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GENERAL INFORMATION



1 KAZAKHSTAN

The world's ninth-biggest country is the most economically advanced of the 'stans', thanks to its abundant reserves of oil and most other valuable minerals. This means generally better standards of accommodation, restaurants and transport than elsewhere in Central Asia.

2 UZBEKISTAN

One of the most overlooked yet special places anywhere, Uzbekistan will surprise you with its culture and natural beauty.

3 KYRGYZSTAN

Country of celestial mountains and indescribable nature, a cradle of nomadic culture and the land of the epic hero Manas.

4 TAJIKISTAN

May be the smallest country in Central Asia, but it is home to the region's highest mountain peak, Ismoil Somoni and the largest glacier outside the polar regions – Fedchenko Glacier.

5 TURKMENISTAN

A mysterious country, and also one of the most secluded countries in the world.

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Kazakhstan about country





- The ninth largest country in the world, one of the most developed countries in Central Asia.
- **Capital:** Nur-Sultan (ex – Astana).
- **Big cities:** Almaty, Nur-Sultan, Shymkent.
- **Currency:** tenge (KZT). Current exchange rate: 1 USD = 388 KZT, 1 EUR = 424 KZT as of October 2019.
- **Religion:** Islam and Christianity.
- **Population:** 18 million people.
- **Official language:** Kazakh is the state language, Russian is official.
- **Visa Regime:** The list of visa and visa-waiver countries can be found on the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan on www.mfa.gov.kz.



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Most popular places



ALMATY

Medeo & Shymbulak – the favorite places of active recreation for Almaty residents - are located here, and they are always very popular.

Kok-Tobe Hill – a hill on the eastern edge of Almaty, afford visitors the best views city.

Big Almaty Lake – is the most famous lake in Kazakhstan and for good reason.

Charyn Canyon – It is often compared to the American Grand Canyon, to which Charyn is only slightly inferior in size and not at all in beauty.

Kolsai & Kaindy Lakes – one of the most beautiful natural places of Kazakhstan, is a favorite destination for mountain tourism.

Issyk lake – is a picturesque, alpine lake surrounded by unusually beautiful nature of thick forests and spacious flower fields

Falcon Show – The show happens every day at 5, and includes elements of falconry and eagle hunting, with eagle owls, golden eagles, saker falcons and even a griffon vulture all displaying their prowess.

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NUR-SULTAN (ex-Astana)

Nur-Sultan City Tour – excursion in a Capital of Kazakhstan
It is a new capital of Kazakhstan. The transposition of the capital is the beginning of a dynamic development of the infrastructure, culture, industry of the region.

Museum of Future Energy Nur-Alem – pavilion was the main drawing card of the exhibition EXPO 2018. It is the world's largest spherical building.

Borovoe or Burabay – reserve-resort area is one of the most popular place for the rest of the citizens and guests of Kazakhstan.

TURKESTAN

Mausoleum of Khoja Ahmed Yasawi – in the town of Yasi, now Turkestan, was built at the time of Timur (Tamerlane). Khodja Ahmed Yasawi is the most prominent religious figure in the history of Sufism (a mystic movement in Islam).

Aksu-Zhabagly – is one of the first natural reserves in Kazakhstan situated in the mountains of Talass Alatau in the Western Tien-Shan.

MANGISTAU

Sor Tuzbair – is a solonchak (salt marsh) located in the Mangystau region in the south-west of Kazakhstan. Tuzbair is a majestic creation of natural elements.



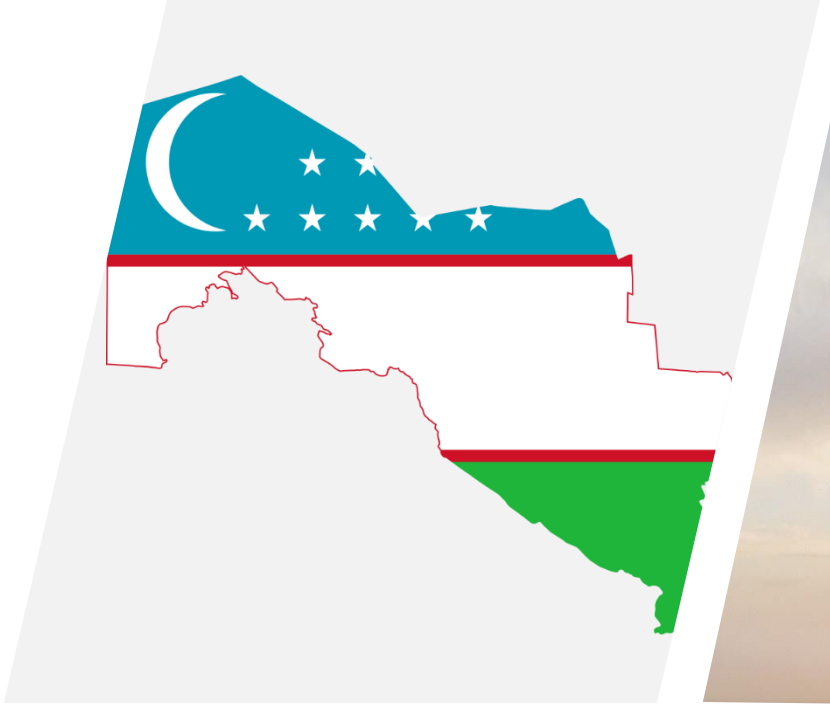






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Uzbekistan about country





- Country of warmth and light where you can enjoy the clear sunny sky over 300 days a year.
- **Capital:** Tashkent
- **Big cities:** Tashkent, Samarkand, Bukhara.
- **Currency:** som (UZS). Current exchange rate: 1 USD = 9440 UZS, 1 EUR = 10323 UZS as of October 2019.
- **Religion:** Islam.
- **Population:** 31 million people.
- **Official language:** Uzbek is official language.
- **Visa Regime:** The list of visa and visa-waiver countries can be found on the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Uzbekistan on www.mfa.uz/en/consular/visa/.



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SAMARKAND

Registan - the main attraction of the Samarkand city. Ulughbek, Sherdor and Tilla Kori madrassah adorn the square.

Gur Emir – a masterpiece of Islamic architecture of medieval East. This majestic complex consisted of a khanaka, the madrasah of Muhammad Sultan - grandson of Amir Timur, and, later, tombs of Amir Timur himself and his descendants.

TASHKENT

Many of Tashkent’s tourist sights are concentrated in the Old City, which is one of the few districts that has preserved its traditional culture in the rapidly-changing metropolis.

BUKHARA

The Ark of Bukhara – massive fortress located in the city of Bukhara, Uzbekistan. The ceremonial entrance into the citadel is architecturally framed by two 18th-century towers.

Ismail Samani Mausoleum – This mausoleum in Samani Park, completed in 905, is the town's oldest Muslim monument and one of its most architecturally interesting.

KHIVA

Itchan Kala – the inner town (protected by brick walls some 10 m high) of the old Khiva oasis, which was the last resting-place of caravans before crossing the desert to Iran.

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Kyrgyzstan about country





- Country has a diverse and stunning mountain landscape, a 2000-year-old nomadic history and is inhabited by hospitable people from varying ethnicity.
- **Capital:** Bishkek
- **Big cities:** Bishkek, Osh.
- **Currency:** Som (KGZ). Current exchange rate: 1 USD = 70 KGZ, 1 EUR = 76 KGZ as of October 2019.
- **Religion:** Islam.
- **Population:** 6 million people.
- **Official language:** Kyrgyz is official language.
- **Visa Regime:** The list of visa and visa-waiver countries can be found on the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kyrgyzstan on www.evisa.e-gov.kg/



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BISHKEK

Bishkek – Delightfully green and full of post-Soviet anachronisms doesn't get anywhere the appreciation it deserves as a cultural hub. Many travellers stick around just long enough to pick up visas for further travels in Central Asia, but dig into the culinary diversions, arts scene or nightlife of Kyrgyzstan's capital city and you may well be surprised by the vibrancy of this gateway to the Tien Shan.

Ala-Too Square – Surveyed by a triumphant statue of Айкол Манас (Mighty Manas), Bishkek's nominal centre is architecturally neobrutalist in style but has a photogenic quality – especially when slowly goose-stepping soldiers change the guard beside the soaring national flagpole.

Cholpon Ata – the largest town, summer has always seen large swarms of travelers descend upon the north shore for a stay in one of the nearby sanatoria or resorts and Soviet athletes used to come here to train at altitude. Although there are still large numbers of summer visitors, the region has lost some of it's appeal, as it has failed to keep pace with the competion.

Karakol – is perhaps best known these days as a center for trekking, with a large number of well established routes in the valleys nearby. Near the city are Djety Orguz health resort and "Seven Bulls" rock formation, and the Valley of Flowers. Many trekkers visit the Ak-Suu (Tepliyekluchenki), Altyn Arashan and Karakol valleys. Karakol is also the last city on the way to Enchilek and the mountains Khan Tengri and Peak Pobeda.





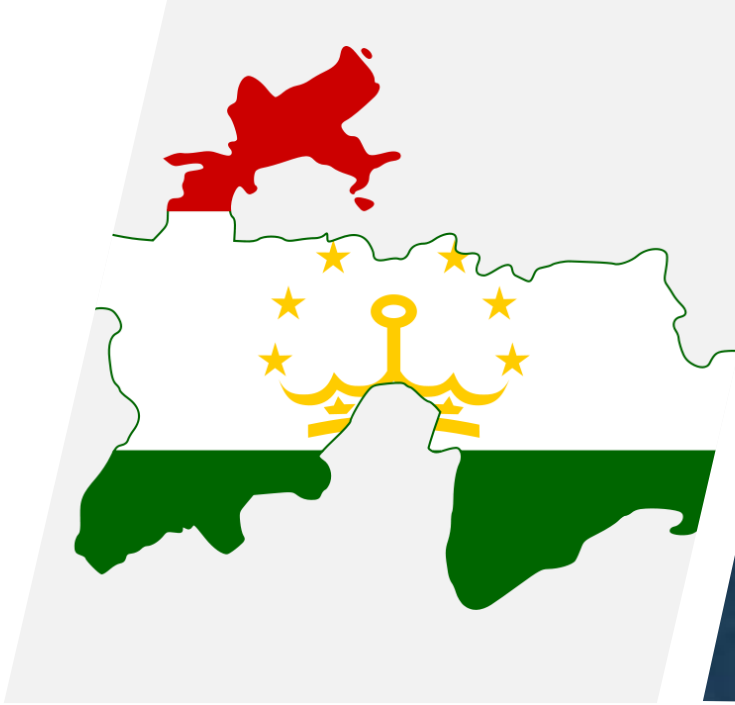






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Tajikistan about country





- Country lying in the heart of Central Asia. The Republic also includes the Gorno-Badakh Shan Autonomous region.
- **Capital:** Dushanbe.
- **Big cities:** Dushanbe, Khujand, Kulob.
- **Currency:** somoni (TJS). Current exchange rate: 1 USD = 10 TJS, 1 EUR = 11 TJS as of October 2019.
- **Religion:** Islam.
- **Population:** 9.3 million people.
- **Official language:** Tajik is official, Russian widely used in government and business.
- **Visa Regime:** The list of visa and visa-waiver countries can be found on the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Tajikistan on www.evisa.tj/ or www.visa.gov.tj/



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DUSHANBE

Dushanbe – Its center contains one of the world's tallest flagpoles. In the surrounding streets, there's plenty of modern and Soviet architecture to admire as well as myriad museums, statues and historical sites reflecting the strong Persian influences in the city's past..

Pamir highway – The route going through the Pamir Mountains has been in use for millennia as a part of the ancient Silk Road. Nowadays the road is shaky, only partly paved and it offers an amazing experience for cyclists and road trip lovers.

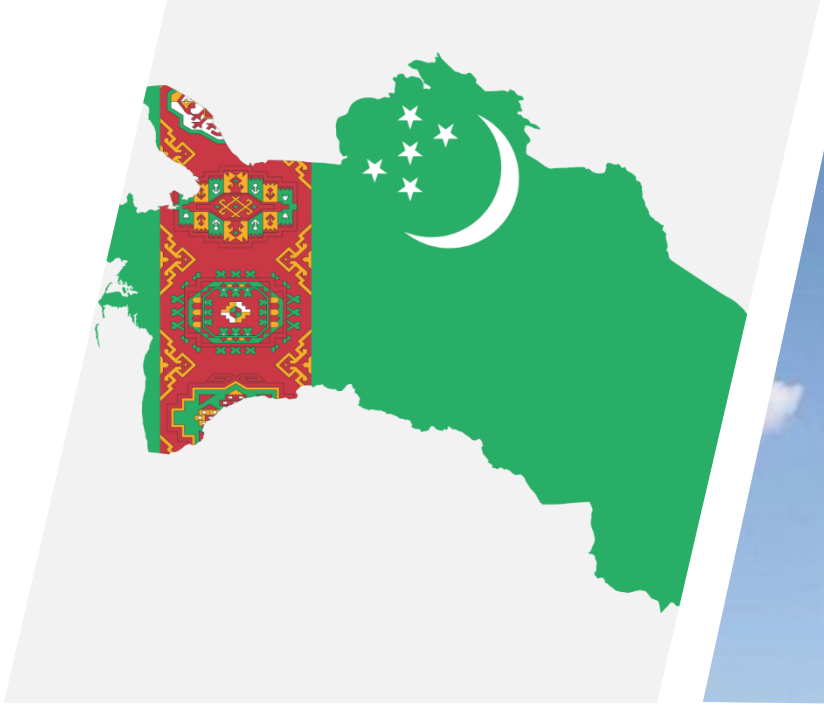
Penjikent – ancient ruins – is a quiet small city famous for being the home of the most delicious national dish in the country – plov. However, the reason to visit Penjikent is not only plov, but also the ruins of ancient civilizations. .

Jisev Valley hiking – crossing the river, you will leave not only motorized traffic but also any phone or internet connection. You will walk for around two hours to get to the first village, going up and down a narrow path which follows the slope of the hills.

Iskanderkul lake – lake of Alexander – Hear local legends about the Alexander the Great and his horse on the shore of Iskanderkul. Iskander is the local name of Alexander the Great and Kul means lake. Now it's your turn to find about the great warrior's story and imagine him beside the lake.

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Turkmenistan about country



- The country is rich in oil and natural gas resources and cotton is its major agricultural product. The Amu-Darya river is the main source of water, running along the eastern border between Turkmenistan, Afghanistan and Uzbekistan.
- **Capital:** Ashgabat
- **Big cities:** Ashgabat, Turkmenabat, Dashoguz.
- **Currency:** Manat (TMT). Current exchange rate: 1 USD = 3.5 TMT, 1 EUR = 3.8 TMT as of October 2019.
- **Religion:** Islam.
- **Population:** 5.4 million people.
- **Official language:** Turkmen is official language.
- **Visa Regime:** Getting a Turkmenistan tourist visa is not possible without booking a tour. Getting a transit visa might require a long wait, but you do NOT need to book a tour and do NOT need visa support from a tour company (LOI).





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ASHGABAT

Ashgabat – the city is located between the Kara Kum desert and the Kopet Dag mountain range. The city is home to one of the largest mosques in Central Asia the Kipchak mosque also known as the ‘Turkmenbashi Ruhy Mosque’.

Merv – was another of Central Asia’s well known Oasis towns on the Silk Road. According to claims Merv was the largest city in the world around the 12th Century. It is believed that the Hindu religion started here in Mount Meru which Hinduism declares to be the center of the world.

Darvaza – the Darvaza gas crater also known as the Door to Hell or Gates of Hell, is a natural gas field collapsed into an underground cavern located in Derweze.

Yangykala – as soon as you set your eyes on the brilliant flame-colored canyons of Yangykala, you’ll realize why this deep valley region is considered to be one of the most spectacular sights – not just in Turkmenistan – but the whole of Central Asia.

Gonur tepe – during the first half of the 2nd millennium BC, a civilization was established in the ancient delta of the Murghab River, on the southeastern edge of a territory famous than as Turkestan. This Bronze Age site is recognized as Gonur Tepe. A civilization that flourished before being buried by time and discovered later on in present-day Turkmenistan.



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Hotel reservations

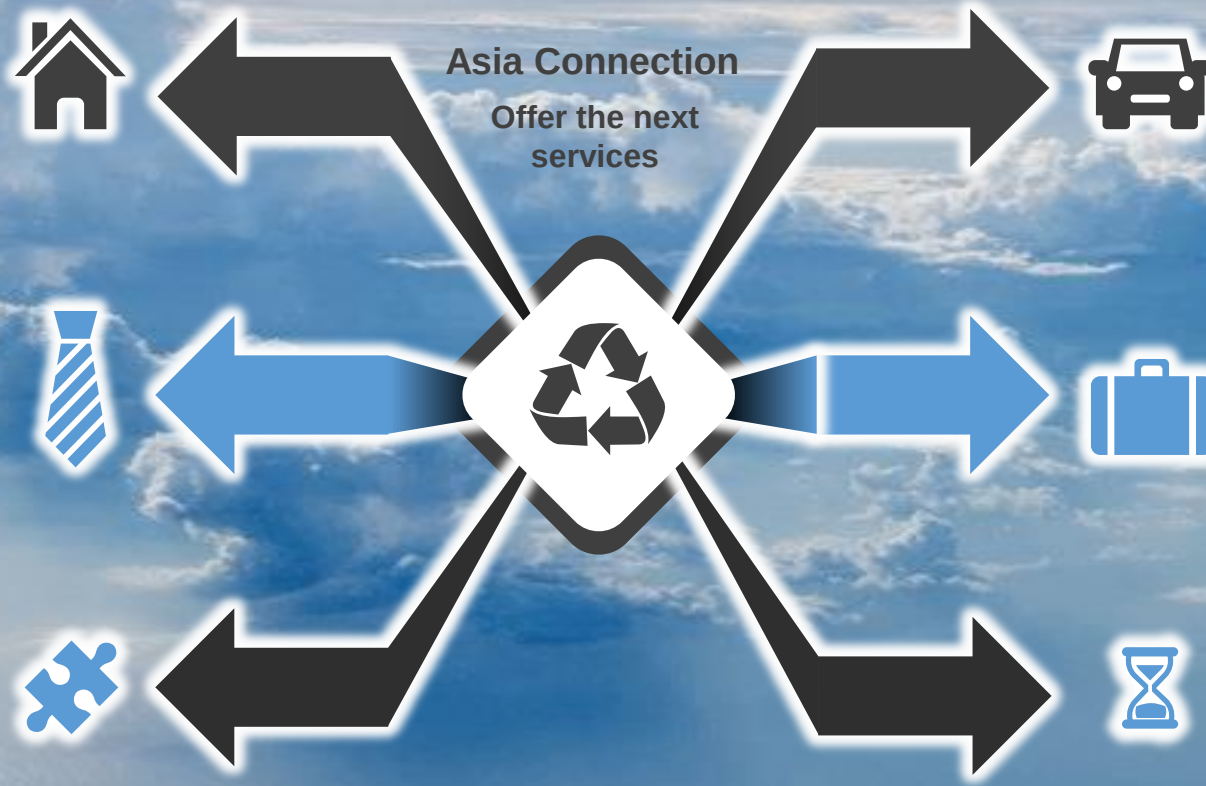
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