

THE EPIC TRANS-SIB TS.11

The classic two-stop combo from our "Big Trans-Sib" trip, but with extra adrenalin added! Your Siberia stay has a trek in the Taiga Forest, whilst Mongolia has a jeep trek to Karakorum – ancient campground of Genghis Khan, staying with Steppe Nomads. Plus Ulaanbaatar too, of course.

This trip only operates for departures from Moscow between May and September

ITINERARY

DAY 1 C 3* HOTEL MOSCOW
Arrival to Moscow. Car Transfer to accom. Balance of day free in Moscow, overnight.

DAY 2 C 3* HOTEL MOSCOW
Buddy assistance half day to get your sightseeing off to a flying start. Overnight.

DAY 3 C ON BOARD
Morning free in Moscow. Car Transfer to station for evening departure to Irkutsk.

DAYS 4-6 C ON BOARD

DAY 7 C FAMILY STAY IRKUTSK
Morning arrival to Irkutsk. Car transfer to family stay. Breakfast, free time to explore Irkutsk, own lunch. Return to family stay, supper, preparations for trekking (baggage can be left with family).

DAY 8 C CAMP
Bus to Listvyanka village, trekking up the Primorsky Mountain in the direction of Bolshie Koty. Picnic lunch. Continue trekking through the forest to Srednaya Bay, make camp. Free time to swim. Campfire supper, overnight in tent. Distance 10km, some uphill climbing involved (sleeping bag required).

DAY 9 C FAMILY STAY IRKUTSK
Bkfst. Free time to walk by lake, swim, relax. Picnic lunch. Trekking back to Listvyanka along the lakeshore (10km). Bus back to Irkutsk Family Stay, supper and overnight. **HOTEL OPTION** available at extra cost see below and on page 30 (highly recommended).

DAY 10 C ON BOARD
Bkfst. Day free in Irkutsk (our staff offer guided excursions which you can arrange locally). Car to station for train to Ulaanbaatar on the local slow train. (standards on this train are not as good as the "international" express trains and there is often no restaurant car – our local suppliers shall advise you so you can organise your snacks for the trip).

WANT THE 19 DAY TRIP THEN ADD AN EXTRA NIGHT AT LAKE BAIKAL HERE MAKING THE TRAIN DEPARTURE ON DAY 11

*This changes Siberia stay to two nights at the lake (full board), 1 night camping and 1 night in Irkutsk.

DAY 11 C ON BOARD
Train to Ulaanbaatar

DAY 12 C GER CAMP
Morning arrival (subject to border delays) in Outer Mongolia!! Shower and freshen up. Guided walk. JEEP TRIP into Bayan Gobi, supper and overnight in Gers with herdsmen.

DAY 13 C GER CAMP
Bkfst. Jeep trip to Karakorum (8 hours off road driving), lunch en-route. Supper and overnight in Gers with herdsmen.

DAY 14 C GER CAMP
Bkfst. Jeep trip sightseeing in Gobi, returning to Ulaanbaatar (6 hours off-road driving) and then onto Ger Camp. Supper and overnight in Gers. Large Ger Felt Tents

DAY 15 C GER CAMP
Bkfst. Day free to go walking, horse-riding (arrange locally), lunch, supper and overnight in your Ger Camp. Large Ger Felt Tents

DAY 16 C 3* HOTEL UB
Bkfst. Return to Ulaanbaatar. Free time. Own lunch. free time. Supper and overnight.

DAY 17 C ON BOARD
Car transfer to station. Morning departure on train to Beijing. Across southern Mongolia to border. Midnights border crossing.

DAY 18 C END OF ITINERARY
Arrive into China, via the Great Wall (mid-day approx) Arrival in Beijing scheduled for mid-afternoon.

ALL TRIPS AVAILABLE IN REVERSE PLEASE SEE WEB SITE OR CONTACT US

TOUR PRICE

For the above Standard Itinerary inclusive of travel services, based on 2nd – Class/4-berth rail travel, Buddy/Guide for 4 hours in Moscow, Transfers on arrival except Beijing, 3* hotel accommodation or family stays, and all meals where stated:

	1 person	2 people	3-9 people
Standard Trip TS.11S (18day)	£1539	£1339 each	£1239 each
TS.11+1 (19day)	£1589	£1389 each	£1289 each
Extra night in Moscow XN.MOW (per night)	£55	£45 each	£45 each
Hotel stay Irkutsk	£40	£30 each	£30 each

The cost to upgrade (ie 2 berth compartment or book out a 4 berth compartment) is £399 per person. Availability is limited and cannot be confirmed until 30 days prior to your departure.

Save money if you're travelling with friends – groups of 3-9 people all travelling on the same trip get a lower price. To qualify, you simply have to arrive / leave on the same flights, and submit your passports simultaneously for visa processing.

HIGHLIGHTS

- 18/19 day itinerary
- 3* hotel in Moscow for two nights
- Lake Baikal
- Trek to Primorsky Mountain towards Bolshie Koty and more...
- Ger Camp stay with herdsmen
- Jeep trip into Bayan Gobi
- Jeep trip to Karakorum
- Beijing



DATA

DURATION

18/19 days

VISAS REQUIRED

Rus+Mon+Chi

2004/2005 START DATES

TS.11 (18day)	2004	2005
May	11,25	3,17,31
Jun	15,29	7,21
Jul	13,27	
Aug	3,17,31*	
Sep	7,21	

*£30 supplement applies on above date for our own Mini Naadam festival. See page 33 for more details about this special feature.

**TS.11+1 (19day)	2004	2005
May	3,17,31	9,23
Jun	7,21	13,27
Jul	5,19	
Aug	9,23	
Sep	13	

**Supplement per person for the extra night is £45 for one and £30 for two or more.

2005 dates (pay in full by 1 Dec 2004 and secure the price stated in this 2004 brochure – prices shall be amended for the 2005 dates in Dec 2004).

OPTIONS

Check out the following pages:

- ADD-ON St Petersburg p28
- Enjoy one of our many Beetroot Backpacker Trips p13
- ADD-ON China Travel p36-41

