

# **Gems of Himachal Family Package**

Trip code	
Package name	Gems of Himachal Family Package
Duration	9
Max. elevation	2300 m
Level	MODERATE
Transportation	All grounded vehicals depending on group size.
Accomodation	Hotel and Lodge twin sharing bed basis during the Tour.
Starts at	Delhi
Ends at	Delhi
Trip route	Delhi - Simla - Manali - Chamunda - Dharamsala - Dalhousie - Chandigrah - Delhi
Cost	USD 1,850 per person

# **Highlights**

- Ever charming queens of hill- Shimla.
- Picturesque hill station of Kufri.
- Himalayan zoo & abundant greenery.
- Crossing the Rohtang pass,
- Tea gardens, waterfalls, lakes and river.

# **Overview**

Discover the seventh heaven in the euphoric road journey that will take you to the timeless towns of Himachal.

Himachal Pradesh is one of the most picturesque states in the northern part of India. Himachal Pradesh meaning "the land in the lap of Himalayas" is an absolute paradise for nature lovers. A land of splendid mountains, a pristine place that feeds and provides solace to the mind and soul, a pious land which is associated with the supernatural, an enigma of a place that attracts people from every nook and corner of the world- It's incredible, it's beautiful, it's enchanting.

It's Himachal! In this tour, we offer a visit to the major places of the Himachal which are like gems of the Himachal. The journey begins with an exciting road trip from Delhi to Shimla, which allows you to explore Pinjore Gardens.

An excursion to Kufri, covering Indira Bungalow and Himalayan Zoo, will let you admire magnificent sceneries, colonial heritage, and fascinating animals. Also on your vacation, try river crossing, rappelling, and rifle shooting at the campsite in Manali.

A sightseeing tour of the sacred Vashisht Kund and pagoda-style Hadimba Temple is also part of the tour. Furthermore, with this Himachal package, you can also enjoy an outing to Rohtang Snow Point and skiing or zorbing depending on the season.

## **Trip Itinerary**

#### Day 1 : Delhi – Shimla (365 KM)

Arrive Delhi airport and drive to the ever-charming Queen of Hills 'Shimla'. The town is situated at an altitude of 6810 ft., initially chosen as a sanatorium for invalid European officers, but soon developed into a big hill town and became the summer capital of the country. Upon arrival check in to the hotel for Overnight stay.

#### Day 2 : Shimla

After breakfast, proceed for a half-day excursion to Kufri – a small picturesque hill station at the foothills of Himalayas and is known for its pleasing climate and scenic beauty. It has a prime attraction with exquisite nature parks and the duration of the transfer would be around 1 hour. Visit the Indira Bungalow which provides panoramic views of the location. Next, head up to the Himalayan Zoo which is home to birds and animals, like rare antelope, deer, bears and snow leopards. It is adorned with the optimum forestation, which contributes substantially to the breath-taking scenery. You could also take a hike or a pony (own expense) up to Mashu Peak, which is the highest peak in the Kufri. Later, in the afternoon, return to Shimla and buzzing with activity throughout the day. Its main attraction includes Shimla Church, contains some moving Raj-era memorials and typical Victorian stained glasses. Next, visit the Scandal Point and the Gaiety Theatre – a lovely Victorian theatre that is splendidly restored. Also visit the Town Hall which is at the center and is oddly reminiscent of the mansion in Hammer Horror films. You may also indulge in some shopping at the Mall Road visit Shimla wax museum (tickets complimentary). Later, return to the hotel for a delicious dinner and for an overnight stay.

#### Day 3 : Shimla – Manali (270 KM)

After having breakfast proceed for Manali. Manali is an important hill station of northern India and is the destination of thousands of tourists every year. Its cool atmosphere provides a perfect heaven for the ones afflicted by the hot Indian summers. Besides offering quite a few places for sightseeing, Manali is also famous for adventure sports like skiing, hiking, mountaineering, paragliding, rafting, trekking, kayaking, and mountain biking. En- route visit Hanogi Mata Temple. Overnight stay at hotel in Manali.

#### Day 4 : Manali

Today full day excursion visiting Kothi Gorge, Gulaba, Marhi, Rohtang Pass (Up to Snow Line in case Rohtang is closed due to snow fall). Come back to Manali and later in afternoon half day tour of Manali visiting newly constructed Buddhist Monastery. Hadimba Devi temple-It is small temple situated in the dense forest is very interesting. Hadimba is said to be the wife of Bhima from the epic of Mahabharata. Vashisht, it is an extremely picturesque little place clinging to the steep hill side. On the way up to the village you come upon the Vashisht hot baths where a natural Sulphur spring is piped into a modern bath -house. You can enjoy adventure activities like river crossing, rappelling, Archery, rifle shooting and Burma bridge at the camp. Overnight stay at the hotel.

#### Day 5 : Manali – Chamunda – Dharamshala (260 KM)

After breakfast, proceed for Dharamshala. It is a beautiful hill town that houses a large population of Tibetan refugees and a popular destination amidst foreign tourists. En-route visit Baijnath Shiv Temple at Baijnath, Palampur Tea Estates and Chamunda Devi Temple. Upon arrival to Dharamshala, check in to the hotel. You can stroll around in the evening on your own. Overnight stay at hotel.

#### Day 6 : Dharamshala – Dalhousie. (140 KMS)

After breakfast visit Bhudhist Monastery, Bhagsunag Temple. Also visit Dal Lake, Kangra Fort, Jwalamukhi Devi Temple, Tea Gardens and Bhagsu waterfalls. For those looking for some adrenaline pumping activity, activities such as Paragliding, Camping and Trekking in Triund and Kareri Lake are sure to sustain these adventure urges. Do try and watch a Cricket match at HCPA stadium here. Enjoy the scenic beauty of Dharamshala. Later drive to Dalhousie. Check in to the hotel. Overnight stay at the hotel.

#### Day 7 : Dalhousie

After having breakfast, visit Khajjiar (Khajjiar is closed some time in Dec-Jan due to heavy snow) the mini Switzerland (with lush green forests and grazing lands all around, Khajjiar is a perfect retreat for the eyes and soul), Kalatop, Satdhara and Gandhi Chowk. Some other well-known attractions which you can cover are the scenic landscape of Bakrota Hill, Pangi View and Bathri View. You can also visit the waterfalls of Subhash Baoli, Satdhara- 7 springs blessed with medicinal properties and Panjpulla- a memorial with 5 bridges. Overnight stay at the hotel.

#### Day 8 : Dalhousie- Chandigarh (300 KMS)

After breakfast in the morning, drive to Chandigarh. Upon arrival to Chandigarh, transferred to hotel and get freshen up. Later visit the local markets and area around the hotel. Or take a boat ride or an evening walk at Sukhna Lake and Nada Sahib. Overnight stay in hotel.

#### Day 9 : Chandigarh to Delhi (250 KMS)

After having breakfast, drive to Delhi. Upon arrival to Delhi, transfer to the international airport for the flight to onward destination.

### Inclusions

#### What is included?

Accommodation in Hotel and Lodge twin sharing bed basis during the trek.

All Transportation AC / Qulise, Innova / Xylo / Mini Tourist Bus

Guide/ leader (Experienced Tour and Trek Guide will lead the tour).

All monument fees, Permit arrangement, All taxes and VAT in Darjling ,Skkim

All meals (lunch, Dinner and Breakfast) during the trek.

Basis medical kit.

#### What isn't included?

Entry Visa fees India.

Travel and medical insurance.

Personal expenses (laundry, bar bills, snacks, phone calls, internet.)

Tips for guide and driver (tipping is expected)

Loss, theft or damage to baggage and personal effects. (We strongly advise you to get personal travel insurance.)

#### Complimentary