EXPEDITION - ALTAI EXPLORER (Incl. Eclipse)







the countryside is breathtaking and the culture of the Kazakhs give the region a unique flavour. We were looked after handsomely by all involved.....a great success"

Christopher Reston

Explore the beauty of the Altai Mountains – rugged peaks, sprawling valleys, crystal clear lakes and glaciers. Immerse yourself in the unique landscape, culture and traditions of Western Mongolia and gain an intimate insight into the lives of the Kazakhs who inhabit the region. The Eclipse on the 1st August forms a centrepiece to this stunning journey on foot, horseback and raft.

After a brief introduction to Ulaanbaatar fly west to Ulgii and head to Tavanbogd ('The Holy 5') National Park - home of the highest peaks in Mongolia. Gear up for some hiking around the Potanin Glacier and a climb of Mount Malchin (4,024m) before an intrepid horse trek across the Altai, to Lakes Khoton and Khurgan where fishing, trekking and camping combine in this spectacular setting. Witness the eclipse beside the Khovd River before canoeing/rafting onwards, and visiting nomadic eagle hunters. Return to UB to spend time in the capital before you leave enjoying its excellent temples, museums, shops and restaurants

Maximum Group Size: 6 People



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08 Aug

19 Jul Arr. Beijing → 20 Jul Forbidden City, Hutongs 21 Jul Summer Palace, T. Square 22 Jul Train to Ulaanbaatar (UB) Arrive Ulaanbaatar 23 Jul 24 Jul Ulaanbaatar 25 Jul Fly Ulgii +, Sagsai 26 Jul Tavanbogd Mount Malchin Climb 27 Jul 28 Iul -4-day Horse Trek 31 Jul 01 Aug **Eclipse** 02 Aug Hovd River - canoe/raft 03 Aug **Eagle Hunters** Fly Ulaanbaatar + 04 Aug 05 Aug Ulaanbaatar 06 Aug Depart UB → Beijing 07 Aug **Great Wall**

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	CHINA & MONGOLIA			MONGOLIA ONLY		
	Departs	Days	Price	Departs	Days	Price
2008	19 Jul	21	£2,445	23 Jul	15	£1,675

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Prices exclude: International flights • Travel insurance • Passport • Visa & vaccination charges • Private excursions • Alcoholic drinks • Laundry • Telephone calls & items of a personal nature.

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