

A short report of Xinjiang Mammal watching trip report.

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We spend 5 days 4 nights in Xinjiang for the Przewalski's horse, Siberian Ibex, Kulan and Goitered gazelle.

Itinerary: Urumuqi---Kalamaili Reserve- Tianshan Valley in the south of Rurmuqi -- Urumuqi

It's a very short trip, and the targets are not difficult to find if you know the exact sites, plus if you're allowed to visit inside of the reserves.....

We arrive in Urumuqi airport, then first drive to the Kalamaili Rerserve in the north, Basically scan on the national road from Urumuqi toward Fuyun.

Just remember one thing: if you want to see the horse, visit here between May and August. They'll drink and feed along the road.

It's not a easy trip though...I should call it dramatic...but that's for me to know and for you to find out...

Xinjiang use Beijing time although there're 3 hrs time different, so the sun rise in winter will be after 9:00.

In the first 3 days we had the Przewalski's horse, Kulan and Goitered gazelle:



Przewalski's horse



Kulan



Goitered gazelle

After a long drive out from the semi-desert area, we explored 2 section of the Tianshan mountain, one in the east of Urumuqi, called Houxia, good habitat, but in vain, then we tried one the mountain pass of Tianshan Mt. southwest of Urumuqi.

Nearly failed to drive up due to road work and traffic control. With some communication with the local, we finally got there, and immediately saw it at the usual place . Total count around 45 of them.

