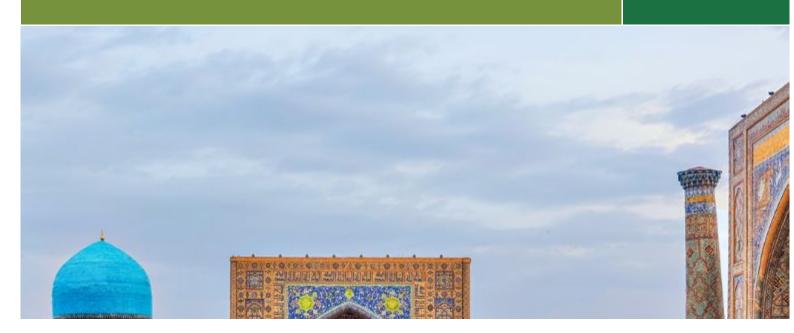




Orient: 15D14N The Legendary Silk Road: From Almaty to Tashkent by Orient Silk Road Express (4-Stans)

Price per person from **MYR 25700** 



# **Tour Description**

#### **Cancellation Policy**

- ~ Up to 92 days prior to departure: 15% of total price
- ~ Between 91 and 42 days prior to departure: 45% of total price
- ~ Between 41 and 11 days prior to departure: 80% of total price ~ 10 and less days prior to departure/ no-show: 90% of total price

## **Tour Itinerary**

## Day 1 :- Flight to Almaty, Kazakhstan

Today you fly to Almaty.

## Day 2 :- Almaty, Kazakhstan

- In the early morning, you will arrive in Almaty and be taken to your comfort hotel.
- After a morning of relaxation, you will meet your tour guides and fellow travellers in the afternoon.
- An impressive start to your voyage is a trip to Medeo, where the highest ice-skating rink in the world is located.
- From here, you take the cable car to a ski resort at 2,200 m and continue to the Talgar peak at 3,200.
- Lunch on own expenses
- You enjoy the crisp air and the breath-taking view before ending the day with a welcome dinner.

#### **Breakfast Dinner**

#### Day 3 :- Almaty, Kazakhstan

- In the morning, a city tour with Russian Orthodox wooden cathedral, wedding palace, circus and central mosque (from the outside).
- Lunch at the local yurt restaurant.
- In the afternoon, your journey with the special train begins. A welcome drink and a short lecture await you on board.

#### **Breakfast Lunch**

## Day 4 :- Issyk Kul, Kyrgyzstan

- This morning you will reach the breathtaking Issyk Kul Lake.
- A visit to the Center of Nomadic Culture will bring you closer before you have time for a walk, or perhaps a small swim in the Is
  Kul.
- After a boat trip on the Issyk Kul, your train makes its way to Bishkek.

#### **Breakfast Lunch Dinner**

### Day 5 :- Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan

- After breakfast on board you will reach the Kyrgyz capital Bishkek. On a tour, you will discover their numerous sights.
- With about 100m² of green space per inhabitant, Bishkek is one of the greenest cities in the world!
- And of course the Ala-Archa National Park is also part of the programme. You spend the night in a comfort hotel in Bishkek.

#### **Breakfast Lunch Dinner**

## Day 6:- Train Day

- After breakfast, your train is leaving.
- Enjoy a relaxing day of lectures as your special train travels to Samarkand.

#### **Breakfast Lunch Dinner**

## Day 7 :- Samarkand, Uzbekistan

- Today, you will experience the sights of this renowned and historic site, which was known under the rule of Timur as the most beautiful and important city in the world: the burial town of Shah-i-Zinda "The Living King" the excavation sites of Afrasiyab (wi museum tour) and
- Registan Square were certainly the most impressive construction ensemble in Central Asia. Registan Square is surrounded to three mighty madrasas. The huge and magnificent portals impressive in terms of decoration and colour.
- In the background, the domes of the mosques glitter like in the Middle Eastern fairy tale. In 1917, the women of Uzbekistan but heir face veils at this historic site and embarked on a new era.
- Here in Samarkand you will spend the next two nights in a mid-range hotel.

#### **Breakfast Lunch Dinner**

## Day 8 :- Samarkand the Splendid, Uzbekistan

- Today, you visit a silk carpet manufactory and a Uzbek artisan family that makes paper from mulberry tree bark, you will see the
  Ulugh Beg Observatory and the ruins of the Bibi-Khanym Mosque.
- The palace-like Gur-i-Amir mausoleum complex can be visited from the inside. It houses the tomb of Timur, who made his cap paradise as a famous builder, but also went down in history as a feared conqueror.

#### **Breakfast Lunch Dinner**

## Day 9 :- Time Travel

- After breakfast, your special train will continue on its way.
- Today, you will see a folklore show of the unique tradition of this region that seems to have fallen out of time.
- Afterwards you will go to Shahrisabz in the birthplace of Timur.
- In the evening, you travel with the special train to Dushanbe.

#### **Breakfast Lunch Dinner**

#### Day 10:- Dushanbe

- After arriving in Dushanbe, the capital of Tajikistan, in the morning, you will discover numerous sights on a tour.
- Among the many parks in the city, a visit to Rudaki Park is a great way to relax in the countryside.
- In the late afternoon you will return to your special train and head towards Samarkand.

#### **Breakfast Lunch Dinner**

#### Day 11 :- Noble Bukhara, Uzbekistan

- Located in the middle of the Kyzylkum Desert, Bukhara has about one thousand monuments that recall the glory days of the G Silk Road.
- In the old town you can see the almost 50 m high Kalyan minaret and the Lab-i Hauz ensemble at the pond.
- In front of the Nasreddin monument listen to some of his stories and legends. In the courtyard of a madrasa, you will experience folklore show with music, local dances and a presentation of colourful national costumes.
- Overnight at a mid-range hotel in Bukhara.

#### **Breakfast Lunch Dinner**

## Day 12:- The Samanid Mausoleum

- Today, you explore Bukhara during a full-day tour.
- The entire city seems like a large, unique, and authentic architectural museum that has retained its old Middle Eastern countenance.
- In the morning we will take you to the magnificent Mir-i-Arab and the most valuable building in Central Asia, the Samanid Mausoleum.
- Mausoleum.

   Then take a tour through the mighty fortress of Ark, a city in the city that was once the seat of government of the rulers of Bukl
- Overnight on board.

#### **Breakfast Lunch Dinner**

## Day 13:- Khiva Fairy Tale from 1001 Nights, Uzbekistan

- Today, visit the Khiva Oasis, from one of the best-known fairy tales from 1001 Nights.
- You will stand in front of the mighty city wall of Khiva with its gates and bastions of clay bricks, you will think you've been transported to another world: Around the Kalta Minor Minaret, life still pulsates today just as it did in ancient times.
- During a walking tour you can enjoy all the sights: Palaces, mosques, minarets, mausoleums and madrasas form one of the best-preserved ensembles of medieval Middle Eastern town planning.
- You will spend the night on board.

## **Breakfast Lunch Dinner**

## Day 14 :- Tashkent, Uzbekistan

- In the early afternoon your special train arrives in Tashkent.
- City tour of Kukeldash Madrasah, the Kavoj and Amir-Timur monuments, and the typical clay houses.
- After the goodbye dinner, you will spend the night in a mid-range hotel.

#### **Breakfast Lunch Dinner**

#### Day 15 :- Depart Tashkent, Uzbekistan

Transfer to airport

## **Tour Prices**

Departure Dates (Train+hotel+transfer)	Habibi (Max 2-4 persons) shared toilet facilities	Ali Baba (Max 2 person) shared toilet facilities	Aladdin (Max 2 persons shared toilet & shower facilities)	Kalif (Max 2 persons cabin category toilet & shower facilities)
15 - 29 Oct 2024 (Almaty - Tashkent)	RM 25,700	RM 39,600	RM 42,460	RM 69,340

## What's included

**Destination Departure Location** 

Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan

Almaty

Return Location Tashkent

**Price includes** 

- ~ 7 nights on board the special train in the booked category
- ~ 7 night's hotels
- ~ Meals according to the itinerary (B = Breakfast
- L = Lunch
- D = Dinner)
- ~ Excursion and sightseeing program incl. entrance fees according to the itinerary
- ~ All transfers in the destination area according to the itinerary
- Permanent bilingual tour guide during the train ride in the destination area and English-speakin maximum of 26 guests each
- ~ English speaking local guide
- Doctor on board
- ~ Welcome with traditional folklore at Bukhara and Samarkand train stations
- ~ Visit an Uzbek family
- ~ Vodka and wine tasting

#### Price does not include

- International air ticket
- ~ Visa fees (if required)
- ~ Gratuity (Recommended U\$200 per person)
- Personal expenses
- ~ Other items not mentioned