

# WINTER KAZAKHSTAN

5N/6D

8th - 13th Feb



# KAZAKHSTAN FOR US



Kazakhstan in winters? Absolute magic! This Central Asian gem is like stepping into a snow-globe paradise, with epic mountains, sweeping frozen steppes, and a whole lot of adventure.

Picture this: cool, modern vibes mixed with age-old traditions, all against a backdrop that's straight out of a fairytale. From the exhilarating winter sports at Shymbulak Resort to soaking in the wild beauty of Ayusai Gorge, or hitting the trails for a serene hike to Kolsay Lake and Bear Waterfall, every moment is a feast for the senses. And let's not forget those unforgettable sunset rides in an open-air taxi on snow-covered roads—it's the kind of moment that sticks with you.

So, are you ready to fall head over heels for a new place? The snow is calling, and the adventure is just getting started. It's time to pack those bags! Kazakhstan's winter wonderland is waiting, and trust us, it's going to be unforgettable.

# BRIEF ITINERARY



**Day 1** - Arrive in Kazakhstan, check in, and explore Arbat Street. O/N Almaty

**Day 2** - Explore the stunning Charyn Canyon, then embark on a Scooby Doo-style Open-Air Taxi Safari. End the day with a winter bonfire and dive into the local culture of picturesque Saty Village. O/N Saty Village.

**Day 3** - Embark on a Kazakh adventure with a scenic drive to the frozen lake- Kolsay, then return to Almaty. Visit the striking Black Canyon and savor local flavors at Baiseit Kebab Village. O/N Almaty.

**Day 4** - Visit the incredible Ayusai Gorge with a Hike to the Bear Waterfall. Discover Almaty's city highlights: Independence Square, Cathedral Church, Panfilov Park, Chocolate Shop, and Green Bazaar. Experience Almaty's vibrant nightlife. O/N Almaty.

**Day 5**- Soak in panoramic views of Almaty from the Shymbulak Resort cable cars, enjoy skiing at Shymbulak, and glide on the ice at Medeo Skating Rink. O/N Almaty

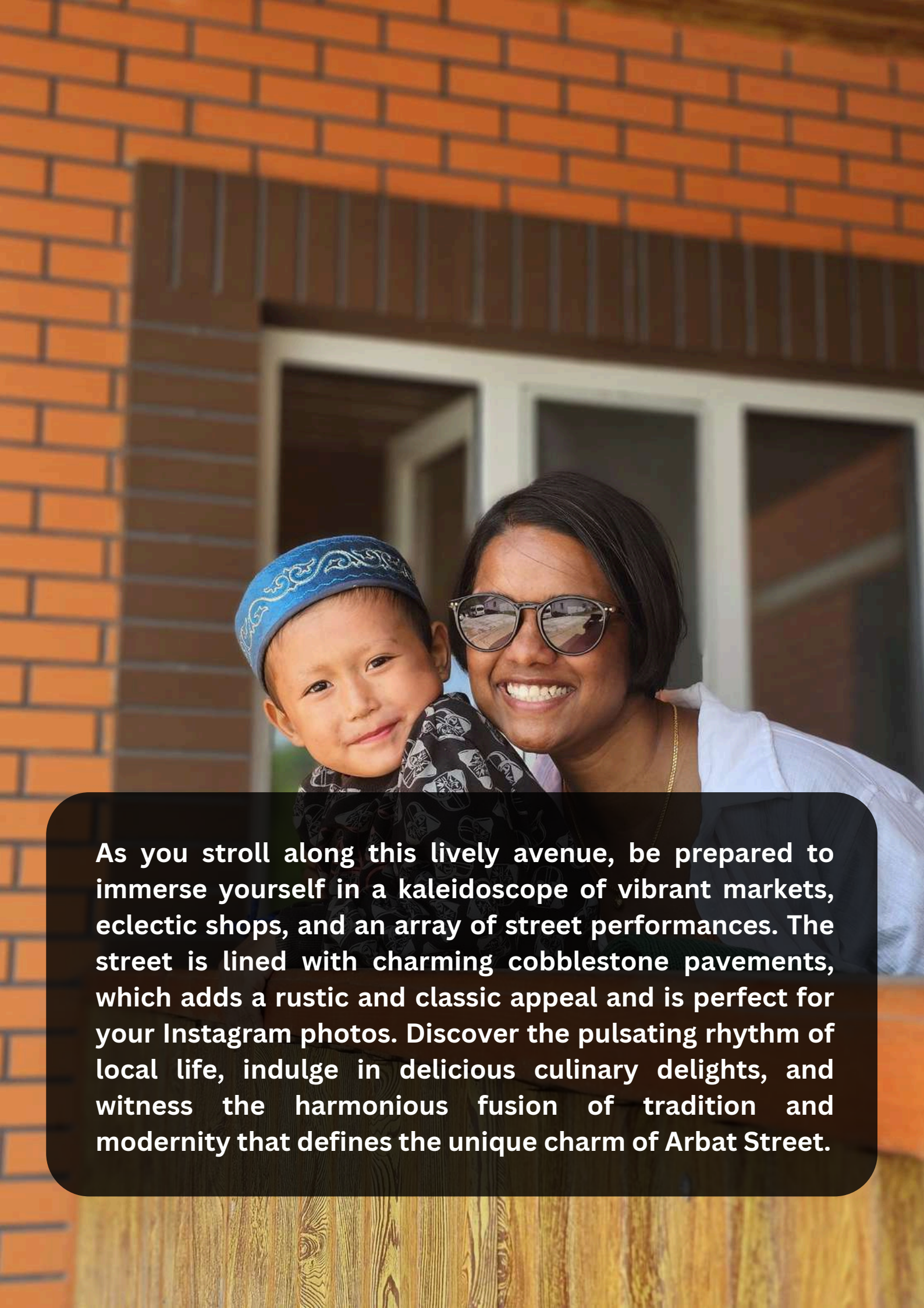
**Day 6**- The toughest day. Transfer to Almaty International Airport to fly back to your city.



## DAY 1

Arrive in Kazakhstan, check in, and explore Arbat Street.  
O/N Almaty

Land in Almaty by 4 PM. Unwind in your comfy accommodation, then immerse yourself in the city's vibrant pulse. Arbat Street, a bustling thoroughfare nestled in the heart of Kazakhstan, beckons with its enchanting blend of culture and commerce.

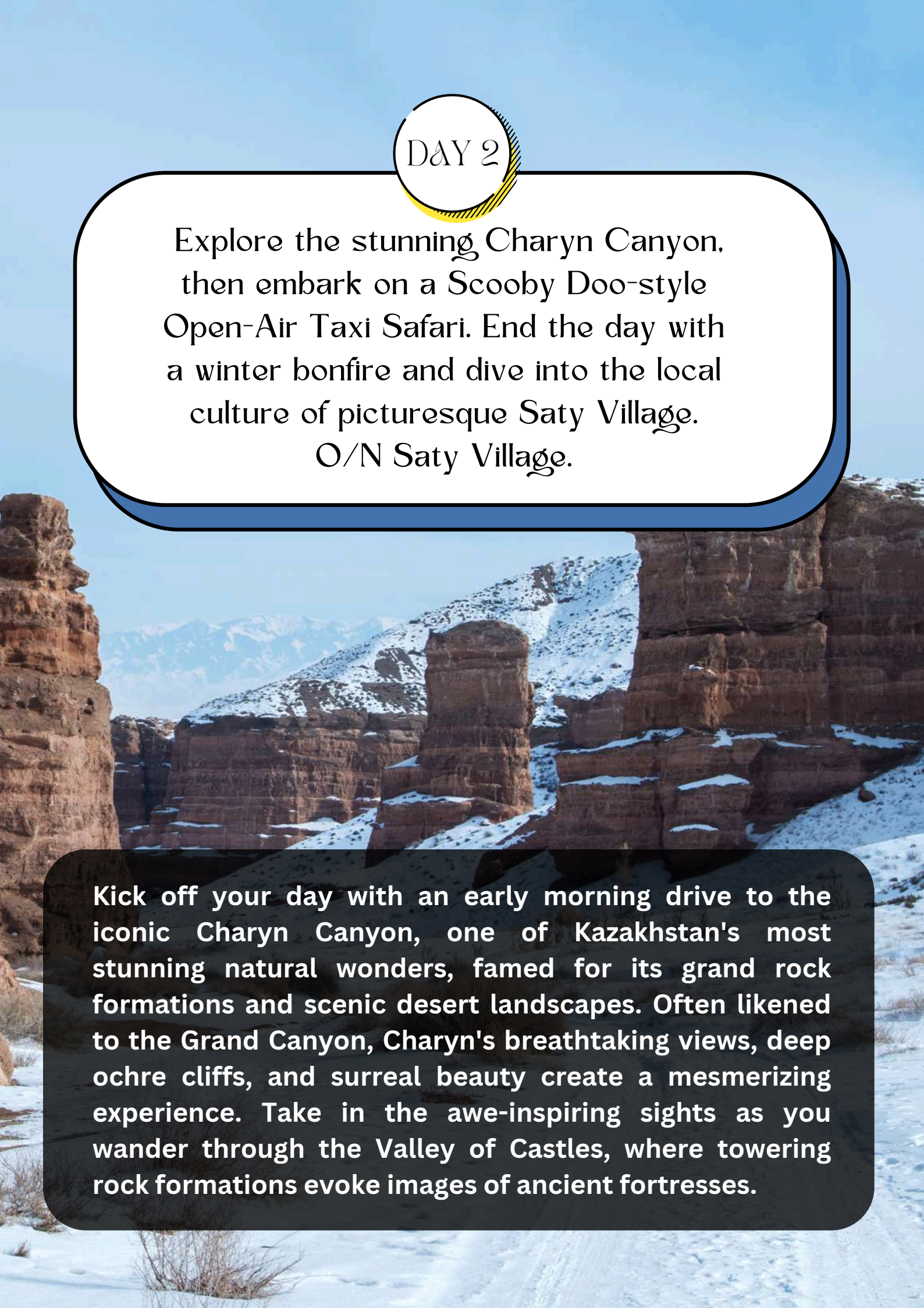
A photograph of a woman and a young child. The woman, on the right, has dark hair, wears glasses, and a white shirt. She is smiling broadly. The child, on the left, is wearing a blue headscarf with white embroidery and a black patterned garment. They are standing in front of a brick building with a window. The background is slightly blurred.

**As you stroll along this lively avenue, be prepared to immerse yourself in a kaleidoscope of vibrant markets, eclectic shops, and an array of street performances. The street is lined with charming cobblestone pavements, which adds a rustic and classic appeal and is perfect for your Instagram photos. Discover the pulsating rhythm of local life, indulge in delicious culinary delights, and witness the harmonious fusion of tradition and modernity that defines the unique charm of Arbat Street.**



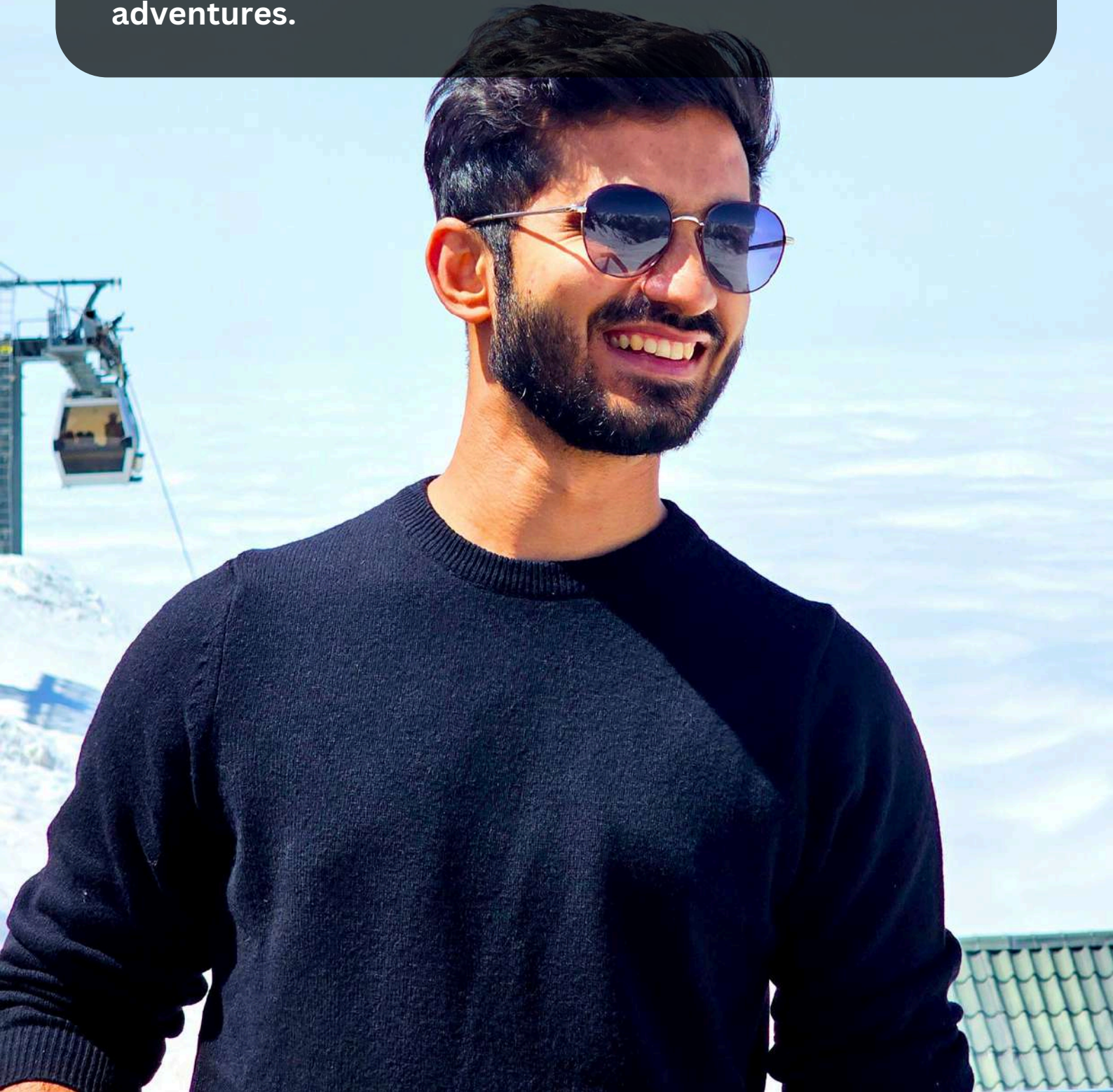
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Explore the stunning Charyn Canyon, then embark on a Scooby Doo-style Open-Air Taxi Safari. End the day with a winter bonfire and dive into the local culture of picturesque Saty Village.  
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**Kick off your day with an early morning drive to the iconic Charyn Canyon, one of Kazakhstan's most stunning natural wonders, famed for its grand rock formations and scenic desert landscapes. Often likened to the Grand Canyon, Charyn's breathtaking views, deep ochre cliffs, and surreal beauty create a mesmerizing experience. Take in the awe-inspiring sights as you wander through the Valley of Castles, where towering rock formations evoke images of ancient fortresses.**

After exploring the canyon, hop on the Charyn Open Air Taxi Safari, an adventurous journey that lets you delve deeper into this rugged terrain. The safari promises thrilling landscapes and hidden spots, ideal for photography and exploration. As evening descends, settle in for a Winter Bonfire night under the stars. Surrounded by the peaceful ambiance of Saty Village, this fireside experience, with warm drinks and local stories, creates a memorable close to the day's adventures.






## DAY 3

Embark on a Kazakh adventure with a scenic drive to the frozen lake- Kolsay, then return to Almaty. Visit the striking Black Canyon and savor local flavors at Baiseit Kebab Village. O/N Almaty.

**Start your day with a scenic drive to the captivating Kolsay Lake, a turquoise gem cradled by the towering Tien Shan mountains. Known as the "Pearl of the Northern Tien Shan," Kolsay Lake is an oasis of calm with clear waters reflecting the surrounding forested mountains. Enjoy a leisurely walk around the lake, breathe in the fresh mountain air, and take in the serene, picture-perfect landscapes.**



After soaking in the beauty of Kolsay, continue to the dramatic Black Canyon, a hidden marvel of rugged cliffs and striking rock formations. This geological wonder offers striking contrasts in color and texture, perfect for unforgettable photos.

A group of ten people, including men and women of various ages, are posing for a group photo on a snowy mountain peak. They are dressed in winter clothing like jackets, sweaters, and hats. The background shows a vast, hazy landscape of snow-covered mountains under a clear blue sky. The group is arranged in two rows, with some people standing and others kneeling or sitting in the front. They are all smiling and looking towards the camera.

Cap off the day with a stop at Baiseit Kebab Village, where you can savor authentic Kazakh kebabs grilled to perfection. Relish the bold flavors and spices of the region's cuisine before returning to Almaty for an overnight stay.



## DAY 4

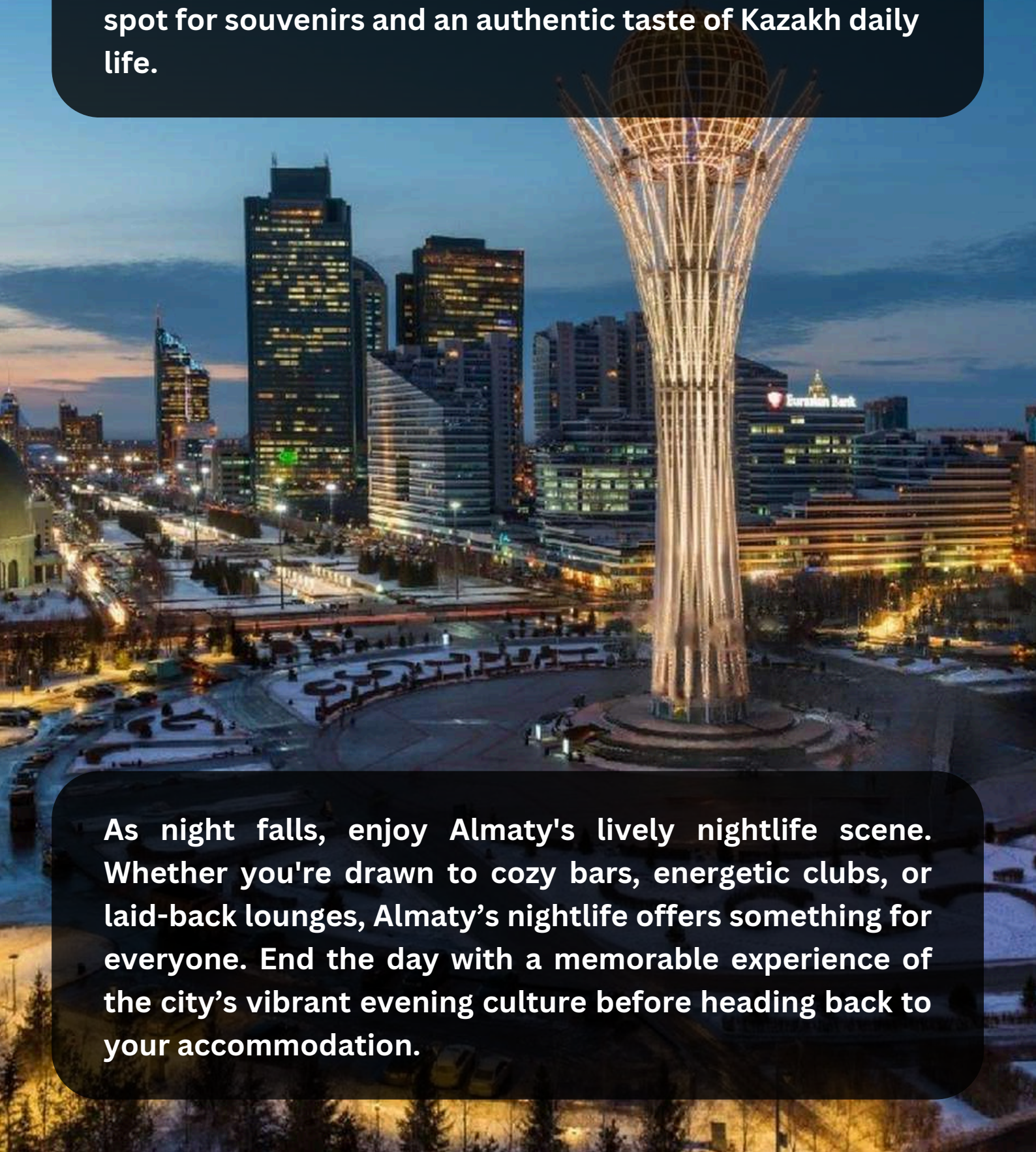
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**Begin your day with a trip to the incredible Ayusai Gorge, a hidden sanctuary nestled in the Ile-Alatau mountains. Embark on a scenic hike to Bear Waterfall, where cascading waters and pristine wilderness make for a refreshing start to your day. With sweeping mountain views and lush surroundings, this tranquil hike is perfect for nature enthusiasts and photographers alike.**



**After returning to Almaty, dive into the city's cultural heart with stops at key landmarks. Start at Independence Square, the symbolic center of Kazakhstan's independence, then visit the beautiful Cathedral Church, renowned for its intricate Russian Orthodox architecture. Stroll through the historic Park 28 Panfilov, dedicated to Kazakhstan's WWII heroes, for a peaceful escape amidst monuments and tall trees.**

**Next, treat yourself at the famous Chocolate Shop, where you can savor the city's best sweets. Then head to the bustling Green Bazaar, Almaty's traditional market filled with fresh produce, spices, and local crafts—a fantastic spot for souvenirs and an authentic taste of Kazakh daily life.**



**As night falls, enjoy Almaty's lively nightlife scene. Whether you're drawn to cozy bars, energetic clubs, or laid-back lounges, Almaty's nightlife offers something for everyone. End the day with a memorable experience of the city's vibrant evening culture before heading back to your accommodation.**



DAY 5

Soak in panoramic views of Almaty from the Shymbulak Resort cable cars, enjoy skiing at Shymbulak, and glide on the ice at Medeo Skating Rink. O/N Almaty

**Start your adventure with a thrilling ride on the Shymbulak Resort cable cars, where you'll be treated to panoramic views of Almaty and the snow-capped Tien Shan mountains. Ascending to one of Central Asia's premier ski resorts, take in the stunning vistas from high above as the cityscape blends into mountain peaks and pristine valleys below.**

Once at Shymbulak, gear up for an exhilarating day of skiing on the well-groomed slopes. With trails for all skill levels, this winter paradise offers an unforgettable experience for both seasoned skiers and beginners. The crisp mountain air and breathtaking surroundings make for an invigorating ski session in one of Kazakhstan's most scenic spots.



After skiing, head to the nearby Medeo Skating Rink, the highest-altitude skating rink in the world. Glide across the ice surrounded by majestic mountains as you embrace this unique winter experience. Known for its smooth surface and scenic backdrop, Medeo promises an enchanting end to a perfect day in Almaty's winter wonderland.

DAY 6

The toughest day. Transfer to Almaty International Airport to fly back to your city.

Today holds a mix of emotions as we bid farewell to the captivating landscapes, the shared laughter, and the unique experiences that have enriched our journey. Post breakfast, we will leave for Kazakhstan's airport and fly back to our respective cities. Though the toughest day, it's also a day of reflection, gratitude, and the realization that every ending is a prelude to new beginnings. Safe travels, and until our paths cross again on another adventure!

# FLIGHTS



**8TH FEB'25**  
**LAND IN ALMATY INTERNATIONAL**  
**AIRPORT (ALA) BY 4 PM\***

**13TH FEB'25**  
**DEPART FROM ALMATY INTERNATIONAL**  
**AIRPORT (ALA) IN THE MORNING\***

**\*KINDLY GET IN TOUCH WITH THE TEAM**  
**BEFORE BOOKING YOUR TICKETS**



# INCLUSIONS



- **Airport Pickup from Almaty International Airport via a private Mercedes Sprinter to our accommodation in Almaty**
- **Airport drop to Almaty International Airport via a private Mercedes Sprinter from our accommodation in Almaty**
- **All internal transfers via the private Mercedes Sprinter**
- **Accommodation in a cosy apartment for 4 nights at Arbat Street in the heart of Almaty on double sharing**
- **Accommodation in Saty Village in a local's house for 1 night for an off beat authentic experience**
- **Breakfast on all days starting from Day 2**
- **Lunch on Day 2 and 3**
- **Dinner on Day 2**
- **English Speaking Guide**
- **Entrance fee to all the places mentioned for the city center tour**
- **National Park fee for all the places**
- **Hike to Charyn Canyon**
- **Return Taxi from Charyn Canyon**

# INCLUSIONS



- **2 way cable car tickets to Shymbulak Resort**
- **Bonfire in Saty Village with Marshmallows and Hot Tea**
- **Drive to Kolsay Lake**
- **Visit to Black Kanyon**
- **Visit to Baiseit Kebab Village**
- **Visit to Ayusai Gorge**
- **Visit to Offbeat Bear Waterfall**
- **Visit to Independent Square**
- **Entry to Medeu skating rink and ski resort**
- **Skating Equipment at Medeu Skating Rink**
- **Almaty City Tour - Park 28 Panfilov, Cathedral Church, Chocolate Shop, Green Bazar**
- **Special Firgun Goodies**
- **Any taxes involved throughout the trip**
- **First Aid Kit**
- **A trip leader cum friend from Firgun Travels**

# EXCLUSIONS



- **Flight bookings (Have to be made by the trippers post-confirmation with our team)**
- **Dinners and lunches on all days except those mentioned in the inclusions**
- **Activities at Shymbulak Resort**
- **Visa (now free for Indians)**
- **Travel Insurance**
- **Entrance fee to any place not mentioned in the inclusions**
- **Early check-in or late check-out**
- **Any tips given to locals, drivers, restaurants, etc.**
- **Snacks, Drinks, etc**
- **Anything not mentioned in the inclusions**
- **Any transport apart from Private Sprinter and expenses due to unforeseen circumstances is not included**

# TOTAL COST

- **Rs. 47,999** + 5% TCS\*\* if booked on or before 6th Dec'24
- **Rs. 49,999** + 5% TCS\*\* if booked 7th Dec'24 onwards

\*FLAT Rs. 1,000/- off for YOU if you bring a Plus 1 (non-Firgun traveller)

**Note:** The Payment can be completed in 3 instalments.

Booking Amt: **Rs. 20,000/-**  
Balance instalments to be paid as per  
booking confirmation

\*\*5% TCS is mandatory for all international travel since October 2020. This however, can be claimed in your ITR. We will issue a certificate regarding the same.

# CANCELLATION POLICY



- **100% refund or carry forward by 30th Nov' 24**
- **40% refund or 50% carry forward by 15th Dec' 24**
- **No refund and No carry forward after 15th Dec'24**
- **100% carry forward\* after 15th Dec'24 if replacement is provided**

**\*Validity period for the carry forward amount: 6 months from the time of cancellation**

# THINGS TO CARRY



- **Id proof:** Carry an original photo id (passport) when you come for the trip. Two copies of your passport, round-trip flight tickets and Travel Insurance. This is Mandatory
- **Warm clothes:** Carry all warm layers (Sweaters & Jackets)
- **Get caps, hats, and sunglasses**
- **Get trekking shoes and also flip-flops**
- **Sun lotion:** You don't want your skin to burn so kindly carry a sun lotion (SPF 50+ is advisable). We recommend Neutrogena and Re'equill
- **Water bottle:** We are against buying plastic bottles so kindly carry your own refillable water bottle
- **Sanitizers and face masks:** We urge everyone to carry masks and sanitizers for everyone's health benefit
- **Sim Cards:** Get international roaming activated or buy a local sim
- **Power Bank**
- **Bring a reusable straw for enjoying cocktails without contributing to the plastic waste problem**
- **Chocolates and light snacks:** Chocolates help a lot during transfers so don't forget to carry a few. Carry other healthy snacks as well
- **Personal medications**

# PAYMENT DETAILS



## **BANK DETAILS:**

**A/C Holder's Name: Firgun Travels Pvt Ltd**

**A/C No.: 50200066337354**

**RTGS/NEFT IFSC Code: HDFC0000440**

**You can make an online transfer/or a cash deposit.**

**Once it's done kindly fill out the form under PAY NOW on the website or click BOOK NOW below.**

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**You can also UPI the amount.**

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