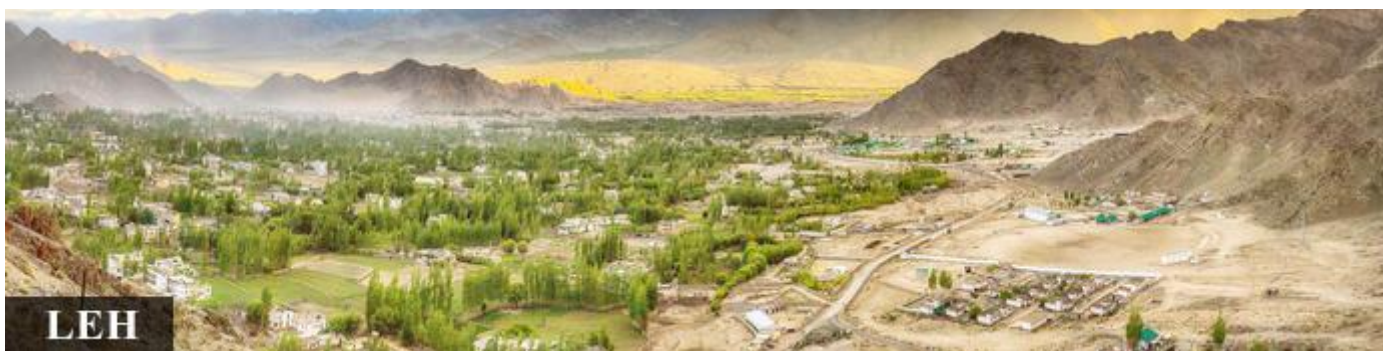


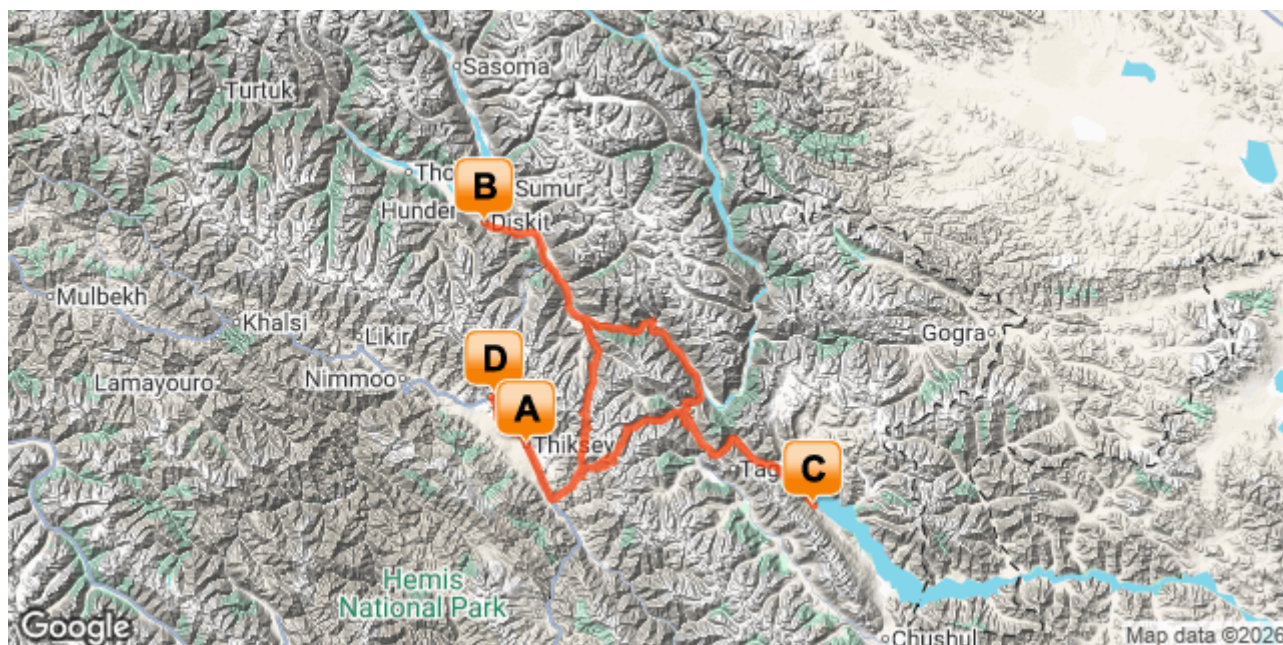


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Ladakh - Diskit - Pangong Lake - Leh
7 Days / 6 Nights



Introduction

Discover ancient history, an incredibly rich culture, ancient rituals, and deep spirituality, against the backdrop of this breathtaking landscape. From centuries-old monasteries to regal palaces, magnificent orchards to riding across sand-dunes on a double-humped camel, this is a region that is utterly unique. Immerse yourself in Ladakh's wild beauty as you head up to Khardung-La, the world's highest motorable mountain pass, before descending into the Nubra Valley. A mind-blowing journey that takes you to the top of the world!

Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Chamba Camp Thiksey	Ladakh	B&B	2 Nights
Chamba Camp Diskit	Diskit	B&B	2 Nights
Misty Hills Cabins	Pangong Lake	B&B	1 Night
The Grand Dragon Ladakh	Leh	B&B	1 Night

Key

B&B: Bed and Breakfast

Included

- Hotels accommodation twin sharing at the hotels mentioned above or similar for a total of 06 nights in a mentioned category rooms with breakfast & inclusive of all currently government applicable taxes.
- Services of using air-conditioned vehicle for inter-cities transfers and sightseeing.
- Meeting and assistance on arrival / departure at airports.
- All sightseeing tours / excursions as per program mentioned above.
- Unlimited water bottle during long journeys.
- Service of an English (as per requirement) speaking local guides till 04 Pax & 04 Pax onwards we will provide English speaking accompanying escort.
- Rates include entrances to all the monuments as mentioned in the program.

Excluded

- Does not include any airfare, any item not mentioned above, any items of personal nature such as table drinks, laundry, telephone bills, video camera fees, tips to guides/escort, drivers, bell boys, etc.
- Any International/Domestic airfare, Travel Insurances or Visa – Please ensure clients have a valid E-visa and passport for their travel to India.
- Any other expenses of personal nature.

Day 1

Chamba Camp Thiksey, Ladakh

Ladakh

Ladakh, meaning ‘land of the high mountain passes’, is renowned for its remote mountain beauty, with the Kunlun mountain range to the north and the Great Himalayas – the highest section of the Himalayan range – to the south. Often described as ‘Little Tibet’, Ladakh is a magical destination with a fascinating cultural mix of Tibetan Buddhists and Shia Muslims. This high-altitude desert region, in the state of Jammu and Kashmir, offers a myriad of tourist attractions including the atmospheric town of Leh, the region’s capital; and the Indus Valley, which has the largest concentration of medieval monasteries, perched up on rocky hilltops. Drive along the Khardung La, the highest driveable pass in the world to the valley of Nubra; or visit the vast wilderness of Rupshu.

Day Itinerary

Upon arrival at Kushok Bakula Airport in Leh, perched high at 3,500 metres above sea level, the vast Himalayan landscape unfolds around you. You will be transferred to your hotel, where the day is intentionally unhurried to allow gentle acclimatisation to the altitude. Breathe in the crisp mountain air, rest, and absorb the quiet stillness of Ladakh as you ease into this extraordinary land, before enjoying an overnight stay at your luxurious hotel in Leh.

Overnight: Chamba Camp Thiksey

Recreate the magic of old world charm with canvas luxury at quite another level with our luxury camps in India. From the land of the Lamas, Thiksey Monastery welcomes the adventurous traveller to their unique camp, the Chamba Camp, Thiksey.

Sitting in the twin shadows of Stok Kangri and the Ladakh range, Chamba Camp in Thiksey, enjoys the stark landscape of ever-changing colours. The chanting of prayers from the nearby Thiksey Monastery, echoes in the silence of the mountains. The camp welcomes you to this rejuvenating view every single day. The camp offers outdoor seating by three water bodies. Each seating area has its own aqua deck with a plethora of dining options and an indoor setting, equipped with fun games to keep you entertained. Try your hand at archery and croquet, or watch a game of Polo, the ancient sport of the royals. If you’re in the mood for some adventure, hop onto a bicycle to explore the nearby villages. Walk amongst ancient stupas, and beautiful, gnarled trees, or just sit back, and enjoy the birdsong that our campsite is blessed with. We guarantee a soul-stirring experience!



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 2

Chamba Camp Thiksey, Ladakh

Day Itinerary

Begin your day early with a visit to Thiksey Monastery, where the soft chants of monks and the scent of incense accompany the morning pooja, set against sweeping Himalayan views. Return to your hotel for a hearty breakfast before setting out to explore the cultural heart of Leh. Visit the historic Spituk Monastery, founded in the 15th century by Lama Lawang Lotus and King Dragspa Bumde, followed by a stop at the iconic Shanti Stupa, offering panoramic vistas of the valley. Continue on to the ancient Leh Palace, its weathered walls echoing stories of Ladakh's royal past. As evening falls, enjoy a leisurely walk through the lively local market, before returning to your hotel for a restful overnight stay in Leh.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 3

Chamba Camp Diskit, Diskit

Diskit

Resting on the banks of the Shyok River in India's beautiful Nubra Valley, the town of Diskit is set in the scenic Himachal Pradesh region. The stark valley is traversed by countless streams, rivers, and waterways and fringed by soaring peaks. As the largest town in the valley, it serves as the transport hub of the surrounding region. It is home to a 14th-century Buddhist monastery called the Diskit Monastery or Dekit Gompa, which is undoubtedly one of the main highlights of the town. Perched on top of a hill and laced with colourful prayer flags, it is the largest and oldest surviving monastery in the Nubra area. Visitors can also look forward to exploring the Old Town, soaking up the spectacularly scenic views of the magnificent broad Nubra Valley and discovering local treasures at the central bazaar. Don't miss the opportunity to see the giant Maitreya statue.

Day Itinerary

Begin your day with a sense of adventure as you journey into Ladakh's high-altitude desert, where the land feels vast and untamed. After breakfast, set off for Nubra Valley, crossing the legendary Khardung La Pass, one of the world's highest motorable roads, rising to nearly 18,380 feet. Snow-dusted peaks, wind-carved ridges and endless skies accompany you as you descend into the sweeping expanse of Nubra. By afternoon, arrive in Hunder for a well-earned lunch, followed by time to wander through the villages of Diskit and Hunder, where stark landscapes, quiet monasteries and shifting sand dunes create a surreal and unforgettable setting. Spend the night amid this extraordinary terrain.

Overnight: Chamba Camp Diskit

Cradled by jagged mountains on the northern route from the Leh Valley, meet two ancient rivers - Nubra and Shyok. They form the enchanting Nubra Valley - an oasis of forgotten tales of merchants, mercenaries and monks who trudged these high-altitudes trans-Himalayan sand dunes in search of gold, glory and God.

Continuing the expedition through dramatic landscapes of enormous glaciated peaks and arid thoroughfares, reach the tranquil yet thriving village of Diskit. Untouched by the mainstream mayhem, the village has beautifully preserved its sanctity despite being the commercial hub of Nubra.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 4

Chamba Camp Diskit, Diskit

Day Itinerary

Following breakfast, set out to explore the tranquil Insa Monastery, a 250-year-old spiritual retreat nestled near the village of Panamik, where silence and prayer seem to linger in the mountain air. Continue onward to the enchanting Yarab Tso, a hidden sacred lake whose still waters reflect the surrounding peaks in quiet reverence. Later, return to your hotel for a peaceful and comfortable night's rest, carrying with you the calm of Nubra's sacred landscapes.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 5

Misty Hills Cabins, Pangong Lake

Pangong Lake

Resting in the upper reaches of the mighty Himalayan Mountain range, the impressive Pangong Lake is renowned for its spectacular scenic beauty and its constantly shifting hues. While one-third of the lake belongs to India, the remaining two-thirds lie in Tibet and are controlled by China. The lake plays host to the endemic and exceptionally rare marmot as well as the kiang and a variety of migratory birds including bar-headed goose and brahmini ducks, making it a dream destination for wildlife enthusiasts. Make sure to visit during the tourist season between May and September as the gloriously blue waters turn to solid sheets of ice in winter when the lake is typically closed to visitors.

Day Itinerary

Set out on a spectacular drive through the Ladakhi countryside, travelling towards Pangong Lake via the dramatic Shayok Valley. This remote region unfolds between the twin valleys of Nubra and Shayok, framed by the glacier-clad peaks of the Karakoram Range. As you arrive at Pangong Lake—one of the world's highest saltwater lakes, shared between India and China—pause to take in its mesmerising, ever-shifting shades of blue set against a stark, high-altitude landscape. As evening descends, settle into your camp near the lake at an altitude of 14,500 feet (4,420 metres), where the silence of the mountains and the vast night sky create an unforgettable experience.

Overnight: Misty Hills Cabins

Located in Pangong, Misty Hills Cabins offers comfortable accommodation 150 metres from Pangong lake. The twelve cabins feature a constant supply of hot water, heating and sitting areas. A restaurant is also available which serves Indian, Continental, Italian and Chinese cuisines.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 6

The Grand Dragon Ladakh, Leh

Leh

Nestled among isolated mountain peaks, the bustling town of Leh has long been an important stopover for trade between Kashmir, Tibet, India and China. From a high viewpoint, grey flat-topped houses dominate the old city and sprawl through the valley easing off into a verdant patchwork of irrigated barley fields and tall trees, which light up the landscape. Major attractions offering superb views include the Buddhist Shanti Stupa and the former royal palace, Leh Palace, which is currently being restored. A worthwhile trek once you've settled into town is a hike to Victory Fort.

Day Itinerary

Begin your day with a serene morning stroll along the pristine shores of Pangong Lake, where the tranquil waters mirror the surrounding mountains in ever-changing hues. Later, journey back to Leh, crossing the dramatic Chang La Pass at 17,350 feet—the third-highest motorable road in the world—offering breathtaking vistas of snow-clad peaks and windswept valleys. In the afternoon, visit the regal Shey Palace, a poignant testament to Ladakh's royal past and storied heritage. Return to your hotel in Leh for an overnight stay, soaking in the quiet majesty of this highland kingdom.

Overnight: The Grand Dragon Ladakh

The Grand Dragon Ladakh is situated in the ancient city of Leh and it overlooks the famous Cold Desert and the surrounding mountains. Rooms come with standard amenities including a work desk, complimentary continental breakfast, complimentary natural spring water, free Wi-Fi, well stocked mini fridge, in room electric safe, hair dryer, individually controlled heating radiator, tea/coffee making facilities, 40 inch LED TV with Satellite channels and modern private bathroom. Facilities include a restaurant, open terrace, garden, coffee shop, banquet hall and meeting facilities.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 7

End of Itinerary

Day Itinerary

This morning, you will be transferred to Kushok Bakula Airport in Leh for your onward flight. As you leave this enchanting land of soaring passes, crystal lakes, and rugged mountains, carry with you the unforgettable memories and the serene beauty of Ladakh.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Travel Information



Vast, diverse, deeply spiritual and utterly unforgettable, India is unlike anywhere else on earth – a melting pot of ethnicities and religions, a treasure trove of history and culture, and a curious mixture of chaos and serenity. Stretching across more than three million square kilometres, it encompasses a staggering array of landscapes, vistas and environs, and offers unparalleled travel experiences – from the beautiful beaches of Goa, to the compelling craziness of Kolkata, the sacred Ganges river banks of Varanasi, the snow-capped peaks of the Himalayas in Kashmir and the ancient, exquisitely crafted temples dotted across the entire country. Not to mention the vibrant, friendly people, and the incredible cuisine.

Banking and Currency

Currency

Local currency: Indian Rupee

Symbol: ₹

ISO code: INR

Subunit: The Indian Rupee is divided into 100 paise, but since 2011, only the 50-paise coin is still accepted as valid currency.

Banknotes: ₹5, ₹10, ₹20, ₹50, ₹100, ₹200, ₹500

Coins: ₹0.50 (50 paise), ₹1, ₹2, ₹5, ₹10, ₹20

₹500 and ₹1000 banknotes of Mahatma Gandhi series issued up to November 08, 2016, have ceased to be Legal Tender with effect from the midnight of November 8, 2016.

Banking

Card Transactions: Yes

ATMs: Yes

Mastercard: Yes

Visa: Yes

American Express: Limited acceptance

Diner's club: Limited acceptance

Banking Hours:

Weekdays: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Weekends: Limited hours or closed, check with local banks.

Public Holidays: Yes (Varies, typically reduced hours)

Foreign exchange services: Yes

Travel, Transport and Getting Around

Air:

Main airlines: Air India, IndiGo, SpiceJet, Vistara

International Airports: Indira Gandhi International Airport (DEL), Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport

(BOM), Kempegowda International Airport (BLR), and others
 Domestic Airports: Numerous, including Jaipur, Lucknow, Guwahati, and Patna.

Road:

Driving on the: Left
 Tar roads: Yes
 Gravel roads: Limited
 Valid International Driver's License needed: Yes
 Car hire available: Yes
 Taxis: Yes
 E-hailing services: Yes

Bus:

Inter-city bus services: Yes
 Local city bus networks: Yes

Rail:

Railway system: Extensive
 Subway System: Limited (in select cities)

Water:

Ferries: Limited
 Water taxis: Limited
 Leisure cruises: Limited

Food, Drink and Cuisine Advice

Food and water safety:

Can you drink the tap water: No
 Fresh fruit and veg: Wash thoroughly or peel
 Ice: Use commercially produced ice
 Meat: Ensure it's well-cooked
 Street food: Yes

Local cuisine: Indian cuisine is diverse and varies greatly by region. Highlights include dishes like biryani, curry, dosa, chaat, and tandoori specialties. Vegetarian options are plentiful.

Drinks: Chai, lassi, sugarcane juice, and various regional beverages like coconut water. Alcoholic beverages are available, with beer and whiskey being popular choices.

Tipping: Generally 5-10% in restaurants; tipping for other services is discretionary.

Climate and Weather

Annual rainfall: Varies greatly by region, 500 mm-4,000 mm

Average temperature: Varies greatly by region, 15°C-30°C

Summer:

Average highs: 25-45°C
 Average lows: 20-30°C

Winter:

Average highs: 10-25°C
 Average lows: 5-15°C

Best time to visit: The best time to visit India depends on the region and your preferences. Generally, the winter months from October to March offer milder temperatures and are ideal for exploring most parts of the country.

Clothing and Dress Recommendations

Spring and Summer

Cool, light, breathable and comfortable: Yes

Lightweight warm clothes: No

Winter and Autumn

Jerseys, cardigans, sweaters, jackets: Recommended

Heavyweight clothing and boots: No

General

Umbrella and raincoat: Yes

Warm gloves, hat and scarf: No

Swimming costume (bathing suit): Yes

Hat, sunglasses and sunblock: Yes

Walking shoes: Yes

Casual: Yes

Smart-casual attire: Yes

Internet Availability

Internet cafes: Limited, mobile data or Wi-Fi in accommodations and cafes available.

Accommodation options: Yes

Restaurants: Yes

Cafes: Yes

Shopping malls: Yes

Public parks: Limited

Libraries: Limited

Electricity and Plug Standards

Plug Type: Type C, Type D, Type M

Voltage (V): 230

Frequency Hertz (Hz): 50

*Travel plug adapter and voltage converter might be necessary depending on your appliances.
