

Central Mongolia Off-Road

White Lake & Khorgo Volcano Motorcycle Tour
3rd- 11th August 2010

This exciting 1400km trail through the Central Mongolian provinces passes through scenery that is dramatic and varied, giving you the opportunity to observe Mongolia's fascinating nomadic lifestyle and ancient culture. Riding on our Yamaha WR250 off-road trail bikes, usually on rough rocky tracks, you can enjoy the vast open space, big sky and wild landscapes, unspoiled by modern developments. We ride from one ger camp to the next, each camp being located in a place of particular beauty or importance and stay in authentic traditional round felt ger tents, having facilities on site for your comfort and convenience.



Mongolians stopped to stare at this bunch of motorcyclists

Day 1 Arrive Ulaanbaatar. Transfer to Continental Hotel.

Day 2 Ride across the ever-changing landscape to Khogno Khan mountain, a huge granite outcrop with the ger camp at its foot.

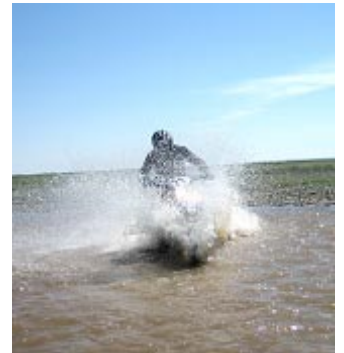
Day 3 Ride to Kharkhorin, the valley where Genghis Khan established the capital of the Mongol Empire. Visit Erdene Zuu monastery, the original centre of Buddhism in Mongolia.

Afternoon ride through Tsetserleg and over Bulgan mountain to Ikh Tamir. The ger camp is situated next to the Tamir river.

Day 4 Ride north across the rolling green hills to Tariat village. Crossing a remarkable wooden bridge over the river, enter the black volcanic landscape of Khorgo & White Lake National Park. Stay overnight in a ger camp not far from the extinct Khorgo volcano.

Day 5 Ride over a low pass and along the edge of the lake, enjoying stunning views all the way. At the far end is the small Country Lake and we will visit one of the nomadic families living there. Return to Khorgo and climb to the top of the volcano and around the rim of the crater.

Day 6 Ride back to Ikh Tamir village and stay at the ger camp next to the sacred Taikhir Chuluu rock.



Not many bridges in Mongolia

Day 7 Ride across more beautiful countryside, initially following the Tamir river, to Ugii Nuur. This lake is well known for the fish and waterbirds.

Day 8 Return to Ulaanbaatar across the open grassy steppe. Arrive in the city late afternoon.

Day 9 Transfer to the airport for departure.

Accommodation:

2 nights Continental Hotel
6 nights ger camps

Group size: Tour will run with a minimum of 4 people. Maximum is 9 people.

Price per person: € 2295
Motorbike hire: included
Single hotel supplement: € 50

Price includes: Motorbike hire, petrol for motorbike, accommodation, most meals, support vehicles, transfers, entrance fees, interpreter, tour leader.

Not included: International flights, visa costs, meals when in Ulaanbaatar.

Trip Highlights

- **Khorgo Volcano** has a crater 100 meters deep and 200 meters across the rim.
- **White Lake** was created by lava flows blocking the north and south Terkh river.
- **Taikhir chuluu** is a mysterious pinnacle of granite rising abruptly from the flat plain.

