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Trip to Manali

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PRICE

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DURATION

7 Days / 6Nights

TOUR INCLUDES

Day Wise Itinerary

Day 1 Arrival at Amritsar - Transfer to Manali :
Upon arrival and meet and greet with our representative at Amritsar Airport/Railway Station, get ready to hit the road to the beautiful hill station of Manali (2000 meters above sea level). Located in the Beas River Valley, Manali is a very popular hill station flocked by tourists from across the country. Manali can be reached from the national highway that leads to the Ladakh region.
The snow-clad mountain peaks, rich flora and fauna, and several other prominent attractions make a trip to Manali most worthwhile. According to a legend, Manu was a sage who is believed to have recreated human life after the world was devastated after a great flood. There is an ancient temple in the old Manali village that is devoted to this sage. Some of the other popular attractions of this quaint destination include Hadimba Temple, Manali Sanctuary, Arjun Gufa and Jagatsukh. Upon reaching your hotel, check-in and get comfortable. Have a delicious dinner. Overnight stay at hotel in Manal
Overnight Stay: Sarthak Resorts
Lunch: Not Included
Dinner: Not Included

Day 2 Full Day Manali Local Sightseeing :
After breakfast, walk through Manali town visiting newly constructed Buddhist Monastery and the handicraft centre. Later, visit the 450 years old temple dedicated to Hadimba Devi, Jagatsukh and Vashist kund.
Hadimba Devi Temple - is an ancient cave temple dedicated to Hidimbi Devi, wife of Bhima, a figure in the Indian epic Mahābhārata. The temple is surrounded by a cedar forest at the foot of the Himālayas.
Vashisht, an extremely picturesque little place clinging to the steep hill side. On the way up to the village you come upon the Vashist hot baths where a natural sulphur spring is piped into a modern bath-house.
Return to hotel by late afternoon. Rest of the day at leisure. Overnight stay at Hotel.
Overnight Stay: Sarthak Resorts
Breakfast: Included at Hotel
Lunch: Not Included
Dinner: Not Included

Day 3 Day Excursion to Solang Valley (Atal Tunnel at Own cost) :
After the breakfast, get ready to go on an excursion to Solang Valley. At 8500 ft above mean sea level, the preferred location for adventure activities in Himachal Pradesh, Solang Valley is a must-see for adrenaline junkies. You can choose to go parachuting paragliding, skating or zorbing (at own expense). Its lush forests, apple orchards, snowcapped peaks and rivers attract visitors as well. Also halt at Nehru Kund. Then proceed towards Atal Tunnel. Atal tunnel starts from Solang, and the total distance of tunnel is 17 kms one way and takes 1hr 15 min one way and tunnel ends at a place called SISSU . On the way back they can do activities at Solang. By evening, return to your hotel in Manali and enjoy a lovely dinner. Overnight stay at hotel in Manali.
Notes: Atal Tunnel is not included in this cost and will be on additional cost on direct payment basis
Overnight Stay: Sarthak Resorts
Breakfast: Included at Hotel
Lunch: Not Included
Dinner: Not Included

Day 4 Departure from Manali to Delhi in Overnight Volvo :
After breakfast at hotel, check-out from the hotel as per hotel's check-out time. Keep your luggage in lobby area. Around afternoon, transfer to bus stand to board your Volvo to Delhi.
Breakfast: Included at Hotel
Lunch: Not Included
Dinner: Not Included

Day 5 Full Day Excursion to Pahalgam :
After breakfast today, proceed to Pahalgam via Pampore, Avantipura and the village of Bijbehara which remains famous as the bread basket of Kashmir. We switch from the national highway 1A at Khanabal and drive through the second largest city of Anantnag. From here the road turns scenic as we drive parallel on Lidder River flowing from the opposite direction.
In Pahalgam, you can visit Chandanwari (3288 metres above sea level), Aru Valley and Betab Valley at your own cost by union cabs.
Situated 16-km from Pahalgam, Chandanwari is famous for snow sledging on a snow bridge. Taxi cabs can be hired from Pahalgam for a roundtrip. The trip takes about four-five hours on a semi-road that has the Lidder river meandering on the one side, and lofty, snow-capped mountains on the other. "Snow fights" is what people generally indulge in here before they sledge back down. Chandanwari is also known for its natural attractions. It has some of the best picnic spots and is reachable by road. The weather can be very unpredictable at the place so do carry some warm clothes and rain coats as well
Aru Valley is a pristine scenic village situated in the region of Trans-Himalaya. Clear blue canopy over the head, misty surroundings, whispers of the native pines and conifer forests and beautiful meadows create a captivating diorama for travelers thronging the place. Though the village is the smallest hill station in the state, but still its breathtaking beauty and interesting activities like trekking, hiking and horse riding make it one of the most popular tourist places to visit in Pahalgam. Apart from the trekkers, the village also caters to the skiing desires of tourists who love to visit the place during winters. Aru Valley is located at a distance of about 12 km from Pahalgam.
Betaab Valley is a perfect gateway to enjoy the heavenly pleasure of Mother Nature. Earlier known as Hagan Valley or Hagoon, Betaab Valley got its present name after the blockbuster Bollywood movie 'Betaab' was shot there in 1983. The experience is even more heightened by the musical whispers of several birds. Being a precious jewel of Jammu and Kashmir tourism, Betaab Valley is among a handful of Pahalgam tourist places to visit that should not be missed. Situated at a walking distance from the main center of Pahalgam, the valley is also an excellent camping site for trekkers and explorers.
Later in the evening, return to Srinagar for your overnight stay.
Notes: Please note: Entry tickets for the monuments & all activity charges are on direct payment basis by the customer. Union cabs need to be hired at your own cost to go for sightseeing in Pahalgam.
Overnight Stay: Shaf Excellency - Best Hotel
Breakfast: Included at Hotel
Lunch: Not Included
Dinner: Not Included

Day 6 Srinagar Sightseeing Tour + Shikara Ride in the Dal Lake :
After breakfast in the morning, proceed for a local sightseeing tour. Visit the famous Mughal Gardens, along with a visit to Shankaracharya Temple & Hazaratbal Shrine. All the gardens are situated on the bank of Dal Lake with the Zabarwan Mountains in the background. The distance from Srinagar to the gardens is about 12 to 15 kms respectively. Enroute, visit the carpet-weaving factory and old Srinagar city.
Nishat Bagh is one of the most beautiful terraced Mughal gardens located at the side of the famous Dal Lake near Srinagar. The Garden of Gladness or Nishat Bagh is the second largest Mughal garden in the Kashmir Valley located on the bank of the Dal Lake with the Zabarwan Mountains at the back and offers a magnificent view Pir Panjal mountain range.
Shalimar Bagh is the largest mughal garden in India located at northeast of Dal Lake near Srinagar city along with other famous lake garden Nishat Bagh. The Bagh has Dal Lake in the background and considered to be very beautiful during the autumn and spring seasons.
The Chashme Shahi is one of the beautiful mughal garden built around a spring in the Zabarwan Range. A fresh water spring, terraces, water pool and a large fountain makes it the most charming of the gardens near Srinagar along the banks of the Dal lake.
Spread over an area of about 12 hectares, Indira Gandhi Memorial Tulip Garden is Asia's largest tulip garden (only operational in April). Indira Gandhi Tulip Garden is situated at the foothills of Zabarwan Range. Overlooking the iconic Dal Lake, the garden is opened in 2007. Adorned by 70 varieties of tulips, the garden is one of the most popular tourist attractions in Srinagar. To add more magnetism to the garden, several rose beds are also cultivated.
Shankaracharya Temple is an ancient temple that finds its origin in the 4th century. Located on Gopadari Hill in the south-east of Srinagar, Shankaracharya Temple lies at a height of 1100 feet above surface level of the city. In 371 BC, the temple is said to have been built by Raja Gopadatya. At that time, the temple was named as 'Gopadari', after the name of the King. It is believed that Shankracharya, the great philosopher, lived here during his trip to Kashmir. The legend left the place centuries ago, ever since, the temple came to be known as Shankaracharya Temple. The main shrine is in the shape of a circular chamber and provides a breathtaking view of the valley. The first work of renovation is considered to have taken place during the reign of Lalitaditya. When the temple got damaged in an earthquake, the second repairs were done by Zain-ul-Abideen, under the rule of Sheikh Mohi-ud-Din. The stone steps that lead to the main shrine, are known to be built by Maharaja Gulab Singh.
The Hazratbal Shrine is set on the left bank of the Dal Lake. The Hazratbal Shrine takes its name from Kashmiri language where the word 'Hazrat' stands for holy and 'bal' stands for place. The shrine is considered extremely sacred among the Muslims.
Also enjoy 1 hour shikara ride in Dal lake. This boat ride glides you past some wonderful vegetable gardens and aquatic life.
Later, return to your hotel for overnight stay.
Notes: Please note: Entry tickets for the monuments & all activity charges are on direct payment basis by the customer. Tulip Garden shall remain closed for general public w. e. f 21.04.2023.

Overnight Stay: Shaf Excellency - Best Hotel
Breakfast: Included at Hotel
Lunch: Not Included
Dinner: Not Included

Day Wise Itinerary

Day 7 Full Day Excursion to Doodhpathri :
After breakfast, get ready for day excursion to Doodhpathri or "Valley of Milk". Situated 40 kms from Srinagar, it is definitely an unexplored place in Kashmir. You will certainly love the green meadows, pristine environment and serenity. It takes about an hour to reach Doodhpathri from Srinagar by cab. A river cascading down the pebbles is a walk of 5 minutes from the parking. You will definitely meet sphered who will be keeping a watchful eye on his flock grazing on the verdant meadows and some cattle and horses. On reaching river, you can soak your feet on the clear and icy water.
The best thing to enjoy here is the ride on horses (at extra cost) to the bottom of snow covered mountains and trekking. The best time to travel Doodhpathri is between May to July as the weather is pleasant and preachy. The temperature varies between 10-15 degrees during this time.
Later, drive back to Srinagar for overnight stay.
Notes: Please note: Entry tickets for the monuments & all activity charges are on direct payment basis by the customer
Overnight Stay: Shaf Excellency - Best Hotel
Breakfast: Included at Hotel
Lunch: Not Included
Dinner: Not Included

Day 8 Departure from Srinagar :
After breakfast check out & transfer for Srinagar Airport to board the scheduled Flight for onward destination
Breakfast: Included at Hotel
Lunch: Not Included
Dinner: Not Included

Inclusions

Road Transport

✓ AC Swift Dzire – From Amritsar to Manali (Covering Manali as per itinerary)

✓ AC Tavera – From Srinagar to Srinagar (Covering Srinagar as per itinerary)

✓ All taxes, toll and parking charges, and driver expenses included

Manali – 3 Nights

Stay at Sarthak Resorts (2 x Standard Room, Pine View with Balcony)

✓ Breakfast Included

Lunch Not Included

Dinner Not Included

Transfer from Manali to Delhi

Volvo Bus Tickets (Overnight Shared Transfers)

Srinagar – 3 Nights

Stay at Shaf Excellency - Best Hotel (2 x Deluxe Room)

✓ Breakfast Included

Lunch Not Included

Dinner Not Included

Sightseeing

Chandanwari, Aru Valley, Betaab Valley Sightseeing in Maruti Eeco

Shikara Ride – 1 Hour

✓ Private Transfers

Exclusions

- Optional enhancements like room or flight upgrades, or local camera or video fees
- Additional sightseeing, activities and experiences outside of the itinerary
- Early check-in or late check-out from hotels (unless otherwise specified)
- Breakfast, lunches, dinners and drinks (alcoholic and non-alcoholic), unless specified in the itinerary
- Any international and/or domestic flights, unless explicitly mentioned as an inclusion
- Excess baggage charges, and where applicable, baggage not included in your fare
- Tips for services and experiences
- Read useful information and terms for more on what is included and excluded

Important Notes

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General

1. All the Tibetan Monasteries are closed in Himachal till further notice.

2. In case of road blocks, the vehicle may need to take an alternate route to get you to your destination. This will be subject to additional charges as applicable and payable directly on ground.

3. Only Postpaid connection works in Jammu & Kashmir.

Hotel

1. Hotels may not have free heater services available. Heaters may be arranged from the hotel at additional charges on direct payment basis, varying from Rs 400 - Rs 1000, as per hotel charges and availability. We request you to kindly check the same with the hotel at the time of check-in to avoid inconvenience during stay.

2. Hotels may not have free Wi-Fi services available, and if they do, the service may be limited and at low speeds, sometimes available only in the lobby.

3. Hotels may not have free heater services available. Heaters may be arranged from the hotel at additional charges on direct payment basis, varying from Rs 400 - Rs 1000, as per hotel charges and availability. Also, some hotels may not have 24x7 running hot water, it may be available for certain hours of the day only.

4. Most of the 2 star and 3 star hotels in Himachal provide only Mattresses not Extra bed.

5. Hotels in Shimla, Manali, Dharamshala and Dalhousie do not provide heater free of cost. If you require a heater in the room, that will be payable extra directly at the hotel.

6. 2 Star & 3 Star hotels in Srinagar,Gulmarg & Pahalgam are Non AC rooms.

7. A maximum of 3 adults are allowed in one room & the third occupant of the room shall be provided a mattress/rollaway bed.

Important Notes

Tours and Transfers

1. If you intend to visit Rohtang Pass please note, the tourist vehicles are only allowed till Gulaba Checkpost. Post Checkpost local union taxi are to be hired to go till Rohtang Pass.

2. Rohtang Pass is closed for visit on Tuesdays as BRO (Border Road Organization) carries out maintenance of the Rohtang road.

3. In order to visit Rohtang Pass you need to obtain a permit. There are limited permits available every day (750 for local HP registered vehicles and only 250 for tourist vehicles).

4. Vehicle as mentioned in the booking will be provided. Extra charges will be applicable if additional vehicle or upgraded vehicle is required due to travellers carrying extra or oversized luggage.

5. Vechicle is available for use only till 8 pm (as per itinerary). Vehicle being kept till late hours will be subject to night charges as applicable and payable directly on ground.

6. In case you are booking an AC Cab, while driving in hilly areas, AC is will be kept switched off.

7. Vehicles in Hill Areas – Even if you opt for AC vehicle, in hill stations AC is non-operational to avoid damage or mid-trip break down of the vehicle for your own convenience. Also, in several hill areas, commercial vehicles are not allowed to play music to prevent accidents

8. Any cost arising due to unforeseen events like landslides, road blockage, political disturbances (strikes), etc. will have to be borne by the guest. We will help in making best possible alternate arrangements. We will not be liable for any refund claims arising from this.

9. Sightseeing option such as Pony Ride at Pahalgam, Gulmarg Gondola Ride, visit to Aru & Chandanwari, and SonamargTrip to Thajiwas Glacier in Sonamarg, Sonmarg Zero Point are chargeable extra and not included in the package by default.

10. All Gardens' entrance fee starts from Rs 20 To 70 per pax per garden (to be paid directly by the guest on his visit).

11. Shikara ride can accommodate a maximum of 04 pax per boat.

12. Shankara Acharya temple timings are 07:00 AM To 05:00 PM.

13. Cameras & Mobiles are not allowed inside most Temples, it is advisable not to carry the same during temple visit

14. Transportation shall be provided as per the itinerary.The itinerary is fixed and cannot be modified, in case of any changes post confirmation additional cost may be applicableon the basis of changes done (to be bourne by the customer)(Vehicle operational timings 08:30 AM to 07:30 PM).

15. Itinerary changes are subjected to availability of tours, weather conditions and operational possibilities.

16. Any Tour if missed due to closure or maintenance issues, all efforts will be made to cover the sightseeing, time permitting.

17. Due to operational reasons, the routing of the tour may be amended. However, all mentioned services will remain unchanged.

General

1. Any ticket to attractions, museums, train, cable car, ferries, rides, safari, etc. are not included unless explicitly mentioned as an inclusion.

2. For queries regarding cancellations and refunds, please refer to our Cancellation Policy.

3. We reserve the right to issue a full refund in case we believe that we are unable to fulfil the services for any technical reasons.

Hotel

1. At the time of check-in to your hotel, hotel may ask you to make an advance/security deposit (amount depends upon hotel policy). This amount is refunded at the time of check-out, minus the cost of any items taken from the mini-bar or other charges (like late check-out or any damages done to the accommodation).

Accomodation



Hotel Envisaged: Shaf Excellency
Nights 3
Approx Price0

 Location: Baba Dharam Das Road, Bishember Nagar, Chinar Bagh
 Accommodation: 2 x Deluxe Room
 Meals Included: Breakfast

Hotel Overview – Key Details

 Location & Proximity
• **1 km** from **Lal Chowk**
• **2 km** from **Srinagar Railway Station**
 Hotel & Room Features
• **Spacious rooms** (Avg. 250 sq ft)
• **Modern amenities**: Flat-screen TV, minibar, free Wi-Fi
• **Elegant and spacious lobby** with a seating area
 Dining Options
• **3 on-site restaurants**, including a **rooftop restaurant**
• **Variety of Indian dishes available**
• **Kashmiri & Mughlai cuisine options**
♂ **Facilities & Services**
• **Fitness center & spa** ♂♀
• **Conference facilities**
⚠ **Other Considerations**
• **Older property** (built in 2005, some areas show wear)
• **Wi-Fi issues**: Intermittent connectivity in some rooms
• **Limited lift access**: 2 elevators for 5 floors, occasional waiting
• **Few Indian restaurants nearby**



Hotel Envisaged: Sarthak Resorts
Nights 3
Approx Price0

Accomodation

Hotel Address: Naggar Road, Left Bank, Khakhnal, Kullu
✔ **Check-in:** 12:00 PM
✔ **Check-out:** 10:00 AM
 Room Type: 2 x Standard Room (Pine View with Balcony)
 Meals Included: Breakfast

Hotel Overview – Key Details

 Location & Proximity
• Walking distance (500m) to **Mall Road** and **local market**
• **1.5 km** from **Manali Bus Depot**
 Hotel & Room Features
• **Cozy and inviting lobby** with a warm atmosphere
• **Spacious rooms** (350 sq ft), well-maintained
• **Lift facility**: 2 elevators serving all 5 floors with minimal waiting time
 Amenities
• **Free Wi-Fi**
• **Fitness center & game room** available ♂
 Food & Dining
• **Vegetarian options available**
• **Indian cuisine served in the restaurant**
• **Limited dining options** (only 1 in-house restaurant)
• **Limited Indian dishes for breakfast** ☕
 Other Considerations
• **15-year-old hotel** (signs of wear and tear)
• **Not a beach resort** (located in a hill station)
• **No shopping options within the hotel**

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