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Chengdu
Rilong
Danba
Tagong
Chengdu

Our 7-day Tagong Nomad Life Experience will ensure you a remarkable journey through the heart of Western Sichuan. It is a tailor-made tour for those seeking a deeper connection with Tibetan nomadic life, culture, nature on Tagong grasslands.

Type
Private
Duration
7 days
Theme
Culture and Heritage, Natural scenery
Trip code
WSKT-02
Price
From € 2,393 per person

Itinerary

This captivating 7-day expedition begins and ends in Chengdu. It starts with a visit to two of the three primary valleys within Mount Siguniang National Park, followed by an enchanting exploration of the Danba Tibetan villages. The journey culminates in the scenic town of Tagong, nestled amidst vast grasslands covering an expansive 712.37 square kilometers. These pristine grasslands are home to Tibetan nomads, who care for their yak herds and live in traditional black yak wool tents. Over the course of your 3-day nomadic experience, which includes horseback riding, you'll forge a profound connection with Tibetan nomadic life, culture, and the awe-inspiring natural landscapes of Western Sichuan. The tour concludes with your flight back to Chengdu from Kangding.

B=breakfast, L=lunch, D=dinner

Day 01 :

Chengdu / Rilong (Mt. Siguniang), about 4-5 hours' drive /210km, Visit Shuangqiao Valley



Start the tour today by driving to Rilong in the morning. The drive takes about 4 hours. Enjoy the beautiful alpine scenery as you enter the mountain ranges of Western Sichuan. Climb Mt. Balang (4,400M) and stop at the Maobiliang view platform for the first panorama of the four peaks of Mount Siguniang. Afterwards, head to Rilong [3,200 m (10,500 ft.)], which is the primary base for visiting Mount Siguniang. In the afternoon, visit the Shuangqiao valley, one of the three famous valleys of Mount Siguniang National Park. This valley offers views of over 10 snow mountains, each over 4,000m high, with peaks, trees, grasslands, streams, and water drops in their pristine natural state, untouched by man.

Day 02 :

Morning visit to Changping Valley / Drive to Danba Zhonglu Tibetan village, about 3 hours drive/110Km, (B/D)



Morning visit Changping Valley, another main valley of Mount Siguniang National Park to enjoy the spectacular scenery of Mount Siguniang. Situated at the foot of Mount Siguniang, Changping Valley is 3,600 m (11,811 ft.) above sea level. During your trek along the stream flowing through the valley, observe the four peaks of Mount Siguniang in the distance. As you traverse the mountain range, admire the steep ridges of the mountains, which draw travelers worldwide. Often referred to as the 'Alps of the Orient', a local Tibetan legend says that Mount Siguniang's four peaks represent four beautiful girls. As you cross the cypress pass of Changping Valley, discover ancient monasteries and learn about local Tibetan customs. In the afternoon, drive to Danba and explore the Gyarong Tibetan village. Delight in the beauty of Zhonglu Tibetan village and its surrounding vistas. If the weather allows, enjoy a stunning sunset.

Day 03 :

Hiking from Zhonglu to Suopo / Tagong, about a 3-hour drive covering 120 km (B)

After enjoying the sunrise at Danba Zhonglu village, you will hop on a hike from Zhonglu to Suopo Tibetan village, where you can admire the splendid watchtowers. This is a pleasant 3-hour moderate hike that involves crossing a pass, offering picturesque views of villages and the river at the mountain's base.

Meet your driver in Suopo and have a 3-hour drive to Tagong. The route from Danba to Tagong boasts stunning scenery, including the sacred Mount Yala, one of the most beautiful holy mountains in western Sichuan Kham area. Upon reaching Tagong, pay a visit to the Tagong Gumpa, a quintessential Tibetan monastery on the grasslands. This temple is adorned with statues, painted walls, Thangkas, and the soothing aroma of incense, and you can witness monks in carmine robes. If the weather is favorable, enjoy a beautiful sunset over the holy Mount Yala.

Overnight at Tagong Khampa Nomad Ecolodge.

Day 04 :

Tagong Nomad Life Experience with Horseback Riding (L/D) - Tibetan Nomad Tent Stay, Gyergo Nunnery, and Meituk Lake Trek

Morning ride up into the high Lhagang grasslands, stopping for a temple visit and lunch with a nomadic family – or, if the weather is nice, have a grassland picnic. Stay the night with a nomadic family.

Day 05 :

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Morning try milking yaks in the morning, then ride on to Gyergo Nunnery. Explore the sights there, including the temple, mani wall, and monk's college. Stay the night with a family at Gyergo.

Day 06 :

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In the morning, ride up to high Meituk Tso, a lake with gorgeous views of high peaks. Enjoy lunch at the lake, then ride back to Tagong Khampa Nomad Ecolodge for overnight.

Note: Each day involves approximately 6 hours of horse riding and 2 nights of home stays. The package includes all meals (simple picnic lunch, family shared meals, accommodations, guiding, and horseback riding).

Day 07 :

Kangding airport, fly to Chengdu, ending the trip.

Savor a relaxing morning at the lodge, followed by a private transfer to Kangding airport (approximately 1-1.5 hours' drive) for your afternoon flight back to Chengdu, concluding your Tibetan nomad life experience.

Inclusions

Tour notes:

All of our tours can be customized to suite your requirements, interests and budget. It is our specialty! Please feel free to contact us.

General inclusions:

All required government taxes and fees.

3 star standard hotels available in Rilong and Danba, guest lodge at Tagong (shared twin room, private bathroom and daily breakfast), nomad tent/family stays (beds, shared family room).

All entrance tickets as noted in the tour's itinerary.

Licensed English-speaking tour guide from Day 1 to Day 3, nomad English translator from Day 4 to Day 6, No guide available on Day 7.

Transportation will be provided via a comfortable and clean car, minivan or tourist bus depending upon the groups size.

Flight ticket from Kangding to Chengdu (economic class)

Meals as remarked in the itinerary. (B=breakfast, L=lunch, D=dinner)

General exclusions:

International Travel insurance.

Personal expenses such as laundry, drinks, internet access, fax, telephone calls etc.

Tips for your guide and driver.

Meals not specified in the itinerary.

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