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PRIVATE DAY TOUR · FROM TASHKENT



SAMARKAND IN A DAY · AFROSIYOB HIGH-SPEED TRAIN

Samarkand One Day Tour from Tashkent

The great monuments of Samarkand in one day, with the high-speed train both ways and your own guide and car in the city.

DURATION	TYPE	STARTS	RUNS
About 12–14 hours	Train + guide + car	Your hotel, Tashkent	Daily

THE TOUR

Samarkand and back in one day

The Afrosiyob high-speed train makes Samarkand possible as a day trip from Tashkent: about 2 to 2.5 hours each way.

It is a long day, but you see the great monuments of the Silk Road without changing hotels. Your private guide and car meet you at Samarkand station and stay with you until the train back.

Train times change with the season, so we confirm them when we book. Tickets usually go on sale 60 days before the date, and the morning and evening trains are popular, so book early.

AT A GLANCE

DURATION
Usually about 12 to 14 hours

TRAIN
Afrosiyob, economy class, both ways

IN SAMARKAND
Private guide and car with driver

GUIDE LANGUAGES
English or Russian; other languages on request

START AND END
Your hotel in Tashkent

HIGHLIGHTS

- Registan Square, the heart of Samarkand
- The Gur-Emir Mausoleum, the tomb of Amir Timur
- The Bibi-Khanym Mosque and Siab Bazaar
- The tiled avenue of Shah-i-Zinda
- The Ulugh Beg Observatory

If the train is full

If there are no Afrosiyob economy seats on your date, we use the Sharq train or an air-conditioned car for one or both directions. The time in Samarkand is shorter and your guide adjusts the route.

A TYPICAL DAY

What you will see

The order of the sights can change with the trains and opening hours.

1 Tashkent, early morning
We pick you up at your hotel and take you to the station for a morning Afrosiyob train.

2 The Afrosiyob
About 2 to 2.5 hours in economy class. Your guide and car meet you at Samarkand station.

3 Registan Square
The three madrasahs around the square are the image most people have of Samarkand.

4 Gur-Emir Mausoleum
The tomb of Amir Timur and members of his dynasty, with its ribbed blue dome.

5 Bibi-Khanym Mosque
The vast Friday mosque built for Timur, next to the city's main market.

6 Lunch
A stop at a local restaurant.

7 Shah-i-Zinda
A street of tiled mausoleums climbing a hillside.

8 Ulugh Beg Observatory
The remains of the 15th-century observatory of Timur's astronomer grandson.

9 Siab Bazaar
Time at the market for bread, dried fruit and sweets before the station.

10 Back to Tashkent
A late-afternoon or early-evening train, then we drive you from the station to your hotel.

What to bring
Your original passport, which is checked with the ticket at the station, comfortable shoes and some cash.

Dress code
Cover shoulders and knees. You will enter mausoleums and a working pilgrimage site.

Walking
Shah-i-Zinda has steps, and the sights involve a lot of walking.

BEFORE YOU GO

Good to know

INCLUDED

- Hotel pick-up in Tashkent and transfer to the station
- Afrosiyob train both ways, economy class
- Private guide in Samarkand
- Car with driver in Samarkand
- Transfer from the station to your hotel

NOT INCLUDED

- Entrance tickets
- Lunch
- Personal expenses and souvenirs
- Other meals and drinks

All-inclusive. Entrance tickets and lunch can be paid on the day, or you can add them with the All-inclusive option when you book.

How do I pay?

We take the train fare as an advance by payment link when you book, because the tickets are bought straight away. You pay the rest in cash on the day or by payment link.

Can I cancel or change the date?

Cancellation is free up to 24 hours before the tour, and changing the date is free. If you cancel, the train advance is returned only as far as the railway refunds the tickets.

Which languages do the guides speak?

English or Russian as standard. German, French, Spanish or Italian are available on request.

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Book or ask us

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