**Day 1: First Encounter with the Southern Capital**

Your journey begins in the vibrant heart of Almaty — a city where tradition meets modern rhythm. Start the day with a delicious breakfast at the hotel to fuel up for a day full of impressions.

Wander through the historic Park of 28 Panfilov Guardsmen, a peaceful green oasis with tree-lined alleys, war memorials, and echoes of Soviet history. Then follow the scenic Terrenkur trail along a mountain river — a refreshing walk with views of the foothills and the city.

Reach the panoramic Kok-Tobe Hill by cable car, where breathtaking views of Almaty unfold beneath your feet. Enjoy a coffee in one of the cozy hilltop cafés or take postcard-perfect photos with the mountains in the background.

For lunch, experience national Kazakh flavors at the elegant Abai Restaurant.

In the afternoon, head towards the iconic Medeo — a high-altitude ice skating rink surrounded by natural beauty. From there, take the cable car up to Shymbulak, a famous alpine resort. At the top, you can relax with a warm drink while gazing at snow-capped peaks.

Return to the city for a leisurely evening walk along Arbat Street — a lively pedestrian zone with local artists, souvenir shops, and charming cafés.

Wrap up the day with a traditional Kazakh dinner in one of Almaty's finest restaurants, where you can try dishes like beshbarmak, kuyrdak, or fresh baursaks.

A warm welcome to Kazakhstan — your adventure is just beginning.

**Day 2: Active Escape into the Mountain Serenity of Talgar Peak**

Today you leave the city behind and head deep into the embrace of the Zailiyskiy Alatau mountains. Welcome to Talgar Peak — a place where alpine wilderness meets comfort and elegance.

Nestled among pine forests and surrounded by majestic peaks, your mountain retreat offers panoramic domes and cozy cottages with stunning views. Here, the air is crisp, the silence deep, and every breath reconnects you with nature.

Start your day with a warm welcome on the panoramic terrace: fresh herbal tea, local honey, and traditional Kazakh delicacies served with mountain views that take your breath away.

Take a light hike through forest trails, capturing picture-perfect moments with snow-capped peaks as your backdrop. For the adventurous spirit, hop on a horse and ride along scenic paths — a powerful, freeing experience amid the endless beauty of the mountains.

Enjoy a delicious outdoor lunch — sizzling barbecue with national flavors and fresh garden fruits.

Afterward, relax in a traditional sauna or mountain bathhouse — a perfect retreat for body and soul. Then immerse yourself in local culture with a hands-on workshop: learn to prepare traditional dishes or craft something unique with your own hands.

As the sun sets, gather by the fire for an unforgettable evening: a cozy dinner under the stars, soulful dombyra music, and stories shared in the golden glow of the flames.

Fall asleep in your cottage to the soothing sound of mountain winds — cradled by nature, far from the noise of the world.

**Day 3: Trekking Adventure to the Foot of Talgar Peak and the Wild Beauty of Ile-Alatau**

Today is dedicated to exploring one of Kazakhstan’s most majestic natural wonders — the towering Talgar Peak and the untouched treasures of the Ile-Alatau National Park.

After a hearty breakfast in your cozy mountain cottage, set off on a scenic hike towards the foot of Talgar Peak. The trail winds through alpine meadows, pine forests, and along glacial streams — every step offering breathtaking mountain views and fresh, crisp air.

Along the way, pause for a photoshoot at panoramic spots where snow-covered peaks and ancient glaciers provide a dramatic natural backdrop. These are the kind of moments that stay with you forever.

As you reach the edges of the national park, enjoy a gentle nature walk through the Ile-Alatau Reserve — a haven of biodiversity where you can encounter rare plants, birds, and perhaps even glimpses of wild mountain life.

Midday brings a well-deserved rest: relax over a picnic with traditional Kazakh dishes or dine at a charming mountain café, surrounded by serenity and natural beauty.

Return to your mountain base for a quiet afternoon of rest, light walks, or a refreshing sauna session.

In the evening, gather for dinner at the mountain-view restaurant — a warm, welcoming atmosphere where you can taste more of the local cuisine.

End the day by the firepit under the stars, letting the silence of the mountains and the crackling fire bring a peaceful close to your alpine adventure.

**Day 4: Nature Retreat at “U Mikhalycha” and Immersion in Nomad Culture**

Today blends relaxation by the water with a cultural journey into Kazakhstan’s rich heritage.

After a cozy breakfast at your mountain cottage, head to the countryside retreat “U Mikhalycha” — a charming lakeside spot surrounded by greenery and fresh air. Here, the morning begins with peaceful **fishing on tranquil ponds**, perfect for unwinding and connecting with nature.

Later, enjoy a light **paddle boat ride** across the still waters — a fun and refreshing activity for all ages. At midday, indulge in a delicious **lunch at a local café**, where you’ll savor traditional Kazakh flavors made with heart.

The afternoon brings a visit to the **mini-zoo**, home to both farm and wild animals — a great opportunity for playful moments and spontaneous photo sessions.

After some free time by the water, you'll transfer to a truly unique destination: **Nomad Ethno Village**. Nestled in nature, this open-air museum brings Kazakh traditions to life.

Upon arrival, settle into your **authentic yurt**, and enjoy an immersive evening program: learn about traditional ways of living, explore handcrafts, and listen to the stories of the steppes.

As the sun sets, gather inside the yurt for a heartwarming **Kazakh dinner with live folk music**, served in a setting that feels like stepping back in time.

Fall asleep under a sky full of stars, wrapped in the magic of nomadic spirit.

**Day 5: Cultural Immersion at Nomad Ethno Village & Return to Almaty**

Wake up in the heart of tradition with a warm **breakfast in the ethno-village**, surrounded by the quiet charm of yurt life and mountain air.

The morning opens with an inspiring **encounter with local artisans** — guardians of Kazakhstan’s cultural legacy. Explore the roots of nomadic heritage through stories, exhibits, and hands-on workshops.

You’ll take part in a **dombra masterclass**, learning to play the iconic two-stringed instrument that echoes across the steppes. Then enjoy a **vibrant horse show**, demonstrating ancient riding skills and the deep connection between Kazakhs and their horses.

Afterward, dive into **craft-making sessions**: create your own ornaments, souvenirs, or jewelry using traditional patterns and techniques passed down through generations.

Enjoy a hearty **lunch inside a yurt**, where every dish tells a story — slow-cooked, seasoned with history, and served with warmth.

The afternoon continues with **national games and traditional dances**, offering fun and insight into nomadic life. Try your hand at horseback riding or enjoy peaceful moments as you walk through the ethno village, visit local workshops, or browse authentic souvenirs.

By early evening, it’s time to say goodbye to the village and **head back to Almaty**.

Once in the city, settle into your hotel and reflect on your cultural journey over **dinner at one of Almaty’s fine restaurants**.

A day full of soul, history, and joy — now it's time to rest.

**Day 6: Journey to Tekeli & Exploring the Mountain Town**

Begin your morning with a **relaxing breakfast in Almaty**, followed by departure for a scenic drive to the charming town of **Tekeli**, nestled in the mountains of the Zhetysu region.

On your way, take in the **breathtaking landscapes** — winding roads, lush valleys, and distant peaks. Tekeli is known for its peaceful atmosphere and proximity to Kazakhstan’s highest waterfall — **Burkhan Bulak** — making it a true gem for nature lovers.

Upon arrival, you’ll **check in at a local hotel** and enjoy a hearty lunch featuring **Kazakh and Eastern cuisine** in a traditional restaurant.

In the afternoon, embark on a **leisurely city walk**: stroll along **Kunaev Street**, the city’s main thoroughfare stretching 38 km — one of the longest urban streets in the country. Discover the charm of this small town with its quiet rhythm and friendly locals.

Later, visit the symbolic **“Three Rivers” Monument**, celebrating the region’s natural heritage. It’s a perfect photo spot and a peaceful place to reflect.

Spend the early evening exploring on your own or simply relaxing.

End the day with a **delicious dinner at a local restaurant**, and unwind back at your hotel — preparing for new adventures tomorrow.

**Day 7: Kora Gorge and Burkhan-Bulak Waterfall — Trekking and Picnic in the Wild**

Start your day with breakfast at the hotel before setting off for a scenic adventure into nature.

Travel to the stunning **Kora Gorge**, a natural wonder with dramatic landscapes, fresh mountain air, and hiking trails that wind through rocky slopes and forests.

From there, begin your **trek to Burkhan-Bulak**, the **tallest waterfall in Kazakhstan** (40 meters high). The journey rewards you with panoramic views, serene sounds of flowing water, and the feeling of being completely immersed in nature.

Upon arrival at the waterfall, enjoy **a peaceful rest and a photo session** beside the cascading waters.

After soaking in the beauty of this untouched area, settle in for **a picnic lunch** in the open air — complete with fresh food, traditional Kazakh snacks, and hot tea brewed in nature.

The afternoon offers time to **explore the surroundings at your own pace**, breathe deeply, and connect with the land.

Return to Tekeli by evening and **relax after the day’s trek**, followed by a warm and hearty dinner at a local restaurant — a perfect moment to share impressions and memories with fellow travelers.

**Day 8: Return to Almaty and Creative Workshop in Uzynagash**

Begin the day with a relaxing breakfast at the hotel in Tekeli, followed by a peaceful morning stroll around the town — a final chance to soak in the atmosphere of the mountains.

At 11:00, depart for **Uzynagash village**, a charming settlement about 1.5 hours away, known for its local artisans and pastoral landscapes.

Enjoy a delicious **lunch at a traditional café**, featuring homemade Kazakh dishes full of flavor and warmth.

In the afternoon, visit a **craftsman’s workshop on a local farm** — where you'll take part in a **hands-on master class on traditional Kazakh ornament painting**. Unleash your creativity while learning about ancient symbols and styles passed down through generations.

Relax with **coffee and light refreshments in an artistic corner**, surrounded by local artworks and engaging conversations with the creators themselves.

By early evening, return to Almaty and settle into your hotel.

Enjoy a **free evening** with personalized recommendations for fine dining, cultural performances, or a quiet city stroll to conclude your Kazakh journey on a high note.

**Day 9: Riverside Walk and Relaxation at Esentai**

Start your day with a **leisurely breakfast at the hotel**, setting the tone for a calm and restorative day in the city.

By mid-morning, enjoy a peaceful **walk along the newly renovated Esentai river promenade** — a modern terrenkur with bike lanes, bridges, sculptures, and art installations surrounded by greenery and mountain views.

Take a **break by the river** to breathe in the fresh air, stretch, or meditate in a serene natural setting.

Head to **Esentai Mall**, one of Almaty’s most stylish venues, where you’ll enjoy a **light lunch on the open-air terrace**, blending comfort and urban elegance.

The afternoon is all about **rejuvenation and personal time**: choose from a visit to the spa (massage, sauna, or pool), or indulge in luxury shopping at designer boutiques.

Relax in the **lounge zone** with a drink or a book, and soak in the calm atmosphere.

In the evening, gather for a refined **dinner with live music at a restaurant in Esentai**, where fine dining meets ambient city life.

Return to the hotel by night, feeling restored and inspired.

**Day 10: Final Day of Rest in Almaty**

Start the morning with a **relaxed breakfast at the hotel**, then enjoy your last hours in Almaty at your own pace.

Spend your **free morning** strolling along **Arbat Street**, through the **28 Panfilov Guardsmen Park**, or by the scenic **Esentai River Walk**. If you’re feeling inspired, visit the **Museum of Arts** or relax in a cozy café with a cup of coffee and some light shopping.

At midday, delight in a **lunch featuring national Kazakh cuisine** — a final taste of tradition.

The afternoon is dedicated to **relaxation before the journey**: enjoy a spa treatment, massage, or simply unwind in the hotel.

As the day comes to a close, gather for a **final farewell dinner** in a warm and intimate setting. Share memories, exchange photos, and receive small **souvenirs or certificates** in honor of the journey.

Later in the evening, return to the hotel to **pack and prepare for departure**, with a heart full of impressions and inspiration.