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Welcome to Mongolia



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Meet Dante



With years of globetrotting and a deep love for wild landscapes, I've blended my background in hospitality as a cabin attendant with hands-on experience as an expeditioner. Mongolia holds a special place in my heart—from its vast steppes to the sacred mountains, I've navigated its rugged beauty firsthand. I specialize in crafting efficient, tailored itineraries that balance comfort with adventure. Whether you're after a soulful escape or a bold trek across the Gobi, I'll help you experience Mongolia like never before.

ABOUT US

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Since 2014, I've been guiding travelers through the heart of Mongolia, from the vast Gobi Desert to the peaks of the Altai Mountains. With deep knowledge of the country's history, culture, and landscapes, I create truly immersive experiences that connect visitors with Mongolia's soul. Whether by motorcycle, van, or on foot, I've led countless adventures across every corner of the land I proudly call home. My mission is simple: to share the real Mongolia with you, in all its wild beauty and ancient wisdom.



ABOUT THE COMPANY

Discover the True Mongolia with Us

At Terra Firma Journeys and Open Road Tours, we specialize in creating meaningful, responsible travel experiences across Mongolia. From the endless steppes and the Gobi Desert to remote monasteries and nomadic communities, we design journeys that reveal the raw beauty and deep soul of this incredible land.

Though founded in 2024, Terra Firma is built on years of firsthand exploration. Our team has lived, traveled, and guided across every corner of Mongolia, gaining deep insight into its landscapes, culture, and traditions. We're not just tour operators—we're passionate explorers who know Mongolia from the inside out.

Whether you're seeking adventure, cultural immersion, or moments of quiet awe, we're here to make your journey personal, safe, and unforgettable.



TOUR DETAILS

8 days / 7 nights

NAADAM FESTIVAL TOUR

This tour is available on **JULY 6TH UNTIL 12TH**

Prices:

3 - 15 PAX: \$1550 per person

What's Included:

- 3* hotel accommodation – (2 nights)
- Ger camps accommodation - (5 nights)
- English Speaker Tour Guide
- All entrance fees according to the itinerary
- Naadam Festival tickets and arrangements
- Meals as listed on the Itinerary (B-breakfast, L-lunch, D-dinner)
- Private transfers
- Visa and airplane tickets support
- Unlimited Bottles of water
- Horse riding and Camel riding

What's Excluded:

- Travel insurance & Visa fees
- International Airplane/train tickets
- Items of a personal nature such as laundry, drinks, food, etc
- Early check-in or late check-out fees
- Tips for your guide and driver (discretionary)
- Optional activities: Archery, ect



Day 1: Arrival in Ulaanbaatar

We'll meet you at the airport and bring you straight to your hotel in the city. Today is all about getting settled after the journey. Depending on your arrival time, you can either rest or go for a short walk around Ulaanbaatar's center. We'll brief you on the days ahead—what to expect, what to pack in your day bag, and go over any questions.

- Accomodations: 3* Hotel or similar

Day 2: Tsagaan suwarga

Today we begin our desert road trip. It's a long drive (about 450 km), but the landscape shifts dramatically as we leave the city behind. Our destination is Tsagaan Suvarga, also called the "White Stupa." These massive cliffs have layers of red, orange, and white rock — carved over time by ancient seas and wind. The area is completely open and quiet, with dramatic views over the steppe. It feels like you're standing on the edge of another planet.

We'll spend the night nearby in a local ger camp — your first taste of traditional nomadic lodging.

- Accomodations: Ger Camp
- Meals Included: Breakfast – Lunch - Dinner

Day 3: Bayanzag - Land of Dinosaurs

After breakfast, we head further into the Gobi to Bayanzag, known as the Flaming Cliffs. This is a legendary site in paleontology — dinosaur fossils were first discovered here in the 1920s.

You can explore the sandstone formations, see fossilized bones and eggs (still embedded in the ground), and walk the same paths as those early explorers. At sunset, the cliffs glow deep orange — it's a magical time to be there. Another night in a cozy ger under the stars.

- Accomodations: Ger Camp
- Meals Included: Breakfast – Lunch – Dinner

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Day 4: Khongoryn Els - The Singing Sand Dunes

Today we reach Khongoryn Els, home to the largest sand dunes in Mongolia. These giants stretch for more than 180 km and rise up to 300 meters.

You'll have time to walk, climb (if you're up for it!), and listen to the dunes "sing" — a low hum the wind makes as it passes over the sand. We'll also visit a local camel-herding family, and if you'd like, you can try camel riding through the dunes. This day brings silence, vastness, and unforgettable Gobi scenery..

- Accomodations: Ger Camp
- Meals Included: Breakfast – Lunch - Dinner

Day 5: Yoliin am

We drive into Gobi Gurvan Saikhan National Park and enter Yolyn Am, a narrow canyon tucked between high mountain walls. It's surprisingly cool here — even in summer, there can still be ice on the canyon floor.

You'll hike into the gorge, watch for wildlife like vultures and ibex, and enjoy the contrast between the harsh desert outside and this peaceful green canyon. In the afternoon, we start making our way north..

- Accomodations: Ger Camp
- Meals Included: Breakfast – Lunch - Dinner

Day 6: Mandalgobi Naadam

Now the cultural side of the adventure begins. We arrive in Mandalgobi just in time for a local Naadam Festival, where you'll experience the real spirit of Mongolia.

Naadam celebrates the "Three Manly Sports": horse racing, archery, and wrestling. You'll be right among the locals, watching the competitions, eating festival snacks, and feeling the energy of this nomadic tradition. It's colorful, raw, and deeply connected to Mongolian identity.

- Accomodations: Ger Camp
- Meals Included: Breakfast – Lunch - Dinner

Day 7 – Ulaanbaatar & Naadam Opening Ceremony

We return to Ulaanbaatar, and this time the big-city Naadam begins. You'll witness the official opening ceremony, a huge event with parades, traditional dance, and performances. This is Mongolia's biggest national celebration — thousands gather in the stadium, and the whole city is alive with excitement. You'll feel the pride and passion Mongolians have for their history and culture.

- Accomodations: 3* Hotel or similar
- Meals Included: Breakfast – Lunch - Dinner

Day 8: Explore More of Naadam

This day is flexible. You can dive deeper into the Naadam celebrations—see the archery competitions, try traditional foods, explore the Naadam markets, or even just relax and people-watch in the city.

