

Baikal By Snowmobile — Detailed description

Trip Length: Group: 1-10 Departure: Fixed

Trip overview

Imagine snowmobile travel in the very heart of Siberia on the ice-covered Baikal... An ideal route for travellers looking for a blend of cultural discoveries and outdoor activities in one adventure. Magnificent paths on the Baikal ice field leading to the centre of the southern part of Lake Baikal and those of Siberian taiga will make you plunge into the magic of Russian winter. On the menu of this discovery are the Circum-Baikal tunnels and bridges, traditional villages of fishermen and gold diggers. Another busy day is over, you will find yourself in a comfortable hotel and try true Russian banya!

Highlights

- Fabulous snowmobile adventure in the heart of Siberia
- Harmonious union of outdoor activities and cultural programme
- Accommodation in comfortable hotel on the shore of Lake Baikal

Tour type

NATURE

Difficulty

Moderately Easy - 1-3 hours of physical activity daily

Comfort

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Program

Day 1 — -

Day 2 — -

Day 3 — -

Day 4 — -

Departures

New departures available soon

Note

The price includes: Half board accommodation in twin room (breakfast and lunch) English-speaking guide on Day 1 Single supplement - 4500 RUB Supplement for one person per snowmobile - 10000 RUB

What's included

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Price includes

- English-speaking guide
- Russian-speaking guide services
- Accommodation as per itinerary
- Transport as per itinerary
- Meals
- Medical insurance
- Excursions and visits as per itinerary
- Ropeway to Chersky Rock
- Banya
- Letter of invitation

Price does not include

- Transfers in Irkutsk
- Administrative registration
- Personal expenses and tips
- Visa fees and travel insurance
- Ski rental
- Ice skate rental
- Transfer from airport / railway station on first day
- Transfer to airport / railway station on last day
- Airline tickets

Checklist & Equipment

You will need in Russia in winter:

- to protect yourself from the cold weather;
- to protect yourself from the wind;
- to protect your feet from moisture;
- to protect yourself from the sun's reflection from ice and snow.

Allow the system of "three layers":

- The first layer, called "second skin", determines the performance of the other two layers. It will transport sweat to the next layer and dry quickly to avoid cooling after exercise. Therefore forget the cotton retains moisture in the skin and choose underwear in synthetic fabrics.
- The second layer must keep the heat of the body as long as possible. Warm synthetic or mixed (wool or fleece turtleneck sweater) fabrics, that dry quickly, are preferable.
- The third layer should protect you against wind and moisture. Choose a jacket, long enough, 100% waterproof, preferably with hood.

We recommend you to pack all your stuff in two bags: a small backpack and a large travelling bag.

SMALL BACKPACK: will be useful for carrying your personal belongings during the day (camera, film, personal medication, bottled water, etc.) You will also use it as hand luggage during air travel for all your heavy (to lighten the travel bag in the luggage compartment), fragile (camera, etc.) and necessary (toilet bag, etc.) things.

BIG TRAVEL BAG or BIG BACKPACK: must contain the rest of your stuff. It will be in the luggage compartment during the flight. It will be transported by vehicles.

Recommended checklist

Thermal underwear
POLARTEC or similar pullover
Windproof waterproof pants and jacket (GORE-TEX, EVENT, SIMPA-TEX)
Long sleeve shirts or sweatshirts
Sunscreen for skin and lips
Sunglasses with filter
Slippers
Flip-flops for banya
Sewing kit
Down jacket
Fleece jacket or warm sweater
Mountain boots for walking on ice and snow

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Thick socks

Wool gloves and winter cap

Warm gloves or mittens

Moisturizer

Bath towel

Important travel documents: Passport and visa, original or electronic airplane tickets (with a sets of photocopies kept separately), bank card

Wipes

Wristwatch or pocket alarm clock

Charger and spare battery for camera/phone

Photo / video camera

Tour vouchers and programme

Ice cleats

Meals

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

Half board: breakfast at your accommodation, lunch during excursions, dinner not included.

Laundry

Some hotels and inns offer laundry services for a variable sum of money. It is sometimes possible to use laundry services at homestay (when there is running water) for a fee.

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 at your discretion in envelopes.

Health

No compulsory vaccination.

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.

Provide a first aid kit that includes among other items:

- aspirin or paracetamol,
- anti-diarrheal pills,

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- antiseptic,
- adhesive plaster,
- sterile pads.

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

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 9302/19-49 from September 30, 2019. Amount of coverage: 500 000 RUB. Legal and actual address: BaikalNature LLC 119A Dekabrskikh Sobyti Str., office 13 664007 Irkutsk Russia

Travel Insurance

In addition to your personal insurance, you have an opportunity to purchase local insurance. Please, do not hesitate to ask us about our services.

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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