

14 days Snow Leopard and Pallas's Cat focused and other mammal and bird watching Sample itinerary

Day	Destination	Main target birds and mammals	Accommodation and meal	Transportation and distance
Day 1	Arrive in Ulaanbaatar (UB)	Walk around the hotel. Birds: Daurian Jackdaw, Red-billed Chough, Azure Tit, Penduline Tit, Long-tailed Rosefinch, Azure-winged Magpie, Demoiselle Crane, Booted Eagle etc. Mammals: Pallas's Pika, Long-tailed Ground Squirrel,	Hotel. Lunch and dinner at hotel if arrive early	Land cruisers on tarmac road.
Day 2	UB - Dalanzadgad (DZ)	On the way to Dalanzadgad: Birds: Mongolian Lark, White-winged Lark, Pallas's Sandgrouse, Demoiselle Crane, Steppe Eagle, Upland Buzzard, Mammals: Brandt's Vole, Corsac Fox, Great Gerbil.	B at UB, L at Mandalgovi, D and overnight stay at hotel in DZ.	600km on tarmac road. Takes about 8-9 hours including lunch stop.
Day 3-8	DZ – Snow Leopard Base Camp and Around SL base camp	Travel to the mountains by dirt road to reach our Ger camp on day 3. During the days 4-7, we will focus on Snow Leopards and Pallas's Cats in particular with time spent scanning from viewpoints. Depending on the latest information from herders we may drive short distances to vary our viewpoint. We will also spend time looking for key birds in the day and mammals at night. Also some nights will be spent on spotlighting around the camp. Birds: Mongolian Accentor, Beautiful Rosefinch, Small Snowfinch, White-winged Snowfinch, Lammergeier, Steppe Eagle, Golden Eagle, Black Vulture, Himalayan Vulture, Griffon Vulture, Saker Falcon, Brown Accentor, Mammals: Snow Leopard, Pallas's Cat, Marbled Polecat, Steppe Polecat, Beech Marten, Corsac Fox, Red Fox, Siberian Jerboa, Ibex, Argali (Wild Sheep), Mongolian Silver Vole, Pallas's Pika, Daurian Pika, Alashan Ground Squirrel, Pallid Ground Squirrel, Northern Three-toed Jerboa, Midday Gerbil, Mongolian Gerbil, Tolai Hare, Grey Wolf, Goitered Gazelle, Mongolian Gazelle	B, L, D at base camp or L at viewpoint if necessary.	Around 50-80km drive on dirt road everyday.
Day 9	SL Base camp - Khongor Sand Dunes	Some birding and mammal watching on the way to Khongor Sand dunes. To see the small mammals and Corsac Fox, we will do spotlighting in the night here. Birds: Mongolian Ground-jay, Pallas's Sandgrouse, Desert Warbler, Saxaul Sparrow, Hill Pigeon, Mammals: Mongolian Gazelle, Goitered Gazelle, Wild Ass, Long-eared Hedgehog, Corsac Fox, Desert Hamster, Thick-tailed Pygmy Jerboa, Kozlov's Pygmy Jerboa, Mongolian Hamster, Siberian Jerboa, Northern Three-toed Jerboa, Northern Five-toed Jerboa, bats, Gobi Jerboa	B at SL base camp, L and D at Khongor Sand Dunes	180km dirt road. Around 5 hours of driving.
Day 10	Khongor Sand Dunes - Dalanzadgad	In the morning at Khongor sand dunes: Birds: Saxaul Sparrow, Desert Warbler, Mongolian Ground-jay, Hill Pigeon, Great Grey Shrike, Pallas's Sandgrouse, Mammals: Black-tailed Gazelle, Asiatic Wild Ass, Great Gerbil Near Dalanzadgad: Birds: Oriental Plover, Greater Sand Plover Mammals: Corsac Fox and Jerboas if necessary	B at tourist camp near Khongor Sand dunes, L as picnic, D in hotel in DZ	230km dirt road.

Day 11	DZ - UB	This is the day just for driving back to UB. If there is more birds and mammals we haven't yet seen, obviously we will stop.	B at hotel, L at Mandalgovi in a restaurant, D at hotel in UB	600km tarmac road. 8-9 hours of driving including lunch stop
Day 12	UB – Khustai National Park – Bayan Lake	<p>At Khustai NP: Birds: Golden Eagle, Black Vulture, Steppe Eagle, Upland Buzzard, Amur Falcon, Mongolian Lark, Daurian Partridge, Meadow Bunting, Blyth's Pipit, Saker Falcon, Common Kestrel, etc. Mammals: Przewalski's Horses, Siberian Marmot, Red Deer, Roe Deer, Long-tailed Ground Squirrel, Daurian Ground Squirrel, Brandt's Vole.</p> <p>At Bayan lake: Birds: Swan Goose, Bar-headed Goose, Greylag Goose, White-naped Crane, Water Rail, Baillon's Crake, Booted Eagle, Eastern Marsh Harrier, Pallas's Reed Bunting, Common Reed Bunting, Bearded Tit, Amur Falcon, Mongolian Short-toed Lark, Lesser Short-toed Lark, Mongolian Lark, Chinese Grasshopper Warbler, Steppe Eagle, Pine Bunting, Relict Gull, Common Crane, Barn Swallow, White-winged Scoter. Mammals: Corsac Fox, Mongolian Gerbil, Midday Gerbil, Mongolian Hamster, Steppe Zokor</p>	L at Khustai NP, D and overnight stay at Bayan lake in tents.	200km tarmac road, 30km dirt road
Day 13	Bayan lake - UB	More birding around Bayan lake in the morning. Drive back to UB after Lunch at Bayan lake. We will have farewell dinner in a Hotel in Ulaanbaatar	B, L at Bayan lake, D at hotel in UB	15km dirt road, 30km asphalt road.
Day 14	Departure			

Note: Depending on the latest information (even during the trip) about whereabouts of main target birds and mammals, we may change the itinerary during the trip in order to increase the chances of seeing the target species if you agree to do so.