



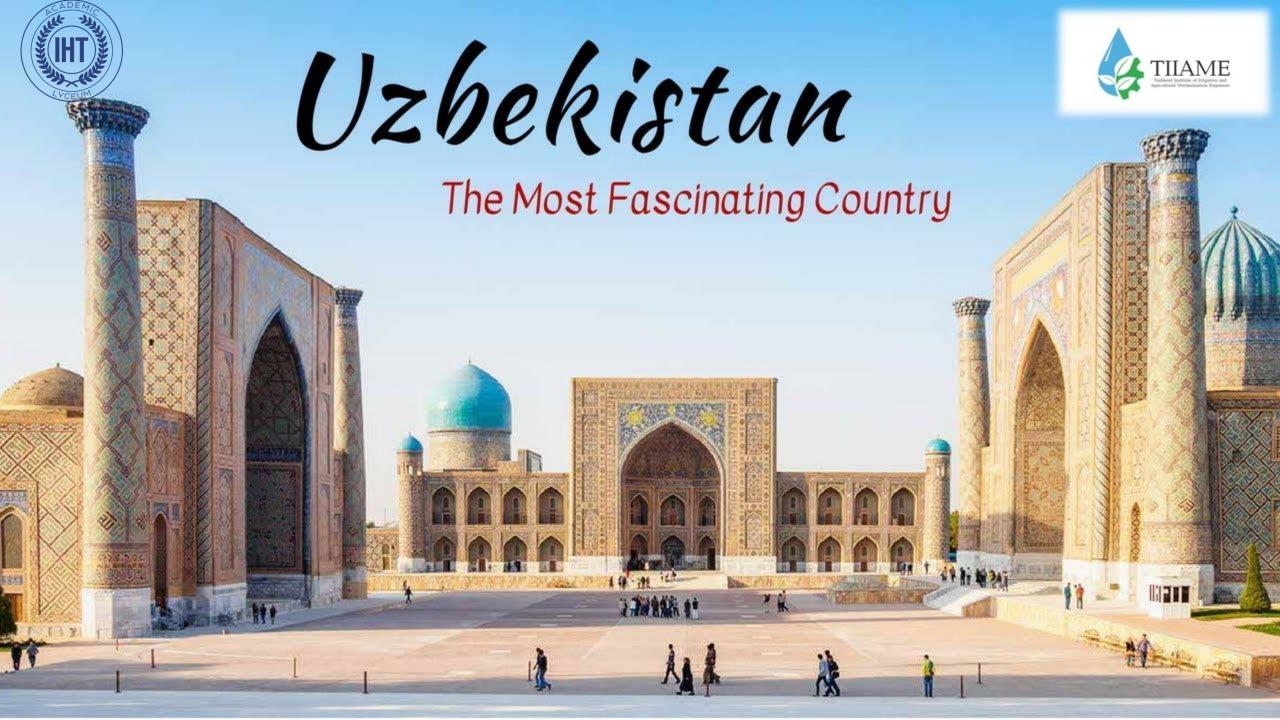
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Topic 43, 46: *UZBEK TOURISM*









TOURISM IN UZBEKISTAN

Uzbekistan is a country with potential for an expanded **tourism** industry. Many of its **Central Asian** cities were main points of trade on the **Silk Road**, linking **Eastern** and **Western civilizations**. Today the museums of Uzbekistan store over two million artifacts, evidence of the unique historical, cultural and spiritual life of the Central Asian peoples that have lived in the region. Uzbekistan attracts tourists with its historical, archeological, architectural and natural treasures.





Uzbekistan is gently proud of its traditionally classic architecture. The Ichan-Kala complex in Khiva, and the historical centers of Bukhara, Shakhrisabz and Samarkand are UNESCO World Heritage sites. Many unique monuments and architectural constructions in these towns still remain genuine and are samples of an era that played a significant role in history.





Tashkent is the Capital of the present-day Uzbekistan and one of the largest cities of Central Asia. An important international transport junction, both in ancient past and in the present, nowadays directly linked to many countries of the world by local carrier Uzbekistan Airways and international airlines. Tashkent is one of the ancient cities of the world.





Over the centuries, Uzbekistan's cities played a major role in the life of the Great Silk Road, the ancient, transcontinental thoroughfare. But, one city stands out as being "the Heart of Great Silk Road"; that city is Samarkand. The legendary Samarkand square of Reghistan ranks amongst the key architectural sights in Central Asia.





- Bukhara, the famous trading post on the Silk Road.
- With over 2500 years of history and a welcoming atmosphere, Bukhara is one of the tourists' favorites. More than 140 monuments of ancient architecture, and these sights are located within a compact area and are best seen on foot. Kalyan Minaret whose vertical lines mark the city skyline at about 50 metres.



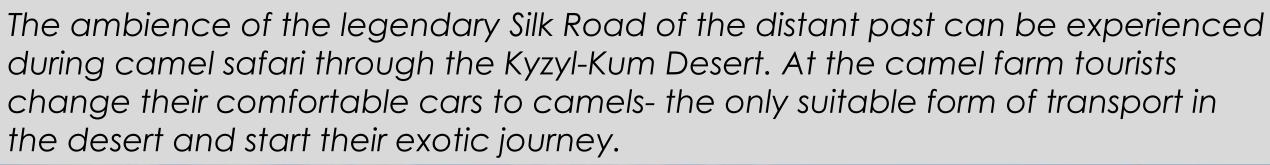


Uzbekistan is not only about history and fabled architecture. Enthusiasts of active tourism have always been very much attracted by Uzbekistan's exotic nature with its contrasts, diverse flora and fauna, abundance of sunny weather all the year round, and friendly climate.

Uzbekistan embraces as diverse types of the environment.



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GOLFING

Tashkent Lake Side Golf Club is a wonderfully organized golf club with first-rate golf fields. 108 hectares of land with 18 holes on evergreen lawns, with gently sloping hills and branchy crowns of trees, lakes and waterfalls that serve as natural barriers for the game, all this pertains to Tashkent Lake Side Golf Club.

