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Baikal ice 2017



Do you remember what March is like in the city? Puddles, slush, mud, garbage thaws out after winter. At the same time spring is calling you to travel and discover new things? This problem has a perfect solution - go to the purest ice of Lake Baikal!

In March it is already warm at Baikal Lake and do not believe if someone says that in Siberia it is still winter. Daytime temperatures are already positive, at the same time the Baikal ice is still strong and pure!

On this trip you will discover new Baikal to yourselves. It is the world of the ideal purity, fancy ice formations and unforgettable experiences.

Jeep tour on the ice, snowmobiles and dog sledding, rafting on the ice, Olkhon island, Sandy bay, Listvyanka – you will cover half of the lake in one tour!

Holiday on Lake Baikal in March is just a bomb of bright impressions and emotions!

Dates: English-speaking groups: February 26 - March 4, March 15-21.

Duration: 7 days / 6 nights

Tour price per person: 75 200 rubles.

Tour program

Day 1

Welcome to Siberia! You will be personally met by a guide of "Baikalika" at the airport. (Arrival to Irkutsk at 9.00). Your transport for the next 4 days will be Nissan Safari SUVs. You will get on cars (3 or 4 passengers per car) and depart to Baikal, Olkhon island. The road to Olkhon takes 5 hours.





Along the way to Olkhon you will see famous Tazheran steppes and get acquainted with the rock drawings of Stone Age. At lunch you will try traditional Buryat cuisine: real boozy, saguday and Buryat tea!



To get on the island you will have to take an ice road. There is your first meeting with the Baikal ice. According to local tradition you should greet Baikal and pay tribute to the local spirits. Then you will go for a walk to discover the ice caves!



After that you will visit the Buddhist stupa on Ogoy island and in sunset light will arrive to Khuzhir settlement.



You will be accommodated in comfortable double rooms of “Baikalov ostrog” hotel which is located right on the shore of Baikal lake. Dinner, time for rest.



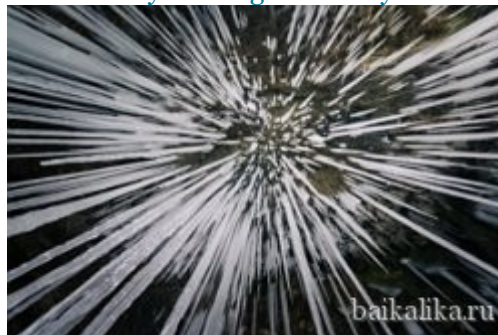
Meals: Lunch and dinner are included.

Day 2

Good morning! Today the endless beauty of Baikal ice and new experiences are awaiting you.



After breakfast you will explore the largest island of Baikal lake - Olkhon. Summer tours are organized on the land, and the most interesting and mysterious places – grottoes are hidden. But in spring all the beauties of the island become available as you can get there by ice.



For one day you will go sightseeing around almost the entire island and you will see such famous places as Shamanka cape, Sandy bay, Sagan-Khushun cape and of course Khoboy cape.

Lunch as a picnic right on the ice of Lake Baikal. On the menu today there is hot smoked omul fish, saguday and tincture on cedar nuts, as well as a master class in cooking of local delicacy -raskolotka from omul fish!



After lunch you will enjoy lots of ice entertainment: tube riding and ice skating, ice golf, a photo session on ice, and dedication to ice travelers!



Late in the afternoon you will return to the hotel. Dinner and overnight.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner are included.

Day 3

On this spring day you will go south. We guarantee that this day will be very busy! Your route today: Olkhon island - Buguldeika village. Today you will visit the Shebety mount near Ust Anga settlement, which has fascinating view to Lake Baikal and Primorskiy mountain ridge! Driving further across the ice to Sagan-Zaba cape.





There you will get acquainted with the unique rock drawings. For lunch which will be served as a picnic on the shore of the lake you will try venison meat dumplings.



In the evening you will arrive to Buguldeika village. Accommodation in "Talovskoye" center of hunting and tourism, two triple standard rooms, toilet and shower on the floor.



Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner are included.

Day 4

Travelling on Baikal ice continues. After breakfast you will see the pure ice of Baikal again. On this day you will have a ride by a hovercraft from Buguldeika village to Listvyanka settlement.





You will see beautiful and famous places of Baikal - Arch cape, popular but hard-to-get Sandy bay. You will also visit the Screeper cliff and the Devil's Bridge. These places are famous for their pristine ice, you can make some great photo shots there!

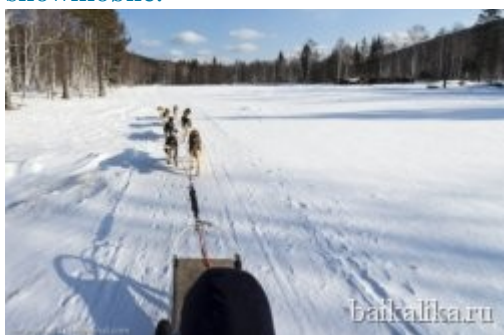


In the evening you will arrive to Listvyanka, accommodation in "Dauria" hotel, comfortable double rooms.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch are included. Dinner in the hotel restaurant is not included.

Day 5

Adventures continue! Today you will experience a real adventure while dog sledding and snowmobiling. You will go on tour for the whole day in Siberian taiga and over the ice of frozen lake. You will ride the sled as a musher and instructor will sit inside the sled. Two people will ride one snowmobile.



The first part of the route runs through the forest. After a steep mountain pass you will reach the Black valley. There you will have lunch in real hunting lodges. Then the route will go over the ice of Baikal.



Day distance for today is about 50 km. Return to the hotel in the evening.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch are included. Dinner in the hotel restaurant is not included.



Day 6

After so many active days you will have a little rest. After breakfast you will visit the observation platform of "Cherskiy rock". A chairlift will bring you up the hill and on the top you will enjoy a great view of Lake Baikal and the Angara river.



Then you will get acquainted with all the inhabitants of lake Baikal in huge aquariums of Baikal museum.



Close to lunch time you will go to the Angara river outflow where you will ride a real ice floe! Stop, stop, stop! No worries! This is safe and our company has already done it several times for the last 6 years.



The fact is the thickness of the ice on Lake Baikal reaches 1 meter in March. Ice is able to withstand a truck! But there is one place where you can find open water at Baikal - the source of the Angara river. The ice floe with an area of 60-150 square meters will be cut out of the frozen lake by a saw. All the participants board on the "ship" and rafting begins. There is also a hovercraft which acts as a rudder



and also gives a ride to all the participants to the shore at the end.



The whole activity takes from 1 to 1.5 hours. There will be a picnic with hot mulled wine and chocolate fondue organized for you while being on the ice floe. After this journey you will enjoy a real Siberian sauna (Banya) with fir branches and swimming in the ice hole! Some special surprises from the tour operator will be waiting for you!



After the sauna you will return to the hotel.
Meals: Breakfast is included.

Day 7

Breakfast. Transfer to the airport.

Tour price includes:

- o Meeting at the airport
- o Transfer to the airport
- o Rent of Nissan Safari SUV, 3 days, 3-4 people per car
- o Rent of hover craft
- o Accommodation in "Baikalov ostrog" hotel, Olkhon island, in standard sectional double rooms, toilet and shower shared among 3 rooms on the floor, 2 days
- o professional guide services on Lake Baikal during the whole route
- o Breakfast and dinner in "Baikalov ostrog" hotel
- o Picnics on route
- o Accommodation in "Talovskoye" center of hunting and tourism, Buguldeika village, two standard triple rooms, toilet and shower on the floor, 1 day
- o Dinner and breakfast in "Talovskoye"
- o Visit to the Baikal Museum
- o Excursion to the observation platform of "Cherskiy rock"
- o Snowmobiling and dog sledding tour, change on route, about 30 km
- o Picnic during the dog-sledding and snowmobile tour
- o A ride by an ice floe
- o Banya for 3 hours
- o Accommodation in "Dauria" hotel", Listvyanka settlement, in standard double rooms, toilet and shower in the room, 3 nights
- o The impressions and emotions of a lifetime!



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Tour price doesn't include:

- o Flights to Irkutsk and from Irkutsk
- o Alcohol and tobacco products
- o Dinner in Listvyanka

Additional services:

- o Ice diving
- o Helicopter tours
- o Baikal seal (Nerpa) show
- o Excursion to the "Taltsy" ethnographic museum
- o ski pass in the ski complex "Eastland"
- o additional days in the program and a ski pass in Baikalsk

Notes

This program does not require any special training! You can participate with children from 6 years old on this tour.

The only thing you need is to make sure you have nice warm gear and shoes.

On your demand, we can increase the level of accommodation with an extra charge.

When accommodated in rooms of category "comfort" in "Baikalov ostrog" hotel, additional cost is 4300 rubles.

Single supplement for the entire route is 17150 rubles.