to Uhum Village with en route visits to the Alexander Fortress ruins, prehistoric petroglyphs, and the revered Chashma Mosque. Lunch in the scenic village of Hayat, followed by a gentle evening walk around Uhum. Overnight at a guesthouse in Uhum (B,L,D)

DAY 4 (FRI) 10 OCT 2025 - HIKE TO ASRAF VILLAGE Enjoy a leisurely nature walk from Hayat to Asraf Village, covering approximately 7 km over 3–4 hours at an easy to moderate pace. The trail passes through juniper forests, mountain terraces, and rural scenery. The rest of the day is free to relax or explore the village. **Overnight at a guesthouse in Asraf (B,L,D)**

DAY 5 (SAT) 11 OCT 2025 - ASRAF TO SAMARKAND Spend the morning enjoying nature or strolling around Asraf before transferring to the legendary city of Samarkand in the afternoon. Overnight in Samarkand (B,L,D)



DAY 6 (SUN) 12 OCT 2025 - SAMARKAND CITY TOUR Explore the grandeur of Samarkand, starting with the iconic Registan Square, followed by Gur Emir Mausoleum, the massive Bibi Khanum Mosque, and the stunning Shahi Zinda Necropolis. Learn about astronomy at Ulugbek's Observatory and soak in the energy of the Samarkand Bazaar. Overnight in Samarkand (B,L,D) DAY 7 (MON) 13 OCT 2025 - SAMARKAND TO SEVEN LAKES (TAJIKISTAN) Cross into Tajikistan via the Jarteppa border and head to the Seven Lakes region near Penjikent, famous for its vividly colored alpine lakes nestled in the Fann Mountains. Overnight in Penjikent (B,L,D)



DAY 8 (TUE) 14 OCT 2025 - PENJIKENT TO ARTUCH Drive to Artuch alpine base camp through the dramatic passes of the Fann Mountains. In the evening, enjoy a short walk to acclimate and take in the surrounding alpine scenery. Overnight in Artuch (B,L,D)

DAY 9 (WED) 15 OCT 2025 -LAKE CHUKURAK HIKE (ARTUCH) Go on a scenic hike to Lake Chukurak, covering about 6 km round-trip in 3–4 hours at a moderate pace. The trail climbs gradually through fir trees and alpine meadows to a tranquil turquoise lake surrounded by peaks. Overnight in Artuch (B,L,D)

DAY 10 (THU) 16 OCT 2025 - ARTUCH TO ISKANDERKUL Drive to Lake Iskanderkul, named after Alexander the Great. Visit the picturesque Snake Lake, hike to the nearby waterfall known as the "Niagara of the Fann Mountains," and enjoy lakeside views. Continue to Saritag village for a relaxing evening. **Overnight in Iskanderkul (B,L,D)**



DAY 11 (FRI) 17 OCT 2025 - KARAKUL RIVER WALK TO DUKDON PASS-KHUJAND Take a short walk along the Karakul River toward Dukdon Pass, covering around 4–5 km round-trip in 2–3 hours. This is a scenic route with views of snowy peaks and glacial rivers. After the walk, drive to the historic city of Khujand. Overnight in Khujand (B,L,D)

DAY 12 (SAT) 18 OCT 2025 - KHUJAND CITY TOUR Visit Pushkin Square, Timur Malik Fortress, Sugd History Museum, and the lively Panjshanbe Market. Also see the Sirius Monument and enjoy a peaceful stroll along the Riverfront Promenade. Overnight in Khujand (B,L,D)

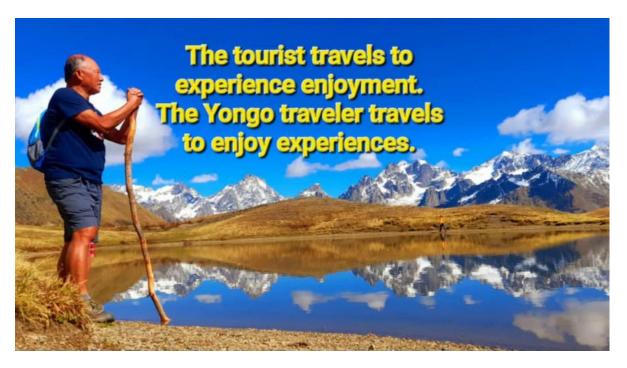
DAY 13 (SUN) 19 OCT 2025 - KHUJAND TO TASHKENT Spend the morning at leisure. In the afternoon, cross the Oibek border post into Uzbekistan and return to Tashkent. Overnight in Tashkent (B,L,D)

DAY 14 (MON) 20 OCT 2025 - TASHKENT CITY TOUR Explore Tashkent's highlights including Amir Timur Square, the Theatre and Opera House, Earthquake Memorial, and Independence Square. Visit the Khast Imam Complex, Kaffal Shashi Mausoleum, and the bustling Chorsu Bazaar. Overnight in Tashkent (B,L,D)



DAY 15 (TUE) 21 OCT 2025 - DEPARTURE TO KUALA LUMPUR Enjoy your last day in Tashkent at leisure. Late evening transfer to the airport for your return flight. Depart Tashkent at 23:10PM on Batik Air flight OD752 (B)

DAY 16 (WED) 22 OCT 2025 - ARRIVAL KUALA LUMPUR Batik Air arriving Kuala Lumpur International Airport T1 at 10:40AM



TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. Cost cover accommodation, entrance fees to sites mentioned above, chartered transport with driver to sites mentioned above, train ticket from Tashkent to Bukhara, and English speaking tourist guide.
- 2. Cost does not include flights, travel insurance, meals not stated in the itinerary, optional activities, personal shoppings, Local Guide & Driver Tips. (Yongo will provide info on suggested tipping amount).
- 3. Accommodations will be twin sharing in hotels/guesthouses
- 4. Cost is subject to change depending on fluctuations in exchange rates and adjustments will be made at time of full balance.
- 5. A deposit of RM3700 will be payable to confirm your place

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