

Trekking from Listvyanka to Bolshiye Koty — Detailed description

Trip Length: 2 Group: 1-6 Departure: Fixed Period: June - August

Trip overview

This trekking starts from Listvyanka and takes 6 to 8 hours, depending on pace. The trail follows the shore through the cliffs, beaches and forest. In Bolshiye Koty we will climb the mount to meditate in celestial silence admiring the panorama of the lake, we will go for a walk in taiga, and, if we have more strength, we will climb Skriper cape to enjoy this marvellous viewing point that takes one's breath away...

In the village we will stay with a local family. The hospitable hostess will serve a homemade dinner, and after a hard day we will have a rest in a real Siberian bath (the Russian banya).

In order to enjoy the uninhabited segment of the Baikal coast once again, on the second day we will return to the village of Listvyanka on a private speedboat!

Highlights

- Trek in breathtaking landscapes
- Discovery of typical Siberian village
- Real Russian banya
- Return on a private speedboat

Tour type

ACTIVENATURE

Difficulty

Challenging - 5-7 hours of challenging physical activity daily

Comfort

Basic — most of nights in tents or rooms with shared WC, some nights in comfortable rooms.

Beginning / end of the tour

Tour starts: Listvyanka, End of the tour: Listvyanka

Program

Day 1 — Trekking along the Baikal western shore

10:00 — Meeting with the group in Listvyanka
10:30 — Trekking to Bolshiye Koty village
13:00 — Picnic en route
18:00 — Arrival to the village and accommodation in the homestay
18:30 — Russian banya (sauna)
19:30 — Dinner
Overnight in the homestay

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Hotels: Accommodation the guest house Solnechniy, Bed in the twin room
Comfort: Simple comfort accommodation, dry closet indoors, banya

Day 2 — Return to Listvyanka

09:00 — Breakfast
10:00 — Ascending the mount with a panoramic view
12:00 — Lunch
13:00 — Trekkign to Skripper rock
17:00 — Return to Listvyanka by speed-boat
18:00 — Arrival to the Listvyanka village

Departures

Start	End	Basic price per person
24.06.2023	25.06.2023	25100.00 RUB
01.07.2023	02.07.2023	25100.00 RUB
08.07.2023	09.07.2023	25100.00 RUB
15.07.2023	16.07.2023	25100.00 RUB
22.07.2023	23.07.2023	25100.00 RUB
29.07.2023	30.07.2023	25100.00 RUB
05.08.2023	06.08.2023	25100.00 RUB
12.08.2023	13.08.2023	25100.00 RUB
19.08.2023	20.08.2023	25100.00 RUB
26.08.2023	27.08.2023	25100.00 RUB

Note

The indicated price is for the group of 3 participants minimum. If there are less persons in the group, the small group supplement is applied:
- for a group of 2 participants, a supplement is 8 700 roubles / per person - for an individual tourist , a supplement is 30 600 roubles. The trekking can be organised any dates from mid-May to mid-September. ATTENTION! For trekking tours in taiga, we advise you to get a vaccination for tick-borne encephalitis . Tick bite insurance is included in the tour price.

What's included

Price includes

- English-speaking guide
- Accommodation as per itinerary
- Reserves and national parks entrance permissions
- Letter of invitation
- Banya
- Meals according to the program
- Accident insurance

Price does not include


- Personal expenses and tips
- Visa fees and travel insurance
- Airline tickets

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Checklist & Equipment

It is hot in summer at Lake Baikal area. Nevertheless, you should always have something to put on, as weather in Siberia is very changeable.

If you plan your trip in May or September, please feel free to bring your hat, gloves and windjacket in case of snow or rain.

June is also pretty cool.

July and August are the hottest months, which offer you temperatures of 25 ° - 35 ° at daytime and 15 ° - 18 ° at night. On the shores of Lake Baikal, like in the Alps, you should wear T-shirts and shorts in the sunny afternoons, sweaters and jackets in the cool evenings.

Recommended checklist

Raincoat or wind and waterproof shell jacket (with hood !)

POLARTEC or similar pullover

Shorts

T-shirts

Socks

Cap or hat to protect against sun

Comfortable walking shoes (like Vibram or similar)

Sunscreen for skin and lips

Sunglasses with filter

Toilet roll

Flask

Flip-flops for banya

Bath towel

Swimsuit

Tick and mosquitoes repellent spray

Wipes

Meals

Homestay cuisine based on fresh products.

If you are a vegetarian or have any particular preferences, please let us know, so we could adapt the menu.

Visa

You need a tourist visa to travel to Russia. It can be issued for a maximum period of 30 days. Your passport has to be valid for at least six months after the expiry date of your visa and to have at least two blank pages.

BaikalNature offers visa support and has created "BaikalNature letter of invitation" package. If you buy a BaikalNature tour, this package is absolutely free; when you buy any other BaikalNature service, you will have to pay for this package.

For more information please contact your nearest Russian Embassy or Visa Application Center.

Money

The Russian currency is ruble. In all cities and many large villages of Russia, you can easily withdraw rubles, using a Visa or MasterCard, from ATMs, located in banks, department stores or hotel lobbies, some of them are open 24 hours a day. If you have euros or dollars with you, exchange offices will allow you to change them easily in the cities, seldom in the countryside. However, it can be difficult to exchange traveler's checks, even in cities.

Tipping

All persons who compose the BaikalNature travel team (guides, drivers, cooks, etc.) are paid a decent wage for their services and do not expect any tips from you. So you have no obligation to leave anything. If you really want to express your satisfaction by leaving a gratuity, and if it is in foreign currency, be aware that torn or glued coins and banknotes cannot be exchanged. Anyway, thank you for your tips, left

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at your discretion in envelopes.

Health

You need to get a health examination before a great trip. Consult your doctor. Get a dental checkup. If you have health problems that could worsen during the trip, make sure you have taken all your medications with you.

It is advisable to keep the following vaccines valid:

- diphtheria,
- tetanus,
- Polio.

Tick-borne encephalitis is present in areas of forest, taiga where ticks are the carriers of encephalitis between May and July. As of August, they are no longer carrying the virus. If you do not get vaccinated, you should follow the basic precautions, including:

- protective clothes
- use of repellents
- daily check of the skin.

It is also possible to take out special insurance covering the analysis of the insect and vaccines.

Provide a first aid kit that includes among other items:

- aspirin or paracetamol,
- anti-diarrheal pills,
- antiseptic,
- adhesive plaster,
- sterile pads.

If you have individual diseases, make sure you have taken your medications.

Medical Form

A good physical condition is required.

Emergency Contact

You can contact BaikalNature by phone: +73952 26 56 94.

In addition, your call will be forwarded to your manager, reachable 7/7.

Legal Mentions

Professional Guarantees: BaikalNature LLC (ООО "БайкалНейче"), United Federal Register of Tour Operators number: RTO 009402.
Financial Guarantee: "Gaide insurance company" JSC (АО "Страховая компания Гайде"). Insurance contract N 7890/22-49 from September 19, 2022. Amount of coverage: 500 000 RUB. Legal and actual address: BaikalNature LLC, 55 Dekabrskikh Sobyti Str., office 405.2 664007 Irkutsk Russia

Cancellation Options

The cancellation options are:

- more than 30 days before departure - 15% of the tour price,
- 29 - 7 days before departure - 30% of the tour price,
- less than 7 days before departure - 50% of the tour price.

Security

The travelers' security is our primary aim and also the long-term reputation of our travel agency. First-aid kit, adapted for this tour, is available at your guide.

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