

Kabul, Bamyán & Herat - 7 Days of Discovery

Afghanistan | 7 days / 6 nights | From USD 1,149 per person

Discover the history, culture, and natural beauty of Afghanistan on a carefully designed 7-day journey through some of the country's most remarkable destinations. Explore the historic streets of Kabul, experience the breathtaking landscapes and ancient heritage of Bamiyan, and discover the architectural treasures of Herat. Combining Silk Road history, Buddhist heritage, Islamic architecture, vibrant local culture, and dramatic mountain scenery, this immersive journey offers an unforgettable introduction to Afghanistan in just seven days.

ROUTE

Kabul > Bamiyan > Band-e-Amir > Herat

HIGHLIGHTS

- Kabul - A Journey Through History: Visit the National Museum of Afghanistan, explore the tranquil Babur Gardens, and experience the energy of traditional markets.
- Bamiyan - Ancient Heritage & Natural Beauty: Discover the historic Buddha niches, ancient caves, and breathtaking mountain scenery of the Bamiyan Valley.
- Across the Afghan Highlands: Travel through dramatic mountain passes, valleys, and scenic landscapes once connected by the legendary Silk Road.
- Herat - Timurid Heritage: Admire the magnificent tilework of the Great Mosque of Herat and explore the historic Herat Citadel.
- Authentic Afghan Experiences: Meet local communities, discover traditional crafts, explore local markets, and taste authentic Afghan cuisine.

DAY BY DAY (7 DAYS)

Day 1: Arrival in Kabul

- Airport pickup and transfer to the hotel
- Hotel check-in and tour orientation
- Optional visit to a local tailor for traditional Afghan clothing
- Explore the historic bird market and Mandawi Bazaar
- Visit selected cultural landmarks, including Shah-Do Shamshira Mosque and the Ethnographic Research Museum, subject to timing
- Discover the Shrine of Sakhi and enjoy views from Bibi Mahro Hill
- Overnight in Kabul

Meals: Three daily meals and drinking water; arrival/departure meals depend on timing

Transport: Private 4WD vehicle; walking as described

Day 2: Discover Kabul

- Visit the National Museum of Afghanistan
- Explore Darul Aman Palace
- Visit Babur Gardens or Chihilston Garden, depending on preference
- Enjoy panoramic views of Kabul from Toop Hill
- Explore local streets and traditional markets
- Visit Qargha Lake and continue to the scenic Paghman Valley and its historic palaces
- Overnight in Kabul

Meals: Three daily meals and drinking water; arrival/departure meals depend on timing

Transport: Private 4WD vehicle; walking as described

Day 3: Kabul to Bamyán

- Scenic drive from Kabul to Bamyán through spectacular mountain landscapes
- Arrival, permit arrangements, and hotel check-in
- Continue to Band-e Amir National Park
- Explore the beautiful blue lakes and surrounding scenery
- Optional activities such as boating and horse riding, where available
- Opportunity to enjoy traditional Bamyán cuisine
- Overnight in Bamyán

Meals: Three daily meals and drinking water; arrival/departure meals depend on timing

Transport: Private 4WD vehicle; walking as described

Day 4: Explore Bamyán

- Visit the historic ruins of Gholghola City, also known as the City of Screams
- Explore the monumental Buddha niches and surrounding archaeological sites
- Discover Zuhak, the historic Red City
- Walk through Bamyán and experience the local atmosphere
- Optional excursion to Dragon Valley or Shah Foladi Valley, depending on time and conditions
- Overnight in Bamyán

Meals: Three daily meals and drinking water; arrival/departure meals depend on timing

Transport: Private 4WD vehicle; walking as described

Day 5: Bamyán to Kabul

- Depart Bamyán for Kabul
- Scenic drive through mountain valleys and rural landscapes
- Photography and sightseeing stops along the route
- Arrival in Kabul and hotel check-in
- Overnight in Kabul

Meals: Three daily meals and drinking water; arrival/departure meals depend on timing

Transport: Private 4WD vehicle; walking as described

Day 6: Kabul to Herat

- Morning transfer to the airport
- Domestic flight to historic Herat
- Visit the impressive Herat Citadel
- Explore traditional bazaars and local neighborhoods
- Overnight in Herat

Meals: Three daily meals and drinking water; arrival/departure meals depend on timing

Transport: Private ground transport; domestic flight arrangements and cost to be confirmed

Day 7: Explore Herat & Departure

- Visit the magnificent Great Mosque of Herat
- Discover selected historical and cultural landmarks
- Final opportunity for local shopping or exploration
- Transfer to the airport for onward departure
- End of the 7-day Afghanistan journey

Meals: Three daily meals and drinking water; arrival/departure meals depend on timing

Transport: Private 4WD vehicle; walking as described

INCLUDED

- Accommodation: 3-4 Star Hotels

- Transportation: Private 4WD Vehicles
- Meals: 3 Daily Meals + Drinking Water
- Professional Tour Guide
- All Required Permits
- Letter of Invitation
- Entrance Fees to Listed Attractions
- Local SIM Card & Wi-Fi

NOT INCLUDED

- Visa Fees
- International Flights
- Personal Expenses, Shopping, Soft Drinks & Snacks
- Travel Insurance

GOOD TO KNOW

Season & group size

Spring and summer departures, with a maximum of 8 travellers. Dates and departure availability are confirmed by the Kabul team.

Price & booking

Advertised starting price: USD 1,149 per person. Request a written quotation for your dates, group and room arrangements. International flights, visa fees, insurance and personal expenses are excluded.

Domestic flights

Where a domestic flight appears in the itinerary, its schedule, availability and inclusion in the final price must be confirmed with the Kabul office before booking.

Permits & access

The package includes a letter of invitation and required local permits. Site visits, road journeys and activities remain subject to permissions, local access, weather and operating conditions. Confirm the final route before booking.

Accommodation & connectivity

Packages are based on 3-4-star hotels. Hotel names, room occupancy and availability are confirmed in your quotation. Local SIM and Wi-Fi access depend on coverage and availability.

FLIGHTS, AND CHANGING ANYTHING ON THIS ITINERARY

Flights are quoted on request. We hold IATA accreditation and can ticket any airline from Dubai alongside this itinerary.

Every itinerary here is a starting point. We rebuild any of it around your own dates, hotels, pace and budget, for couples, families or groups.

Prices are a lead-in fare and move with the season, the airline and the hotel chosen. Tell us your dates and we will confirm a firm quotation.

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