

Tour Name: Kashmir & Ladakh

Tour Duration: 12 Nights/ 13 Days

Tour Map: <https://tinyurl.com/yes4255t>

Tour Overview

Embark on a breathtaking journey through the enchanting landscapes of Kashmir and Ladakh, where timeless beauty meets rugged grandeur. Begin in Srinagar, exploring its serene Dal Lake, vibrant Mughal gardens, and bustling local markets. Venture to Gulmarg, where lush meadows and stunning mountain views await, followed by the picturesque tranquility of Pahalgam's lush valleys. Ascend to Leh, where ancient monasteries and panoramic mountain vistas showcase Ladakh's unique charm. Traverse the dramatic Khardung La Pass to the captivating Nubra Valley, and marvel at the stunning blue hues of Pangong Lake. This tour promises an immersive experience of unparalleled natural beauty and cultural richness, offering a perfect blend of serenity and splendor.

Tour Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive Delhi

- Arrive at Indira Gandhi International Airport in Delhi and transfer to your hotel. After checking in, you have the option to relax in your comfortable accommodation or explore the nearby local area at your own pace. Delhi, a city with a rich history and vibrant culture, offers many attractions, but today is a day to unwind from your journey.
- Overnight stay in Delhi.

Day 2: Delhi - Srinagar (flight)

- Start your day with a hearty breakfast at the hotel, enjoying a range of local and international dishes.
- Transfer to the airport for your flight to Srinagar, the summer capital of Jammu and Kashmir. Upon arrival, check in to your hotel, which provides a perfect base for exploring this picturesque city.
- Experience a serene Shikara ride on Dal Lake, one of Srinagar's most iconic landmarks. As you glide across the tranquil waters, you'll see charming houseboats and floating gardens that define the unique character of the lake.
- Visit Shalimar Bagh, a stunning Mughal garden laid out in terraced levels, adorned with vibrant flowerbeds, cascading fountains, and ornate pavilions. The garden's design reflects the elegance and sophistication of Mughal horticulture.

- Explore Nishat Bagh, which boasts panoramic views of Dal Lake. This garden is known for its meticulously manicured lawns, water channels, and colorful flowerbeds, offering a peaceful retreat.
- Continue to Chashme Shahi, celebrated for its natural spring. The garden features lush greenery, cascading water, and beautifully arranged flowerbeds, creating a serene environment.
- Afterward, immerse yourself in the lively atmosphere of Lal Chowk and other local markets, where you can shop for traditional Kashmiri handicrafts, including intricate carpets and colorful Pashmina shawls.
- Visit Hazratbal Shrine, a revered mosque located on the shores of Dal Lake. The shrine is famous for housing a relic of the Prophet Muhammad and is an important place of pilgrimage for Muslims.
- Overnight stay in Srinagar.

Day 3: Srinagar

- Begin your day with breakfast at the hotel, preparing for a full day of exploration.
- Visit Jamia Masjid, a striking mosque in Srinagar's Old City known for its 378 wooden pillars and intricately carved interiors. The mosque's architecture reflects traditional Kashmiri style and provides a tranquil space for reflection.
- Explore the vibrant Srinagar markets, including Polo View Market and the bustling bazaars of the Old City. These markets are renowned for their traditional Kashmiri crafts, including handwoven carpets and exquisite Pashmina shawls.
- Discover the Botanical Garden, which features an extensive collection of flora and seasonal blooms. The garden's peaceful setting makes it an ideal place for leisurely strolls amidst nature.
- Tour Pari Mahal, an ancient monument situated on the slopes of the Zabarwan Range, offering breathtaking views of Srinagar and Dal Lake. The palace's terraced gardens and historic significance add to its charm.
- Visit Shankaracharya Temple, perched atop a hill, providing panoramic views of Srinagar and the surrounding valley. The temple is dedicated to Lord Shiva and is an important pilgrimage site.
- Overnight stay in Srinagar.

Day 4: Srinagar - Gulmarg (56kms)

- After a nourishing breakfast, drive to Gulmarg, a renowned hill station known for its lush meadows and panoramic vistas.

- Take the Gulmarg Gondola, one of the highest cable cars in the world, to the summit of Mount Apharwat. From here, you can enjoy sweeping views of snow-capped peaks and verdant valleys, a truly awe-inspiring sight.
- Visit St. Mary's Church, a quaint colonial-era church with beautiful stained glass windows and a serene atmosphere. The church's architecture and peaceful setting make it a lovely spot for quiet contemplation.
- Explore Maharani Temple, dedicated to the Hindu goddess Kali. The temple's scenic location and tranquil environment make it a serene place to visit, offering both spiritual and scenic appeal.
- Spend some time relaxing in the expansive Gulmarg meadows, where you can enjoy leisurely walks and take in the breathtaking natural beauty of the region.
- Overnight stay in Gulmarg.

Day 5: Gulmarg - Pahalgam (142kms)

- Begin your day with breakfast at the hotel, then embark on a scenic drive to Pahalgam, another picturesque destination in Jammu and Kashmir.
- Visit Betaab Valley, named after a Bollywood movie, known for its lush greenery and clear streams. The valley is perfect for nature walks and picnics, offering a tranquil escape amidst beautiful landscapes.
- Explore Aru Valley, renowned for its dramatic scenery and lush meadows. The valley offers excellent opportunities for trekking and outdoor activities, surrounded by snow-capped peaks.
- Discover Baisaran Valley, often referred to as "Mini Switzerland," with its rolling meadows bordered by pine forests and snow-capped mountains. The valley's picturesque scenery provides a stunning backdrop for leisurely exploration.
- Enjoy a relaxing walk along the Lidder River, known for its crystal-clear waters and peaceful surroundings. The river's serene environment is ideal for unwinding and appreciating nature.
- Overnight stay in Pahalgam.

Day 6: Pahalgam

- Enjoy a hearty breakfast at the hotel to start your day.
- Visit Mamleshwar Temple, an ancient shrine dedicated to Lord Shiva. The temple is known for its intricate carvings and historical significance, offering a glimpse into the region's spiritual heritage.

- Revisit Baisaran Valley for additional scenic views and activities such as horse riding or trekking. The valley's natural beauty and recreational options make it a perfect destination for outdoor enthusiasts.
- Explore Aru Village, which provides scenic vistas and cultural experiences. The village's charm and traditional lifestyle offer insight into local life.
- Spend some leisure time in Pahalgam, exploring local markets or simply relaxing amidst the natural beauty of the area.
- Overnight stay in Pahalgam.

Day 7: Pahalgam - Srinagar (83kms)

- Start your day with breakfast, then drive back to Srinagar, enjoying the picturesque landscapes along the way.
- Revisit Shalimar Bagh and Nishat Bagh for a final exploration of these iconic Mughal gardens, admiring their beauty and historical significance.
- Enjoy a relaxing stroll by Dal Lake or visit local markets for any last-minute shopping, picking up souvenirs or gifts from your trip.
- Overnight stay in Srinagar.

Day 8: Srinagar - Leh (flight)

- Have breakfast at the hotel before heading to the airport for your flight to Leh, the capital of Ladakh.
- Upon arrival in Leh, check in to your hotel and take some time to acclimate to the high altitude.
- Visit Leh Palace, a historic royal residence that offers panoramic views of Leh and the surrounding mountains. The palace's architecture and artifacts provide a glimpse into Ladakh's regal past.
- Explore Shanti Stupa, a Buddhist monument that offers stunning views of Leh and the surrounding landscape. The stupa's serene environment and impressive design make it a peaceful retreat.
- Overnight stay in Leh.

Day 9: Leh

- Begin your day with breakfast at the hotel.

- Visit Thiksey Monastery, known for its impressive architecture and ancient murals. The monastery's location on a hill offers panoramic views of the surrounding valley, and its cultural significance adds to its allure.
- Explore Hemis Monastery, one of Ladakh's largest and wealthiest monasteries. The monastery is renowned for its vibrant festivals and rich cultural heritage, providing insight into the region's Buddhist traditions.
- Discover Shey Palace, once the summer residence of Ladakh's kings. The palace's ancient artifacts and beautiful views make it a fascinating site to visit.
- Browse local markets in Leh for traditional Ladakhi handicrafts, including intricately woven carpets, jewelry, and Pashmina wool. The markets offer a chance to purchase unique souvenirs and experience local craftsmanship.
- Overnight stay in Leh.

Day 10: Leh - Nubra Valley (140kms)

- Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before embarking on a scenic drive to Nubra Valley via Khardung La Pass, one of the highest motorable passes in the world. The pass offers breathtaking mountain views and a thrilling drive experience.
- Upon arrival in Nubra Valley, visit the sand dunes of Hunder, where you can enjoy a camel ride on Bactrian camels. The unique experience of riding camels across the sand dunes amidst the dramatic landscape is a highlight of the valley.
- Explore Diskit Monastery, perched on a hilltop with panoramic views and a giant statue of Maitreya Buddha. The monastery's location and the statue's imposing presence make it a significant cultural landmark.
- Visit Sumur Monastery, known for its serene environment and ancient frescoes. The monastery's tranquil setting and artistic heritage provide a peaceful retreat.
- Overnight stay in Nubra Valley.

Day 11: Nubra - Pangong Lake (150kms)

- Start your day with breakfast before driving to Pangong Lake, famous for its mesmerizing blue waters and stunning surroundings.
- Spend the day by Pangong Lake, marveling at its serene beauty and the changing hues of the water as the sun moves across the sky. The lake's reflective surface and the surrounding landscape create a captivating visual experience.
- Explore nearby villages and interact with local communities to experience Ladakhi culture. The villages offer insight into traditional lifestyles and customs.

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- Overnight stay at Pangong Lake.

Day 12: Pangong Lake - Leh (140kms)

- Enjoy breakfast at the camp or hotel before driving back to Leh.
- En route, visit Gurudwara Pathar Sahib, a historic Sikh shrine known for its spiritual significance and beautiful location. The shrine's serene environment and historical context provide a meaningful visit.
- Return to Leh and take some time to relax or explore any sites you may have missed earlier. Leh offers additional opportunities for sightseeing and relaxation.
- Overnight stay in Leh.

Day 13: Leh - Departure

- Begin your day with breakfast at the hotel.
- Transfer to Leh Airport for your flight back to Delhi or your onward destination.
- Conclude your memorable tour of Kashmir and Ladakh with cherished memories and experiences from your journey.

Package Price (USD Per Person Sharing Double/Twin Room)

Valid for Travel: Until 20 September 2027

Persons	Solo	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3★ Standard	4,412	2,325	2,080	1,992	1,795	1,786	1,675	1,591
4★ Deluxe	5,768	3,045	2,800	2,711	2,514	2,506	2,394	2,311
5★ Luxury	8,275	4,549	4,013	3,924	3,727	3,719	3,607	3,524

Single Room Supplement

3★ Standard: USD 769 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 1,405 | 5★ Luxury: USD 2,699

Triple Sharing Discount (Per Person)

3★ Standard: USD 3 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 153 | 5★ Luxury: USD 369

Price Includes:

- Assistance on arrival at airport.
- 12 Nights' accommodation in selected price category hotels.

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- 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:

- Delhi - Srinagar - Leh - Delhi flight fare approx INR 15, 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 12 nights' accommodation

3 Star Hotels

- Delhi x 1 night: Dee Marks Hotel & Resorts/ Emerald Hotel
- Srinagar x 2 nights: RK Sarovar Portico/ Batra Hotel & Residences
- Gulmarg x 1 night: Gulmarg Zahgeer Continental/ Hotel Pine Spring
- Pahalgam x 2 nights: Grand Mumtaz/ Royal Park Hotel
- Srinagar x 1 night: Deluxe Houseboat
- Leh x 2 nights: Hotel Royal Palace Leh/ Royal Holiday
- Nubra Valley x 1 night: Magpie Camp/ Nubra Ethnic Camp
- Pangong Lake x 1 night: Ladakh Summer Camp/ The Regal Camp
- Leh x 1 night: Hotel Royal Palace Leh/ Royal Holiday

4 Star Hotels

- Delhi x 1 night: The Hans/ The Royal Plaza
- Srinagar x 2 nights: Fortune Resort Heevan/ Lemon Tree Hotel
- Gulmarg x 1 night: Heevan Retreat/ The Vintage
- Pahalgam x 2 nights: Heevan/ Pine Spring
- Srinagar x 1 night: Gurkha Houseboat
- Leh x 2 nights: Grand Himalaya/ Chospa Hotel
- Nubra Valley x 1 night: The Dune Boutique Hotel/Nubra Organic Retreat
- Pangong Lake x 1 night: Ladakh Summer Camp/ The Regal Camp

5 Star Hotels

- Delhi x 1 night: Le Meridien/ The Grand New Delhi
- Srinagar x 2 nights: The Lalit Grand Palace/ Vivanta by Taj Dal View
- Gulmarg x 1 night: The Khyber Himalayan Resort & Spa
- Pahalgam x 2 nights: Araiya Palampur
- Srinagar x 1 night: Sukoon Houseboat
- Leh x 2 nights: The Grand Dragon Ladakh/ The Zen Resort Ladakh
- Nubra Valley x 1 night: Stone Hedge/ Lchang Nang Retreat- The House of Trees
- Pangong Lake x 1 night: Norling Cozy Cottages/ Pangong Delight Camp

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.

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- 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.

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- 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.

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.