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# Testimonials

"It is indeed an amazing experience to travel with Dewan Holidays in Europe in all aspects like hotel stay, Food and other services. In fact I had the experiences with many travel companies, but I must say that the services of Dewan Holidays is excellent specially the professional and Humanitarian support of the service manager who was available in 24\*7 for all our queries and provide us the support and help. We are also thankful to support team for arranging all the official documents for our excellent tour. I recommend to get the services of Dewan Holidays for travel in India and Abroad."

- Malay Chakraborty

It was a nice enjoyable time we spent in our tour with Dewan travels The service was very good and particularly we are thankful to our tour manager for his coordination and support..

Thank you so much to entire teams of Dewan travels.

- Alpna Kamlesh

It was a very good experience for us to book travel through Dewan Holidays. Trip was well organised and special thanks to tour manager who guided us during the travel and showed all the places in a systematic way. Hotel and food was also very good.

- Saroj Kumar Sahoo



Had an amazing time in Iceland. The entire trip was well organised and well managed. They were professional and friendly. Wish I could go back.

- Eesha Negi

It was a wonderful experience to visit these countries with arrangements by Dewan Travels. The Tour Manager made it very comfortable by his planning and dealing with group members. Over all it was very satisfactory.

- Sujit Roy

The planned trip to Dubai was great, hassle free by Dewan Holidays. We enjoyed a lot. Thank you and looking forward to plan more trips. Special thanks to the team for assistance.

- Sanya Puri

We had a wonderful experience, everything was very well organised and well planned • The hotel stay and food was also very decent and comfortable • Special mention to both our very knowledgeable guides they took special care of everyone and guiding all very well• Thanks to them for clicking some great pics and also making us pose.

- Anil Recriwal

We had a great time in both UK and Europe, the trip was organised by Dewan Travels. staff was helpful from the day one, right from giving the trip details to visa processing at the VFS. A big thanks to our tour managers. We were able to explore all the places with their thorough knowledge of each and every place. We look forward to travel with Dewan again.

- Bhavna Israney



**Explore Yourself The Journey of a Lifetime to**  
**Himachal Pradesh – Ladakh – Kashmir**  
**Ageless Explorer Tour**  
**June, Aug & Sept 2024**

**11 Nights / 12 Days**

**Visit:**

**Himachal – Manali and Jispa**  
**Ladakh – Leh, Nubra Valley and Pangong**  
**Kashmir – Kargil and Srinagar**

**Sightseeing Includes:**

**Manali:** 02 Nights  
Kullu Village. Kullu Shwal Making Factories. Hadimba Devi Temple. Club House. Van Vihar. Vashisht Bath. Mall Road.

**Jispa:** 01 Night  
Atal Tunnel. Koksar

**Leh:** 02 Nights  
Baralacha La, Nakee La Pass, Lachang La Pass, Pang. Skyangchu Thang, Tanglang La Pass, Indus Valley. Leh Palace. Shanti Stupa. Leh Market.

**Nubra Valley:** 02 Nights  
Khardung La. Turtuk Village. 16th Century Mosque. Fort of Dhards & Monastery. K2 Peak. Hunder Village. Diskit Monastery

**Pangong Lake:** 01 Night  
Agham Valley. Shyok Valley. Durbuk & Tangtse. Changthang. Changla Pass

**Leh:** 01 Night  
Hemis Gompa / Hemis Monastery. Thiksey Monastery. Shey Palace. 3 Idiots Rancho School. Gurudwara Pathar Sahib, Magnetic Hill. Sangam Point - Confluence of the Indus and Zaskar River. Likir Monastery. Uletokpo or Tingmosgang. Ridzong Monastery. Lamayuru Monastery

**Kargil:** 01 Night  
River Indus on Leh – Kargil Highway. Drass. Tiger Hill. Tololing Peak. Vijay Smarak

**Srinagar:** 01 Night  
Mughal Gardens. Nishat Garden. Shalimar Garden. Chashmashah Shikara Ride on world famous Dal Lake.

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## SUGGESTED HOTELS OR SIMILAR:

<u>City</u>	<u>Night/s</u>	<u>5 Star Hotel</u>
Manali	02 Nights	Larisa Resorts
Jispa	01 Night	Hotel Ibex
Leh	02 Nights	The Grand Dragon
Nubra Valley	02 Nights	Stone Hedge
Pangong Lake	01 Night	Pangong Sarai
Leh	01 Night	The Grand Dragon
Kargil	01 Night	The Kargil
Srinagar	01 Night	The Kabo

<u>City</u>	<u>Night/s</u>	<u>4 Star Hotel</u>
Manali	02 Nights	Orchard Green Resprt & Spa
Jispa	01 Night	Hotel Ibex
Leh	02 Nights	Ladakh Residency
Nubra Valley	02 Nights	La Shyok Resort,
Pangong Lake	01 Night	Lemon Green
Leh	01 Night	Ladakh Residency
Kargil	01 Night	The Kargil
Srinagar	01 Night	The Dewan Royal by Naqash

### Day 01: Delhi – Manali (Approx 570 Kms / 12 – 14 Hours)

Early morning departure from a common reporting point in Delhi and proceed with the journey to **Manali** – Besides natural charm and unparalleled beauty, Manali is known for its unlimited adventure opportunities, the famous Hadimba Temple, the scenic Rohtang Pass, the snow-laden Solang Valley and its delightful culinary scene

En-route visit **Kullu Village and Shwal Making Factories**. Early evening on reaching Manali, complete the check in formalities at the hotel. Rest of the evening at leisure. **Overnight stay in Manali.**

**Meals: Lunch (En-route at a local restaurant) and Dinner.**

### Day 02: Manali Local Sightseeing

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel. Later in the day visit **Hadimba Devi Temple** – A place of historical and archaeological importance, the Hadimba or Dhoongri Temple is dedicated to Goddess Hadimba, the wife of Bhima, a figure from the epic Mahabharata. It is among the most prominent temples in Manali that draws tourists both for spiritual reasons and its architectural appeal. **Club House** – Run and managed by HPTDC it is a perfect escape for kids and adults



both with many indoor games like the billiards room, the skating rinks etc. The adventurers can indulge in river crossing and zip lining here.

**Van Vihar** – It is a great place to spend some time amidst nature and enjoy the picturesque surroundings. There are several walking trails inside the park that visitors can explore. Van Vihar is home to a wide variety of flora and fauna, including several species of birds and animals. **Vashisht Bath** – famous for its sulphurous hot water springs and sanctified by three main temples dedicated to Lord Vashisht, Lord Shiva and Lord Rama built just next to the springs. **Mall Road** – embodies the charm of the hill town in all its glory. There are tonnes of boutiques and antique shops lined up in this well-known shopping street where you can find some excellent souvenirs. The place features a huge collection of unique items made by local artisans. Return to hotel after sightseeing. **Overnight stay in Manali.**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch (At a local restaurant) and Dinner.**

### **Day 03: Manali- Jispa Via Atal Tunnel (Approx 93 Kms / 03 Hours)**

Today we start our journey to **Jispa** – Famous for its camping grounds overlooking the Baga River and the Himalayas, under the starry-sky. Travelers from Manali to Ladakh and back, often halt in Jispa for overnight outdoor camping.

As soon as we will start our journey to **Koksar** – It is one of the coldest places in Lahaul and remains covered with snow during the winters. Koksar becomes gateway to Lahaul valley for tourists during summers. and then to our destination **Jispa**. Check in at the hotel on arrival. Rest of the day at leisure. **Overnight stay in Jispa.**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch (At a local restaurant) and Dinner.**

### **Day 04: Jispa – Leh (Approx 335 Kms / 08 Hours)**

After an early breakfast, check out from the hotel and ride north on the Manali-Leh Highway. Where you get to see some of the most breath-taking landscapes that the Western Himalayas can offer.

The scenery gets starker and barren as we climb up to the 16,500-foot high **Baralacha La** – the second mountain pass on our journey. From the pass beautiful views of meadows and snow-capped mountains can be seen. And we proceed further through **Nakee La Pass** – is a mountain in the Zaskar Range. This pass connects the Himachal Pradesh districts of Lahaul and Spiti to the J&K Zaskar Range and **Lachang La Pass** – a paved motorable mountain pass in Ladakh in India just north of border with Himachal Pradesh.

En- route stop for lunch at **Pang** – is barren landscape located between Manali and Leh on Manali-Leh Highway, Pang will be along the Moray plains watching the rugged brown peaks on either side.

After Lunch drive to Leh passing through **Skyangchu Thang** – the biggest and highest plateau on earth on a stretch of 42kms leaves you breathless.

**Tanglang La Pass** – elevation 5,328 meters, is a high-altitude mountain pass in the Indian union territory of Ladakh and **Indus Valley** – known for its well-planned cities, elaborate drainage systems, water supply systems that was previously not seen in any type of civilization before. Upon arrival in Leh, check in to the pre-arranged hotel. **Overnight stay in Leh.**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch (At a local restaurant) and Dinner.**

#### **Day 05: Leh Half Day City Tour**

Post breakfast, day free to rest. Later in the evening visit – **Leh Palace** – Also known as Lachen Palkar Palace is a former royal palace overlooking the city of Leh in Ladakh, India. It was constructed in 1600 by Singay Namgyal. The palace was abandoned when Dogra forces took control of Ladakh in the mid-19th century and forced the royal family to move to Stok Palace.

**Shanti Stupa** – A Buddhist white-domed Stupa on a hilltop in Chanspa, Leh district, Ladakh, in north India. It was built in 1991 by Japanese Buddhist Bhikshu, Gyomojo Nakamura. The Shanti Stupa holds the relics of the Buddha at its base, enshrined by the 14th Dalai Lama.

**Leh Market** – One of the top things that Leh Main Market is famous for is its woolen garments. Because of the cold climate, the people in Leh have a culture of creating handwoven woolen clothes, which have now become popular and demanded local products of Ladakh. Return to hotel after sightseeing. **Overnight stay in Leh.**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch (At a local restaurant) and Dinner.**

#### **Day 06: Leh – Nubra Valley (Approx. 160 Kms / 05 Hours)**

Post breakfast, drive to **Nubra Valley** – Also called Dumra, is a historical region of Ladakh, India that is currently administered as a subdivision and a tehsil in the Leh district. Its inhabited areas form a tri-armed valley cut by the Nubra and Shyok rivers. Its Tibetan name Dumra means "valley of flowers".

The road journey from **Leh to Nubra Valley passes over Khardung La** – The Second 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 Zaskar range, and north to the giants of the Saser massif. Upon arrival in Nubra we check in at our Camp / Hotel. In the evening you can walk around the tiny villages to see how the locals live in this part of the world. **Overnight stay in Nubra Valley**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch (At a local restaurant) and Dinner.**

#### **Day 07: Nubra Valley**

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. Places to visit here comprises of a **16th Century Mosque** – comprising of a touch of Turkish & Iranian culture, ruined **Fort of Dhards** and a **Monastery**. You can also admire the magnificent view of the famous **K2 peak** (The second highest peak in the world after Mount Everest. Return to the hotel / cap after sightseeing. **Overnight stay in Nubra valley**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch (At a local restaurant) and Dinner.**



### **Day 08: Nubra Valley – Pangong (Approx 274 Kms / 08 Hours)**

After an early breakfast, check out 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. Next stop will be at **Diskit Monastery** – which is the headquarter town of Nubra Valley. Belonging to the 14th century, this monastery is considered to be the largest and oldest monastery in Nubra Valley. Also known as Diskit Gompa, the monastery's most prominent attraction is the huge Maitreya Buddha statue atop it, which was inaugurated by HH Dalai Lama. Stroll around the bazaar observing the shops and local people going about their daily chores.

Later we drive towards the majestic **Pangong Tso via Agham & Shyok Valley** – Pangong Tso or Pangong Lake is an endorheic lake spanning eastern Ladakh and West Tibet situated at an elevation of 4,225 m. It is 134 km long and divided into five sublakes, called Pangong Tso, Tso Nyak, Rum Tso and Nyak Tso.

Some of the road patches in areas are extremely tough (towards 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**, you will also pass through few small villages of **Changthang** and finally you have a sudden view of the majestic Pangong lake situated at 14,000 feet (4,267 m). Upon arrival we check in at our Camp/Hotel near Pangong lake.

#### **Overnight stay in Pangong**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch (At a local restaurant) and Dinner.**

### **Day 09: Pangong – Leh (Approx 224 Kms / 06 Hours)**

Morning at leisure to explore the beauty of lake and later we drive back to Leh via **Changla Pass** – A high mountain pass in Ladakh at an elevation of 17,688.000 feet in the Ladakh Range between Leh and the **Shyok River Valley**. The Chang La, on Leh to Pangong Lake road, lies on the Leh-Karu-Sakti-Zingral-Chang La-Durbuk-Tangtse-Pangong Lake motorable road.

En-route visiting **Hemis Gompa / Hemis Monastery** – is a Himalayan Buddhist monastery of the Drukpa Lineage, in Hemis on the bank of Indus River, Ladakh, India. Situated 45 km from Leh, it was re-established in 1672 by the Ladakhi king Sengge Namgyal. The annual Hemis festival honouring Padmasambhava is held there in early June. And further to **Thiksey Monastery** – Apart from being the largest monastery of Central Ladakh, the monastery is also famous for its 49 ft tall statue of Maitreya Buddha in the lotus position, covering two floors of the monastery. The statue was built to commemorate the 14th Dalai Lama's visit to Thiksey Monastery in the year 1970.

**Shey Palace** – Shey Monastery and Palace is best known for the three-storey statue of Buddha Shakyamuni. Made of copper, the statue is said to be a one-of-a-kind structure in the region. The palace complex is sprinkled with many Buddhist chortens.

**3 Idiots Rancho School** – Featured in the Bollywood movie 3 Idiots, which the majority of people around have watched, Druk Padma Karpo School is an educational institution in Ladakh. Also called Rancho School after it got famous, this Buddhist cultural school has also

won many awards for having a unique and creative study curriculum. Further driver and check in at the Leh Hotel.

### **Overnight stay in Leh**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch (At a local restaurant) and Dinner.**

### **Day 10: Leh – Kargil (Approx 216 Kms / 05 Hours)**

After breakfast check out and drive downstream along the **River Indus on Leh – Kargil Highway** visiting **Gurudwara Pathar Sahib** – It is popularly believed that during 1515-18 when Guru Nanak was returning to Punjab via Srinagar, after travelling to Sikkim, Nepal and Tibet, he had rested at this place. When he reached Leh he sat here to meditate. While here, Guru Nanak vanquished a demon who was trying to crush him with a boulder.

**Magnetic Hill** – Which defies the law of gravity, the layout of the area and surrounding slopes create the optical illusion of a hill. The hill road is actually a downhill road. Objects and cars on the hill road may appear to roll uphill in defiance of gravity when they are, in fact, rolling downhill. **Sangam Point** – Which is the **confluence of the Indus and Zaskar River**. Just before Saspul a road to the right takes you for your visit to the **Likir Monastery** – Likir is one of the most active monasteries in the region. As you drive up to the monastery a recently installed colossal gilded image of the Maitreya out in the open is one of the most impressive sights in Ladakh. After visiting the Monastery, continue the drive along the River Indus to **Uletokpo** or **Tingmosgang** en- route visiting **Ridzong Monastery** – Gelugpa or Yellow Hat Buddhist monastery is also called the Yuma Changchubling . It is situated at the top of a rocky side valley on the north side of the Indus, to the west of Alchi on the way to Lamayuru. 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.

Further drive to Kargil enroute visiting the 11th century **Lamayuru Monastery** – is known for its monastery, and for its “lunar” landscape – quaintly promoted as a “Moonscape” for tourists. The landscape is certainly incredible with its spectacularly odd geological formations, though this is not unique to Lamayuru. Lamayuru monastery is ancient, built into the 'moonscape'. Further drive to Kargil over Fatu-la (13,489 ft) which is the highest pass on Srinagar – Leh road. On reaching, check in at the hotel. Rest of the day at leisure. **Overnight stay in Kargil**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch (At a local restaurant) and Dinner.**

### **Day 11: Kargil – Srinagar (Approx 200 Kms / 05 Hours)**

After early breakfast drive to Srinagar passing through **Drass** – known locally in Shina as Himababs, Hembabs, or Humas, is a town and hill station, near Kargil in the Kargil district of the union territory of Ladakh in India. It is on the NH 1 between Zoji La pass and Kargil. the second coldest inhabited place on earth and enjoy spectacular view of famous Kargil War Peaks. **Tiger Hill** – It is one of the highest peaks in the area and was the subject of a battle during the 1999 Kargil War. **Tololing Peak** – was a pivotal battle in the Kargil War. Pay a tribute to **Vijay Smarak** – dedicated to Indian Soldiers who laid their lives for us during Kargil War in 1999. Upon arrival in Srinagar, check in at the hotel. Later in the day visit –

**Mughal Gardens, Nishat Garden** known as ‘Garden of pleasure’ built in 16<sup>th</sup> century (1633) by Mughal King Asif Khan. Then visit to **Shalimar Garden** known as ‘Garden of love’ built in



16<sup>th</sup> century (1619) by Mughal King Jahangir for his beloved wife Noor Jahan or (Mehr-un-Nissa & **Chashmashahi** (The Royal Spring). The Chashmashahi Mughal Garden in Srinagar had been loved by emperors and picnickers alike. Evening you take a **Shikara Ride on world famous Dal Lake**, where you visit the floating vegetable gardens & Open Dal Lake. While riding the Shikara's there are plenty of opportunities for bird watching with plentiful species including Kingfisher, Little Bittern, Common Pariah Kites, Grebe etc. Return to hotel after sightseeing. **Overnight stay in Srinagar.**

**Meals: Breakfast, Lunch (At a local restaurant) and Dinner.**

**Day 12: Srinagar – Delhi Departure by Air**

Check out from hotel after breakfast and transfer to the airport to board the flight for onward journey.

**Meals: Breakfast.**

**Package Cost Per Person on Twin sharing with 4-star hotels**

Vehicle Proposed	Minimum 2 guests traveling together	Minimum 4 guests traveling together
AC Toyota Crysta	INR 140,990	INR 112,990
AC Toyota Fortuner	INR 167,990	INR 125,990

**Package Cost Per Person on Twin sharing with 5-star hotels**

Vehicle Proposed	Minimum 2 guests traveling together	Minimum 4 guests traveling together
AC Toyota Crysta	INR 204,990	INR 175,990
AC Toyota Fortuner	INR 231,900	INR 189,990

**Tour cost includes**

- Surface transfers from Delhi – Manali – Leh – Kashmir as per the itinerary.
- Accommodation at the hotels mentioned or similar on twin sharing basis.
- Meals as per itinerary.
- Shikara Ride at Dal Lake for 01 hour.
- All transfers and sightseeing as per itinerary / package opted for by either Toyota Crysta or Toyota Fortuner
- All applicable taxes as on date including Toll Taxes, State Permits, Inner Line Permits, Wild Life fees, Red Cross Fee, Environmental Fee , Ladakh Entry Fee and Ecological Development Fee.





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**Departure Months: 2024- Ex Delhi**

June,2024:

August,2024:

September2024: