



KUCCH 2011 SHIMSHAL PAMIR

On 20 Jun, 2011, Saiyu's group of 11 Japanese and 3 Saiyah staff joined the "KUCCH" movement of people and Yak, sheep, goat to Shimshal Pamir. Walking together with KUCCH, is an extra ordinary, life time experience !

Following the old tradition of, every year in the month of June, the people of Shimshal take their livestock to high pastures of the Pamir for grazing during the summer months (Jun - Oct), where they collect butter, cheese from milking yaks, sheep and goats to be used during the winters.

They have vast pastures at the altitude above 4500 m, providing grazing for thousands of Yaks, sheep and goats, where life is very simple and natural but hard. In Shimshal, Wakhi community livestock is cared by the women who walk along with the herds in Kucch.



Departure for Kucch, Old Woman give respect to Others



Climbing Shimshal Pass, to summer pasture "Shuwerth"



"Khodai" ceremony. Our Japanese clients also attend Khodai and Niyaz.



Experience milking of Goat, Sheep, Yak, every morning and evening.



Month of May, Jun is Baby rush season of Yak



Making dried cheese "Kurt". Experience of Mountain Traditional life.

52 Yak, 61 People crossed over Shpodeen Pass 5,346m !

Making a record for Shimshal, that at one time, 52 Yaks, 61 People including, 11 Japanese Tourists, 3 Saiyah staff and 47 Shimshali guys crossed one of the difficult pass in this area, The Shpodeen Pass.



Climbing up to the Shpodeen Pass



Enjoying the dance on the top of the Pass.

Starting the trek at Shimshal, we reached Shuizherav in 4 days by the Route of YAK, where people were ready for the Kucch. On 20Jun morning herds of sheep and yaks were guided to the high altitude summer pastures at Shewerth. Although the highlight of the tour being the Kucch, the crossing over the Shpodeen pass is equally rewarding with the views of several 7000 m Hisper Mustagh peaks, including Destaghil Sar, Adver Sar, even Shispar in Passu Area.

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