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САЯНСКОЕ КОЛЬЦО

Tour to the epicenter of Tunguska event

Day 1.

Arrival to Krasnoyarsk, transfer from the airport, accommodation in the Amaks City Hotel, rest. Others Krasnoyarsk hotels on request.



Krasnoyarsk city tour to the symbols of Krasnoyarsk - the Paraskeva Pyatnitsa chapel situated on the Karaulnaya mountain and shown in the 10-ruble banknote. In the 17th century the Cossacks who founded the city built a watch tower on this mountain. One can enjoy a picturesque view of the city, of the river Yenisei, of the surrounding mountains and the nature reserve Stolby. You will pass the historical town part with its monuments of the 18th-19th centuries, the former mansions of Siberian merchants and patrons, you will see the monument to Krasnoyarsk founder Andrey Dubensky, the Annunciation Cathedral, the Theatre Square, etc.

We are going to visit the Ethnographical Museum which is considered to be among the best historical and ethnographical museums in Siberia. It will provide an excellent prelude to your journey. Not tiring, but very informed excursion will provide you with the first impressions about you tour.

- Accommodation in the Amaks City hotel 3*
- Breakfast in the hotel
- Lunch and dinner independent

Day 2.

Transfer to the airport. Flight to Vanavara (2 hours on plane AH-26 or ATR-42-500)



Arrival to Vanavara village.

Boarding the helicopter Mi-8. Flight to guarding place Pristan (30 min).

Arrival at the guarding place, accommodation in a simple forest houses.

One of the first researches of Tunguska meteorite phenomenon was famous Russian scientist Leonid Kulik who left for Vanavara in 1927. Pristan means a landing place, it's the 13th camp of Leonid Kulik on Hushma River, built in 7 km to south from Kulik's Hut. At this point Leonid Kulik wanted to build a palace of science for the study of the Tunguska meteorite. The place is really beautiful. And as the memory of the tireless researchers of the distant time, a small hut built in 1929 still stands there, under the name "Pristan".

Sightseeing tour, walking tour to the old Kulik’s hut and banya, also you can see winter houses of Evenks - chums.

Dinner, rest, Russian banya.

- Accommodation in a simple forest houses in the reserve
- Breakfast in the hotel, dinner on fire
- Lunch independent

Day 3.

8 a.m. – breakfast, packing
9 a.m. – a day and night trip to the very epicenter of explosion (7 km trekking).
It should be the most comfortable and lightweight equipment. You should carry food and tents.



2 km from Pristan we will meet **Churgimsky waterfall**. Extraordinarily beautiful view of the waterfall is a landmark of the reserve. With almost 10-meter-high it carries its waters rapidly. Around colored rocks. At the bottom there is a small lake where you can swim. Climbing the slopes along the waterfall, you find yourself in a 150-meter stone canyon, built from trappean rocks. On the slope uphill a trail goes up to the mountain Cascade, which there are still felled in 1908 trees. The mountain offers a rare view of the valley Churgim.

Descending from the mountain, we go on the road. In a way, you can relax near the column "Southern Basis". This is the middle of the way, that is 3.5 km. Then starts the country of dead wood - the so-called **telegraph forest**. It was over this place, 5-7 km altitude, there was an explosion of an unidentified object. Another 10 minutes walk, and you get off at the western shore of the famous southern swampland. And finally, we go out into the open space. Through peat moor are are approaching Kulik's hut.

In January 1929 a team of workers cut down 2 huts, smithy and a food storage shed. Leonid Kulik called a hut **Meteorite Zaimka**. Buildings (except smithy) are survived to our time. Currently Zaimka is a monument of history, architecture, art and archeology of regional significance. This forwarding database on the effects of the explosion of the Tunguska meteorite.

Lunch coocked on the fire in "Gourmet restaurant", where there are benches and tables for meals.

Trip to the **mountain Farrington** – the highest point in the preserve (521,7 m), John’s Stone, historical complex Kulik’s hut (there is a net of such places in the preserve). From Kulik's huts to Farrington there are well trodden pathes. On the route are two huge uprooted trees - they are witness a fiery hurricane in 1908. On the top of the mountain there is a healthy boulder with the inscription: "Farrington. Astroradiopoint 1929".

Those interested can go to **Suslov funnel** - Kulik drained the swamp, he was firmly convinced that one of the fragments of iron-nickel meteorite is just at the bottom of the swamp. The funnel is located two hundred meters from the Kulik's huts.

From recent times local attractions include the so-called **John's Stone**, which is located in the caldera of an ancient paleo-volcano. The mysterious stone, discovered in 1972 by John Fedorovich Anfinogenov (a researcher from Tomsk, member of 18 volunteers expeditions since 1965). According to him, on aerial photographs in 1938 it's clearly seen the open furrow in the ground by the movement of the 10-ton boulder along the top of the mountain Stojkovic (look at Google images), it is generally in line with the trajectory of the Tunguska cosmic body. There are, however, a mismatch - stone is made up of sedimentary rocks of terrestrial origin, not occurring in the area. But, according to John, meteorites may be of terrestrial origin.

Accommodation in tents
Breakfast, lunch, dinner on fire
about 10 km on foot

Day 4.

Hiking to Pristan place along Kulik's path.



Packing the luggage for flight by helicopter to Vanavara.

Flight by Mi-8 (30 min) to Vanavara village.

In Vanavara check-in in a hotel. It’s a small cozy hotel, which is 10 minutes away from the local centre of social and cultural activities, museum, administration of the settlement, square and a café.

Excursion in the information center of the reserve.

Accommodation in a guest house of Vanavara village
Breakfast and lunch on fire, dinner in a guest house
7 km on foot

Day 5.

Excursion in the local lore museum. You will see the shaman's chum, how to construct a shelter for rein deer, how to produce leather.



Flight from Vanavara to Krasnoyarsk (2 hrs).

Transfer to the Amaks City hotel.

- Accommodation in the Amaks City hotel
- Breakfast and lunch in the guest house
- Dinner independent

Day 6.

Transfer to the airport. Departure.



Check-out from the hotel till 12:00.

- Breakfast in the hotel or packed to the airport