

Road of Bones, from Vladivostok to Magadan (M-ID: 2336)

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from €5,750.00

Dates and duration (days)

This tour leads from Vladivostok to Magadan, along the world famous Road of Bones, where it is just evening when the day begins in Moscow.

Built under Stalin by the prisoners of the gulags, a network of punishment and labor camps in the Soviet Union, the 2,000 km long "Bone Road" is the only lifeline in this remote area. It winds past ruins of old villages, over rugged hills, and through untouched nature. To travel this road is also to travel one of the most remote areas in the world.

This tour is suitable for those who have already gained some experience on narrow, winding mountain roads as well as gravel roads and dirt tracks and have a good grip on their touring enduro. Some say it is one of the last real adventures in the world. A real challenge for real motorcycle adventurers.

Our exclusive travel program:

Day 1: Vladivostok

For organizational reasons, it is advisable to plan the arrival time before 2 p.m. After you arrive in Vladivostok, the motorcycles will be taken over, last preparations will be made and you will get to know the team and the other participants. A joint welcome dinner will conclude the day.

Day 2: Vladivostok - Khabarovsk - 760 km

A long ride to one of the most beautiful cities in the Far East, Khabarovsk. The capital of the region of the same name is located on the Amur River and was founded in 1858 as a military post. We will have a short walk around the city in the evening.

Day 3: Khabarovsk- Blagoveshchensk - 730 km

Also on this day, we will cover some kilometers before we reach Blagoveshchensk, a city right on the border with

China, which is located on the other side of the river. In the evening we treat ourselves to Chinese food and go to bed not too late so that we are well rested for the coming day.

Day 4: Blagoveshchensk

Today we use for preparations because tomorrow the real adventure begins when we turn towards the "Road of Bones". We strap the off-road wheels onto our motorcycles and get everything ready for the coming gravel sections. The next 1,000 km we cover 50% on unpaved and 50% on paved roads.

Day 5: Blagoveshchensk - Never - 600 km

On the last day on the Trans-Siberian Highway, our hotel is only 2 km away from the turnoff to the Lena Highway, which will take us north.

Day 6: Never - Aldan - 630 km

After a short ride, we leave the Trans-Siberian Route and enter the "Road of Bones" in the direction of Magadan. After the turnoff, the Lena Highway begins (from the Trans-Siberian Route to Yakutsk the Lena Highway runs for about 1,200 km; from Yakutsk to Magadan the Kolyma Highway runs for another 2,000 km). In 2006, this road to Yakutsk was named the most dangerous road in the world by one of the world's leading car magazines, overtaking the famous Death Road in Bolivia and several other difficult routes. The good news, however, is that the situation has changed in recent years and construction is currently underway on the road. Some sections have already been paved and others are being worked on. So the situation today is a much better one than it was in 2006.

Day 7: Aldan - Yakutsk - 540 km

Yakutsk is the capital of the Republic of Sakha and has over 300,000 inhabitants. After five days of riding, we will have a day break here.

Day 8: Yakutsk, rest day

For half a day we will visit the city. The rest of the time is at your free disposal.

Day 9: Yakutsk - Chandyga - 410 km

50 km after Yakutsk the paved road ends and 2,000 km of gravel road lie ahead of us to Magadan: the legendary Kolyma highway. Khandyga, where we spend this night, is one of the few "big" cities on our route to Magadan.

Day 10: Khandyga - Kuberne - 350 km

This section is probably the most beautiful of the whole trip. Gravel serpentine and gravel passes amid magnificent nature await us. Near the village of Kuberne, we set up our camp on the banks of the river of the same name. Today we spend the night in a tent.

Day 11: Kuberne - Tomtor - 150 km

Weather and road conditions permitting, we will take the original route of the "Road of Bones". Along swampy valleys, we come to the coldest place in the world where people are still settled: Tomtor. In winter, temperatures drop from -50 °C to -70 °C.

Day 12: Tomtor, rest day

We visit a museum, take photos with Stella (monument of the "Pole of Cold") and recover from the exertions of the last days.

Day 13: Tomtor - Ust-Nera - 400 km

Ust-Nera is one of the districts of this region where gold is dug. The shift workers are usually happy to chat with the travelers and you can learn a lot about this hard work.

Day 14: Ust-Nera - Susuman - 390 km

On this day we will visit the ghost town of Kadikchan. In the past, this was a small town with several factories and plants where the local population was employed. However, after these factories were closed, there was no electricity and no heating, so the inhabitants quickly moved away. Nowadays Kadikchan is one of the most famous ghost towns in Russia.

Day 15: Susuman - Ust-Omchak - 320 km

Another exciting day of riding in the mountains outside Magadan with some passes and photo stops at spectacular viewpoints. On the way, we visit one of the few prison camps along the road that is still preserved. Most of these prison camps in this region were closed after Stalin's death in the 1950s and 1960s, and the majority of them were destroyed shortly thereafter. However, this one camp has remained untouched and we can see how people lived and worked in these places at that time.

Day 16: Ust-Omchak - Magadan - 310 km

Only the last 100 km before Magadan are paved again - a sure sign that we are approaching civilization again. After the popular photo stop at the city limits, we reach our hotel in Magadan after about 5,000 km.

Day: 17 Magadan, rest day

City tour and farewell dinner.

Day 18: Magadan, departure

Depending on your departure time, you can use the time to pack or explore Magadan on your own. We hope that you were so enthusiastic about Russia that you will come back one day for another tour and say to you: "Do svidaniya" - Goodbye - in Russia.

Category	Motorcycle Tour
Terrain	Combo On-/Offroad
Vehicle	your own motorcycle motorcycle rent optional
Tourguide / Coach	yes (guided)
Accommodation	Camping Hotel / B&B or similar
Flight to / from	no, not incl.
Ferry	no, not incl.
Support vehicle (luggage/service)	yes
Level of difficulty	difficult
Customer payment protection	yes
* PRICING	Minimal without optional extras, see pricing

Pricing

per rider in a double room with own motorcycle	€5,750.00
per rider in double room incl. rental motorcycle BMW F850GS	€8,950.00
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per pillion passenger in the escort vehicle	€4,000.00
per single room (supplement)	€750.00

Included

17 overnight stays in 1- to 4-star hotels, guesthouses, home stays and tents
 Breakfast on all days
 Dinner on the riding days
 Airport transfers in Russia
 Welcome dinner
 Motorcycle rental BMW F 850 GS (rider) - no R 1200 GS available on this tour
 Gasoline (only rental motorcycles)
 English-speaking tour guide on motorcycle
 Support vehicle
 Entrance fees for sightseeing, excursions with local guides
 Souvenir package with T-shirt, paper street maps, etc.
 Support in obtaining visas

Not included

Everything that is not listed under services

Flights: We can offer these optionally on request.

Deposit for the rental motorcycle

Motorcycle clothing and protective equipment

Petrol for own motorcycle

Lunch and dinner (except on riding days)

Visa fees

Expenditures for your personal needs

Tips

Also not included, but strongly recommended: Health Insurance: It is mandatory you have your own foreign health insurance to travel in Russia!

More details

Total distance: approx. 5,500 km

Road condition: 70% asphalt, 30% gravel. Good off-road skills are required

Difficulty: Medium to high, very high in rainy conditions.

Climate: During the year, August is the warmest month with an average temperature of 21.2 °C. Dry climate.

Information:

18 days (including 12 days of travel, 4 rest days, 2 days of arrival/departure)

The minimum number of participants is 4 riders. If the minimum number of participants is not reached, the tour operator reserves the right to cancel the trip up to four weeks before the start of the journey.

Our special conditions for this trip, which will be handed out before booking.

A frank word among bikers:

This tour is not designed to be a riding course. It is an exciting but demanding tour with varying conditions. If you already have good motorcycle riding skills, you will get your money's worth on this tour. If you are unsure if your riding skills are sufficient, please contact us. With our many years of experience, we can offer you sound advice on whether this tour is suitable for you.

Furthermore, you should be in good physical and health condition before booking this tour. Depending on the tour, we travel more than several hundred kilometers. When riding a motorcycle surrounded by a unique and sometimes demanding landscape, adapting to the group and team spirit is necessary to thoroughly enjoy the tour. Please read the description of the individual travel days to understand and prepare yourself for the journey. Reading the daily travel descriptions will also give you an understanding of the routes we have carefully planned.

Accompanying persons: can ride in the support vehicle, participation as a pillion passenger on the motorcycle is not possible on this special trip.

Deposit for the rental motorcycle: € 2.000,--.

Optionally bookable: Fully comprehensive insurance without deductible and deposit: € 895.