



HÖVSGÖL RIVER ADVENTURES

Floating the Hövsgöl Canyons

Located just a few hours' drive from Mörön and Lake Hövsgöl, this very exclusive river adventure is a great addition to any Mongolia journey. It is a very comfortable and unique way to experience remote Mongolia. The scenery and service is truly world-class. We have a string of luxury "four ger" camps along one of Mongolia's most wild and scenic rivers. This is part of an exclusive conservation partnership with the surrounding communities. This wonderful adventure comes highly recommended!

Brief Outline Itinerary

Each day on the river, you and your guides float between established ger camps. We have lots of time on the water and plenty of chances for great hikes into the beautiful countryside. A full-board lunch is served streamside. You are accommodated each night at a lovely ger camp, each nestled in a beautiful and remote setting. These "glamp" camps have private toilet and hot shower facilities. The cook and camp staff are some of the best in the business. You'll really enjoy the variety of food and wine served. In the evenings, we relax around the fire and watch the fantastic display of stars.

Day 1: Travel To The River

The journey starts with a 4x4 picking you up either at Mörön or Lake Hövsgöl. Mörön has daily flights from Ulaanbaatar. If you are traveling from Lake Hövsgöl, a small supplement will be required. The drive out to the river from both locations takes just about three hours, depending upon number of picture stops. The drive is utterly beautiful. You pass many nomads living in gers along the steppe. As you near the river, the topography becomes much more rugged and defined by larch and birch trees. Eventually, you will wind your way down through the mountains to one of our secluded ger camps. Here you'll have a great dinner and prepare for the next day's adventure.



Day 2-4: Boating the Canyon

For the next three days, we will be floating through an absolutely stunning canyon. If you're interested, please ask the Nomadic Journeys staff to share pictures of this place. It is impressive with granite and limestone cliffs rising hundreds of meters above the wild river. There are a number of class II and a few class III rapids. At high water, it can be quite exciting. Our team of professional river guides use top of the line, US manufactured rafts equipped with all the safety gear you'd expect on a well-outfitted river journey. Travelers have the option of participating in a "paddle" boat, rowing their own inflatable kayak, or sitting back and enjoying the ride while the guides take the oars. Each day on the river, you and your guides float between established camps. Imagine all the amenities of an African tented safari camp in the middle of remote Mongolia. Three full days of great hospitality and glorious scenery. What could be better?

Day 5: Return to Mörön

On the expedition's last day, a 4x4 will pick you up at the ger camp along the river and drive you to Mörön or Lake Hövsgöl.

Practicalities

Packing List: We will supply you with a complete packing list prior to the trip. Here's some general guidelines.

Dry Bags: We have dry bags at the river for your personal belongings.

Helmets and Life Jackets: The guides will have helmets and life jackets for you.

Clothing: You'll need typical river gear (quick dry shirt(s), quick dry pants/shorts, warm fleece, sandals or tennis shoes, rain jacket and pants, sun hat and sunglasses). Remember that cotton gets very cold when wet. It's generally better to wear quick drying polyester clothing.

Bedding: You'll want to bring a light sleeping bag. The camps have extra blankets, very comfortable cots, towels, etc.

Support Crew: Mongolian culture venerates hospitality and the support crew is no exception. They are wonderful. Hard-working, fun and highly attentive folks. You'll have a great time getting to know them and they will make your visit remarkable. There will be rafting guides, a cook and a leader from Nomadic Journeys.

Medicines and Insurance: This trip is an "at your own risk" adventure. It requires that guests be in physical condition required to participate in a whitewater rafting trip. We recommend all guests to have medical, including medical evacuation insurance.

Kayaking: If you are comfortable with a own inflatable kayak self paddle, let us know at the time of booking.

PRICE ex Ulaanbaatar:

2 - 6 members: **USD 2150 per person** Single Supplement (4n): **USD 1600**

Includes: Use of boats and associated gear, guides, ger camps (4 nights), food, drinks, reasonable amounts of alcoholic beverages (wine, beer, and vodka), overland transport and domestic flights.

Excludes: International airfare and gratuities. Accommodations in Ulaanbaatar.

DATES 2018 ex Ulaanbaatar: Daily 15 June - 15 September.

