

Sea Of Siberia Cruise — Detailed description

Trip Length: 8 Group: 2-6 Departure: Fixed Period: June

Trip overview

We invite you to a unique cruise on Lake Baikal at the very beginning of summer!

At this time of year, Baikal is especially beautiful: the taiga is fresh, wild shrubs are in bloom, the weather is calm, and the sun is already warming the deck. A real awakening of the great lake!

During the cruise on a comfortable yacht, we will reach Olkhon Island and visit all its most important attractions: Cape Burkhan, Ogoy Island, Cape Khoboy. Then we will reach the wild eastern coast, visit the Ushkany Islands to watch the nerpas (endemic Baikal seals), and admire the beauty of the Chivyrkuisky Bay with rest in hot springs and fishing. Along the way, we may meet bears walking along the shore.

On board the yacht there are all the conditions for a comfortable rest. If you want to go on an individual trip, write to us - we will select the best dates for a group of friends or family.

Highlights

- First class yacht cruise for a small group
- Acquaintance with places accessible only from water
- Visit of all main sites of the lake
- Baikal crossing in its widest part
- Nerpas watching and Ushkany archipelago
- Bathing in the hot springs

Tour type

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Difficulty

Easy - nothing more than normal walking while sight-seeing

Comfort

Upgraded — all nights in comfortable rooms.

Begining / end of the tour

Tour starts: Irkutsk, End of the tour: Irkutsk

Program

Day 1 — Acquaintance with Irkutsk city

10:00 — Arrival to the airport / railway station of Irkutsk city

13:00 — Lunch in the hotel (Not included)

14:00 — Check-in to the hotel

15:00 — City tour of Irkutsk

19:00 — Dinner in the hotel (Not included)

Overnight in the hotel

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Hotels: Accommodation in the hotel Angara, Twin standard room
Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and bath / shower in room

Day 2 — To meet Baikal

09:00 — Breakfasts in the hotel
10:00 — Transfer to the Maloye More Strait (Sakhyurta village)
13:00 — Lunch in the cafe
15:00 — Check-in at the recreation center
19:00 — Dinner
Overnight

Hotels: Accommodation at the resort Naratey, Twin comfort room
Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and bath / shower in room

Day 3 — Olkhon island - the heart of lake Baikal

08:00 — Breakfast
10:00 — Boarding the yacht and the start of navigation
11:00 — Navigation along the Olkhon island
13:00 — Lunch
19:00 — Dinner
Overnight on board of the yacht

Hotels: Overnight in the cabin, yacht Anna-Victoria, Twin/double cabin
Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and shower on the floor

Day 4 — Baikal crossing in its largest part

09:00 — Breakfast
11:00 — Lake crossing from the west to east
13:00 — Lunch
15:00 — Continuation of the navigation
19:00 — Dinner
Overnight on board of the yacht

Hotels: Overnight in the cabin, yacht Anna-Victoria, Twin/double cabin
Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and shower on the floor

Day 5 — Chivyrkuysky Gulf

09:00 — Breakfast
11:00 — Chivyrkuysky Gulf excursion
13:00 — Lunch
15:00 — Continuation of the excursion
19:00 — Dinner
Overnight on board of the yacht

Hotels: Overnight in the cabin, yacht Anna-Victoria, Twin/double cabin
Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and shower on the floor

Day 6 — Baikal seal watching

09:00 — Breakfast
10:00 — Navigation to the Ushkany archipelago
13:00 — Déjeuner

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14:00 — Return to Maloye More strait

19:00 — Farewell dinner

Overnight on board of the yacht

Hotels: Overnight in the cabin, yacht Anna-Victoria, Twin/double cabin

Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and shower on the floor

Day 7 — Return to Irkutsk

09:00 — Breakfast on board

11:00 — Disembarkation of the boat

11:15 — Transfer to Irkutsk

13:00 — Lunch in the cafe en route (Not included)

15:00 — Arrival to Irkutsk

19:00 — Dinner (Not included)

Overnight in the hotel

Hotels: Accommodation in the hotel Angara, Twin standard room

Comfort: Comfortable accommodation, WC and bath / shower in room

Day 8 — Departure day

09:00 — Breakfast

12:00 — Transfer to the airport, to the railway station

Departures

Start	End	Basic price per person
12.06.2025	19.06.2025	371900.00 RUB

Note

The price indicated is for a group of 4 people: 371,900 rubles / person. For fewer or more participants, the price is recalculated. - in a group of 2 people: price 671,900 rubles / person - in a group of 3 people: price 477,500 rubles / person - in a group of 5 people: price 315,300 rubles / person - in a group of 6 people: price 272,000 rubles / person Reservation is considered guaranteed upon prepayment by all cruise participants. For individual departures (families, groups of friends) the cost is calculated individually depending on the total number of participants and cruise dates.

What's included

Price includes

- English-speaking guide services
- Accommodation as per itinerary
- Excursions and visits as per itinerary
- Nature reserves and parks entrance permissions
- Bathing in springs
- English-speaking guide
- Transport a per itinerary
- Meals as per itinerary
- Visa invitation and registration of passports (for foreign citizens, if necessary)

Price does not include

- Personal expenses and tips
- Visa fees and travel insurance
- Beverages
- Airplane/ train tickets

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Checklist & Equipment

For summer travel, we recommend preparing:

- comfortable clothes for hot and sunny weather - we advise you to give preference to natural fabrics, be sure to have sun protection (comfortable hat, SPF protection cream, sunglasses);
- protection from rain and wind - a long raincoat with a hood, for active tours - a waterproof cover on a backpack, the second pair of shoes (the ability to dry a second pair if they get wet);
- clothing in case of bad weather - when the temperature drops (in mountainous regions, on the coasts, in the evening), we recommend taking a light jacket, a warm sweater and pants

In different regions of Russia there can be significant temperature fluctuations in the summer. If you do not have experience traveling in similar regions, please contact your manager to pick up the necessary things and find out about the weather forecast in the place where you are planning your trip.

Recommended checklist

underwear, socks (several pairs)
T-shirts, shorts
pants, long sleeve jacket/tracksuit
warm jacket (for example, fleece) or light jacket
rubber slippers
comfortable shoes for trekking
comfortable shoes for the city
cap/comfortable hat on head (for sun protection)
sunglasses
sunscreen and lip balm
swimsuit / swim trunks
towel

About the boat

Yacht Anna-Victoria

Yacht «Anna-Victoria» is a comfortable vessel (type BRUCE ROBERTS). Built in 2012, the motorship is equipped with modern navigational facilities and exceeds the speed of 20 km per hour.

Specifications:

- Length - 19 m
- Width - 5,5 m
- Passenger capacity - 11 (quad cabins for double accommodation).

Vessel features:

- Main cabin
- Fly bridge with deck chairs
- 2 WC
- Outdoor grill

Meals

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.

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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 questions regarding obtaining an electronic visa, please contact your tour manager.

Money

The Russian currency is ruble. The cost of travel and other services is always fixed in rubles. Please note that cards from foreign banks do not work in Russia at the moment. Tourists can obtain a bank card from a Russian bank in advance or travel with cash. If you have euros or dollars with you, exchange offices will allow you to change them easily in the cities. It is also worth noting that the exchange rate at airports is usually not the most favorable. It is better to exchange in big cities (you can check the current exchange rate online). Important! Only new banknotes without defects or any traces are accepted for exchange.

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

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,
- antiseptic,
- adhesive plaster,
- sterile pads.

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

Medical Form

No particular physical condition is required.

Emergency Contact

You can contact BaikalNature by phone: +7 924 531 87 01 (What's App, Telegram, Viber)

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 4875/2422-49 from August 6, 2024. Amount of coverage: 500 000 RUB. Legal and actual address: BaikalNature LLC, 55 Dekabrskikh Sobyti Str., office 204.1 664007 Irkutsk Russia

Cancellation Options

Cancellation policy:

If cancelled 30% of cruise price (non-refundable deposit)

20-10 days before embarkation – 70% of cruise price

Less than 10 days before embarkation -100% of cruise price

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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

Your safety is very important to us! During the trip we ask you to follow the guide's advice, read the instructions carefully and follow the group. If you have any questions or experience any discomfort, please notify your guide or tour-manager immediately.

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