Cultural Tour to Uzbekistan - Private Tour Cultural Tour to Uzbekistan, 2020-2021

Cultural Tour to Uzbekistan: Discover the history and heritage of Uzbekistan. Visit the oldest inhabited cities in Central Asia - Samarkand, Bukhara, Khiva, Shakhrisabz and Tashkent. Explore local culture and traditions and enjoy the hospitality of Uzbekistan people.

Tour duration: 7 days/6 nights Tour date: Flexible Tour type: Private Tour itinerary: Tashkent-Samarkand-Shakhrisabz-Samarkand-Bukhara-Khiva-Tashkent Tour language: English, German, Russian, French, Spanish, Chinese

Day 1: ... - Tashkent (Sightseeing tour duration: 6-7 hours)

Arrive in Tashkent. GLOBAL CONNECT driver will meet you at the Tashkent International Airport. (If you are arriving by an early morning flight, extra night at the hotel may be needed).

Start sightseeing from the Old City part of Tashkent. Visit <u>Khast Imam</u> - a cultic architectural complex and the religious center of Tashkent where the world famous <u>Uthman Quran</u> has been preserved. Khast Imam complex consists of <u>Barak-Khan Madrasah</u>, <u>Tillya Sheikh Mosque</u>, <u>Muyi Muborak Madrasah</u>, <u>Kaffal Shashi</u> <u>Mausoleum</u>, <u>New Khazrati Imam Mosque</u> and the <u>Muftiate building</u>. Drive to <u>Chorsu Bazaar</u>. After exploring the bazaar drive to the Central Asia Plov Center. Plov is cooked in a giant, wood-fired kazans. Enjoy your plov! Visit the <u>State Museum of Applied Art</u> to see priceless samples of applied art created by golden hands of masters from the first half of XIX century up to the present time. Have a short <u>Tashkent metro</u> ride from "Kosmonavtlar" station to "Mustakallik Maydoni" station. Visit <u>Independence Square</u>, <u>Alisher Navoi State</u> <u>Academic Bolshoi Theatre</u>, <u>Amir Temur Square</u> and Museum, "Broadway" street where some street artists and painters display their original artworks (*there are many shopping centers, fashion shops, boutiques, restaurants, and cafes are located on and around the Broadway</u>) and <u>Monument of Courage</u>. Drop off at the hotel. Free time. Overnight at the hotel.*

Day 2: Tashkent - Samarkand (Sightseeing tour duration: 6-7 hours)

06:30 Transfer to the train station.

07:30 Transfer to Samarkand by high-speed train "Afrosiyob".

09:38 Arrive in Samarkand and start sightseeing. Visit <u>Gur-Emir Mausoleum</u>, "The Pearl of Central Asia" - <u>Registan Square</u>, <u>Bibi-Khanum Mosque</u> and <u>Siab Bazaar</u>. Luxury Plov for lunch will be arranged by GLOBAL CONNECT. Visit <u>Khazrat Khizr Mosque</u>, <u>Mausoleum of the first President of Uzbekistan Islam</u> Karimov, <u>Shakhi-Zinda Necropolis</u> and <u>Ulughbek Observatory</u>, <u>Mausoleum of Saint Daniel</u>. Visit the <u>"Meros"</u> <u>paper mill</u> in Konigil village. Free time. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 3: Samarkand - Shakhrisabz - Samarkand (Sightseeing tour duration: 5-6 hours) Breakfast at the hotel.

09:00 Transfer to Shakhrisabz (85 km). Drive through the Aman-Kutan Gorge and Takhta-Karacha Mountain Pass. On the way stop to take a view at Teshiktosh (Stone with hole). The film "Apachen" (1973) was shot on this location - an area that looks incredibly like the American Southwest. Short stop at the top of the mountain pass. There is a tiny market where some local dried fruits can be bought.

11:00 Arrive in Shakhrisabz. Visit Mausoleum of Jakhongir in <u>Dor-us Saodat Memorial Complex</u>, remains of <u>Ak</u> <u>Saray Palace</u>, <u>Kok Gumbaz Mosque</u>.

17:00 Drive back to Samarkand. Free time. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 4: Samarkand - Bukhara (Sightseeing tour duration: 6 hours)

Breakfast at the hotel.

08:40 Transfer to the train station. 09:43 Transfer to Bukhara by high-speed train "Afrosiyob".

11:17 Arrive in Bukhara. Leave your luggage at the hotel *(check in time is from 14:00)* and start your walking sightseeing tour in Bukhara. Visit Lyabi-Khauz Complex, Magoki-Attori Mosque, Chor-Minor Madrasah, Trade domes, Kalyan Minaret, Kalyan Mosque and Miri-Arab Madrasah, Ulugbek and Abdulazizkhan madrasahs, Ark Fortress, Bolo-Khauz Mosque and Chashma-Ayub mausoleum. GLOBAL CONNECT will arrange a dinner at Nodir Devonbegi Madrasah Restaurant where you can enjoy Traditional Dance Show. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 5: Bukhara - Khiva (Sightseeing tour duration: 4-5 hours) Breakfast at the hotel

09:00 Visit <u>Ismail Samani mausoleum</u>. Countryside sightseeing - visit summer residence of Bukhara's last emir - <u>Sitorai Mokhi-Khosa</u>, <u>Bakhouddin Nagshbandi Mausoleum</u> and <u>Chor-Bakr Necropolis</u>. Lunch.

14:00 Drive to Khiva through the Kyzyl Kum Desert (457 km). Enjoy the different views of the Kyzylkum desert. 20:30 Arrive in Khiva. Free time. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 6: Khiva - Urgench - Tashkent (Sightseeing tour duration: 6-7 hours)

Breakfast at the hotel.

09:00 Start your walking sightseeing tour in ancient Khiva. Explore the walled inner town of the city of Khiva - <u>Itchan Kala</u>. Visit <u>Mukhammad Aminkhan Madrasah</u>, <u>Mukhammad Rahimkhan Madrasah</u>, <u>Kalta-Minor</u>, <u>Kunya-Ark</u>, <u>Juma Mosque</u>, <u>Tash-Khovli Palace</u>, <u>Minaret of Islam-Khoja</u>, <u>Pakhlavan Makhmud Mausoleum</u>.

18:00 Transfer to the airport in Urgench. 21:10 Flight to Tashkent.

22:30 Arrive in Tashkent. Transfer to the hotel. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 7: Tashkent - ...

Breakfast at the hotel. 11:00 Check out. Free time.

Transfer to the Tashkent International Airport according to the flight time.

Transport

Number of people	Vehicle Type:
1-2	Sedan car with a/c (Chevrolet Lacetti, Chevrolet Cobalt), MPV car with a/c (Orlando Chevrolet)
3-12	Minivan with a/c (Hyundai Grand Starex), Minibus with a/c (Toyota Hiace, King Long, Joy Long)
13 and more	Bus with a/c (Yutong, Golden Dragon)

Accommodation in Tashkent

Accommodation type	Accommodation
Budget option	Trip.Le, Art Hostel, Topchan Hostel, Mulberry or similar
Standard option	Elite Boutique, Meros Boutique, Hilal, Shodlik Palace, Uzbekistan or similar
Comfort option	Praga, Sharq, Daniel Hill, The Royal Mezbon, Simma Spa or similar

Accommodation in Samarkand

Accommodation type	Accommodation
Budget option	B&B Emir, Jahongir Guest House, Samarkand Travel Inn or similar
Standard option	Arba Hotel, City, Ideal, Meros Boutique or similar

Comfort option	Sultan Hotel, Malika Prime, Platan, Emir Han, Asia Samarkand or similar
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Accommodation in Bukhara

Accommodation type	Accommodation
Budget option	Abu Shakheen Guest House, Hotel Shams, Breshim or similar
Standard option	Grand Emir Residence, Devonbegi, Golden Bukhara Boutique or similar
Comfort option	Asia Bukhara, Malika Bukhara, Omar Khayam, Zargaron Plaza or similar

Accommodation in Khiva

Accommodation type	Accommodation
Budget option	Islambek, Meros or similar
Standard option	Qosha Darvoza, Old Khiva, Arkanchi or similar
Comfort option	Malika Khiva, Orient Star, Asia Khiva, Bek Khiva or similar

Private Tour Price

Price per person in USD for 2020-2021				
Number of peop	ble	Budget option	Standard option	Comfort option
1		1330	1610	1710
2		810	980	1100
3 and more		780	940	1045
Single suppleme	ent	90	150	300
Price includes	 Uzbekistan Visa Support (LOI)/e-visa; Accommodation based on double/twin shared room with breakfast; All airport/train station pick up/drop off services; All transportation services during the tour according to the itinerary; Local tour guide services during the tour according to the itinerary; Entrance tickets to all monuments and museums according to the itinerary; Tashkent-Samarkand high-speed train "Afrosiyob" e-ticket (economy class); Samarkand-Bukhara high-speed train "Afrosiyob" e-ticket (economy class); Urgench-Tashkent flight ticket (economy class); Lunch at the Central Asia Plov Center; 			

Luxury Plov for lunch in Samarkand;

	 Dinner at Nodir Devonbegi Madrasah Restaurant and Traditional dance show; Local prepaid SIM card with internet access (10 GB internet package); 24 hour customer service.
Price does not include	• Lunches and dinners (to be paid directly by tourists at the places, except of those listed in "included").

GLOBAL CONNECT is able to create a special custom tour in any city and region of Uzbekistan according to your own wishes and preferences. Let us know your wishes and let GLOBAL CONNECT assist you for personalized tour of Uzbekistan.