

## Classical Uzbekistan

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Organizing any complexity of tours to Issyk-Kul, Son-Kul, around Kyrgyzstan and Central Asia. We guarantee you high quality of service and individual approach!:

Tashkent - Bukhara - Samarkand - Tashkent; 6 days / 5 nights

THU: HY-778 Bishkek-Tashkent 19:50-20:10

MON: HY-777 Tashkent -Bishkek 16:20-18:30

Day 1: Bishkek - Tashkent

Flight to Tashkent by Uzbekistan Airways.

Meet at the airport and transfer to hotel for accommodation.

Overnight at hotel.

Day 2: Tashkent

City tour in Tashkent

Visit the Chorsu Bazaar

Overnight at the hotel

Tashkent, the capital of Uzbekistan, is the largest city in Central Asia. Tashkent is over 2,000 years old. At various times, Tashkent was called Chach, Shash, and Binkent. It was only in the 11th century that the city was officially named Tashkent. You can visit Mustaqillik Square, which translates from Uzbek as "Independence Square," the city's central square where all festive events are usually held. A walking tour of the streets of Tashkent, including Amir Temur Square and the metro, is also possible. The Muslim center of Uzbekistan is Khast Imam Square, home to the Kafal Shashi Mosque, the Barak Khan Madrasah (16th century), the residence of the Chief Mufti of Uzbekistan, and the Koran Museum, which houses one of the first Qurans ever written.

Day 3: Tashkent - Bukhara (by train)

Transfer to the station for the train to Bukhara

Check-in at the hotel after 14:00

City tour in Bukhara

Overnight at the hotel

Bukhara is the pearl of the East, an oasis city located on the Great Silk Road. Bukhara's history stretches back to ancient times. It is a protected area with UNESCO World Heritage Sites from the 9th to 19th centuries. The cultural layer of the historic part of Bukhara is 20 meters thick and dates back over 2,500 years.

The first part of the tour is in the old city: the Lyabi-Khauz architectural ensemble (16th-17th centuries), which means "on the shore of a reservoir," includes the Nodir Divan-Begi Madrasah, the Kukeldash Madrasah, and the Divan-Begi Khanaka. Here we will also visit a small museum and workshop where traditional dolls are made. We'll then stroll through the wonderful shopping galleries of the old city: Toki Saraffon, Toki Telpak Furushon, and Toki Zargaron, where artisans (jewelers, miniaturists, and others) make and sell gold and silver items, embossed items, fabrics, medicinal herbs, and much more.

We'll also explore Poi-Kalyan (12th-16th centuries), Bukhara's central architectural complex, located near the Kalyan Minaret, the city's symbol; the Ark Fortress, a majestic citadel and Bukhara's most ancient architectural and archaeological monument, as well as the residence of Bukhara's rulers for centuries, a stronghold of power and might; the Samanid Mausoleum (9th-10th centuries), a monument of world significance, considered the pearl of Central Asian architecture; and the Chashma Ayub Mausoleum (10th-12th centuries), a traditionally revered site containing the healing spring of Saint Job (Ayub).

Day 4: Bukhara - Samarkand (by train)

Free time without a guide or transportation. Check out of the hotel before 12:00 PM

Transfer to the train station for the train to Samarkand

Arrival and check-in at the hotel

Overnight at the hotel

Day 5: Samarkand

City tour in Samarkand

Overnight at the hotel

There are thousands of cities on earth, and each of these cities has its own unique history. But some cities reflect the destinies of entire peoples and states, embodying the paths traveled by entire generations. Such is Samarkand! One of the oldest cities in the world, a fairytale city, a legendary city!

We will begin our tour of Samarkand at Registan Square (15th century) – the most famous and beautiful square in Central Asia, surrounded by three madrasahs: the Ulugh Beg Madrasah (16th century), the Sher-Dor Madrasah (17th century), and the Tillya-Kari Madrasah (17th century). Next, we will walk along the main pedestrian street of the old city to

the Bibi-Khanym Mosque (15th century), named after Amir Timur's senior wife, where you will hear one of the most beautiful legends of the East. Next to the mosque is one of the most vibrant places in Samarkand – the Siab Bazaar, where you'll sample hot Samarkand flatbreads and oriental sweets. Next, we'll visit the architectural gem of Samarkand and one of its most beautiful monuments – the Shahi-Zinda memorial complex, a veritable museum of glazed decorations from the 14th and 15th centuries. We'll also visit the tomb of the Timurid dynasty – the Gur-Emir mausoleum (15th century), built on the initiative of Timur himself.

Day 6: Samarkand - Tashkent (by train)

- Transfer to the train station for the train to Tashkent
- Upon arrival, transfer to the airport for the return flight to Bishkek

Included in the price

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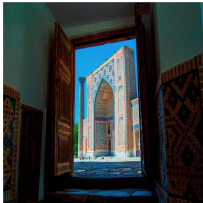
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