Kargil Experience

Kargil-Ladakh



9 days in Sonmarg, Kargil, Leh, Nubra Valley & Pangong Lake

Destinations Covered	No of Nights
Sonmarg	1 Night
Kargil	1 Night
Leh	2 Nights
Nubra Valley	2 Nights
Pangong Lake	1 Night
Leh	1 Night

DAY 01: PICKUP FROM SRINAGAR AIRPORT/HOTEL & DRIVE TO SONMARG - 96 KMS / 3 HOUR

Pickup from Srinagar & drive to **Sonmarg** also known as Meadow of Gold, In sonmarg one can take a pony ride (at additional cost) to Thajiwas Glacier where snow remains round the year. Overnight in a Hotel.

DAY 02: SONMARG TO KARGIL (VIA SONMARG) - 108 KMS / 4 HOUR

Post breakfast drive towards Kargil enroute crossing **Drass Village** (2nd Coldest inhabited in the world) and have a magnificent view of Kargil War famous peaks (Tiger & Tololing) and pay tribute to **Vijay Smarak** (**The War Memorial**) located right on Highway at the base of tololing. After reaching Kargil we checked in at our hotel for overnight stay.

DAY 03: KARGIL TO LEH (VIA LAMAYURU) - 230 KMS / 6 HOUR

Post breakfast we drive to Leh enroute visiting **Lamayuru**, which belongs to Dripung Kagyu (Red Hat). After visiting the Monastery, we continue our drive along the River Indus to Uletokpo visiting **Ridzong Monastery**, there is the option to walk up to the Monastery for those that wish to do so. Hidden at the end of a steep valley, the first view of the Monastery is dramatic. Later visit the famous **Sangam Point** which is the confluence of Indus & Zanskar Rivers just after 4 km from Nimmu and drive further to **Magnetic Hill** which defies the law of gravity. It has been noticed that when a vehicle is parked on neutral gear on this metallic road the vehicle slides up. Next pay a visit to **Gurudwara Pathhar Sahib**, which was built by the Lamas of Leh in 1517 to commemorate the visit of Guru Nanak Dev. Upon arrival in Leh, check in to the hotel for dinner & overnight stay.

DAY 04: IN LEH

Morning at leisure to explore the destination on your own & evening visit to **Leh Palace**, **Shanti Stupa** & **Leh Market**. Dinner & Overnight at Hotel

DAY 05: LEH-NUBRA VALLEY VIA KHARDUNG LA 18,390 FT. (120 KMS / 4 - 5 HRS)

Post breakfast we drive to **Nubra Valley**. The road journey from Leh to Nubra Valley passes over **Khardung La** (The Highest Motorable Road In The World) at 5,602 Mtrs / 18,390 Ft, around 39 km from Leh. From the pass, one can see all the way south over the Indus valley to seemingly endless peaks and ridges of the Zanskar range, and north to the

giants of the Saser massif. Nubra Valley is popularly known as Ldumra or the valley of flowers. It is situated in the north of Ladakh between the Karakoram and Ladakh ranges of the Himalayas. The average altitude of the valley is 10,000 Ft. above sea level. Upon arrival in Nubra we check in at our Camp / Hotel in **Hunder** for Overnight stay. In the evening you can walk around the tiny villages to see how the locals live in this part of the world. Overnight Stay at the Camp or Hotel.

DAY 06: IN NUBRA (HUNDER VILLAGE) - EXCURSION TO TURTUK

After an early breakfast, proceed to **Turtuk** (A village that was won by India in the 1971 war with Pakistan) and extremely close to the border. Visit a **16th Century Mosque**, (comprising a touch of Turkish & Iranian culture), ruined fort of Dhards and Monastery. Admire the magnificent view of the famous K2 peak (The second highest peak in the world after Mount Everest). Later back to the hotel for overnight stay.

DAY 07: NUBRA VALLEY TO PANGONG LAKE (150 KMS / 5 HRS)

After an early breakfast we check out from Camp or hotel and drive towards **Hunder** where you have the opportunity to ride on a bactrian camel (double humped) amidst the sand dunes of this high altitude desert with snow capped mountains on the horizon. On the return stop at **Diskit** which is the headquarter town of Nubra Valley. Stroll around the bazaar observing the shops and local people going about their daily chores. Later we drive towards **Pangong Tso via Agham & Shyok Valley**. Some of the road patches in areas are extremely tough (towards the nubra side) in terms of road conditions but no doubt the journey is very scenic! Later after crossing this adventurous part we drive further towards **Durbuk & Tangtse** for Pangong you pass through a few small villages of **Changthang** and finally you can have a sudden view of the Pangong lake situated at 14,000 feet (4,267 m). Upon arrival we check in at our Camp/Hotel Near Pangong lake Dinner & Overnight at the Hotel

DAY 08: PANGONG LAKE TO LEH VIA CHANGLA (140 KMS / 6 HRS)

Morning at leisure to explore the beauty of the lake and later we drive back to Leh via **Changla Pass** 5486 Mtrs en route visiting **Hemis Gompa**, the largest monastic foundation of Drukpa Kagyu Order of Tibetan Buddhism. And further to **Thiksey** an impressive complex rising tier upon tier on a hill above the village and another 5 Kms driving through a picturesque landscape we reach to **Shey Palace**, The ancient capital of Ladakh & **3 Idiots Rancho School**. Drive further to Leh. Dinner & Overnight at Hotel.

THE ABOVE PACKAGE TOUR COST INCLUDES:-

- 1. Assistance upon arrival at Leh Hotel
- 2. Traditional welcome in the Hotel with Welcome Drink (Hot Tea) on arrival
- 3. Meal plan as mentioned above
- 4. 08 night Accommodation on twin/double sharing basis as per the Itinerary
- 5. Meals Breakfast and Dinner
- 6. Return airport and round trip transfers along with all sightseeing tours by **01 NON AC INNOVA** as per the above itinerary (**Pickup from Srinagar airport & drop at Leh airport**)
- 7. WildLife fees & Red Cross fee
- 8. Inner Line Permits
- 9. Environmental fee
- 10. Ladakh Entry Fee
- 11. Ecological development fee
- 12. Toll taxes/Parking/Driver allowances

THE ABOVE PACKAGE COST DOES NOT INCLUDE:-

- 1. Any Airfare
- 2. Any Kind of Personal Expenses or Optional Tours / Extra Meals Ordered
- 3. Anything not specifically mentioned under the head "Prices included".
- 4. The Services of Vehicle is not included on leisure days and; after finishing the sightseeing tour as per the ltinerary
- 5. Guide fee, Camera fee and; any monument Entrances
- 6. Medical and; Travel insurance
- 7. Any changes you may choose to make during your tour
- 8. Additional costs due to flight cancellation, road blocks etc

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