

Zero to Hero – Horse riding course in Mongolia



Level: Beginner riders

Duration: 3 days (extendable with optional add-on days)

Highlight: Horse riding course, Culture experience

Course fee: 97\$ per/day (Individual training is available at a tailored cost)

Min participants: 2 persons

Day 1 Getting in sync with your horse - Confidence, Connection & Basics (L/D)

Morning

09:00 – Orientation & safety briefing

Introduction of instructors, Mongolian horses & equipment

Horse behavior and safety around horses

10:00 – Groundwork session

Grooming, saddling, and leading techniques

Understanding horse communication & posture

11:30 – Basic riding skills in corral – warm up

Mounting, balance, reins control, stopping, walking

Afternoon

13:00 – Lunch

14:30 – Practice ride around nearby open field (1–2 hours)

Learning turning, pacing, and stopping

16:30 – Group reflection & feedback

18:30 – Dinner

20:00 – Cultural talk: “The Horse in Mongolian Heritage” with herders

Day 2 Trail techniques & nomadic riding skills - Endurance & Navigation (L/D)

Morning

- 08:30 – Saddle preparation (participants do it yourself)
- 09:00 – 2–3 hr trail ride (steppe trail)
 - Practice posture, trotting, balance on uneven terrain
- 12:00 – Lunch

Afternoon

- 13:00 – Learn how Mongolians care for and train their horses
 - Try traditional airag (fermented mare's milk)
- 15:00 – Return cantering practice
- 17:00 – Feedback & discussion with instructor
- 18:30 – Dinner

Day 3 – Mini expedition & certificate - Freedom & Mastery (L/D)

Morning

- 08:30 – Gear check & safety review – warm up
- 09:00 – 3 guided ride through scenic landscapes (valley, riverbank, or hills)
 - Practicing riding etiquette and endurance
 - Optional photography stop

Afternoon

- 13:00 – Lunch
- 14:00 – Fun horse games (naadam-style mini race or lasso demo)
- 15:00 – Afternoon free ride
- 17:00 – Review of key learnings and Q&A
- 18:00 – Certificate ceremony & group photo
- 19:00 – Farewell dinner (Khorkhog)

📍 Course location Option 1: Kharkhorin town

The ancient capital city of Mongolia, 360 km west of Ulaanbaatar

Accommodation price:

Stay in nomadic yurt	Hostel in town	Tourist camp Standard yurt	Tourist camp En Suite
18\$ per/night	55\$ per/night	90\$ per/night	135\$ per/night
Breakfast included Sleep in Sleeping bag Outside wooden toilet No shower Distance to the course: 0 km	Breakfast included Clean sheet provided Flash toilet Public shower Distance to the course: 7 km	Breakfast included Clean sheet provided Flash toilet Public shower Distance to the course: 7 km	Breakfast included Clean sheet provided Flash toilet Private shower Distance to the course: 7 km

📍 Course location Option 2: Batnorov soum, Khentii province

The historical land of Chinggis Khaan's great legacy and homeland.

Accommodation price:

Stay in nomadic yurt	Hostel in town	Tourist camp Standard yurt	Tourist camp En Suite
18\$ per/night	N/A	90\$ per/night	N/A
Breakfast included Sleep in Sleeping bag Outside wooden toilet No shower Distance to the course: 1 km	Not available	Breakfast included Clean sheet provided Flash toilet Public shower Distance to the course: 0 km	Not available

Transportation price from Ulaanbaatar to the course destination (one way)

Option	Public bus (per person)	Private sedan (per car)	Private 4WD (per car)
1 Kharkhorin	12\$ (approx., may vary)	150\$ (includes petrol)	180\$ (includes petrol)
2 Batnorov*	12\$ (approx., may vary)	150\$ (includes petrol)	180\$ (includes petrol)

***Note:**

- When joining the course in Batnorov (Option 2), you will be picked up from the Khentii Province bus station, as there is no direct bus. The remaining drive of approximately 100 km to the camp or nomadic yurt will be provided free of charge by local sedan car, or at an additional cost for a 4WD vehicle.
- If you choose accommodation located farther from the course area, we can also provide daily transportation — approximately USD 25 for a round trip daily.