











The Putorana Plateau is one of the most amazing places in Russia. Here are bottomless canyons, magnificent mountains and thousands of lakes. By falling from cliffs, rivers form the highest waterfalls in the country. Summer is the best time to admire them.

Experiences you'll have

Active tour to the Putorana Plateau

You will travel to one of the UNESCO World Heritage Sites in Russia. You will get acquainted with the unique nature of the Putorana plateau and the traditions of the peoples inhabiting this territory. Hiking to the Kamennyi Peninsula, boat trips and active leisure on Lama lake are waiting for you in this journey. You will learn about the culture and life of indigenous people of the Taymyr Peninsula, take part in the shamanic rituals and try to create a traditional souvenir made of horns of a wild reindeer.

This is one of the most popular routes in our travel collection. Our travel expert, Aleksandra Kormiltseva, shares her impressions from the info tour to the Putorana Plateau that took place in July, 2019.

At an additional cost you can have a helicopter excursion to get around the most picturesque corners of the Putorana Plateau. On this trip you will see the highest waterfalls in Russia. As well as canyons — they are so deep that it is easy to hide the Eiffel Tower there.

New Putorana plateau **Mountains without** peaks Difficulty Age from 12 y.o. from 8 to 16 Group size Duration 8 days Accomodation at the trip 6 nights 1 nights Языки (EN) guide from 2 190 EUR

Advantages of this tour:

an easy transfer from Norilsk (only 2-3 hours with a runboat across Lama lake)

comfortable living conditions: cozy two-story house and two separate wooden houses

spacious wooden sauna and heated Japanese font outside three meals per day with local delicacies prepared by a professional cook

a varied tour program: hiking routes, an ascent on the top of the plateau, SUP-surfing, fishing in mountain rivers, acquaintance with the national culture and tasting of local cuisine

We accept bookings for groups of 6 or more

The final cost of the tour depends on the participants who will need the services of an interpreter

Note: a border permit is required for this tour. Personal data should be submitted minimum 40 days before the date of arrival.

Photo by Alena Ivanova

Itinerary

The journey begins in Norilsk, where you should get to on your own. We recommend a flight with S7 Airlines arriving in Norilsk at 7:50 am on the first day of the tour (departing Moscow the day before at 11:25 pm). We are ready to help with tickets purchasing. If necessary, leave a comment in the application.

The itinerary may vary depending on weather conditions.

Day 1

In the morning you will be met at Norilsk airport and taken

to the cafe for breakfast (extra charge). At 12:30 am you will start a boat trip to Lama lake. The way lies along the Norilskaya and Talaya rivers, as well as Melkoe (Rus. for "Shallow") lake.

After reaching Lama lake, you will land on Kamenny (Rus.

for "Stone") Peninsula, near the mountain river Vitaminnaya. From there you will take a light hiking route to the guest house (your goods will be taken to by boat). You will cross the mountain river Kapchuk, then walk along the shore of the lake.

When you reach the guest house, you will be

accommodated and rest. At your service – Russian sauna with brooms and furako – heated Japanese font with running water. In the evening you will have a chef's welcome dinner.

Stage length: 100 km by motorboat and 8 km on foot.

Day 2

Tourists who have pre-booked a helicopter tour will board

a helicopter in the morning (the exact time of departure depends on weather conditions). You will fly over the deep canyons and make several landings to admire the scenic waterfalls. Please note that the helicopter tour is paid locally and will only take place if the weather is good.

If you haven't booked a helicopter excursion, today after

breakfast you will have an ethnic program. You will take part in a traditional ceremony in a chum, which will be held by a local shaman from the native peoples of Taimyr. After that, you will participate in a master class on creating a national souvenir from the horns of wild reindeer.

At lunch the whole group will gather at the homestead. In

the afternoon you will have some free time. You can swim around the lake on a SUP-board – an inflatable board with a paddle, or packraft – inflatable kayak. You can rent fishing equipment and try to catch grayling from the motorboat or shore (extra charge). In the evening you will have a rite of initiation and master-classes of stroganina (raw meat slices) cooking. Then you will have dinner and go to the Russian sauna.

Day 3

After breakfast you will gather at the chum again, where

you will taste herbal teas and continue to learn about the culture of the indigenous people of the North.

After lunch, you will transfer to the other shore of Lama

lake by hovercraft (20-30 min trip). From there you will start a hike to one of the most beautiful waterfalls in the area on the South Neralakh River.

You will return to the guest house for dinner. If you want

you can go to the sauna or take a bath in the font.

Stage length: 16 km by hovercraft and 3-4 km on foot.

Day 4

Today you will have the most difficult trekking route with

climbing to the plateau (if you wish and if the group is fit enough). After breakfast you will take a boat to the foot of Yuzhnaya (Rus. for "South") mount. From here you will walk first to the waterfall,



then continue up the plateau along the mountain gorge, where the snow does not melt the whole year.

Climbing to the top, you will admire the magnificent views

of the endless Putorana plateau. On the route you will have a small picnic in nature, then you start your way back. In guesthouse you can have your dinner and rest in the sauna.

Stage length: about 8 km on foot without climbing the

plateau or 15 km - general trekking with climbing the plateau.

Day 5

After breakfast you will take a speedboat to Kapchuk lake,

the starting point of the hiking route.

You will cross the lake and come to the mouth of the Nikita-Yuryakh mount river flowing into it. Then with an experienced guide you will start hiking route to the cascade of waterfalls.

At the end of the trekking you will return to the mouth of

the river, make a campfire and have dinner outside (a camping tent will be organized on the shore). If you wish we can organize fishing on spinning from the shore.

You will return to the guesthouse in the evening, have

dinner, rest and can have a sauna.

Stage length: 21 km by boat, 2-3 km on foot.

Day 6

After breakfast you will go to the Kamenny peninsula,

where you can make a small ascent to the top of Festivalnaya mount. From there you can enjoy a magnificent view of the mountain serpentine of the Putorana plateau, Lama and Kapchuk lakes.

After lunch on the route you will return to the guesthouse. Grilled dishes are available for dinner. Then you can relax and warm up in the furako on the veranda.

Stage length: about 8 km on foot.

Day 7

After breakfast you will take a boat back to Norilsk. At the

city pier you will be met and taken to your hotel, where you can have some rest. Then you can go on a city tour with a local guide, who will introduce you to the industrial history of Norilsk. In the evening you will have dinner and return to your hotel (tour and dinner are paid additionally).

Day 8

In the morning after breakfast, you will be taken to the

airport in Norilsk, from where you will depart home.

Accomodation at the trip

During the journey, you will spend 6 nights in "**Firebird Farmstead**" guest house. It is located on the shore of Lama lake. There is a two-storey wooden house and two smaller wooden houses. A toilet is located outside (by June 2021, a dry closet will also be installed in the house).

You will be accommodated in rooms of 2-3 people (depending on the size of the group). On the first floor of the main house there is a spacious hall with a fireplace, an equipped kitchen, a rest area with a TV, a game console and a music center. On the second floor – the bedrooms. One bedroom has a double bed, fold-out sofa, TV set. Living loggia with two one- and a half beds and panoramic windows adjoins the bedroom. It would be suitable for couples with children or a group of friends. The second bedroom has one double bed (may be transformed into two separate beds) and one single bed. A heated Japanese font with running river water is on the veranda of the house.

There are also two separate wooden houses with panoramic windows to accommodate guests. Each house has a double bed (can be transformed into two single beds), a folding armchair and a dry closet. On the territory of the guest house there is a Russian banya (sauna) with a spacious veranda, a BBQ gazebo and a chum – a traditional housing of the nomadic northern peoples. You can spend the night in the chum on any day of your stay.

The last night of the journey you will spend in **Norilsk Hotel 3*** situated in the city center. In a standard double/twin room there is a bathroom, comfortable furniture, a TV and the Internet. There is sauna, gym and snooker in the hotel.

Photo by Alena Ivanova are used in the gallery

FAQ

Who will be my guide

During the journey you will be accompanied by professional guides and instructors. On the trekking routes the group is accompanied by 2-3 instructors

Meals

The price includes three meals a day during the stay in the guest house. Breakfasts and dinners will be prepared by a professional cook. On days 4-6 lunch will be replaced by a picnic on the route.

You will try traditional fish and meat dishes, northern delicacies. You will have tea tastings and stroganina (raw meat slices) master classes.

Breakfast on the 1st day, lunch and dinner in Norilsk on the 7th day are extra paid.

What transport is used on the route

On days 1, 7 and 8 in Norilsk you will travel by car or minibus (depending on how many people in your group).

The speed boat "Neptune 15" (for a group of 8 persons) or "Neptune 23" (for a group of 12 to 16 persons) will take you to and from the Lama lake.

On active day routes you will also travel by motorboat and hovercraft.

What to bring with you

- small backpack for day trips
- thermal underwear
- socks 2-3 pairs
- windproof membrane jacket and trousers (or storm suit)

- sports suit
- warm jacket
- rain cover
- tourist seat
- trekking boots
- replaceable shoes (sneakers, flip-flops)
- T-shirts
- · cap, sports hat
- · sunglasses and sunscreen
- mosquito nets and repellents
- several pairs of simple work gloves for climbing
- · personal hygiene products, first aid kit

Required data for border permit

To participate in the tour it is necessary to submit the following information not later than 35 days before the start of the tour:

- copy of passport
- full name of employing Company and job position
- · address of current residence
- · city of birth (with country indicated)
- phone number

The issue of border permit is included in the tour.

Booking

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What's included in the price:

- double accommodation at a guest house on Lama lake (6 nights) and a hotel in Norilsk (1 night)
- meals as per program, including tastings of local fish and meat dishes
- transportation service as per program (cars or minibuses, boat, motorboat)
- English-speaking guide's service and instructor services
- visiting Russian sauna (daily) and heated Japanese font (2 times)
- SUP-boards, wetsuits, packraft rental

Accomodation at the trip





6 nights 1 nights

Extra charge:

- international flights and flights to
 Norilsk (starting at 322 EURO for a round-trip ticket)
- meals in Norilsk (breakfast on the day of arrival, lunch and dinner on 7th day)
- single accommodation in a hotel in Norilsk
- one-day helicopter excursion (starting at 705 EURO per person, optional)
- rental of fishing equipment (+18 EURO per person for the tour), motorboats (+59 EURO per hour, including captain's services), jet ski (30 EURO per 10 min), optional
- use of satellite communication for personal purposes (3 EURO/min), satellite Internet (+105 EURO for a package of 13 Gb)
- car tour around Norilsk on the 7th day (from 39 EURO per person for a group of 10 people)







