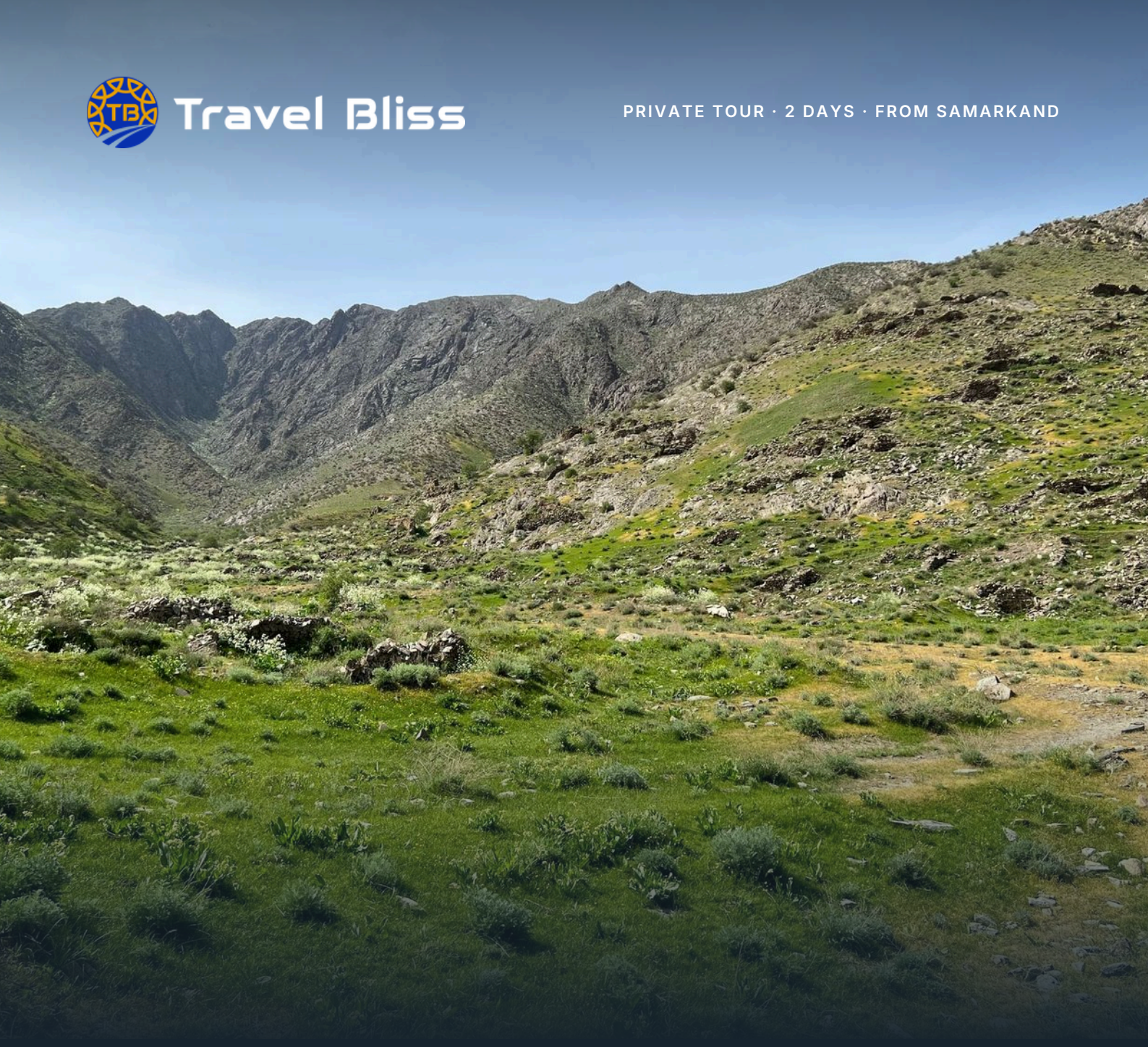
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PRIVATE TOUR · 2 DAYS · FROM SAMARKAND



SAMARKAND → ASRAF → UHUM → BUKHARA

Nuratau Horse Riding

Two days from Samarkand to Bukhara with a night at a family homestay in Asraf and a morning on horseback over the Nuratau mountains.

DURATION	NIGHT	PICK-UP	AVAILABILITY
2 days / 1 night	Asraf homestay	Samarkand, 9:00 AM	Daily

THE TOUR

From Samarkand to Bukhara, partly on horseback

A local mountain guide rides with you from Asraf to Uhum, with views of Aydarkul Lake and the Kyzylkum steppe; after lunch in Uhum your driver takes you to Bukhara.

Instead of a straight transfer, this trip spends a night in Asraf, a mountain village where you cook and eat with the family that hosts you and walk around in the afternoon. In the morning a local mountain guide takes you over to the next village, Uhum. From the saddle you look down on Aydarkul Lake and the Kyzylkum steppe. After lunch with a family in Uhum, your driver takes you on to Bukhara.

AT A GLANCE

START
Your Samarkand hotel, 9:00 AM

FINISH
Bukhara, day 2

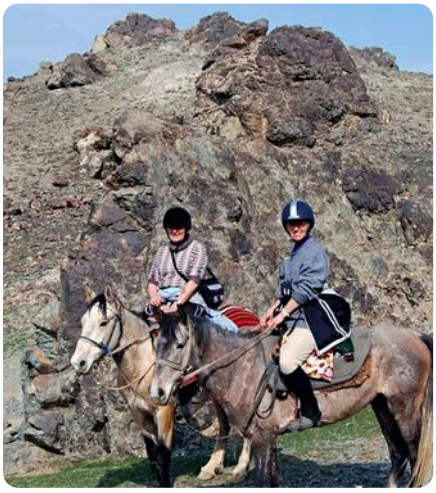
NIGHT
Homestay with a family in Asraf village

RIDING
Day 2, Asraf → Uhum, with a local mountain guide

MEALS
Lunch and dinner on day 1, breakfast and lunch on day 2

HIGHLIGHTS

- A night with a family in Asraf village
- A ride from Asraf to Uhum with a local mountain guide
- Views of Aydarkul Lake and the Kyzylkum steppe from the mountains
- Lunch with a local family in Uhum
- Ends in Bukhara: the tour is also your transfer


Riding in the Nuratau mountains


Horses on a mountain pasture


Near Uhum village

DAY BY DAY

Itinerary

Times are a guide and can change with the road.

Day 1 Samarkand – Asraf village

HOMESTAY

9:00	Meet your driver at your Samarkand hotel and drive to Asraf village, about 4 hours over a mountain pass
Lunchtime	Arrival in Asraf: the family welcomes you with a homemade lunch
	Afternoon: a light walk around Asraf and its daily village life
	Cooking class with the family for dinner; night in the homestay

Day 2 Ride Asraf – Uhum, drive to Bukhara

END OF TOUR

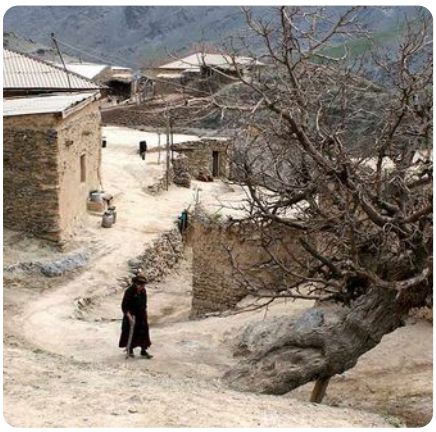
Sunrise	Breakfast
	Ride from Asraf to Uhum with a local mountain guide: mountain landscapes, village life and views of Aydarkul Lake and the Kyzylkum steppe
	Lunch with a local family in Uhum
	Drive to Bukhara with your driver (about 3.5 hours), passing near Nurata. End of the tour

WHAT TO BRING

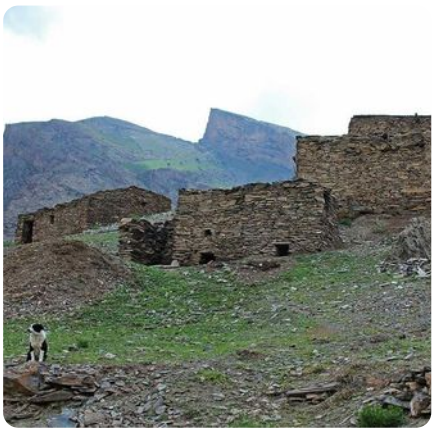
- Long trousers and closed shoes for riding
- Hat, sunglasses and sun cream
- A warm layer: mountain evenings and early mornings are cooler than in the cities
- Your passport, for registration at the homestay
- A small overnight bag
- Cash in Uzbek so'm for small purchases

GOOD TO KNOW

- Day 2: the drive passes near Nurata, no stop.
- Have your passport with you: the homestay owner registers you on arrival.
- Dress modestly in the villages and ask before photographing people.



A lane between stone houses



Old stone houses on the slope



A Nuratau mountain village

BEFORE YOU GO

Good to know

INCLUDED

- Homestay room for one night in Asraf
- Meals: 1 breakfast, 2 lunches, 1 dinner (vegetarian and vegan on request)
- Cooking class with the family for dinner on day 1
- A walk around the village
- Horse riding from Asraf to Uhum on day 2
- Pick-up and drop-off at your hotel
- Driver throughout the tour (no guide)
- Mountain guide on the ride, for directions only

NOT INCLUDED

- Other meals and drinks
- Travel insurance
- Personal expenses

Where do we sleep?

With a local family in Asraf village. The homestay owner registers you, so please have your passport with you.

Who rides with us?

A local mountain guide rides with you from Asraf to Uhum on day 2 and only shows the way. There is no other guide: your driver takes you by car on the rest of the route.

Is the horse included?

Yes. The horse for the ride from Asraf to Uhum is included in the tour.

Do we stop in Nurata?

No. The drive on day 2 passes near Nurata without a stop.

How do I book and pay?

Send a booking request on our website or write to us on WhatsApp. There is no payment when you book: we contact you to confirm the details. You can pay in cash or by bank transfer.

Can we bring children?

Yes. In the booking form, travellers aged 6 and older count as adults, and children under 6 are listed separately.

Can I cancel or change the date?

Yes. Cancellation is free up to 24 hours before the tour, and changing the date is free.

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