

Tour Name: Foothill of Himalaya & Valley of Kashmir (Operate only from June till October)

Tour Duration: 15 Nights/ 16 Days

Tour Map: <https://tinyurl.com/vtzfecu5>

Tour Overview

Embark on the "Foothill of Himalaya & Valley of Kashmir (Operate only from June till October)" and discover a journey brimming with cultural richness and natural splendor. Starting from Delhi, delve into the vibrant tapestry of the capital city's historical marvels and bustling markets. Travel by train to Amritsar, where the Golden Temple and Wagah Border ceremony await, showcasing cultural depth and patriotic fervor. From there, explore Dharamsala's Tibetan settlements and serene landscapes, followed by Dalhousie's colonial charm and the breathtaking vistas of Khajjiar. Venture into the rugged beauty of Pangi Valley and its tranquil villages, before continuing to Kashmir's verdant valleys and majestic peaks, including Gulmarg's snowy slopes and Srinagar's iconic Mughal gardens. This expedition promises an unforgettable blend of adventure, spirituality, and natural beauty in the foothills of the Himalayas.

Tour Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive Delhi

- Arrive at Delhi airport and transfer to hotel (check-in/out time 12pm). Rest time for personal activities.
- Overnight at hotel in Delhi.

Day 2: Delhi

- Breakfast at hotel. Begin with a city tour of Old Delhi:
- Visit the majestic Red Fort, the residence of Mughal emperors.
- Explore Jama Masjid, one of the largest mosques in the world built by Shah Jahan.
- Enjoy a cycle rickshaw ride through the bustling streets of Chandni Chowk.
- Visit Khari Baoli Spice Market, known for its aromatic spices and vibrant atmosphere.
- Pay respects at Raj Ghat, the memorial of Mahatma Gandhi.
- In New Delhi:
- Visit Humayun's Tomb, a UNESCO World Heritage site and a masterpiece of Mughal architecture.
- Explore Qutab Minar, a towering minaret built in 1193 AD.
- Visit Lotus Temple, renowned for its distinctive lotus-shaped architecture.

- Drive past Rashtrapati Bhavan (President's House), Parliament House, and India Gate.
- Overnight at hotel in Delhi.

Day 3: Delhi - Amritsar (Train No.12029 SWARNA SHTBDI, 0720/ 1345hr)

- Breakfast at hotel. Transfer to the railway station for the train journey to Amritsar.
- Upon arrival in Amritsar, transfer to hotel.
- Evening excursion to Wagah Border to witness the ceremonial retreat ceremony.
- Experience the patriotic fervor and military spectacle at the border.
- Overnight at hotel in Amritsar.

Day 4: Amritsar - Dharamsala (210km)

- Breakfast at hotel. Begin the city tour of Amritsar:
- Visit the iconic Golden Temple, the spiritual heart of Sikhism with its stunning golden dome.
- Explore the Sikh Museum atop the Clock Tower, showcasing Sikh history and artifacts.
- Visit Durgiana Temple, a Hindu temple known for its architecture similar to the Golden Temple.
- Explore the Maharaja Ranjit Singh Museum, housing rare paintings, weapons, and manuscripts.
- Visit Gobindgarh Fort, a historic fort with museums, cultural performances, and a sound and light show.
- Enjoy a rickshaw ride through the bustling old markets of Amritsar.
- Drive to Dharamsala, check-in at the hotel.
- Overnight at hotel in Dharamsala.

Day 5: Dharamsala

- Breakfast at hotel. Explore Dharamsala and its surroundings:
- Visit McLeodganj, the seat of the Tibetan government-in-exile and residence of the Dalai Lama.
- Explore Bhagsunag Temple, an ancient temple surrounded by pools and lush greenery.
- Hike to Bhagsu Waterfalls, a serene spot recommended for its natural beauty.
- Visit Dal Lake, a small lake surrounded by deodar trees and with a temple dedicated to Lord Shiva.
- Visit Church of St. John in the Wilderness, a neo-Gothic church set amidst picturesque surroundings.
- Overnight at hotel in Dharamsala.

Day 6: Dharamsala - Dalhousie (120km)

- Breakfast at hotel. Drive to Dalhousie, a charming hill station with colonial architecture.
- Check-in at the hotel and relax amidst the serene surroundings.
- Overnight at hotel in Dalhousie.

Day 7: Dalhousie

- Breakfast at hotel. City tour of Dalhousie:
- Visit St. Francis and St. John's churches, showcasing colonial-era architecture.
- Excursion to Khajjiar, known as the "Mini Switzerland of India," with its meadows and dense forests.
- Enjoy activities like golfing and horse riding in the picturesque landscapes of Khajjiar.
- Return to Dalhousie and explore the local markets.
- Overnight at hotel in Dalhousie.

Day 8: Dalhousie - Killar (Pangi Valley) (200kms)

- Breakfast at hotel. Drive to Killar via the Saach Pass, a challenging route with scenic views.
- Enjoy the rugged landscapes and panoramic views of the Himalayas.
- Lunch, dinner, and overnight at guesthouse/hotel in Killar.

Day 9: Killar (Pangi Valley)

- Breakfast at hotel. Explore Pangi Valley:
- Visit Killar, a small village nestled in a gorge of the Chenab River.
- Explore the shrine of Det Nag in Killar, known for its religious significance.
- Visit Dharwas, the largest village in Pangi Valley.
- Cross the Shour Bridge, a swinging bridge over an icy river.
- Visit Mindhal Basan Devi temple, a beautiful temple dedicated to the local deity.
- Experience the tribal culture and hospitality of Pangi Valley.
- Lunch, dinner, and overnight at guesthouse/hotel in Killar.

Day 10: Killar - Kishtwar (120km)

- Breakfast at hotel. Drive to Kishtwar, known for its scenic beauty and religious sites.
- Check-in at hotel/guesthouse in Kishtwar.
- Visit Chowgan, a natural pasture surrounded by Chinar and Deodar trees.
- Explore Asrar-Ud-Din-Bagdadi Shrine and Kishtwar Saffron fields.
- Overnight at hotel/guesthouse in Kishtwar.

Day 11: Kishtwar - Pahalgam (190km)

- Breakfast at hotel. Drive to Pahalgam, a scenic town at the confluence of rivers and surrounded by mountains.
- Visit Mamleshwara Temple, known for its stone architecture and golden shrine.
- Explore Aru Valley, the base camp for treks to Kolhoi Glacier and Tarsar-Marsar Lake.
- Visit Betaab Valley, surrounded by pine forests and known for its beauty.
- Explore Lolab Valley, famous for its serene environment and diverse wildlife.
- Visit Sheshnag Lake, a picturesque lake surrounded by snow-capped mountains.
- Overnight at hotel in Pahalgam.

Day 12: Pahalgam

- Breakfast at hotel. Free day for leisure or optional activities like nature walks and local exploration.
- Overnight at hotel in Pahalgam.

Day 13: Pahalgam - Gulmarg (142km)

- Breakfast at hotel. Drive to Gulmarg, a renowned ski resort and a summer destination.
- En route, visit saffron fields and Awantipur Ruins, an ancient temple complex.
- Check-in at hotel in Gulmarg and relax amidst the scenic beauty.
- Overnight at hotel in Gulmarg.

Day 14: Gulmarg - Srinagar (56km)

- Breakfast at hotel. Enjoy a thrilling cable car ride on Gondola to Apharwat Peak.
- Explore activities like golfing, hiking, and skiing in Gulmarg.
- Drive to Srinagar, check-in at hotel.
- Overnight at hotel in Srinagar.

Day 15: Srinagar

- Breakfast at hotel. City tour of Srinagar:
- Visit Shalimar Bagh, a Mughal Garden with terraced lawns and fountains.
- Explore Nishat Bagh, another beautiful Mughal Garden overlooking the Dal Lake.
- Visit Chashma Shahi, a royal Mughal Garden known for its natural spring.
- Explore Tulip Garden, Asia's largest tulip garden with stunning views of Dal Lake.
- Visit Shankaracharya Temple, an ancient temple atop a hill with panoramic views.
- Overnight at hotel in Srinagar.

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Day 16: Srinagar - Delhi

- Breakfast at hotel. Transfer to Kangra airport for the flight to Delhi.
- Vehicle provided in Delhi for transit and sightseeing as per flight schedule.
- Departure from Delhi.

Package Price (USD Per Person Sharing Double/Twin Room)**Valid for Travel: 01 June – 31 October 2026/ 01 June – 31 October 2027**

Persons	Solo	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3★ Standard	6,086	3,248	2,663	2,900	2,575	2,510	2,334	2,202
4★ Deluxe	7,078	3,782	3,197	3,434	3,110	3,045	2,868	2,736
5★ Luxury	9,273	4,963	4,271	4,508	4,183	4,118	3,942	3,810

Single Room Supplement

3★ Standard: USD 867 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 1,326 | 5★ Luxury: USD 2,447

Triple Sharing Discount (Per Person)

3★ Standard: USD 78 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 182 | 5★ Luxury: USD 369

Price Includes:

- Assistance on arrival at airport.
- 15 Nights' accommodation in selected price category hotels.
- Daily breakfast at hotels.
- Private AC car/van for airport transfers, sightseeing, and excursions as per the program.
- English speaking tour guide on sightseeing days (local guide in each city), as per program.
- Monument entrances and activities charges mentioned in the itinerary.
- Bottled drinking water in car.
- Government taxes.

Price Does Not Include:

- Srinagar - Delhi flight fare approx INR 5, 500 per person in economy class.
- Camera charges at monuments if any.
- Meals other than mentioned in the inclusions.
- Expenses of personal nature like liquor, laundry, tips, telephone, fax, internet etc.
- Gratuities and optional activities.

- Anything not mentioned in inclusions.

Hotels used or similar for 15 nights' accommodation

3 Star Hotels

- Delhi x 2 nights: Dee Marks Hotel & Resorts/ Emerald Hotel
- Amritsar x 1 night: Golden Sarovar Portico/ The Fern Residency
- Dharamsala x 2 nights: Nibaana/ The Divine Hima
- Dalhausie x 2 nights: Fortune Park Dalhousie/ Aamod at Dalhousie
- Killar (Pangi Valley) x 2 nights: Guesthouse/ Home stay
- Kishtwar x 1 night: Guesthouse/ Home stay
- Pahalgam x 2 nights: Grand Mumtaz/ Royal Park Hotel
- Gulmarg x 1 night: Gulmarg Zahgeer Continental/ Hotel Pine Spring
- Srinagar x 2 nights: RK Sarovar Portico/ Batra Hotel & Residences

4 Star Hotels

- Delhi x 2 nights: The Royal Plaza/ Country Inn & Suites Saket
- Amritsar x 1 night: Ramada by Wyndham/ Regenta Place
- Dharamsala x 2 nights: Fortune Park Moksha/ Adivaha
- Dalhausie x 2 nights: Fortune Park Dalhousie/ Aamod at Dalhousie
- Killar (Pangi Valley) x 2 nights: Guesthouse/ Home stay
- Kishtwar x 1 night: Guesthouse/ Home stay
- Pahalgam x 2 nights: Heevan/ Pine Spring
- Gulmarg x 1 night: Heevan Retreat/ The Vintage
- Srinagar x 2 nights: Fortune Resort Heevan/ Lemon Tree Hotel

5 Star Hotels

- Delhi x 2 nights: Le Meridien/ The Grand New Delhi
- Amritsar x 1 night: Hyatt Hotel/ Holiday Inn Amritsar Ranjit Avenue
- Dharamsala x 2 nights: Radisson Blu Resort/ Hyatt Regency Resort
- Dalhausie x 2 nights: Fortune Park Dalhousie/ Aamod at Dalhousie
- Killar (Pangi Valley) x 2 nights: Guesthouse/ Home stay
- Kishtwar x 1 night: Guesthouse/ Home stay
- Pahalgam x 2 nights: Araiya Palampur
- Gulmarg x 1 night: The Khyber Himalayan Resort & Spa
- Srinagar x 2 nights: The Lalit Grand Palace/ Vivanta by Taj Dal View

Payment Policy:

- Deposit of 25% of the package cost at the time of booking.
- Deposit of 50% of the package cost, 30 days prior to arrival date
- Deposit of 100% of the package cost, 10 days prior to arrival date

Cancellation policy:

- Note: Written cancellation will be accepted on all working days, except Sundays. Any cancellation sent on Sundays will be considered on the next working day (Monday).
- X-mas and New Year Period (20 Dec to 05 Jan): The payment is non-refundable during this period.
- After Trip Commencement: If you cancel the trip after it has commenced, the refund will be limited to the amount we are able to recover from hoteliers/contractors. We are not responsible for refunds on unused hotel accommodations, chartered transportation, or missed meals.
- 61 days or more before the tour: No cancellation charges.
- Between 60 to 30 days before the tour: Cancellation charges equal to 20% of the full tour booking value.
- Between 30 to 15 days before the tour: Cancellation charges equal to 50% of the full tour booking value.
- Within 5 days before the tour or no show: Cancellation charges equal to 90% of the full tour booking value.

Our Liabilities & Limitations:

- Price Changes: After the finalization of the tour/service cost, if there are any hikes in entrance fees, taxes, fuel costs, or guide charges by the Government of India, these will be charged as extra.
- Role as Agent: Agora Voyages acts only as an agent for hotels, airlines, transporters, railways, and contractors providing services. All receipts, contracts, and tickets issued by us are subject to terms and conditions of the service providers.
- Itinerary Changes: All itineraries are sample itineraries intended to provide a general idea. We reserve the right to change the schedule based on factors such as weather, road conditions, or the physical ability of participants to ensure safety, comfort, and well-being.
- Rate Modifications: Our rates are based on negotiated rates with hotels and airlines. If the rates are modified by these service providers, we reserve the right to adjust the quoted rates accordingly. Hotel bookings are based on usual check-in and check-out times, unless otherwise indicated.
- Liability Disclaimer: We are not responsible for delays, alterations, or expenses incurred due to natural hazards, flight cancellations, accidents, weather, sickness, political closures, or any unforeseen incidents.
- Damage, Loss, or Injury: We are not responsible for any loss, injury, or damage to persons, property, or otherwise, caused by acts of God, fire, accidents, machinery breakdowns, political disturbances, theft, epidemics, or other factors beyond our control.
- Insurance: We do not offer insurance for accidents, sickness, theft, or other unforeseen circumstances. We recommend travelers arrange for insurance in their home country. All personal property and baggage are at the client's risk at all times.
- Unforeseen Circumstances: We are not responsible for costs arising from landslides, roadblocks, bad weather, or similar unforeseen circumstances.

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Tipping

- Tipping is not included in our price. It is optional but often expected in the travel industry. There is no limit on the amount you can tip, though the average guideline is around \$10-15 per day for guides, drivers, and other crew members.

Trip Comments

- After your trip, we would love to hear your experience. Any photos, suggestions, or feedback will be greatly appreciated. While we strive to make every trip perfect, we acknowledge that there is always room for improvement. Your comments, whether positive or constructive, are invaluable to us.