



UNIQUE BIRDING & WILDLIFE TOURS WITH NOMADS IN MONGOLIA



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ABOUT US

In the summer of 2005, we launched Mongolica Co.Ltd with the vision of developing authentic products and services for bird and wildlife watching adventures and consultancy in a responsible and sustainable manner. Our efforts in sustainability as an organization reflect our commitment to the idea that our children and grandchildren will have a wonderful natural environment to explore throughout their lives. Our team comprises some of the most experienced experts in the field.

We are confident our inspiring tours and services will ensure our clients have the best possible stay in Mongolia, experiencing the traditional nomadic lifestyle in a sustainable manner.

Our passion is ensuring you get behind the scenes to be part of a genuinely fantastic wildlife experience. Preserving cultural heritage and conserving the natural environment, whilst improving the lives of local people, is the essence of our way of travelling with you and is integrated into every decision and action we take at Mongolica Co.Ltd.

OUR PHILOSOPHY

- o The development of Responsible and Sustainable Bird and Wildlife Watching and Photography Tours and Expeditions in Mongolia with our customers is the key point of our philosophy.
- o We believe we can provide products and services of the highest standard in tours for our clients. With knowledgeable, friendly crew and guides, we are confident our guests will enjoy unforgettable experiences of both Mongolia's amazing wildlife and culture.
- o Our philosophy of travel is to respect nature and those who depend upon it, particularly the local people who make Mongolia such a unique and special place. We ensure that our travel has minimum impact on wildlife, nature and environment, and the local nomadic lifestyle.
- o Our philosophy of responsible tourism is to support nature and bird research, conservation and education initiatives, local communities and NGOs in the areas that we visit.

More at www.mongolica.org



Your participation in a Mongolica tour supports education, research and conservation actions of Mongolian Ornithological Society. More at www.mos.mn



TOUR TYPES

BIRDING & NOMADIC CULTURAL TOURS 4 tours

Mongolia is a well-known destination for birding and as a place to experience a genuine nomadic lifestyle. We give great and inspiring opportunities to our clients for birding and visiting families with varying cultural traditions throughout numerous habitats in the country.

SPECIAL BIRDING TOURS 5 tours

We offer personal, tailor made tours suited to keen individuals or small groups enabling you to fully enjoy the unique experience of Mongolian Steppe and Gobi Desert.

TRUE BIRDING TOURS 8 tours

You can see various special birds in different natural habitats during these trips driving through natural landscapes, from Siberian Taiga Forest through Steppe to Gobi Desert and High Mountain, in the country made famous by the Great Chinggis Khaan.

LUXURY BIRDING TOURS 1 tour

Experiencing the fascinating birdlife, untouched landscapes and true nomadic life-style with excellent food and accommodation for your travel will be our first priority in Mongolia. Our team of experienced conservation experts are sure you will come away some fantastic memories of this incredible land.

PHOTOGRAPHY AND FILMING TOURS 3 tours

Wildlife Watching and Photography Tours require very specific knowledge. Our experts are very much experienced working with vertebrates including amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals of Mongolia. These tours will give you the best opportunities to watch and photograph many different species of wildlife in different habitats whilst experiencing the unique nomadic lifestyle of Mongolia.

TAILOR MADE TOURS 13 tours

Mongolica offers sustainable and responsible tours and trips to our clients giving a chance to experience nomadic lifestyle in order to foster well-beings of nomadic people in the country. Because they move into different natural habitats over seasons, nomads have various methods and techniques to deal with natural tasks. Experience nomadic lifestyle with us.

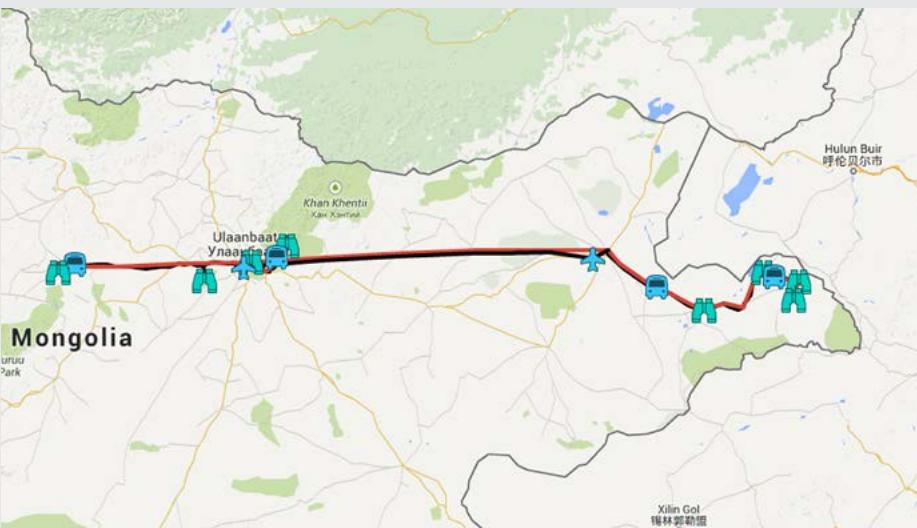
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EASTERN MONGOLIAN BIRD SPECIALTIES AND CRANES

16 Days

Reed Parrotbill

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Bird Watching And Photography Tour

From Siberian Taiga Forest To Vast Grassland Steppe In Eastern Mongolia

MAY
25 to
JUNE
11

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Drive natural habitats found in Mongolia with excellent company and professional guides for watching fantastic bird life and nomadic lifestyle.

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DAY 1. ARRIVE IN ULAANBAATAR CITY (25 May)

Guides and drivers will pick you up at the International Chingis Khaan airport after your arrival in Ulaanbaatar, which is the capital of Mongolia and check in a hotel in Ulaanbaatar. You will have a bit rest at the hotel. After a lunch (in case you arrive before lunch), will visit a gravel pond to see some common birds and possible Azure Tit, and White-crowned Penduline Tit. Will have a WELCOME DINNER at one of the most famous restaurants in Ulaanbaatar and return to the hotel.

Food: Welcome dinner at a restaurant. **Road:** Total coverage 30 km on paved road.

DAY 2-3. TERELJ NATIONAL PARK (26-27 May)

After breakfast, we will drive to the northeast of Ulaan-

baatar and reach Terelj river valley. We will watch forest and forest steppe birds: Oriental Cuckoo, Hoopoe, Great spotted Woodpecker, Black Woodpecker, Willow Tit, Pine Bunting, Red-throated Thrush, Siberian Rubythroat, Siberian Stonechat, Red-flanked Bluetail, Dusky Warbler, Greenish Warbler, Yellow-browed Warbler, Taiga Flycatcher, Asian Brown Flycatcher, Common Buzzard (*japonicus*). There are two challenging species, Spotted Capercaillie and Chinese Bush Warbler. Overnight in a tented camp near the river valley. **Food:** Restaurant-Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Restaurant-Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 120 km on paved road.

DAY 4. ULAANBAATAR –CHOIBALSAN TOWN (28 May)

After breakfast, we will drive back to Ulaanbaatar to

catch a domestic flight to Choibalsan the same day and next day depending on flight link. We will land Choibalsan and check in a hotel and drive around Choibalsan town wetlands. You would not expect high standard hotel in this local town. Anyway it will have a hot water shower. We will see Citrine Wagtail (nominate, calcarata –Black backed Citrine Wagtail), Yellow-breasted Bunting, Pallas's Grasshopper Warbler, Oriental Reed Warbler, Pallas's Bunting, Eastern Marsh Harrier, Mongolian Gull, and White-naped Cranes. **Food:** Restaurant- Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Restaurant-Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 80 km on dust road.

DAY 5. MENEN STEPPE (29 May)

After breakfast, we will start our long journey to the eastern most point of Mongolia to get lake Buir. We will camp in open endless steppe. This is a chance to see unique open grass land in the country. On the way, we will see Asian Short-toed Lark, Greater Short-toed Lark, Mongolian Lark, Isabelline Wheatear, Upland Buzzard, Saker Falcon (rare), Steppe Eagle, possibly Oriental Plover depending on precipitation of the year. Overnight in a tented camp in middle of steppe. **Food:** Restaurant-Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Camp-Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 200 km on dust road.

DAY 6. BUIR LAKE (30 May)

After breakfast, we will drive to the east pass through military checkpoint and reach Buir lake. We will see Horned Grebe, Little Grebe, several hundreds of Swan Goose, Spot-billed Duck, Wigeon, Pintail, Tufted Pochard, Hen Harrier, Eastern Marsh Harrier, Red-necked Stint, Little and Common Terns, a lots of Pallas's Bunting, Great Cormorants and Black-faced Buntings. Possibly Relict Gull. Overnight in a tented camp near the lake. **Food:** Camp- Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Camp-Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 150 km on dust road.

DAY 7-8. KHALKH GOL/RIVER (31 May-01 June)

Drive to Khalkh gol town. We will set up our camp near Khalkh Gol river. We will see Grey-headed Lapwing, Chinese Grey Shrike (used to be breeding), Daurian Jackdaw, Black-faced Bunting, Dusky Warbler, Asian Brown Flycatcher, Azure-winged Magpie, Amur Falcon breeding colony, White-cheeked Starling, possibly Daurian Starling and unexpected migrants. Overnight in a tented camp. **Food:** Camp- Breakfast; Camp-Lunch; Camp-Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 110 km on dust road.

DAY 8-9. IKH TASHGAI LAKES (2-3 June)

After breakfast, we will drive to Ikh Tashgai lakes which saline lakes in the steppe with reed beds. We will spot Northern Reed Parrotbill, Japanese Bunting, Japanese Grassbird, Common Reed Bunting, Pallas's Grasshopper Warbler, possibly Pied Harrier, Siberian Crane, and White-naped Crane. Overnight in a tented camp. **Food:** Camp- Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Camp-Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 120 km on dust road.

DAY 10. IKH TASHGAI LAKES-BUIR LAKE (4 June)

After breakfast, we will drive to back to Choibalsan town to catch our flight back to Ulaanbaatar. We will camp near Buir Lake which is the same Lake we were at 6th day. The same species of birds will be seen including Sand Martin nesting colony, and other waterfowl. On the way to the lake we will see Japanese Quail in large numbers. Overnight in a tented camp. **Food:** Camp- Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Camp-Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 150 km on dust road.

DAY 11. MENEN STEPPE-STEPPE LAKES-CHOIBALSAN TOWN (5 June)

After breakfast, we will head back to Choibalsan town through small lakes where we can try again Relict Gull near lakes. Also wader species listed in the bird list. After birding around the lakes, we will drive to a Choibalsan town. Overnight in a hotel. **Food:** Camp- Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Local restaurant-Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 200 km on dust road.

White-naped Crane

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Included:

5 nights in reserved hotel

5 nights in tented camp near birding sites

6 nights in tourist ger camp

Local flights

All transportations by 4WD, including petrol

Full board per day

English speaking guide

Meals (Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner) and bottled water each day

Camel and horse trek

Organize city tour and shopping

Entrance fees to all NPs, museums, monasteries and cultural events

English speaking guide and bird watching and photography guide

Entrance fee to the protected areas, border permits

All camping equipments (tent, kitchen, cooking equipment, cook etc.)

Road taxes

All expenses with nomadic families

Visa support invitation letter if necessary

DAY 12. CHOIBALSAN TOWN - ULAANBAATAR CITY - HUSTAI NP (6 June)

After breakfast, we will catch a flight to Ulaanbaatar city. Arrive in Ulaanbaatar then drive to Hustai NP. **Food:** Local restaurant- Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Local restaurant-Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 100 km on dust road.

DAY 13. HUSTAI NP (7 June)

Khustai Nuruu National Park is the place re-introduced Przewalski's Wild Horse (*Equus przewalskii*) in the country. Golden Eagle, Saker Falcon, Cinereous Vulture, Himalayan Vulture, Meadow Bunting, Daurian Partridge, Amur Falcon, Eurasian Hobby, Booted Eagle, Daurian Jackdaws, Black Stork, and Isabelline Shrike. After this birding, we will drive to water point (spring) of the horses where they drink water, afternoon. We will back to the National park restaurant and will have a dinner with Mongolian cold beer. Overnight in ger camp. **Food:** Local restaurant- Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Local restaurant-Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 100 km on paved road.

DAY 14-15. HUSTAI NP-UGII LAKE (8-9 June)

After breakfast in the restaurant, we will head to west to get steppe lake (Tsegeen Lake) where can see some Ducks listed in the list. Pallas's Reed Bunting, Asian Dot-watcher, Citrine, White and Yellow Wagtails, Bar-headed Goose, Greylag Goose, Black and White-winged Terns.

We will reach to Ugii lake, which is the large fresh water lake and will have a lunch in local ger camp. After lunch 1 hour rest, we will start bird watching around the lake. We will see thousands of Swan Goose at south-western end of the lake. We will see Small Snowfinch, Ruddy Shelduck, Bar-headed, most possibly Dalmatian Pelican, Pintail, Shoveler, Common Goldeneye, Pochard, Black-tailed Godwit, Common Tern (*longipennis*), Mongolian Gull, Rock Sparrow etc... This site is the highest opportunity to see Pallas's Fish Eagle, White-tailed Eagle etc... After long time bird watching, we will back to ger camp and overnight there. **Food:** Local restaurant- Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Local restaurant-Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 300 km on paved road.

DAY 16. UGII LAKE-ULAANBAATAR CITY (10 June)

After breakfast we will drive back to Ulaanbaatar and check in a hotel. On the way, we will try to see Azure Tit, and White-crowned Penduline Tit in case we could not see it at the first day. Before dinner, we will go to some shops. We will have all together farewell dinner. Overnight at a hotel. **Food:** Local restaurant- Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Local restaurant-Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 300 km on paved road.

DAY 17. DEPARTURE (11 June)

For early departing guests, transfer to Chingis Khaan International Airport.

End of our services in Mongolia.



Grey-headed Lapwing

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Excluded:

- International transportation
- All types of insurance
- Visas
- Departure tax
- Alcoholic drinks and items of personal nature
- Binoculars, telescopes and tripods
- Sleeping bags
- Extra luggage
- Optional tours

We can't warranty:

- Occasional flight delays or cancellations
- Poor road conditions
- Items of personal nature
- Adverse weather conditions

TOUR DATE: From May 25 to July 11, 2015

DURATION: 16 Days

PRICE PER PERSON: 2900\$

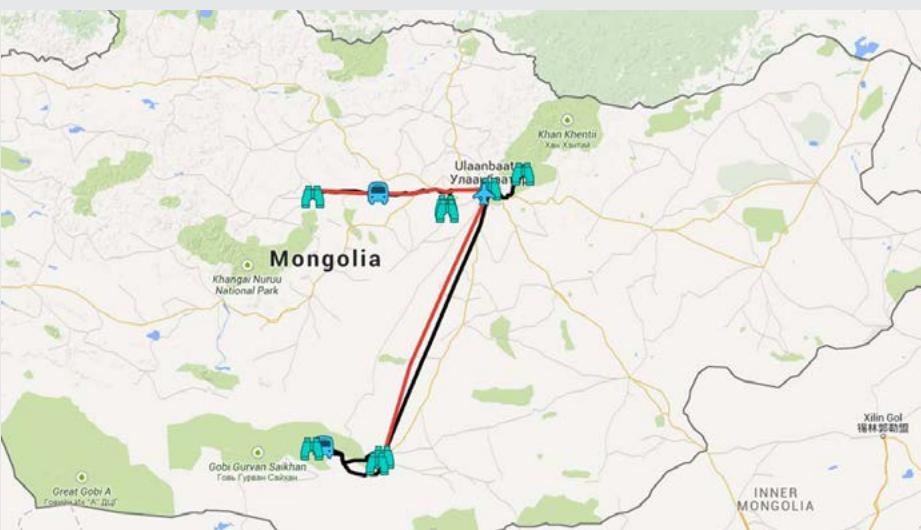
GROUP SIZE: 4-12 persons

DEPOSIT: 290\$

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MONGOLIA BIRDING IN SIBERIAN FOREST AND GOBI DESERT

12 Days



Saker Falcon
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Mongolia Bird Watching And Photographing Tours
For White-Naped Crane, Mongolian Accentor, Henderson's Ground Jay And Altai Snowcock
From Siberian Taiga To The Gobi Desert

JUNE
15 to
JUNE
27

Mongolia birding is one of the interesting holidays because it is located at the junction of World Migration Flyways connecting between Siberian breeders and East Asian winter visitors. You can see a variety of birds in different natural habitats during this trip driving through completely natural landscapes, from Siberian taiga forest to the steppe and Gobi desert, in the country of Great Chinggis Khaan. Drive natural habitats found in Mongolia with excellent company and professional guides for watching fantastic bird life and nomadic lifestyle.

This tour will give you the opportunity to make your dreams come true and see raptors such as **Saker Falcon, Upland Buzzard, Amur Falcon, Henderson's Ground Jay, and Saxaul Sparrow.**

DAY 1. ARRIVE IN ULAANBAATAR CITY (15 June)

Guides and drivers will pick you up at the International Chingis Khaan airport after your arrival in Ulaanbaatar, which is the capital of Mongolia and check in a hotel in Ulaanbaatar. You will have a bit rest at the hotel. After a lunch (in case you arrive before lunch), will visit gravel pond to see some common birds and possible Azure tit, and White-crowned Penduline Tit. Will have a WELCOME DINNER at one of the most famous restaurant in Ulaanbaatar. **Food:** Welcome dinner at a restaurant. **Road:** Total coverage 30 km on paved road.

DAY 2-3. ULAANBAATAR-TERELJ (16-17 June)

After breakfast, we will drive to the east of the city to get Terelj forest and check in tourist ger camp near

birding site. Just after arrived Terelj we will go birding. We will watch forest and forest steppe birds: Oriental Cuckoo, Eurasian Hoopoe, Great spotted Woodpecker, Willow Tit, Pine Bunting, Red-throated Thrush, Siberian Rubythroat, Siberian Stonechat, White-cheeked Starling, Dusky Warbler, Greenish Warbler, Yellow-browed Warbler, Taiga Flycatcher, Asian Brown Flycatcher, Common Buzzard (*japonicus*), Blyth's Pipit. There are two challenging species, Chinese Bush Warbler and Black-billed Capercaillie depending on season of your visit. Next morning, we will drive to the east of our tourist camp to get riparian river forest. Try to find Three-toed Woodpecker, Black Woodpecker, Long-tailed Rosefinch, Olive-backed Pipit, Common Rosefinch, Taiga Flycatcher in breeding plumage. Overnight in a tourist ger camp

near birding site. Afternoon DAY3, we need to drive back to Ulaanbaatar to catch the flight to Dalanzadgad (Gobi Desert). **Food:** City Hotel- Breakfast; Tourist Camp-Lunch; Tourist camp -Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 80 km on paved and dust road.

DAY 4. ULAANBAATAR-DALANZADGAD (18 June)

After breakfast, we will drive Chinggis Khaan airport to catch our flight to Dalanzadgad (Gobi Desert area). After landed in Dalanzadgad we will head to Gobi-Altai high mountain area (Yolyn am). We will check in domestic ger camp as close to birding site as possible. We will see Mongolian or Kozlov's Accentor, Brown Accentor, Mongolian Finch, Crag Martin, White-winged Snow Finch, Black Redstart, Saker Falcon, and Mongolian Finch, Godlewski's Bunting, Bearded Vulture, Himalayan Vulture, and Beautiful Rosefinch. Overnight in tourist ger camp. **Food:** Restaurant-Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Ger camp -Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 80 km on dust road.

DAY 5. GOBI-ALTAI HIGH MOUNTAIN (19 June)

Very early, before sun rise we will move to the peak of high mountain to see Altai Snowcock, Bearded Vulture and Himalayan Vulture at close distance, Alpine Accentor. Afternoon, we will meet some crews near hill-side of the mountain and go to the site for Sulphur-bellied Warbler, Beautiful Rose Finch, Wallcreeper. Overnight in tourist ger camp. **Food:** Ger camp -Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Ger camp -Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 30 km on dust road.

DAY 6. HIGH MOUNTAIN - SAXAUL FOREST (20 June)

After breakfast, we will drive to the west of the ger camp to get Saxaul Sparrow and Pallas's Sandgrouse, Henderson's Ground jay site. On the way, we will Desert Wheatear, Desert Warbler, Great Grey Shrike, Henderson's Ground Jay, Pallas's Sandgrouse, and possibly Long-legged Buzzard. Then we will reach Saxaul forest area. We will overnight in tourist ger camp. It will be a long drive for this trip. **Food:** Ger Camp-Breakfast; Ger Camp- Lunch; Ger Camp –Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 160 km on dust road.

DAY 7-8. SAXAUL FOREST-DUNDSAIKHAN MOUNTAIN-DALANZADGAD (21-22 June)

After breakfast, we will watch Saxaul Sparrow, Isabelline Shrike and Great Grey Shrike, possibly Long-legged Buzzard in the forest. Afternoon, we will drive back to Dalanzadgad town. On the way, we will have a chance to check couple of sites for missing species. Possibly overnight in tented camp. Overnight in ger camp or tented camp near Dalanzadgad town. **Food:** Ger Camp- Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Camp or Ger Camp -Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 200 km on dust road.

DAY 9. DALANZADGAD-ULAANBAATAR-HUSTAI NP (23 June)

After breakfast, we will drive to the south to get flight to Ulaanbaatar city. After landed in Ulaanbaatar, we will drive to the west of the city to get Hustai NP, that is the place re-introduced Przewalski's Wild Horse (*Equus przewalskii*) in the country. Before to reach Hustai, we will check few sites for Black Storks, Rufous-tailed Rock Thrush, Azure Tit, White-crowned Penduline Tit, and Rock Sparrow. Overnight in a local tourist ger camp. **Food:** Camp- Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Ger Camp -Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 130 km on dust road.

DAY 10. HUSTAI NP (24 June)

After breakfast, we will have a birding: Golden Eagle, Saker Falcon, Cinereous Vulture, Himalayan Vulture, Meadow Bunting, Daurian Partridge, Amur Falcons, Eurasian Hobby, Booted Eagle, Daurian Jackdaws, Black Stork, and Isabelline Shrike, Mongolian Lark and Meadow Bunting. After this birding, we will drive to water point (spring) of the horses where they drink water, afternoon. We will back to the National park restaurant and will have a dinner with Mongolian cold beer. Overnight in ger camp. **Food:** City restaurant- Breakfast; Tourist Camp- Lunch; Local restaurant-Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 100 km on paved road.

DAY 11. UGII LAKE (25 June)



Included:

3 nights in reserved hotel

1-2 nights in tented camp near birding sites

7-8 nights in tourist ger camps

All transportations by 4WD, including petrol

Full board per day

English speaking guide

Meals (Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner) and bottled water each day

Camel and horse trek

Organize city tour and shopping

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All camping equipments (tent, kitchen, cooking equipment, cook etc.)

Road taxes

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Visa support invitation letter if necessary

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DAY 12. UGII LAKE-ULAANBAATAR (26 June)

Afternoon, we will drive back to Ulaanbaatar and will get the city afternoon. You will have a free time to go some shops if you wish. We will have Farewell Dinner all together at the Restaurant.

DAY 13. DEPARTURE (27 June)

Transfer to Chingis Khaan International Airport.

End of our services in Mongolia.



Pallas's Sandgrouse

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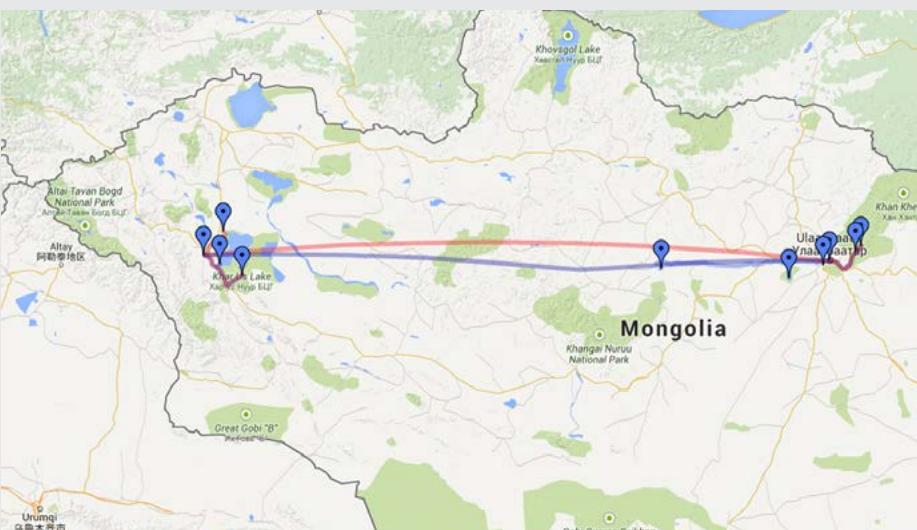
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WESTERN MONGOLIAN BIRDS

13 Days



White-headed Duck
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Bird Watching And Photography Tour

From Largest Freshwater Lakes To Mongolian Altai Mountain In The Western Mongolia

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DAY 2. HUSTAI NP (13 June)

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Overnight in ger camp. **Food:** City restaurant- Breakfast; Tourist Camp- Lunch; Local restaurant-Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 100 km on paved road.

DAY 3-4. UGII LAKE (14-15 June)

After breakfast in the restaurant, we will head to the west to get steppe lake (Tse-geen Lake) where can see some Ducks listed in the list. Pallas's Reed Bunting, Asian Dowitcher, Citrine, White and Yellow Wagtails, Bar-headed Goose, Gray-lag Goose, Black and White-winged Terns. After birding around the lake, we will get Ugii lake which is one of the freshwater steppe lakes in Central Mongolia. After a few minutes rest, we will start bird watching around the lake. We will see thousands of Swan Goose at the southwestern end of the lake. We will see Ruddy Shelduck, Bar-headed, most possibly Pelican, Pintail, Northern Shoveler, Common Goldeneye, Pochard, Black-tailed Godwit, Common Tern (*longipennis*), Mongolian Gull, Rock Sparrow, Small Snowfinch, Mongolian Lark, etc.... This site is the highest opportunity to see Pallas' Fish Eagle, Relict Gull, White-tailed Eagle, etc... After long time bird watching, we will back to ger camp and overnight there. We will drive back to Ulaanbaatar city afternoon. **Food:** Local restaurant- Breakfast; Tourist ger camp- Lunch; Tourist ger camp -Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 300 km on paved road.

DAY 5. KHOVD (16 June)

After breakfast, we will drive to the airport to get domestic flight to Khovd town. We will arrive in Khovd town and check in a hotel. If we have a time we will search around town to get some species including Pied Wagtail (*M.alba personata*), Black Kite (black-eared, *linaetus*). Search for a species in planted trees near town to get late migrants. We will get back to the hotel. The town hotel is not high standard like Ulaanbaatar city and European countries. **Food:** Hotel - Breakfast; Local hotel - Lunch; Local hotel -Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 1500 km by local airplane.

DAY 6-7. KHOVD TOWN- KHAR US LAKE (17-18 June)

After breakfast, we will start to drive to Khar-Us Lake, which is one of the largest freshwater lakes in western Mongolia. We will see Common Black-headed Gull, Pallas's Gull, Mongolian Gull, Common Tern, Gull-billed Tern, Great Reed Warbler, Savi's Warbler, Pallas's Grasshopper Warbler, Citrine Wagtail, Yellow Wagtail (*leucocephala*), possibly Bluethroat, Common and Rosy Starlings, Common Reed Bunting, Common Sand Martin, possible Pale Sand Martin (*Riparia diluta*), Dalmatian Pelican from long distance, White-headed Duck, Great White Egret etc...We will drive back to town centre to stay in the local hotel that we checked in. **Food:** Local Restaurant-Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Local Restaurant - Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 100 km on dust road.

DAY 8-9. KHAR-US –JARGALANT KHAIRKHAN MOUNTAIN (19-20 June)

After breakfast, we will drive to the high mountain near the lake to get high mountain species. We will see Greater Sand Plover, Mongolian Finch, Twite, Black Red-start, Pied Wheatear, Hume's Warbler, Greenish Warbler, Sulphur-bellied Warbler, Lesser Whitethroat (*blythii*), Lesser Kestrel, Bearded Vulture, Cinereous Vulture, Great Rose Finch, Chukar, and possibly Altai Snowcock (very little chance). Overnight in a tented camp near a spring. **Food:** Local restaurant- Breakfast; Camp-Lunch; Camp-Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 120 km on dust road.

DAY 10. BURGEDTEI KHALZAN UUL (Mongol -Altai Mountain Range) (21 June)

After breakfast, we will drive to the west of the mountain to get another high mountain. We will search for Hodgson's Bushchat, Asian Rosyfinch, Brown Accentor, Rock Ptarmigan (difficult species to locate), Mongolian Finch, Pied Wheatear, Black Red-start, White winged Snow-finches, Mongolian Finch, Twite etc... Overnight in a tented camps. **Food:** Camp- Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Camp-Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 115 km on dust road.



Demoiselle Crane
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Included:

- 5 nights in reserved hotels
- 3 nights in tented camp near birding sites
- 5 nights in tourist ger camps
- Transport in the country and terminal transfer
- All transportations by 4WD, including petrol
- Full board per day
- English speaking guide
- Meals (Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner) and bottled water each day
- Camel and horse trek
- Organize city tour and shopping
- Entrance fees to all National Parks, museums, monasteries and cultural events
- English speaking guide and bird watching and photography guide
- Entrance fee to the protected areas, border permits
- All camping equipments (tent, kitchen, cooking equipment, cook etc.)
- Road taxes
- All expenses with nomadic families
- Visa support invitation letter if necessary

Day 11. KHOVD-ULAANBAATAR-TERELJ (22 June)

We will stay at a local hotel. We will fly to Ulaanbaatar to get Siberian boreal forest. Afternoon, we will drive to Terelj area. **Food:** Camp- Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Local restaurant -Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 1500 km on aircraft, 100 km km on paved road.

DAY 12-13. TERELJ NP (23-24 June)

After breakfast, we will watch forest and forest steppe birds: Oriental Cuckoo, Hoopoe, Great spotted Woodpecker, Black Woodpecker, Great Tit, Willow Tit, Pine Bunting, Red-throated Thrush, Siberian Rubythroat, Siberian Stonechat, Red-flanked Bluetail, Dusky Warbler, Greenish Warbler, Yellow-browed Warbler, Taiga Flycatcher, Asian Brown Flycatcher, Common Buzzard (*japonicus*). There are two challenging species, Chinese Bush Warbler and Red-flanked Bluetail. Overnight in a tourist ger camp. **Food:** Restaurant-Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Crew will prepare a dinner (national food) near river. **Road:** Total coverage 100 km on paved and dust roads.

DAY 14. DEPARTURE (25 June)

Transfer to Chinggis Khaan International Airport.

End of our services in Mongolia.

Pallas's Fish Eagle
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TOUR DATE: From June 12 to June 25, 2015

PRICE PER PERSON: 2950\$

DURATION: 13 Days

GROUP SIZE: 4-12 persons

DEPOSIT: 295\$

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Common Stonechat
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Excluded:

International transportation

All types of insurance

Visas

Departure tax

Alcoholic drinks and items of personal nature

Binoculars, telescopes and tripods

Sleeping bags

Extra luggage

Optional tours

We can't warranty:

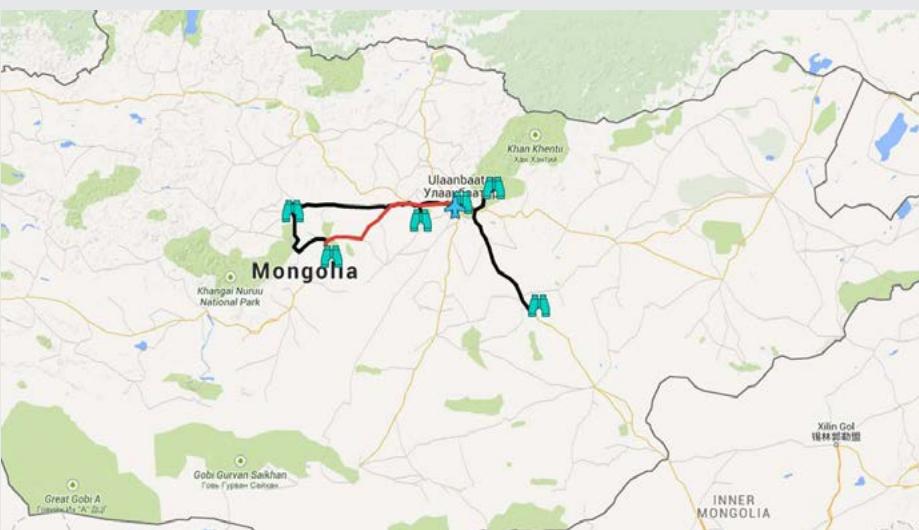
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DAY 1. ARRIVE IN ULAANBAATAR CITY (11 June)

Guides and drivers will pick you up at the International Chinggis Khaan airport after your arrival in Ulaanbaatar, which is the capital of Mongolia and check in a hotel in Ulaanbaatar. You will have a bit rest at the hotel. After a lunch (in case you arrive before lunch), will visit a gravel pond to see some common birds and possible Azure tit, and White-crowned Penduline Tit. Will have a WELCOME DINNER at one of the most famous restaurants in Ulaanbaatar and return to the hotel. **Food:** Welcome dinner at a restaurant. **Road:** Total coverage 30 km on paved road.

DAY 2-3. HUSTAI NP (12-13 June)

After breakfast, we will start and drive to Khustai Nuruu National Park, that is the place re-introduced Przewalski's Wild Horse (*Equus przewalskii*) in the country. Golden Eagle, Saker Falcon, Cinereous Vulture, Himalayan Vulture, Common Kestrel, Amur Falcon, Eurasian Hobby, Booted Eagle, and Black Kite. All these species are breeding in the protected area. We will see a nesting Cinereous Vulture, Common Kestrel, Amur Falcon (only in July), Black Kite, Eurasian Hobby and Upland Buzzard at 50 m distance. Sometimes, we can find 100 Cinereous Vultures and few Himalayan Vultures on a fresh carcass

together. At meantime, we will see Meadow Bunting, Daurian Partridge, Daurian Jackdaw, Black Stork, Isabelline Shrike, Mongolian Lark and Meadow Bunting. After this birding, we will drive to water point (spring) of the horses where they drink water, afternoon. We will back to the National park restaurant and will have a dinner with Mongolian cold beer. Overnight in tourist ger camp. **Food:** City restaurant-Breakfast; Tourist Camp- Lunch; Local tourist camp restaurant-Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 100 km on paved road.

DAY 4. UGII LAKE (14 June)

After breakfast in the restaurant, we will head to west to get steppe lake where can see some water birds and waders listed in the list. In the lake valley, we will see Eastern Marsh Harrier breeding here, on the way to the next large lake we will see Upland Buzzard, Steppe Eagle in different age and plumage, possible Long-legged Buzzard (it is rare but occasionally were seen here) and we will hit large fresh water lake, called Ugii Lake. Afternoon, birding around the lake to find Pallas's Fish Eagle, and White-tailed Eagle. Next morning, after breakfast, we will drive around the lake to see the two raptors in clear view. In and at the lake, we will see thousands of Swan Goose at south-western end of the lake. We will see Ruddy Shelduck, Bar-headed, most possibly Dalmatian Pelican, Pintail, Northern Shoveler, Common Goldeneye, Pochard, Black-tailed Godwit, Common Tern (*longipennis*), Mongolian Gull, Rock Sparrow, Small Snowfinch, Mongolian Lark etc... Overnight in tourist ger camp. **Food:** Local restaurant- Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Tourist ger camp -Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 300 km on paved road and dust road.

DAY 5. UGII LAKE—KHAR KHORIN —ERDENESANT (15 June)

After breakfast, we will head to Kharkhorin town and drive through the town and will get Erdenesant mountain, which large cliffs and granite rocks pillars. We will see Bearded Vulture, Saker Falcon, Himalayan Vulture, Lesser Kestrel, and Golden and Steppe Eagles. Overnight in a tourist ger camp. **Food:** Camp- Breakfast; Camp-Lunch; Local restaurant-Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 200 km on paved road.

DAY 6. ERDENESANT-ULAANBAATAR-TERELJ (16 June)

After breakfast, we will drive to the east of the ger camp to get Ulaanbaatar and drive through Ulaanbaatar and reach Terelj boreal forest. We will check in tourist ger camp near birding site. We will see Common Buzzard (*japonicus*), try to find Eurasian Sparrowhawk, Northern Goshawk, and Steppe Eagle nests. Meantime, we will see Olive-backed Pipit, Pine Bunting, Lesser Whitethroat, Common Rosefinch, Taiga flycatcher, Yellow-browed Warbler, and Red-throated Thrush. Overnight in a local tourist ger camp. **Food:** Camp- Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Local ger camp restaurant-Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 280 km on paved road.

DAY 7-8. CHOIR MOUNTAIN (17-18 June)

After breakfast, we will drive to Choir Mountain, which is high rocky mountain massif in the middle of the steppe. Breeding Steppe Eagle, Golden Eagle, Upland Buzzard and Cinereous Vultures are common in this region. Eurasian Eagle-owl, Little Owl, and Lesser Kestrel, gound nesting Upland Buzzard, and Cinereous Vulture nest on cliffs. We will drive around Choir mountain and surrounding areas. Overnight in tented camp sheltered by high cliffs. Afternoon we will drive back to Ulaanbaatar and check in a hotel. We will prepare traditional Mongolian meal, Khorkhog using simple hot rocks, mutton and vegetables. **Food:** Ger camp - Breakfast; Camp- Lunch; Camp -Dinner. **Road:** Total coverage 280 km on paved road.

DAY 9. DEPARTURE (19 June)

For early departing guests, transfer to Chinggis Khaan International Airport.

End of our services in Mongolia.



Golden Eagle
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- 2 nights in tented camp near birding sites
- 4 nights in tourist ger camps
- Transport in the country and terminal transfer
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- Full board per day
- English speaking guide
- Meals (Breakfast; Lunch; Dinner) and bottled water each day
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TOUR DATE: From May to September

PRICE PER PERSON: 1950\$

DURATION: 8 Days

GROUP SIZE: 4-12 persons

DEPOSIT: 195\$

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Bearded Vulture

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