

Trekking in the Ussuri taiga



More than 2/3 of the Primorsky Territory is taiga – the unique type of forest, where grow plants of different climate communities: northern taiga, southern subtropical and western prairie. This type of forest with endemic plants, birds and animals was formed by the specific climate and unusual relief. Here are birch, pine, liana, fern and moss, growing altogether. On a water surface of lakes you can find lotus and water lily. The third part of plants is herbal. We invite you to see the wildlife of Far East forest, to climb on the highest mountains of region breath the clearest air, and enjoy viewing of the forest wealth of Primorsky Territory. We would also to offer you to visit Petrov Island that is full of legends and to raft along Kievka river for which you don't need to be an experienced rafter at all. Hope, you will enjoy Russian nature.

Description of Lysaya and Belaya Mountains

The heights of Lysaya Mountain & Belaya mountain is 1560 m & 1570 m accordingly. The mountains are located on the boarded territory to Lazo Reserve. The distance between 2 mountains is a little more than 2 km, it looks like Bactrian camel from the distance. But if you come closer to the mountains and climbing you can watch a big difference between them. Lisaya mountain, its name says about it, practically has no growth on the top, there are only stones, moss and sickly bushes. Otherwise the top of Belaya Mountain is grown up by cedar carpeting bush. In some places its growth covers stones and even masks the man. There is an aluminum obelisk on the Mountain's top. During the hiking you can watch different animals.

SAMPLE OF THE TOUR:

RECOMMENDED SEASON: June - September.

RATING: medium-difficulty

LOCATION: Vladivostok, Ussuri taiga, Kievka River, Petrov Island

GROUP SIZE: 6-12 pax.

COMMENTS: Please, don't forget to bring with yourself shoes comfortable shoes and clothes for trekking, take repellent against mosquitoes and first aid-kit in case of emergencies. The good condition of physical fitness is required.

DAY	ITINERARY	MEALS
1-st	Arrive in Vladivostok by plane/train. Meeting by guide, transfer to hotel, check-in. 3 hours city tour around Vladivostok with visiting Eggersheld view point. City tour of Vladivostok covers all the main attractions of the city: Vladivostok Railway Station – terminus of the Trans-Siberian railroad, S-56 submarine on the harbor embankment, where the city was first-founded 150 years ago. In addition to the stops the tour will pass	B L D

	many historic, cultural and architectural landmarks that make up the flavor of Vladivostok. Back to a hotel. Dinner at a hotel, overnight	
2-nd	Breakfast at hotel restaurant. Meeting with the guide. Transfer to Ussuriiskaya taiga, where hiking program starts. A private bus takes you along with guide from Vladivostok to Monakino village, it's about 4 hours. Upon arrival you will hike about 8 kilometers where you will camp. Overnight stay in the tents near the mountain lake.	B L D
3-rd	Breakfast at the camp. Excursion to the Olkhovaya mountain (1669 m high), trekking 7-8 km. Overnight stay near mountain lake. This lake is located in the height of 1600 m. It's not deep and the water level depends on precipitation. Here live water lizards.	B L D
4-th	Breakfast at the camp. Trekking 10-12 km Overnight at the tent camp near river	B L D
5-th	Breakfast at camp. Ascent on the Lysaya ("Bald") and Belaya ("White") mountains (trekking 4 km), then trekking to the Benevskiye waterfalls for 3 km. Overnight at tent camp near the Benevskiye waterfalls (the biggest in the region – 28 m high).	B L D
6-th	Breakfast at camp. Trekking to the final point of the route (8 km). Half day rafting along Kievka River (the river is without rifts, the 1 st category of complication). At the end, transfer to Petrov Island Cordon (Lazo Reserve Territory). This cordon is located on the coast of the Japanese Sea and includes Petrov Island itself, long, sandy beaches and a lazy stream, all on the coast of the Sea of Japan. Overnight on cordon.	B L D
7-th	Breakfast. Excursion around Petrov Island. Petrov Island is «the Pearl of Primorye», home to the ancient Yew Tree and natural botanical gardens. Lunch. After lunch back to Vladivostok by private bus (4,5 hrs). Dinner at the restaurant on the way. Arrival to Vladivostok in the late evening. Overnight at the hotel.	B L D

****Please, note! The dates and duration of the tour may depend on the schedule of flights.**

***The program route and duration can be changed considering your wishes.**