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Program

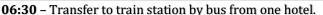
Cities of the Legend

Tashkent – Samarkand – Bukhara – Tashkent

2019

2 days / 1 night

Day 1 12.09.19 Thursday Tashkent - Bukhara



07:28 - Departure to Bukhara by high-speed train "Afrosiob" (583 km) (subject to change).

11:19 - Arrival in Bukhara. Meeting with a local guide at the train station. Hotel check in is after 14:00.

Walking excursion along old city

Complex "Poi Kalon" ("Beneath the Great"): "Kalyan Minaret" - the main symbol of sacred Bukhara that symbolized authority and power of spiritual governors. (12th c), "Kalyan Mosque"- its area of 130x80 m surpasses Bibi-Khanym mosque in Samarkand, "Miri Arab Madrassah" - active madrassah is one of the most esteemed spiritual Islamic universities (16th c), "Taki Zargaron" - the dome of jewelers (15-16th cc), "Ulugbeg Madrassah" - one of the 3 madrassahs constructed by grandson of Tamerlan - Ulugbeg (15th c), "Abdulaziz-khan Madrassah" - a traditional madrassah with 2 floors of hudjras and a mosque on the central axis (mid. of 17th c), "Tim of Abdullah-Khan madrassah" (1588-1590), atlas shops, "Magoki-Attari Mosque" - the most ancient mosque in Bukhara (12th c) is considered a masterpiece of Bukhara architecture, "Khanaka and madrassah of Nadir Divan-Beghi" - a massive rectangular structure that was a place for the refuge and meditation of Sufis (17th c), "Kukeldash Madrassah" (16th c) - one of the biggest Bukhara madrassah, "Lyabi-Hauz" ensemble - the largest artificial reservoir of medieval Bukhara - is very popular among tourists (14-17th cc). "Bolo-Houz Mosque" - the only monument of medieval Bukhara (beg. of 20th c), "Ark fortress" - the center of Bukhara statehood (4th c BC).





Lunch is in local restaurant (Uzbek/European cuisine) between excursions. Dinner is in local restaurant (Uzbek/European cuisine). Overnight is in **Bukhara**.



Day 2 13.09.19 Friday Bukhara - Samarkand - Tashkent

Breakfast is in boxes.

03:30 – Transfer to train station by bus.

04:55 - Departure to Samarkand by high-speed train "Afrosiob" (280 km) (subject to change).

06:27 – Arrival in Samarkand. Meeting with a local guide at the train station.

Excursion in Samarkand

The architectural complex Shahi-Zinda (Alive king) - necropolis on the slope of the Afrosiab hill is connected with Kusam ibn Abbas - the cousin of Prophet Muhammad (11-15th c).

Gur Emir Mausoleum - Tamerlan's tomb (14-15th c.) that was built for Temur's grandson Muhammad-Sultan and the tombs of three other Temurids - sons of Temur - Miranshah and Shahruh and his grandson Ulugbek,

Ruhabad Mausoleum ("House of Spirit")(external visit) - the legend says that under the dome there is a box with seven hairs of Prophet Muhammad (14th c.), Registan Square ("A sandy place") - the major square of Samarkand: Ulugbeg Madrassah - Sheikh Khodja Akhrar and poet Djami were among outstanding graduates of the Madrassah (15th c.), Sher-Dor Madrassah ("Having tigers") (17th c.), Tillya-Kari Madrassah ("Coated by gold") - the rich gilding on the dome, walls and mihrab surpassed all other famous buildings in Central Asia (17th c.). Cathedral mosque Bibi-Khanym that was named after the oldest wife of Tamerlan (14th c.).



16:30 - Transfer to train station by bus.

17:28 - Departure to Tashkent by high-speed train "Afrosiob" (350 km) (subject to cha

19:44 - Arrival in Tashkent. Meeting and transfer to international airport by bus.







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* Please note that itinerary and visit of sights may be changed due to unforeseen conditions. If so, the visit will be changed for the equal.

Tour cost in case of group 40-45 pax - 163 USD per pax

Includes:

- Accommodation in standard double/twin rooms at the hotel as per program:
 - in Bukhara: "Grand Bukhara" (3*) (local standard) or similar (1 night);
- Meals: breakfast 1, lunch 2 and dinner 1;
- Transport services throughout program on comfortable bus (up to 45 seats) with A/C;
- English-speaking local guides' service in Bukhara and Samarkand;
- Entrance fees for the excursion objects mentioned in the program.

Excludes:

- Hotel accommodation in Tashkent;
- Supplement for train tickets to the train "Afrosiob" Tashkent Bukhara (economy class) 30 USD per pax;
- Supplement for train tickets to the train "Afrosiob" Samarkand Tashkent (economy class) 20 USD per pax;
- Charges for entries with photo- & video cameras;
- Tips for guides and drivers.