

## The Legendary Silk Road by Private Train – HH-172

### Itinerary:

#### **Day 1 : Arrival in Turkmenistan**

Upon arrival in Ashgabat, transfer to the hotel in the city centre.  
Overnight at Hotel Ashgabat or same grade.

#### **Day 2 : Ashgabat and Nisa**

Nisa and city tour of Ashgabat including the National Museum.  
Overnight on board.  
Meals: B L D

#### **Day 3 : Merv**

Your private train arrives early in the morning at the UNESCO World Cultural Heritage Site of Merv, the remnants of what was once one of the world's largest and most magnificent cities. Lunch with a local family.  
Overnight on board.  
Meals: B L D

#### **Day 4 : Bukhara**

City tour of Bukhara, located in the middle of the Kyzylkum Desert, has some one thousand architectural monuments recalling the golden age of the Great Silk Route. Enjoy a folklore show in a madrasa courtyard including traditional music and local dances.  
Overnight at Hotel Asia Bukhara or same grade.  
Meals: B L D

#### **Day 5 : Bukhara, the Noble One**

Visit Mir-e-Arab Madrassa, the Samanid Mausoleum, and Ark Citadel.  
Overnight stay at Hotel Asia Bukhara or similar.  
Meals: B L D

#### **Day 6 : Bukhara - Khiva**

The morning is yours to spend as you please. Your train leaves for Khiva, Uzbekistan around noon.  
Overnight on board.  
Meals: B L D

#### **Day 7 : Khiva, a Tale from 1001 Nights in Stone**

Sightseeing in Khiva and lunch in the former Emir's Summer Palace.  
Overnight on board.  
Meals: B L D

**Day 8 : Samarqand, Crossroad of Cultures**

Today visit the sights of this famous historic city, which during the rule of Timur was considered the world's most beautiful and prestigious city.

Overnight stay at Registan Plaza Hotel or same grade.

Meals: B L D

**Day 9 : Samarqand, the Magnificent**

Your day in this fascinating city includes a tour of a silk carpet manufactory, a visit to an Uzbek craftsman's family to see paper being made from mulberry bark, stops at the Ulug Beg Observatory and the ruins of the Bibi Khanum Mosque, and viewing the interior of the palace-like Gur Emir Mausoleum.

Overnight at Registan Plaza Hotel or same grade.

Meals: B L D

**Day 10 : Shakhrisabz**

Today enjoy an excursion to the surrounding mountain region where you can see a traditional ceremony. Sightseeing tour in Shakhrisabz. Uzbek wine tasting on board.

Overnight on board.

Meals: B L D

**Day 11 : Tashkent**

City tour of Tashkent with Kukeldash Madrasa and the typical Kazakh mudbrick houses. Visit to Tashkent's famous Navoi Opera or concert in the Tashkent Philharmonic Hall (programme permitting).

Overnight on board.

Meals: B L D

**Day 12 : Turkestan**

You will arrive before noon in the city of Turkestan today. Sightseeing tour including the Mausoleum of Khoja Ahmed Yasawi (UNESCO World Heritage Site). Afterwards continue on towards Almaty.

Overnight on board.

Meals: B L D

**Day 13 : Almaty**

City tour of Almaty with Zenkov Russian Orthodox Cathedral and Central Mosque...That evening you are served a tasty dinner in a traditional Kazakh yurt.

Overnight/day room (depending on time of departure flight): Rahat Palace or similar.

Meals: B L D

**Day 14 : Return Home**

Today you will fly home, at the end of a very special journey.

### **Package Includes:**

- 7 overnights on the Private Train according to the booked category
- 6 overnights in hotels
- All meals according to program (B = breakfast, L = lunch, D = dinner)
- Sightseeing program including all entrance fees according program
- Guided transfers to and from all airports and train stations according to program
- Experienced local guides for a maximum of 26 guests per group
- Wine and Vodka tasting

### **Terms & Conditions:**

- No name amendment is allowed upon booking confirmed. Name provided must be exactly the same as shown on the passenger's travel document.
- A deposit is required upon reservation
- There is a minimum number of participants requirement to operate the train journey
- Per person price is for the compartment of 4 berths, supplement will be applied for less travellers
- Images are for reference only. Scenery may vary depending on the season and weather conditions.