

THE GREAT BAIKAL

Irkutsk - Listvyanka - Olkhon Island

7d/6n

The lake of incredible beauty, one of the Wonders of the world and the deepest natural reservoir of fresh water. Some parts of the lake look completely virginal and charming. Listvyanka village, Olkhon island, Irkutsk, Small sea, Circum-Baikal Railway there are lots of opportunities to spend time on lake, and everyone can find something to their liking.



TRAVEL ITINERARY



DAY 1

📍 IRKUTSK

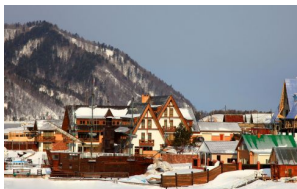
- Arrival at Irkutsk by a direct flight from Moscow.
- Irkutsk city tour with an English-speaking guide. Churches, streets with wooden houses, Soviet places of worship, the Angara River quay with the monument to Tsar Alexander III who initiated the construction of the Trans-Siberian Railway. You'll stop at the central market.
- Transfer from Irkutsk to Listvyanka. Check-in at the hotel and night in Listvyanka.



DAY 2

📍 LISTVYANKA

- City tour of Listvyanka on foot with an English-speaking guide. You will enjoy its port and fish market where omul, the omnipresent local fish, is sold fresh, smoked or dried. You will discover the church of Saint-Nicolas, a charming wooden building dedicated to the patron saint of sailors.
- Guided tour of the Baikal Museum of Fauna and Flora with an English-speaking guide. A virtual dive into the depths of the lake allows you to get to know the nerpas, these Siberian seals who live in fresh water evolve in the museum's aquarium. Return to the hotel. Night in Listvyanka.



DAY 3

📍 LISTVYANKA

- Transfer from Listvyanka to Irkutsk.
- Visit the Taltzy Museum of Wooden Architecture, a unique collection of historic architectural and ethnographic monuments of the 17th-19th centuries. Check-in at the hotel and night in Irkutsk.

TRAVEL ITINERARY (2)



DAY 4

📍 IRKUTSK

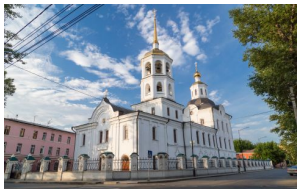
Early morning departure to the island of Olkhon (293 km, 5-6 hours drive). Stop in Ust-Orda, capital of Buriatia, to enthrall the local spirits, to ask for their benevolence during the trip. Meeting with a shaman. Lunch from the Buryat cuisine. Arrival in Khuzhir, the main village of the island. Accommodation in the wooden houses maintained by a resident of the village. Dinner and overnight stay in a guest house in Olkhon.



DAY 5

📍 OLKHON ISLAND

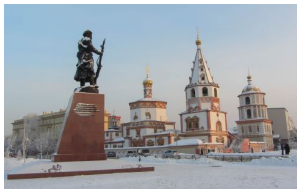
- Excursion to Cape Khoboi



DAY 6

📍 OLKHON ISLAND

Departure to Irkutsk (293km, 5-6 hours). Lunch. Arrival in Irkutsk. Accommodation in the hotel. Free time. Night in Irkutsk.



DAY 7

📍 IRKUTSK

- Breakfast at the hotel. Pick-up from the hotel and transfer to the airport.