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For international visitors of Kol Fest. July 15-17, 2022

If you are planning visit Kol Fest here is some useful information

1 Visa for traveling to Kyrgyzstan

Most nationalities get a 60-day free visa on arrival, both at the airport and overland. These countries are: EU countries (except for Bulgaria, Cyprus, and Romania), Andorra, Argentina, Australia, Bahrain, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brunei, Canada, Chile, Kuwait, Monaco, New Zealand, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, South Korea, United Arab Emirates, United States, Uzbekistan, Vatican City. Japan and Russia can get an indefinite stay.

The rest of nationalities can apply for electronic-visa
Since September 2017, most of the remaining countries can apply for an e-visa through the official portal. <http://evisa.e-gov.kg/>. It takes around 1 week and costs 63 USD.
For further information on visas read the Kyrgyzstan visa section of Caravanistan.
<https://caravanistan.com/visa/kyrgyzstan/>

2 Direct flights

Getting to the International Airport of Bishkek is fairly easy, as it has quite a few connections with several airports in Europe. Below you can find a list of cities that have direct flights to Bishkek

List of all direct flights to Bishkek

Istanbul
Antalya
Moscow Saint Petersburg
Almaty
Tashkent
Dubai

Alternatively, check out the flights to Almaty, as they are usually cheaper and it is very close to Bishkek.

3 COVID-19 travel restrictions for Kyrgyzstan

In December 2020, Kyrgyzstan reopened borders to all international travelers
All you need is a negative PCR test, issued no longer than 72 hours prior to flight. The official

statement can be found here <https://mfa.gov.kg/en/Main-menu/Press-service/novosti/informacionnoe-soobshchenie-mid-kr-ot-5-dekabrya-2020-goda>



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Private and state laboratories are offering PCR tests for people departing from Kyrgyzstan. The costs of PCR test is around 25-35 USD.

4 Accommodation in Bishkek

You can find 5 star hotels, regular hotels and hostels in Bishkek for affordable prices. (cost from 10 USD for one night)

Check out to find <https://www.booking.com/country/kg.html?aid=1232728;label=kyrgyztravel>

5 Tickets, Accommodation and Transfer to Kol Fest

You can buy ticket to Kolfest online <https://travelbar.kg/listings/727> Accommodation at the festival for two consecutive nights - July 15th and 16th

<https://travelbar.kg/kolfest/accommodation>

Convenient transport from Bishkek to the Kolfest - Ysyk-Kol and back

<https://travelbar.kg/kolfest/transfer>

6 Tourism in Kyrgyzstan

If you want to travel more around Kyrgyzstan and see spectacular mountains, crystal clear alpine lakes, fascinating nomad culture, and interesting traditional practices, Kol Fest is organizing several travel packages where you can visit the festival and also travel around the country with likeminded people and festival organizers. All those tours will be available at Festival's travel and ticketing website <https://travelbar.kg/>