

Yekaterinburg – excursions, 2011

EKB-1: City tour (3 - 3.5 hrs)

Through central streets and through the historical center of the city, the original samples of the old machinery on the Historical Square, the statues of Yekaterinburg's founders and communist leader. On the 1905 Revolution square you will view all the history of the city on the ancient pictures. You can visit splendid Church of Spilled Blood at the Romanovs' Death Site and the Chapel of St. Elizabeth. You will observe beautiful views of Yekaterinburg and the City Pond from an embankment and from the Hill of Ascension. The sorrowful Afghanistan memorial at the Square of Red Army, gorgeous villas of Urals "gold merchants" of 19th century and monumental buildings in "Stalin's neoclassicism" style are to survey, too. The tour also includes a visit to one of the Ural Museum of Minerals.

Tour includes: English speaking guide and entrance fee. In winter the tour is by car, the rest of the year – by foot.

Best period: whole year

Prices per person:

	1 person	2 persons	3 persons	4 persons	5 persons
16/3-30/10, 3.5 h	54 EUR	27 EUR	20 EUR	15 EUR	13 EUR
1/11-15/3, 3 h	80 EUR	40 EUR	33 EUR	25 EUR	23 EUR

EKB-2: Monastery of Romanov's grave & the Obelisk "Between Europe and Asia" (5 h)

Excursion out of the city (15 km) to The Monastery dedicated to the Romanov's Tsar family, on the place where bolsheviks tried to hide Romanov's corpses in a secret grave. Now it is well-known Russian Orthodox pilgrimage site (Holy grave place & seven nice churches made of wood according to Russian Orthodox tradition). On the way to the border-line you will see "The Memorial of Victims of GULAG" and make a short stop there. Few minutes drive and you reach The Obelisk "Between Europe & Asia".

Tour includes: English speaking guide, transport from/to the accommodation in Yekaterinburg and champagne & sweets.

Best period: whole year

Prices per person: 1 person: 134 EUR; 2-3 persons: 74 EUR; 4-5 persons: 56 EUR

EKB-3: The village of Koptelovo (8 hrs)

Full day trip (145 km drive one way) to the picturesque, 300-year old village of Koptelovo. Visit to traditional Siberian "izba"-house. Folklore concert performance in local museum of farming & crafts. Excursion in the museum. (In winter season – horse riding on sled, in summer season – horse riding on carriage)

Tour includes: English speaking guide, entrances, transport from/to the accommodation in Yekaterinburg and lunch.

Best period: whole year

Prices per person: 1 person: 215 EUR; 2-3 persons: 120 EUR; 4-5 persons: 98 EUR

EKB-4: "Back in the USSR" Spy Game (3 hrs)

During this 3 hours walking tour you will visit "spy sites and objects" of Yekaterinburg. Built as a quest game, this tour is great way to explore the Soviet period of Russian history. You have to go across the city via special check-in points, to guess few riddles, to find secret objects, make pictures of them to your spy camera and send the files to your headquarters. Award (special certificate) for successful mission is waiting for you! Upon your request, the tour can be finished at stylish "USSR restaurant", where you can taste some favorite dishes of Stalin, Khrushchev and Brezhnev.

Tour includes: English speaking guide, special city map and mission questionnaire, camera rental, small souvenir prize. Optional lunch in USSR restaurant (3 courses): 16 EUR per person.

Best period: 16/3 – 1/11

Prices per person:

	1 person	2 persons	3 persons	4 persons	5 persons
16/3 – 1/11	66 EUR	33 EUR	24 EUR	18 EUR	16 EUR

EKB-5: Wilderness trip kayaking & hiking (8 hrs)

You are going to the beautiful area of Nature Park “Bazhovskie Mesta”: old villages, taiga forest, rocks, rivers, and ponds. The trip includes 2 hours kayaking boat trip across The Sysert Lake, then moderate hike to old talk quarry and back (4 km. in total).

NB! There is a danger of catching the tick-borne disease Encephalitis from May till mid-July. Vaccination is strongly recommended

Tour includes: English speaking guide, transport from/to the accommodation in Yekaterinburg, instructor, kayak boat equipment, admission to the park and lunch.

Best period: 15/6 – 15/9

Prices per person: 1 person: 228 EUR; 2-3 persons: 120 EUR; 4-6 persons: 100 EUR

EKB-6: Adventure on dog’s sledges at the Urals (6 hrs)

6-hour trip with guide by car to the Urals, west of the city. Lunch and dog expert provided. Real Siberian "Khaski" dogs will pull your traditional sledge for 7 km. (Maximum 2 persons on 1 sledge) .Escorted by off-road minivan. Experience Siberian traditional folks, and enjoy the beautiful view of the forest.

Tour includes: English speaking guide, transport from/to the accommodation in Yekaterinburg, dog sledge driver and lunch. Minimum 2 persons!

Best period: 15/11 – 1/3 (but not 31/12-10/1)

Prices per person: 2-3 persons: 180 EUR; 4-5 persons: 116 EUR; 6 persons: 96 EUR