



- Day 01** Depart the United States with Russian Visa in hand.
- Day 02** Arrive in Moscow. Spend the night in one of the finer hotels in Moscow. If you arrive early, you may visit Red Square and Saint Basil Basilica.
- Day 03** Today we depart for the Caucasus Mountain Range. We take a domestic flight from Moscow to Mineralnye Vody. From Mineralnye Vody we travel by private transportation to the Baksan Valley. Overnight accommodations are in a lodge near the base of Mount Elbrus. (B, L, D)
- Day 04** The team begins the acclimatization process today with a hike on Cheget Mountain to 11,350 feet. Most of the altitude is gained via a chairlift. After plenty of exercise, we return to the lodge to enjoy a well-deserved dinner and a good night's rest. (B, L, D)
- Day 05** We take a tram ride, then chairlifts on Mount Elbrus to the Garabashi Huts at 12,300 feet. After a short hike to the former location of the Priutt-II hut, which burned down in 1998 located at 13,300 feet, we establish base camp. (B, L, D)
- Day 06** Today we review basic mountaineering techniques and continue our acclimatization. We also have the option of moving our camp to a higher elevation. (B, L, D)
- Day 07** Depending on the weather and the team, this day is a training day or we make an attempt for the summit. After an early alpine start we ascend the west summit of Mount Elbrus, the highest peak in Europe. We return to high camp for much needed rest and a good night's sleep. (B, L, D)
- Day 08** Depending on the weather and the team, this day is a training day or we make an attempt for the summit.
- Day 09** This day is reserved as a flexible weather day or training on the Toklat glacier where we teach more advanced mountaineering techniques. (B, L, D)
- Day 10** The team leaves the Baksan Valley and returns to Moscow. Overnight in Moscow. (B, L, D)
- Day 11** Depart Moscow for the United States.

**Itinerary subject to change*

***B: Breakfast; L: Lunch D: Dinner*

****Single supplement is 3 nights in hotel @ \$75/night. Total extra charge for single supplement is \$225.*