

8 to 17 May 2027 (10-days) Kazakhstan (Mangystau region only)

Trip Ground Cost Rm 7,800 (per pax for 8-11pax), RM7,500 (per pax for group 12-14pax)

Based on USD1.00 = Rm4.1520 Cost will be adjusted accordingly depending on rate in March 2027

Update 15 Oct 2026 Not included are the return Air Asia flight ticket about RM3,500 and return domestic flights Almaty to Aktau about Rm500-RM800. This trip will feature accommodation in **basic tents** with camp/wild toilets (Mangystau region). Travelling through Mangystau region involves 4WD vehicles (3pax to each vehicle) because of the terrain. Option for members to extend their stay in Almaty for another 5 to 6 nights.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: This is meant to be a "free and easy" adventure trip. Participants should be relatively fit, with a good sense of humor, and above all, have the right attitude for close travel with others through possibly some trying times. Most definitely, this is not a trip for prudes, whiners, fussy-pots, and other similarly assorted types! We had a couple of those before and it wasn't pleasant for us or them. Although every effort will be made to stick to the given itinerary, ground conditions may change and cause some disruption and/or deviation from the norm. Otherwise, have fun !



Camping at Bozzyhyra Fangs / Bozzyhyra Dragon Crest

Being one of the world's largest land-locked country, **Kazakhstan** offers visitors a variety of natural landscapes. This shortened trip focuses on the south western **Mangystau** dry region with its unique mountains and canyons which feels so alien - almost from planet Mars. During our camping stays, one will get to enjoy the undisturbed dark night skies filled with stars.

Please take note that we have several nights staying in **camping tents and yurts with shared outdoor toilets**.

B = Breakfast, L= Lunch, D=Dinner

Day 1 Airport/Plane: Assemble in KLIA latest by **10:00AM SAT 8 May 2027** for **AirAsia** noon flight **D7 600** departing **12:45PM**. Fly 7hr 55min before arriving in Almaty **5:40PM**. Go through immigrations and check-in for late night domestic flight from Almaty to Aktau (SCO) arriving early next morning

Day 2 Aktau (B): 9 May Arrive early morning to Aktau. Early check in to Aktau hotel and rest of day on own to explore this city. Aktau is the 2nd largest city in Western Kazakhstan and is located on the eastern shore of the Caspian seas. Walk along the coast line to enjoy the sunset colors. Own meals today. O/N hotel stay with breakfast included

Day 3 Aktau-Desert Camp (BL/D): 10 May After breakfast, our Mangystau 5days program begins. Some of the natural landscapes for our visit today includes Valley of Balls (Torysh), Jurassic Clays (Kokkala), Sherkala Mount and Airakty Valley of Castles. Set up camp and enjoy the night sky filled with stars at Airakty Valley of Castles. O/N camp (outdoor toilet) with meals provided.

Day 4 Salt plains (B/L/D): 11 May Morning walk around the Valley of Castles for amazing views of the surroundings. Afterwards, our journey takes us to the huge salt flats of Tuzbair and Karatau mountains enroute. Here members can visit the White Arch and walk on top of the huge salt flat. Set up camp nearby salt flat to enjoy another wonderful night under the stars. O/N yurt camp with shared toilets & showers, meals provided.

Day 5 Yurt camp (B/L/D): 12 May After breakfast, we drive towards the village of Shetpe for our yurt stay with shared toilets. Along the way, we visit the newly UNESCO listed Karaman-Ata underground mosque and Ybykty-Sai or Lace Canyon. O/N yurt camp with showers facilities. Enjoy a local Kazakh dinner tonight.

Day 6 Bozzyra National Park (B/L/D): 13 May Today we drive towards Bozzyhyra National Park, famed for its many out-of-this-world natural formations. Stops include the Mars Panorama, Middle Panorama and Dragon Crest top view. We proceed to the lower part of the park where we set up camp for the night below the famous Bozzyhyra Fangs.. O/N camp (outdoor toilet) with meals provided.

Day 7 Aktau (B/L): **14 May** Members have option to explore and take wonderful pictures of the Bozzyjra Canyon during the beautiful sunrise colors. On our return drive towards Aktau, we stop by the colorful Bokty Mount and Tiramisu Canyon, earning its name because of the striped white and dark brown colors. Arrive Aktau hotel by late afternoon for a well deserved rest. Own dinner tonight at the many restaurants around the city.



Tiramisu Canyon / Walking on Tuzbair Salt flats

Day 8 Aktau-Almaty (B): **15 May** Today is a free day before our domestic flight from Aktau SCO to Almaty. Transfer to Almaty hotel. Rest of day free & easy. Almaty is Kazakhstan former capital until 1997. It is still one of the largest city for the country and provides visitors with plenty to see & experience. O/N hotel with breakfast included

Day 9 Almaty-Fly Home (B): **16 May** Morning free day before evening flight **AirAsia** flight **D7 601** departing **7:00PM** with flight duration about 8hr 10min.

Day 9 HOME: Arrive KLIA at **6:10AM 17 MAY 2027 MONDAY.**

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Estimate Ground Cost includes accommodation, local guide, entrance fees, meals and travelling to sites mentioned above.
2. Accommodations will be in twins/doubles for hotels, 3 nights camping and 1 night yurt stay. There will be a simple mobile camp toilet for camping and shared toilets with showers during yurt stay.
3. Camping equipment will include tent to sleep 2pax, sleeping bag and sleeping mat.
4. Not covered are **AirAsia** return flights on individual ticket about RM3,000 + RM522 with 20kg check-in, return domestic flights Aktau-Almaty between RM500-RM800, meals not included (USD10 x 5 meals = USD 50), personal shopping, tipping to guide, cook and drivers etc.
5. Cost is subject to change depending on fluctuations in exchange rates and/or airfares. Ground costs calculated based on **USD1.00 = MYR4.1520** rate as at 15 Oct 2026.
6. A non-refundable deposit of **Rm2,500** will be payable to confirm your place.

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