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DAYS

Lake Baikal

Winter Wonderland



Day 1	DEPART FOR IRKUTSK, RUSSIA	
Depart for Irkutsk, Russia . On arrival, check into hotel. Irkutsk is a cross between Western Russia and Siberia, Burytia and Mongolia. It is also the stopping point for Lake Baikal.		
Day 2	IRKUTSK – LISTVYANKA	(B, L, D)
After breakfast, a City Tour of Irkutsk. The centre where we visit is relatively small but it has been restored and has some excellent Siberian wooden architecture.		
After lunch, depart for Listvyanka - situated 70km from Irkutsk, on the very shore of Lake Baikal. Picturesque roads run through the forest down to the lakeshores. The village is built using traditional wooden architecture.		
Enjoy snowmobiling (2persons on each snowmobile for one hour) in the taiga forest. You then visit Lake Baikal Museum to see the fauna and flora of the lake.		
Day 3	LISTVYANKA – IRKUTSK	(B, L, D)
Enjoy dog sledding (10 mins) in either in the snowy forest or the frozen lake. Visit the Taltsi Museum of Architecture and Ethnography before returning to Irkutsk .		
Day 4	IRKUTSK – OLKHON ISLAND	(B, L, D)
The winter is no less a time to travel to Baikal than the summer - quite the opposite. The lake is more accessible by ice, its layer is safe almost everywhere. Winter in Lake Baikal is not as severe as in other parts of Siberia. The lake has more sunshine a year than in Black Sea! One of the most interesting destinations for winter outdoors is at the middle basin of the lake - sacred Olkhon Island.		
Travel to to Olkhon Island – biggest and most beautiful on Lake Baikal (5 hours). Ice crossing to Olkhon Island.. See the shores of the Small Sea , the strait separating Olkhon Island from the mainland. After checking in, walk along the shores off Lake Baikal.		
Day 5	OLKHON ISLAND	(B, L, D)
Excursion on hovercrafts along ice to frozen caves . We visit the southern tip of Olkhon Island – Horse head cape and Ogoy island with Buddhist Stupa on its top, take pictures inside ice caves, frozen bubbles and black ice.		
Afternoon is at leisure to soak in the winter atmosphere or enjoy a traditional Russian Banyia (sauna) or ice fishing.		
Day 6	OLKHON ISLAND – IRKUTSK	(B, L, D)
After breakfast, return to Irkutsk. En route stop at Buryat ethnic park for folklore show and enjoy a traditional Buryat meal .		
Day 7	DEPART IRKUTSK	(B)
Transfer to Irkutsk Airport for flight home.		

Date

02 March 2020

Tour Fare

RM8,000pp

Excludes

- Flights
- Travel Insurance (RM119pp)

Proposed Airline (S7 Airline)

TG2420	KUALA LUMPUR – BANGKOK	0805 – 0910
S7 7633	BANGKOK – IRKUTSK	1635 – 2355
S7 7631	IRKUTSK – BANGKOK	1010 – 1530
TG2419	BANGKOK – KUALA LUMPUR	1825 – 2145

Economy Class from RM2,700pp

