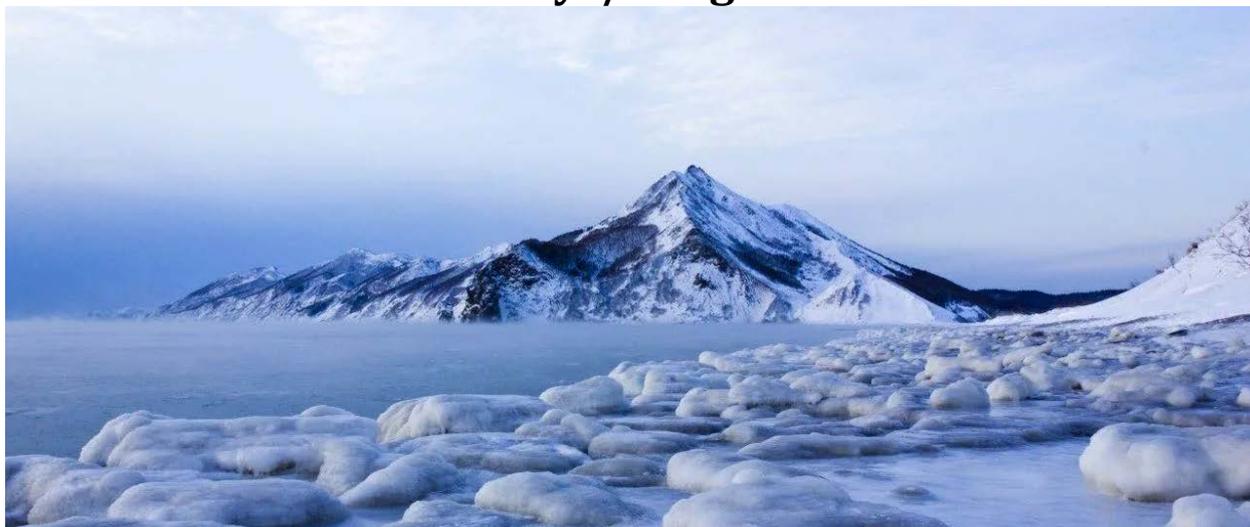


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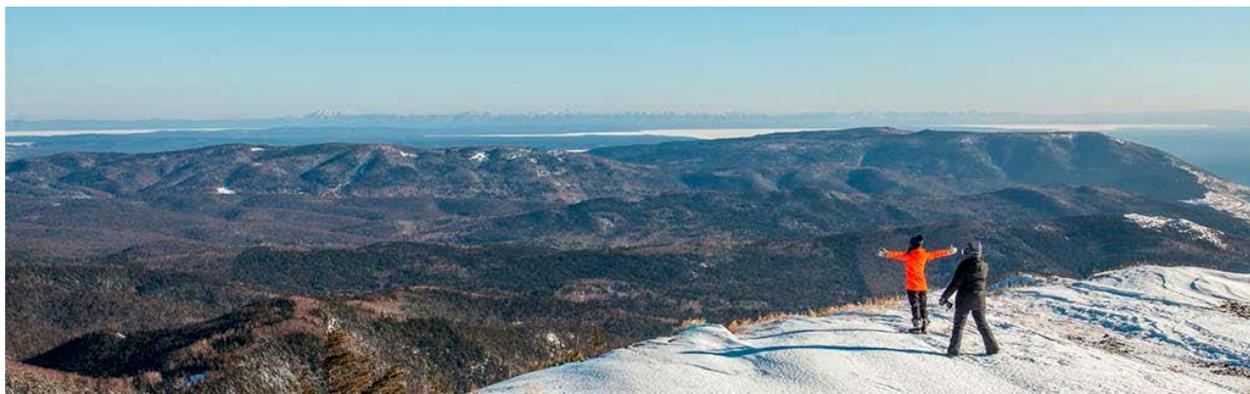


1 day. Arrival to the city of Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk. Meeting at the airport. Transfer to the hotel.

City tour (duration - 3 hours)

Excursion route: Victory Avenue, Victory Square, Walk of Fame, museum of the railway, monuments-busts of the discoverers of Sakhalin Island, Communist Avenue, Museum of Local Lore, Memorial Complex "Victory", Church of the Nativity of Christ.

Return to the hotel. Free time.



2 day. Breakfast.

10:00 - 15:00 - Departure to Korsakov, Mount Yunona (snowshoeing). (Total distance: 57km. Walking distance: 6 km.)

Mount Yunona, 330 meters above sea level, is located on the southern coast of Sakhalin, about 15 km east of Korsakov and right behind the oil and gas terminal under construction.

The mountain offers an unforgettable view to the coast of Aniva Bay, as well as the liquefied natural gas plant and the Prigorodnoye port - Russia's first seaport, built specifically to service ships carrying liquefied natural gas, and oil tankers.

Optional:

- Visit the airfield "Fluffy" - the Center for Technical Sports.
- Lunch at the cafe "At the river"

Return to the hotel. Free time.



3 day. Breakfast.

Fishing (duration - 6 hours)

Fishing for smelt from ice is extremely popular for Sakhalin residents. On fine days, up to ten thousand people go on ice. To catch smelt, the simplest tackle is required - a winter fishing rod, fishing line, sinker, hooks. Tackle is lowered to the bottom and occasionally twitch. You do not miss the bite of smelt-catfish - when you lift it up, the tackle becomes 200-300 grams heavier, and while lifting it from the depths, two or even three fishes can attach. An interesting fact - smelt smells like fresh cucumbers. Smelt is unique, it is the only fish that does not need to be cleaned during cooking. To fry it, you just pull the tail from the bag, dip it in flour.

Feel like a Sakhalin resident, spend a few hours on the ice in a warm company, and then try your catch!

Attention: departure time and place of fishing is approved the day before, according to weather conditions.



4 day. Breakfast.

10:00 - 16:00 Bereznyaki, Mount Bykova (Total distance: 30km. Walking distance: 10 km.).

The most suitable walking route for those who travel to Sakhalin and want to have an active day. A walk promises to be uncomplicated. To the top of the mountain you need to overcome about 10 km along the old forest road. Climbing takes from 3 to 5 hours. The height of the mountain is 954 meters above sea level.

From Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk we will make a small transfer to the **village of Bereznyaki**. Here we begin the active part of the route. From the top of the mountain a breathtaking panoramic view opens within a radius of 40 km to the Sea of Okhotsk, the mountains of Luga, Augustinovich, Chekhov peak and of course the village of Bereznyaki are visible.

Climbing Mount Bykov is done year-round. The winter season is considered preferable in terms of beauty. With the climb, everything around is transformed: the branches of the spruces are practically pressed against the trunks under the weight of the snow, now and then they blow off the snow suspension, illuminated by the rays of the sun, and the sky turns blue and blue. Suddenly there is a feeling that you are in a "snow fairy tale".

In order not to miss anything, we will constantly make stops for photographs and relaxation. Upon reaching the top, enjoy the views and beauty of Sakhalin nature. Having a little rest, we will start the descent to the cars along the same forest road, accompanied by the rays of the slowly leaving sun.

Return to the hotel. Free time.

5 day. Breakfast. Transfer to airport.