

Uzbekistan Classic Tour from India

Duration: 8 days

You will visit: Tashkent, Chimgan, Bukhara, Gijduvan, Navoi, Samarkand

Tour Itinerary:

Day 1 – TUE/FRI: Delhi – Tashkent

Depart Delhi, India by flight HY422 and arrive in Tashkent, Uzbekistan's capital. Pick-up from airport and transfer to the hotel.

Your guide and driver will pick you up from your hotel to begin your, Uzbekistan tour from India, Tashkent city tour. Your private tour will include:

- Excursion to the Old City, including the Khazret-Imam Architectural Complex, which holds the oldest known Quran in the world. Also on site are the Madrasah of Barak-Khan (16th century), Tillya-Sheykh Mosque, Juma Mosque and Mausoleum of Saint Abu Bakr Kaffal Shashi (all 15th century);
- Drive through Lal Bahadur Shastri monument and Visit to Chorsu Bazaar, Tashkent's most well-established bazaar that includes a large selection of traditional Uzbek ceramics, jewelry, handbags, garments and more;
- Ride on the Tashkent Metro, an immaculate subway system with each station decorated in colored mosaics and ceramics to depict a specific theme;
- Walk through Amir Timur Square, with a massive statue of none other than Tamerlane himself at the center and Independence Square, including the touching Mourning Mother Monument;
- Drive to the Sacred Heart Cathedral, a 20th-century Roman Catholic Church with beautiful stained-glass windows and Gothic-style architecture;
- Tour of the Applied Arts Museum, an informative collection of Uzbekistan's finest handicrafts housed in an ornately decorated villa.

Tour duration: 5-6 hours. Overnight in Tashkent.

Day 2 – WED/SAT: Tashkent – Chimgan mountains and Charvak lake - Bukhara

Begin the second day of your Delhi to Uzbekistan package with a delicious breakfast at the hotel. Depart Tashkent for the Chimgan Mountains in Ugam-Chatkal National Park (100km, 2hrs). The drive will take you through picturesque surroundings of quaint villages, gardens plots and mountain streams. Stop for photo ops at the most scenic overlooks along the way. Upon arrival, have a short walk among its foliage and boulders and continue on to the shores of Charvak Reservoir. Bask in the sun and soak up the magnificent view before continuing your trip. Drive down the well-known Serpentine Road to have a hot lunch at a local restaurant. Drive back to Tashkent. Day tour duration: 7 hours.

Take evening train to Bukhara. Arrive in Bukhara and transfer to your hotel in the Old City, an area resembling a scene from Arabian Nights. Overnight in Bukhara.

Day 3 – THU/SUN: Bukhara

With your private local guide, enjoy a walking tour of the most impressive sights of Bukhara's Old City:

- Lyabi-Hauz ensemble, holding the largest artificial reservoir of medieval Bukhara (14th-17th centuries). This ensemble includes some of the largest madrasahs in the city: the Khanaka Madrasah, Kukeldash Madrasah and Nadir Divan Beghi Madrasah (all 16th century);
- Magoki-Attori Mosque, the oldest mosque in Bukhara (12th century);
- Four Trade Domes (15th-16th centuries), which still house local handicrafts for sale;
- Poi Kalyan Ensemble (12th-16th centuries), consisting of the Kalyan Minaret, Kalyan Mosque, Amir-Alimkhan Madrasah and Miri-Arab Madrasah;
- Ulugbek Madrasah (15th century) and Abdulazizkhan Madrasah (17th century), relatively untouched yet impressive religious schools;
- Ark Fortress (4th century), the ancient center of Bukharan statehood and currently home to a small museum;
- Bolo-Khauz Complex, consisting of an artfully decorated 18th century mosque, a minaret and reservoirs that once provided water for the entire city;

Finish your walking city tour of Uzbekistan tour from India. Tour duration: 6-7 hours. Overnight in Bukhara.

Day 4 – FRI/MON: Bukhara

After breakfast at the hotel, enjoy a free day of your India to Uzbekistan holiday package a in Bukhara old city. Overnight in Bukhara.

Day 5 – SAT/TUE: Bukhara - Gijduvon – Navoi - Samarkand

After breakfast at the hotel, check out from the hotel and drive to to Gijduvon (50 km, 1hr), a small town whose traditional crafts and ceramics have been sought after in Central Asia for centuries due to their quality and colorful, decorative style. Continue driving to Samarkand (240 km, 3.5 hrs). Along the way, stop by the Rabat-i-Malik Caravanserai ruins and Sardoba, an ancient water reservoir in Navoi. Arrive in Samarkand, the capital of Tamerlane's Empire. Check in to the hotel and have a free evening to rest. Overnight in Samarkand your Delhi to Uzbekistan package fifth night.

Day 6 – SUN/WED: Samarkand

Breakfast at the hotel, on the sixth day of your Uzbekistan tour from India, start your private tour of Samarkand to the following sites:

- Gur Emir, the imposing burial site of Tamerlane and Mirzo Ulugbek;
- Registan Square, the commercial center of Samarkand for centuries and Samarkand's most famous site today. The square includes three madrasahs: Ulugbek Madrasah (15th century), Sher-Dor Madrasah (17th century) and Tilla-Kori Madrasah (17th century);
- Bibi Khanum Mosque, built by Tamerlane for his favorite wife;
- Siab Bazaar, a multi-level complex where you can shop for souvenirs and sample sweets, fruits and Samarkand's famous bread;
- Shakhi-Zinda, a burial complex built between the 9th-14th centuries. Climb the blue-domed path and explore more than 20 small mausoleums that line the broad alleyway;
- Ulugbek Observatory, where you can see the remains of a 14th-15th century sextant and tour the Ulugbek Museum.

Tour duration: 6-7 hours

Overnight in Samarkand.

Day 7 – MON/THU: Samarkand – Tashkent

After having a lavish breakfast in the hotel, the Uzbekistan tour gets even more exciting to explore Samarkand before checking out of the hotel at noon. Free time. Transfer to the train station to take the late afternoon train to Tashkent (330 km, 2.5 hrs). You'll be met at the Tashkent station and transferred to the Tashkent International Airport.

Day 8 – TUE/FRI: Tashkent - Delhi

Say goodbye to Uzbekistan with good memories. Take a flight HY421 from Tashkent departs at 02:40 and arrives in Delhi at 06:00.

Inclusions:

- Accommodation based on double/twin room with breakfasts, 6 nights;
- Transfers including airport pick-ups and drop-offs;
- Transfers including train station pick-ups and drop-offs;
- Transfers during city tour on days 1 and 6;
- Transfers Tashkent - mountain and lake - Tashkent, Bukhara – Gijduvon – Navoi - Samarkand;
- Tashkent to Bukhara and Samarkand to Tashkent high-speed train ticket (economy class);
- Sightseeing city tour in Tashkent, Bukhara and Samarkand;
- Entrance tickets to the museums, mausoleums and sights in Tashkent, Bukhara and Samarkand;
- Your Uzbekistan Classic Tour from India includes VAT tax 12%.

Exclusions:

- Tour guide to accompany travelers for the full duration of the tour;
- Letter of Invitation and consular fees for Uzbekistan tourist visa;
- International flight tickets before and after the tour;
- Hotel charges for additional services;
- Tips are not included (driver, guide, porter);
- Full board (lunches and dinners);
- Travel insurance;
- All other charges and services not mentioned under "Inclusions".