



KAZAKHSTAN

STEPPES, CANYONS & MOUNTAIN PEAKS

3 NIGHTS / 4 DAYS

At a Glance

Everything you need to know in one quick view

Destinations

- **Almaty** — Republic Square, Central State Museum, Ascension Cathedral, Kok Tobe
- **Charyn Canyon** — Dramatic rock formations and the "Valley of Castles"
- **Medeo & Shymbulak** — High-altitude skating rink and alpine ski resort with cable car views

Package Highlights

- Private vehicle and English-speaking driver for all excursions
- Stand atop Kok Tobe hill for sweeping panoramic views of Almaty
- Explore the otherworldly red rock formations of Charyn Canyon
- Visit the serene Kolsai Lake nestled in the Tian Shan mountains
- Ride the cable car to Shymbulak Ski Resort for fresh mountain air

Hotel Details

City	Nights	Hotel	Star Rating	Room Type	Meal Plan
Almaty	3	Kazakhstan Hotel (or similar)	4-Star	Standard / Deluxe	Breakfast

What's Included & Excluded

Inclusions

- 03 nights accommodation at the 4-star Kazakhstan Hotel in Almaty (or similar)
- Daily breakfast at the hotel
- All tours as per the detailed itinerary on a private basis
- Services of a professional English-speaking driver throughout the tours
- All applicable taxes

Exclusions

- Flight Tickets
- Kazakhstan visa fees and processing
- Any meals (lunch and dinner) not explicitly mentioned in the itinerary
- Entrance fees to all sightseeing spots mentioned in the itinerary
- Any optional tours or activities
- Personal expenses such as laundry, tips, phone calls, etc.
- Return economy class air ticket on Air Arabia with 20 kgs of baggage
- Travel insurance (highly recommended)
- Alcoholic beverages
- Early check-in or late check-out charges

Your Journey

Day-by-day itinerary crafted for unforgettable memories

DAY 01

Arrival & Almaty City Exploration

Upon arrival at Almaty International Airport (ALA), you will be met by our representative and transferred to your hotel. After check-in, the rest of the day is at your leisure. In the afternoon, embark on a city tour to discover Almaty's key attractions, including Republic Square, the Central State Museum, and the Ascension Cathedral. Conclude with a ride on the **Kok Tobe cable car** for breathtaking city views.

- **Overnight:** Almaty
- **Meals:** Breakfast

DAY 02

Charyn Canyon & Kolsai Lake Excursion

After an early breakfast, depart for an adventurous day trip to the stunning **Charyn Canyon**, known for its dramatic rock formations and the "Valley of Castles." Later, visit the serene **Kolsai Lake**, a picturesque mountain lake surrounded by lush forests. Spend time soaking in the tranquil atmosphere before heading back to Almaty in the evening.

- **Overnight:** Almaty
- **Meals:** Breakfast

DAY 03

Medeo & Shymbulak Mountain Resort

Today, head to the **Medeo gorge**, a popular destination for its high-altitude skating rink, then continue your ascent to the **Shymbulak Ski Resort** via cable car. Enjoy the fresh mountain air and stunning scenery. There are opportunities for leisurely walks and taking in the panoramic views of the Trans-Ili Alatau mountains. Return to Almaty in the afternoon for some free time.

- **Overnight:** Almaty
- **Meals:** Breakfast

DAY 04

Departure

After breakfast, enjoy some free time before your transfer to Almaty International Airport (ALA) for your flight back home.

- **Meals:** Breakfast

Essential Travel Tips

Smart tips for a smooth Georgia Adventure

 **Currency**	Kazakhstani Tenge (KZT). Credit cards are widely accepted in cities; carry local currency for smaller shops or rural areas.
 **Weather**	Almaty experiences distinct seasons. Pack appropriate clothing including layers, especially for mountain excursions.
 **Dress Code**	Casual and comfortable; a warm layer is essential for mountain visits even in summer.
 **Baggage**	Liquids in hand-carry must be under 100 ml per item. International airport rules apply.

Frequently Asked Questions

Everything you need to know before booking

- 1. What type of tour is this?** This is a private tour with a dedicated vehicle and English-speaking driver.
- 2. Which destinations will I visit?** Almaty, Charyn Canyon, Kolsai Lake, Medeo Gorge, and Shymbulak Mountain Resort.
- 3. Are flights included in the package?** No, return flights are excluded. We can assist with flight bookings upon request.
- 4. What accommodation is provided?** 3 nights at Kazakhstan Hotel (or similar 4-star hotel) in Almaty on a bed-and-breakfast basis.
- 5. Is this tour suitable for families with children?** Yes. Child rates are available for ages 3–12 years, and infant rates apply for ages 0–2 years.
- 6. What meals are included?** Daily breakfast at the hotel is included. Lunch and dinner are at your own expense.
- 7. Are entrance fees to attractions covered?** No, entrance fees to sightseeing spots are excluded and must be paid locally.
- 8. What is the cancellation policy?**
 - 30+ days before departure: 50% of the holiday amount is non-refundable + full cancellation for non-refundable tickets.
 - Within 30 days: 100% of the total amount will be non-refundable.
- 9. Do I need a visa for Kazakhstan?** Yes, most nationalities require a Kazakhstan visa. Visa fees are excluded; it is your responsibility to obtain the correct visa.
- 10. Will the guide speak English?** An English-speaking driver will accompany you throughout the tours.
- 11. Is travel insurance included?** No, travel insurance is not included but is highly recommended.
- 12. Can I extend my stay or customize the itinerary?** Extensions and customizations are possible upon request, subject to availability and additional charges.
- 13. How do I book this package?** Contact us with your preferred dates, number of travelers, and room configuration. We will check availability and provide payment instructions to confirm your booking.

14. What should I pack? Layered clothing, comfortable walking shoes, a warm jacket for the mountains, sunscreen, a hat, and a reusable water bottle.

15. Are there any physical fitness requirements? A moderate fitness level is recommended. The itinerary involves walking at canyon viewpoints and some altitude at Shymbulak.