Mountain Expedition To

SPITI VALLEY

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Short *Itinerary!*

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Detailed *Itinerary!*

DAY 1: DELHI TO MANALI

- Board an overnight Volvo bus from Delhi to Manali, covering roughly 530–550 km in about 11–12 hours, depending on traffic and route.
- Enjoy the changing landscapes as you leave the plains and enter the Himalayas.
- Overnight journey in the bus.

DAY 2: MANALI TO JIBHI

- Reach Manali (altitude approx. 6,730 feet) in the morning and freshen up briefly.
- Start your road journey towards Jibhi in the Tirthan/Banjar Valley (approx. 100–110 km, 4–5 hours), a serene mountain village at roughly 6,800–7,300 feet.
- Check in to your stay in Jibhi and relax after the drive.
- You can explore nearby waterfalls, cafés, or just enjoy the peaceful riverside vibe in the evening.
- Overnight stay at Jibhi.

Meals: Only Dinner

DAY 3: JIBHI TO CHITKUL

- After breakfast, check out and ride towards Chitkul, the last inhabited village near the Indo-Tibet border.

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- The route via Jalori Pass and Kinnaur covers roughly 190–210 km and takes 8–10 hours with breaks, offering beautiful views of forests, valleys, and apple orchards.
- Arrive in Chitkul (altitude approx. 11,300–11,320 feet) by evening.
- Check in to your camps/homestay and enjoy the calm Baspa valley surroundings.
- Overnight stay in Chitkul.

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

DAY 4: CHITKUL TO NAKO

- After breakfast, take a short drive further towards the border viewpoint (till the civilian-permitted point) for photos.
- Later, start your journey towards Nako, the last major village of Kinnaur before entering the Spiti region (approx. 160–180 km, 7–9 hours).
- Reach Nako (village altitude approx. 11,900–12,000 feet) and walk around the famous Nako Lake nestled in the middle of the village.
- Check in to your stay and relax in the high-altitude setting.
- Overnight stay at Nako.

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

DAY 5: NAKO TO KAZA

- After breakfast, visit Nako Lake for a peaceful morning stroll and photos.

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- Proceed towards Kaza, the main town of Spiti Valley, covering roughly 110–130 km in 4–6 hours.
- En route, stop at Tabo, famous for its ancient monastery complex and murals (often called the “Ajanta of the Himalayas”).
- Continue to Kaza (altitude approx. 12,470–12,500 feet) and check in to your hotel/homestay.
- Dinner and overnight stay in Kaza.

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

DAY 6: KAZA LOCAL SIGHTSEEING

- Post breakfast, start your local Spiti exploration circuit from Kaza.
- Visit Key Monastery, the largest and one of the most iconic gompas in Spiti, perched on a hilltop above the Spiti River.
- Continue to Hikkim, home to one of the world’s highest post offices (around 14,400 feet), where you can send postcards from the mountains.
- Ride further to Komic village, among the world’s highest motorable villages at roughly 15,100 feet.
- Visit Langza, known for its giant Buddha statue, fossil fields, and panoramic views of the Chau Chau Kang Nilda peak (altitude around 14,500 feet).
- Return to Kaza by evening, relax, and enjoy dinner.
- Overnight stay in Kaza.

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

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DAY 7: KAZA TO CHANDRATAL

- Wake up early, have breakfast, and check out from Kaza.
- Drive towards Chandratal Lake, crossing Losar and high passes on the way (route distance approx. 100–120 km, 6–8 hours depending on road conditions).
- En route, visit Chicham Bridge, one of Asia's highest suspension bridges, connecting Chicham and Kibber villages over a deep gorge (bridge altitude around 13,500 feet).
- Reach Chandratal (the "Moon Lake") at an altitude of approx. 14,100 feet, and check in to your campsite.
- Spend the evening by the lake, surrounded by a million stars and a clear Milky Way on cloudless nights.
- Overnight stay in tents at Chandratal.

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

DAY 8: CHANDRATAL TO MANALI

- Post breakfast, start the drive back to Manali, crossing the rugged Gramphu–Batal stretch and then the newly opened Atal Tunnel (total distance approx. 120–140 km, 7–9 hours, road-condition dependent).
- Arrive in Manali by evening, freshen up, and prepare for your onward journey.
- Board the overnight Volvo bus from Manali to Delhi (approx. 530–550 km, 11–14 hours).

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- Overnight journey in bus.

Meals: Breakfast Only

DAY 9: DELHI ARRIVAL

- Arrive in Delhi in the morning, marking the end of your Spiti Valley circuit.
- Trip concludes with beautiful memories, new friendships, and a drive through some of the most dramatic landscapes of Himachal Pradesh.

Inclusion

- Volvo bus tickets Delhi–Manali–Delhi (semi-sleeper or equivalent).
- Manali–Spiti–Manali road journey by bike / SUV / tempo traveller as per package option.
- 1000–1100 km approximate riding/driving distance between Manali–Spiti–Manali sector.
- Accommodation for 7 nights in hotels / homestays / camps on twin or triple sharing (Chitkul, Nako, Kaza, Chandratal, Jibhi).
- Meals as per itinerary:
- Breakfast & Dinner on all on-road days (except Day 1 & Day 9 bus days; Day 2 dinner only; Day 8 breakfast only).
- Support vehicle for luggage and mechanical backup (for bike departures).
- Basic mechanical support for bikes (minor repairs, punctures; spares chargeable if used).
- Trip captain / road captain experienced in Spiti region.
- All required inner-line / local permits for the route (where applicable).
- Bonfire night at one campsite (subject to weather and local regulations).

Exclusion

- Any meals not mentioned in the itinerary (especially lunches and food during bus journeys).
- Personal expenses: snacks, beverages, laundry, phone calls, shopping, tips, etc.
- Entry fees to monasteries, monuments, local sightseeing points, camera charges.
- Room heater charges at any property (payable directly to hotel/camp).
- Extra nights' stay / additional meals arising due to roadblocks, landslides, snow, or other force-majeure situations.
- Medical / travel insurance, evacuation or rescue costs.
- Any kind of damages to bike/vehicle or gear; cost of spares used for personal bikes.
- Optional adventure activities (rafting, ATV, zip-line, etc.).
- Anything not specifically mentioned under "Inclusions".

Things to Carry

Clothing & Warm Layers:

- Warm thermals (top and bottom) – at least 2 pairs, suitable for up to around -10°C.
- Down jacket – 1 (comfortable till around -15°C).
- Winter woolen trek pants – 2–3 pairs.
- T-shirts – 3 (quick dry preferred).
- Fleece/woolen layers – 2.
- Woolen cap/beanie – 1–2.
- Sun cap/hat – 1.
- Windproof outer layer – 1
- Neck warmer/bandana – 1.
- Gloves – 1 pair (warm, preferably waterproof).
- Warm socks – multiple pairs.

Personal Essentials:

- Sunglasses or snow goggles (for glare protection)
- Small daypack to carry essentials during rides.
- Sunscreen (SPF 30+ recommended) and lip balm
- Personal toiletries
- Oxygen can (if possible)
- Power banks (minimun 20000 mAh)
- Basic personal medication kit.
- ID proof (mandatory for hotel check-ins and permits)

Travel Notes:

- Avoid carrying expensive valuables (jewellery, high-end laptops/gear); any loss or damage is at traveller's own risk.
- Mobile network is patchy after Jibhi; expect limited connectivity across Kinnaur and Spiti regions.
- ATMs are scarce beyond main towns; carry sufficient cash in small denominations for remote areas.
- Weather in Spiti can change quickly – pack warm, windproof and rain-resistant layers even in summer.
- High-altitude travel: drink plenty of water, avoid over-exertion and alcohol, and report any AMS-like symptoms (headache, nausea, breathlessness) to the trip captain immediately.
- Road conditions on the Spiti circuit can be rough with water crossings, broken patches and landslide-prone stretches; delays are possible and part of the adventure.
- Early check-in is strictly subject to hotel availability and is not guaranteed.
- Room heaters, additional orders, and à-la-carte items are chargeable extras, payable directly to the property.
- The operator reserves the right to change or re-route the itinerary due to weather, road conditions, local regulations, or safety reasons, without prior notice.
- Bookings are non-transferable; name changes or last-minute replacements are generally not allowed.
