

## OYBEK

(Uzbekistan–Tajikistan) The best option from Tashkent to northern Tajikistan. The nearby Bekabad crossing is not open to foreigners.

## TAZHEN

(Kazakhstan–Uzbekistan) Remote desert road and rail crossing between Beyneu and Kungrad, used by trains to Aktau and from Russia to Tashkent.

## SHAVAT/DASHOGUZ

(Turkmenistan–Uzbekistan) The best option between Khiva and Dashoguz/Konye-Urgench. From Nukus take the less-used alternative further west via Khojeli.

## TEMIRBABA/GARABOGAZ

(Turkmenistan–Kazakhstan) Extremely remote, partially dirt track between Zhanaozen and Turkmenbashi, with 4WDs making the 10-hour trip.

## FARAB/ALAT

(Turkmenistan–Uzbekistan) Turkmenabat to Bukhara, requires a 10-minute walk across no-man's land. US\$12–14 entry tax into Turkmenistan must be paid in US dollars.

## PENJIKENT

(Uzbekistan–Tajikistan) Currently closed due to political tensions. Check in advance.

## CHERNYAEVKA

(Uzbekistan–Kazakhstan) No through transport, onward shared taxi or marshrutka to Shymkent and Tashkent.

## KANIBODOM

(Tajikistan–Uzbekistan) Quiet crossing between Khojand and Kokand in the Fergana Valley.

## KORDAY

(Kyrgyzstan–Kazakhstan) The main crossing between Bishkek and Almaty, so can be busy with traders. Plenty of public transport, including direct through transport.

## Border Crossings to/from Central Asia

- 1 Gaudan/Baigiran
- 2 Saraghs
- 3 Turkmenbashi
- 4 Qolma Pass
- 5 Khorgos
- 6 Dostyk/Alashankou
- 7 Maykapshagay/Jeminay (Jimunay)
- 8 Torugart Pass
- 9 Irkeshtam Pass
- 10 Friendship Bridge Termiz/Hayratan
- 11 Ishkashim
- 12 Aktau

## KARKARA

(Kazakhstan–Kyrgyzstan) Scenic summer-only option between Kegen and Tüp reopened in 2013. Hire a car or makes for a good bike ride.

## UCHKURGAN

(Uzbekistan–Kyrgyzstan) Minor crossing that offers a shortcut to Namangan if you're not visiting Osh. Little public transport here.

## DOSTYK/DUSTLYK

(Uzbekistan–Kyrgyzstan) The most reliable crossing between Andijon and Osh, with plenty of local transport but subject to political tensions. The nearby Khanabad crossing to Jalal-Abad is less reliable.

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## KYZYL-ART

(Tajikistan–Kyrgyzstan) Scenic high pass on the Pamir Hwy, freezing in winter with snow possible even in June. Need a GBAO permit to enter Tajikistan. Little public transport.

## DENAU/TURSUNZADE

(Uzbekistan–Tajikistan) Useful crossing at Sariosiyo if headed from southern Uzbekistan to Dushanbe.

## BATKEN/ISFARA

(Tajikistan–Kyrgyzstan) Relaxed crossing for Kyrgyzstan's southern arm.

