

INDEPENDENT TRIPS

## Trans-Siberian Train Budget Adventure 16D/15N (from Beijing)

Nature & Adventure

16 Days / 3 Countries

Russia , China & Mongolia

Departure city: **Beijing, China**

End city: **Moscow, Rusia**

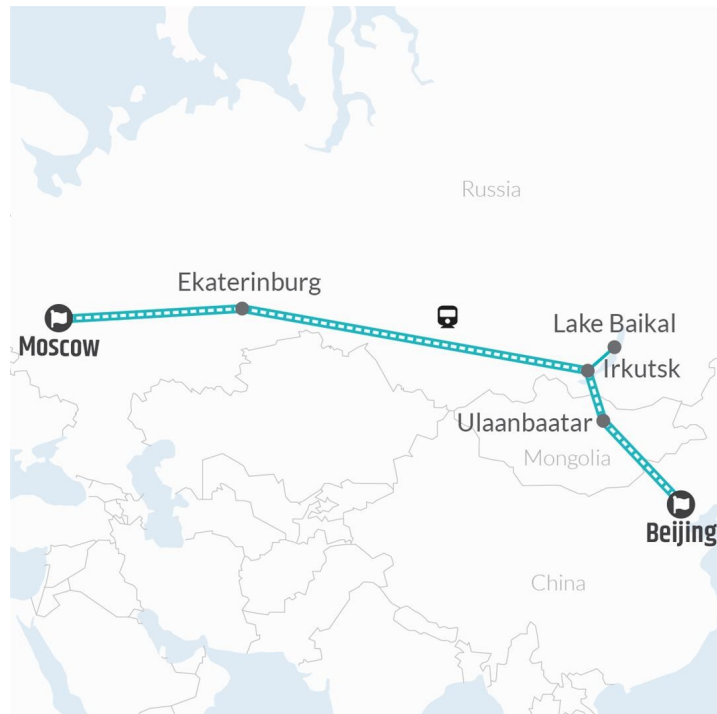


### HIGHLIGHTS

- Travel from Beijing to Moscow on the Trans-Siberian Railroad
- Immerse yourself in culture at a traditional Mongolian Ger camp
- Enjoy a guided tour of the Russian capital and its historical sites
- See the stunning nature of the Mongolian steppe and Lake Baikal

See the vast grasslands of Mongolia, the breathtaking shores of Lake Baikal, the pristine Siberian countryside, the historical treasures of Moscow and more in this epic Trans-Siberian Railroad adventure.

### MAP



## What is included



### Independent Trips

Include all of your accommodation, transport and experiences on a pre-set trip that you can customize to perfectly suit your travel needs.

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### Accommodation: 15

- 15N Mixed Accommodation - Guesthouses
  - - Standard 2nd class four-berth cabins - Ger Camp
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### Transport: 1

- Train From Beijing to Moscow by train in standard 2nd class four-berth cabins
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## What is not included

- \*Optional upgrade to first class or private cabins on all trains
- \*Personal expenses
- \*Visa fees
- \*Tips
- \*Other meals/drinks
- \*Travel insurance

\*Prices for optional activities are subject to change at any time without prior notice. Please confirm these prices before departing on your trip.

# Itinerary

## Day 1: Beijing, China - Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

Train from Beijing to Ulaanbaatar

Your unique Trans-Siberian railroad experience starts at Beijing main station with the first stop being Ulaanbaatar. Relax on board as your train meanders through the stunning Yanshan Mountains north of Beijing and passes by the Great Wall of China before arriving at the Mongolian border. Overnight on the train.

## Day 2: Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

Ulaanbaatar Arrival - Accommodation Check-In

Wake up to the spectacular Gobi desert and cross the Mongolian Steppe, a vast and pristine grassland. Arrive in the Mongolian capital, Ulaanbaatar, at around 14:30 before transferring to check-in at your accommodation for the night. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at your leisure to relax, explore and get settled in. Overnight in Ulaanbaatar.

## Day 3: Ulaanbaatar - Terelj National Park, Mongolia

Ulaanbaatar - Terelj National Park (B/L/D)

Meet your guide at your accommodation after breakfast on Day 3 and then travel east, approximately 60 km, to Terelj National Park, with a stop en-route at Chinggis Khan monument. When at the National Park, you will stay in a traditional nomadic Ger camp located in a remote area of the grasslands for a completely unique and authentic experience. Settle into your camp at Terelj and have lunch at the camp restaurant. Your guide will then give you information about the valley and you'll visit a local family, before a short hike will allow you to enjoy the views.

Your driver and guide will return to Ulaanbaatar

Overnight at Terelj National Park.

## Day 4: Terelj National Park, Mongolia

Free day at Terelj National Park (B/L/D)

Today you have a free day to enjoy the open steppe and experience its people's lifestyle.

## Day 5: Terelj National Park - Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia - Irkutsk, Russia

Return to Ulaanbaatar and train to Irkutsk

Your driver will pick you up and take you back to Ulaanbaatar. Have some time to freshen up and board the #305 train to Irkutsk at 15:22.

Note: the departures from Ulaanbaatar are on Tuesday, Saturday and Sunday

## Day 6: Irkutsk - Listvyanka - Lake Baikal, Russia

Irkutsk to Listvyanka

Arrive in Irkutsk in the early afternoon and meet your guide for a 1 hour transfer to Listvyanka which is situated on the shores of the ancient Lake Baikal, the deepest lake in the world. The guide will give you an overview of the area and you'll check into your accommodation for 2 nights.

### **Day 7: Lake Baikal, Russia**

Free day (B)

Have breakfast and enjoy a free to explore the area

### **Day 8: Lake Baikal - Irkutsk, Russia**

Return to Irkutsk and free time (B)

Return to Irkutsk by public bus (your guide will provide instructions) and check in at your accommodation for the night. Enjoy some free time to explore the city, an important staging post on the Trans-Siberian Railway with a charming old centre. The town is very easy to navigate on foot, with lovely Siberian wooden architecture and an amazing history to learn about. Overnight in Irkutsk.

### **Day 9: Irkutsk - Ekaterinburg, Russia**

Free morning and train to Ekaterinburg (B)

After breakfast, spend the day at leisure. Get picked-up at your accommodation at 17:00 and transfer to the train station. Board train #69 to Ekaterinburg at 16:39.

### **Day 10: Irkutsk - Ekaterinburg, Russia**

Train travel

Relax in your comfortable cabin whilst crossing the vastness of Siberia and enjoy the stunning views of the Taiga forest and the Sayan Mountains. You'll be able to enjoy stops in the 'mid Siberian railway,' which was built in the 1890's and crosses the great rivers Ob and Yennissey. Overnight on train.

### **Day 11: Ekaterinburg, Russia**

Arrival in Ekaterinburg

Arrive in Ekaterinburg around 21:55. Meet your guide at the train platform and go to your accommodation for the next 2 nights for check-in. Overnight in Ekaterinburg.

### **Day 12: Ekaterinburg, Russia**

Guided Tour: Romanov Monastery, "Ganina Yama," and Secret Grave Site (B)

Today you will go on guided tour of the Romanov Monastery, Ganina Yama and the secret grave site. Following this, you'll be able to relax or explore some more before spending the night at your Ekaterinburg accommodation.

### **Day 13: Ekaterinburg - Moscow, Russia**

Overnight Train to Moscow

Today, make your own way to the train station around 10:00am and board your train to Moscow. Overnight on the train.

## Day 14: Moscow, Russia

Moscow Arrival - Guided City Walking Tour (B)

Arrive in Moscow at around 09:30 on Day 14 and meet your driver on the platform. You'll be driven to your accommodation, where you can check-in as an early morning arrival. Get some rest and then enjoy a guided city walking tour. All guides have their own personal itineraries and will visit many of the main sites, such as: Tverskaya street and its important buildings, Manezhnaya square, the Marshal Zhukov monument, Lubyanka (former KGB building), Aleksandrovsky Gardens, Red Square, St. Basil Cathedral and the Cathedral of Christ the Saviour.

## Day 15: Moscow, Russia

Moscow Free Day (B)

On Day 15, enjoy a free day in Moscow to relax or explore further. Overnight in Moscow.

## Day 16: Moscow, Russia

Moscow Accommodation Check-Out (B)

This morning your once-in-a-lifetime Trans-Siberian trip ends with the option of extending your stay in Moscow or travelling onwards. Safe travels!

