

Inspiring
Traditions...



South Shore of Issyk-Kul



Go Nomad! Jaichy Ranch and Yurt Camp

Season: Year Round
May - September (high season)

Price: 800 KGS/person
for accommodation

Location: Yurt-camp Jaichy,
Kok-Say Village, South Shore of
Lake Issyk-Kul

Experience living in a
nomad yurt camp

Fresh air and
home-made food
cooked from locally
grown organic
vegetables

Breathtaking
horse-back riding,
trekking and jeep-tours
to Kok-Say glacier or
alpine lakes in Teskey
Ala-Too Mountains



Legend of Jaichy Yurt Camp

At the turn of the 16th century lived a man with special abilities handed down from God himself. This man, named Jaichy, had an innate ability to influence the weather, which on one occasion showcased his heroism and saved his people.

Legend has it that Jaichy and his family were attacked by marauding enemies who stole flocks of their grazing animals on nearby mountain **jailoos** (pastures). Rather than cower and grant these thieves these spoils, Jaichy and local warriors pursued their enemies to recover their precious flocks. In the chase that ensued, Jaichy used his powers to conjure up strong winds, rains and snow, thereby making the road impassable enemies. The warriors returned home triumphant, with Jaichy a hero to his people. Even today, descendants of Jaichy are believed to have retained such powers, and one can find them in the **jailoo** at the base of the Teskey Ala-Too Mountains, which is home to the Jaichy Ranch and Yurt Camp. Come visit and learn of these local legends for yourself.



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Alternative offerings include:

Jeep/horse tours to glacier and lake

Falcon show and national horse games

Cooking classes (South Shore favorite tash-kordo, boorsok)

Sheep-shearing class (May - June)

Services of English-speaking guides available



- Enjoy summer days as a nomad at the ranch located on scenic jailoos amongst the beautiful Teskey Ala-Too Mountains
- Take a photo safari to capture local wildlife (wolves, eagles and, if very lucky, an endangered snow leopard)
- Challenge yourself and enjoy dramatic scenery during a one- or multiple-day horse trek or hike to the Kok-Say glacier, or opt to follow the same route on a jeep trek
- Organize and learn local traditions and nomadic horse games including: kok-boru (a form of polo between two teams battling for a goat carcass), tiyn enmey (picking up coins from the ground while galloping on horseback), kyz-kuumay (chase the bride) or eer-oodarysh (wrestling on horses)



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