

Scenic Himachal –Luxury Package

Cities:

Shimla (2N), Manali (4N), Chandigarh (1N)

Package Highlights

- Chance To Go For Ice Skating Ring In Shimla
- Enjoy Colonial Charm Of Shimla With Museum Viceregal Lodge & Overall Architecture
- Enjoy Varities Of Food In Shimla Mall Roads
- Opt For Adventure Activities Like Paraglyding , Zorbing & More
- Can Enjoy River Rafting In Manali
- Rock Garden
- Opt For Rose Garden In Chandigarh

FLIGHT & TRANSPORT

- All transfers & sightseeing by ac vehicle (AC will not work in Hilly regions)

ACCOMMODATION

- 2 Night(s) in Shimla at Wildflower Hall In the Himalayas, Deluxe Garden View Room or similar
- 4 Night(s) in Manali at Manuallaya The Resort Spa in the Himalayas, Deluxe Suite Room or similar
- 1 Night(s) in Chandigarh at Hyatt Regency Chandigarh, King Bed Room or similar

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Hotels -

1. Mashobra Shimla - Wildflower Hall, An Oberoi Resort, Shimla (Deluxe Garden Room)
2. Manali - Manuallaya Resort (Deluxe Suite)
3. Chandigarh - Hyatt Regency (Kind bed room)

SIGHTSEEING

Manali, India

- Manali City Tour
- Naggar Castle Art Gallery
- Hidimba Devi Temple
- Tibetan Monastery at Manali
- Vashisht Temple & Hot Water Springs
- Visit Manali Main Street - Mall Road
- Rohtang Pass (Optional Cost)
- Solang Valley

Shimla, India

- Shimla City Tour
- Kufri Valley
- Visit golf course in Naldehra
- Shimla Mall Road
- Jakhoo Hill and Temple
- Viceregal Lodge

Chandigarh, India

- Chandigarh City Tour
- Rock Garden

MEALS

- 7 Breakfast
- 7 Dinner

ITINERARY

DAY 1: DELHI - SHIMLA (343KMS, 9 HRS) (D)

Arrive at Delhi Airport, meet the assistance and drive to Shimla - the land of pine scented hills, beautiful Shali peaks, crisp winter skies, fragrant cedar forests, romantic mists and golden hillsides. On arrival check into the hotel. Dinner & Overnight stay at Shimla.

DAY 2: SHIMLA (B/F,D)

Today morning after breakfast drive to Kufri valley - located 16 kms from Shimla, it commands a panoramic view of the majestic Himalayas. Later visit Naldehra - 23kms - under a skyline etched with conifers, Naldehra offers a well-groomed nine hole golf course.

Evening take a visit to a mall road to visit Jakhu Temple, dedicated to Hanuman, from where you enjoy an excellent view of Shimla. Next visit the Viceregal Lodge - formerly the residence of the British Viceroy of India – that houses ancient articles and photographs dating back to the times of the British rule in India which once served as the seat of power, The Ridge and the Christ church. Evening return to the hotel. Dinner & Overnight stay at Shimla.

DAY 3: SHIMLA - MANALI (257 KMS, 7 ½ HRS)- (B/F,D)

Today Morning after breakfast check out and drive to Manali. Enroute visit Kullu village and the shawl factory. Later drive to Manali. On arrival check into the hotel. Dinner & Overnight stay at Manali.

DAY 4: MANALI- (B/F,D)

Today Morning after breakfast visit the

Naggar Castle Art Gallery : It is a heaven for all the art lovers. This place will please anyone who loves art and paintings. This castle is also a heritage hotel and a great place for someone who loves art and artistic pieces.

Timings : 7:00 am – 10:00 pm

Hadimba Devi Temple : It is an ancient cave temple dedicated to Hidimbi Devi, wife of Bhima, a figure in the Indian epic Mahābhārata.

Tibetan Monastery : Manali Gumpa is a great place to learn about the Buddhist culture. Famous for its wall paintings, architecture and Chortens, this place is a must-visit if you are looking for some religious and spiritual atmosphere. The landscape around this Gumpa is also stunning. It is also famous for its pagoda-style architecture.

Timings: 07:00 am - 07:00 pm

Vashisht Temple for hot sulphur springs - just outside Manali, across the river Beas, known for its hot sulphur springs whose water is said to have curative properties. **Enjoy the Mall road of Manali.**

Return to the hotel. Dinner & Overnight stay at Manali .

- **DAY 5: MANALI - ROHTANG - MANALI (51 KMS, 4 HRS DRIVE ONE WAY)- (B/F,D)**

Today early Morning around 5.30 am proceed for an excursion to Rohtang Pass (At Personal Cost through Union Vehicle)

Rohtang Pass is a high mountain pass on the eastern Pir Panjal Range of the Himalayas located 51 kms from Manali, 3978 meters high, It connects the Kullu Valley with the Lahaul and Spiti Valleys of Himachal Pradesh and further to Ladakh. Spend some time at Rohtang, do photography, enjoy playing in snow, and having tasteful Maggi and hot tea.

Return to your hotel in the evening. Dinner & Overnight stay at Manali.

DAY 6: MANALI- (B/F)

Today Morning after breakfast, leisure time to enjoy the resort activities.

Later afternoon visit Solang valley to enjoy some adventure sports like Paragliding, Zorbing (Activities at own cost) (operational of this activity depends on the weather conditions.)

Or

Drive to Kullu for Rafting : Beas river is the major spot for river rafting in Manali. Various private companies offer this adventure to tourists with great security and equipments. Rafters also get to witness amazing views of the landscape while enjoying rafting. Return to your hotel in the evening. Dinner & Overnight stay at Manali.

DAY 7: MANALI - CHANDIGARH (8 HRS – 300 KMS)- (B/F,D)

Today Morning after breakfast check out early and drive to Chandigarh. Its going to be a long and hectic drive. On arrival check into the hotel. Dinner & Overnight stay at Chandigarh.

DAY 8: CHANDIGARH AIRPORT DROP- (B/F)

Today morning after breakfast check out and visit

Rock Garden : The Rock Garden of Chandigarh is a sculpture garden in Chandigarh, India. It is also known as Nek Chand's Rock Garden after its founder Nek Chand Saini, a government official who started the garden secretly in his spare time in 1957. Today it is spread over an area of 40 acres

Timings : 9:00 am – 7:00 pm all days

Entry fee : INR 30 per person

Later drop at Chandigarh airport for flight to your home town. You return back with wonderful memories of Himachal.

(The itinerary changes as per the flight timings on this day)

Sight seeings

MANALI

Manali City Tour

India has been home to various cultures, such as British, Rajputs and Mughals. Their imprint can be witnessed first-hand while enjoying Manali sightseeing holidays. This place is one of the destinations, showcasing a perfect amalgamation of ingenious architectural styles. The beauty of the edifices in this will take you aback, walking you through the contemporary time. History buffs can book packages with Yatra.com for a unique experience of sightseeing in Manali. The best part about these packages is that itineraries are designed in a way which helps in choosing the best option as per your tastes and preferences.

Naggar Castle Art Gallery

At a distance of 20 km from Manali Bus Stand and 22 km from the Kullu Bus Stand, The Naggar Castle is a famous castle located in Naggar. It is one of the best places to visit in Manali. The Castle overlooks the Kullu Valley. From the castle one could see the far off snow-covered peaks, the delightful Beas valley below and the lush green hill sides dotted with apple orchards. This is another popular attraction not to miss in a Manali tour package.

The Naggar Castle is a magnificent historical structure. The castle was built by Raja Sidhi Singh in 1460 AD in an impressive combination of European and Himalayan architecture. The castle has traditional architecture called Kathkooni, which uses a combination of stones and wooden beams.

The Naggar Castle was used as a Royal residence and state head quarter until the British took over the whole Kangra and Kullu from Sikh's in 1846. Raja Gyan Singh sold it to the first assistant commissioner, Major Hay for a Gun. The northern wing of the castle was later converted to the European way of living by putting in staircase, fire place and chimneys. He later sold it to the Government when it was used as a courthouse. In 1947, with the departure of the British the court-activity ceased.

In the year 1978, the castle was converted into a rest house and more recently into a heritage hotel that is run by Himachal Pradesh Tourism Development Corporation (HPTDC). The Naggar Castle has been recently renovated while keeping its heritage structure intact.

There are three small shrines present within the premises that hold religious significance. Here, a gallery houses the paintings of the Russian artist Nicholas Roerich.

Hidimba Devi Temple

Open Time : 08:00 AM

Close Time : 18:00 PM

Situated in the midst of the snow-covered hills of Manali, the Hadimba Temple is a one of a kind sanctuary committed to Hidimba Devi, who was the spouse of Bhima and mother of Ghatothkach. Flanked by perfect cedar woods, this wonderful holy place is based on a stone which is assumed to be in the picture of goddess Hidimba herself. The ambience of the Hidimba Devi sanctuary is totally not the same as that of any of different sanctuaries, with its wooden entryways, dividers, and cone-molded rooftop. The heavenly Hidimba Devi Temple holds momentous significance to Hindu travelers as it is a piece of the Hindu epic Mahabharata. Indeed, even separated from that, the Hadimba Temple is no less of marvel to nature. Stashed into the lap of nature, this temple offers a tranquil escape to nature and harmony. Being a curious story in itself, the Hidimba Temple is attracting travelers from all corners of the world.

Tibetan Monastery at Manali

Open Time : 06:00 AM

Close Time : 18:00 PM

Manali has innumerable colourful Monastery that characterize the rich history & culture of the Tibetan people settled in Kullu and Manali. Manali has two main monasteries that captivate a large number of tourists — the Gadhan Thekchoking Gompa and the Himalayan Nyingamapa Gompa. These monasteries are encircling by many small shops selling alluring handicrafts and carpets, which are built by the Tibetan people living around these monasteries. Tibetan Monastery also run a carpet weaving center & Thanksgiving School of Arts to conserve primitive Tibetan art. The paintings inside these buildings portray events from the life and period of Lord Buddha, that is, the wheel of life fixed on the wall of the monastery depicts the human life cycle. Buddhists believe that rolling these wheels gives you freedom. The Gadhan Thekchoking Gompa is situated near the Mall in Manali. The monastery is run by the local people who gather funds through donations. The unique feature of the monastery is the handicrafts of Tibetan artistry and the carpets that are woven and sold in the monastery. The Gadhan Thekchoking Gompa was constructed in the year 1969. The architecture of the monastery represents the Tibetan style of architecture designed with hued frescoes. The statue of the Lord Buddha presides in the monastery. The Himalayan Nyingamapa Gompa is situated near the market place in Manali. The architecture of this monastery replicates a more modern style than the earlier one. Placed in the midst of sunflowers, the monastery glows at night with light bulbs lit to lighten it up. The huge gold faced bronze statue of Lord Buddha presides over the monastery.

Vashisht Temple & Hot Water Springs

Open Time : 07:00 AM

Close Time : 21:00 PM

Vashisht is a little town in the Kullu zone of Himachal Pradesh, and it is renowned for the Vashisht Ashram and the Vashisht Baths(Hot springs).This temple consists of wooden carvings which draws the attention of travelers from all corners of the world and hence proves to be an important vacation spot in Manali. It is also said that during the time of Ramayana this ashram was residence of Vashisht Rishi (The Guru of Lord Rama and Lakshman).And it is located inside the very well-known Vashisht Temple in Manali. And basically Vashisht Baths is a hot water spring, believed to be having great amount of therapeutic medicinal values. In other words it is also termed as Vashisht Springs. Manytourists who pay a visit here bathe in the holy water to rid themselves of skin diseases and infections. Tourists should definitely add Vashisht Baths to their Himachal Holiday Tour Package.There is another ancient stone temple known as Rama Temple adjacent to the Vashisht Temple. Inside the Rama temple the idols of Rama, Sita and Lakshmana have been installed. Dussehra is celebrated for seven days. The village was the centre of Vaishnava cult for a long time.

Visit Manali Main Street - Mall Road

Open Time : 09:00 AM

Close Time : 18:00 PM

Manali is a magnificent hill station and attracts tourists from all over the country. It is popular not only for its beauty, but also for the popular Mall Road shopping center. The place is famous for street shopping and bustle with events taking place during the day. While strolling the streets, you can take a closer look at the finely populated shops, which are associated with impressive items such as shawls, woollen items, artificial ornaments, wooden furniture, antiques, books, Tibetan items, and much more. If you are looking for a Kashmir salwar suit, paper silk printed sarees & other items with jams or pickles, among other things that are prevalent in ethnic style, are quite popular with tourists. Lined with multiple restaurants, cafes, and dhabas, this place is ideal for those who have got a flavor of bargaining skills deeply rooted in them. Next, this famous commercial center has got a lot of emporiums and shops lined up for you to buy some exquisite souvenirs. The Tibetan Style Handicrafts found here are simply astounding.

Note : Vehicle are not allowed in Mall road.

Rohtang Pass (Optional Cost)

Rohtang pass is situated at a distance of 51 kilometers from the main town and it is also said to be a gateway to Lahaul and Spiti Valley in Himachal Pradesh. This mountain incline is wonderful to the point that individuals from each edge of the nation visit this spot to partake in experience sports, for example, skiing, ice-skating, paragliding, and so on. Rohtang owes to its splendid beauty and some of your favorite songs from the movie Yeh Jawani Hai Deewani and Jab We Met have been shot here. The Rohtang Pass is a road, which is all around associated with Leh Ladakh (State of Jammu and Kashmir) from Manali. In May, Rohtang become a spot for nature lover and adventure searchers, who can encounter experience sports, for example, skiing, skating, paragliding, and the sky is the limit from there. Explore it with our Himachal tour packages. The best time to visit Rohtang la Pass is from the second week of September to the second week of October. During this time, the pass opens just after monsoons and before it closes for winters. It is recommended to plan your trip during this time, because the summer months, that is May to June, see a lot of tourists in this region. As a result, it gets quite difficult to get a permit to cross the pass. Additionally, there are long traffic jams in Manali, Rohtang, and Gulaba. The enchanting glaciers, bottleneck roads, slithering rivers, magnificent mountain ranges and 360-degree panoramic views await all those who are brave enough to face the challenging terrains and weather of the region. The route from Manali to Rohtang is one of the most scenic drives in India and each year hundreds of bikers brave the challenging terrain and embark on a journey of a lifetime. Union Vehicle cost Rs 2500 for 4 person

Important Notes:

- Local vehicles are not allowed there because for rohtang pass need to take online permit before one day with necessary documents , Better you can do their union vehicle it has already permit .The only reason behind doing this is to save the delicate ecology of the pass and stop the environmental damage.
- No Vehicles are allowed on TUESDAY as the day is marked for maintenance of Rohtang Pass
- Make sure you plan your trip so that you reach the pass while it is still daylight. The path is quite difficult, the roads are winding, the altitudes are high, and it gets colder as the day progresses. So it is better to start early during the day so that you can come back in time
- Make sure you wear warm clothes as it gets quite cold in the mountains. Additionally, it is recommended to keep a thermos of tea or coffee, and pack some snacks too.
- If you are planning to rent snow clothes, make sure you compare the prices with the fixed prices decided by the government.
- Since oxygen levels are low in the mountains, you may get altitude sickness. Pack some necessary medications for such cases.
- The above vehicle is not pre-bookable, the rates may vary from supplier to supplier. This has to be booked & pay directly on spot. The rates given are just for reference and planning purpose only.

Solang Valley

OpenTime: 09:00AM

CloseTime : 18:00 PM

Situated at a distance of 13kms from Manali, Solang valley is located in between the Solang village and Beas Kund. It's another skiing heaven as well as part more with regards to the one of kind encounters. Solang Valley is otherwise called Solang Nullah, and is extremely acclaimed and favored zone for all the exciting experiences in Himachal Pradesh. Particularly for the individuals who love adventure; there is no spot better than Solang in Kullu Valley to appreciate exciting experiences like parachuting, paragliding, skiing and zorbing. It is 2560 meters above the sea level. Solang is not just about adventure experiences but it is also about rich greenery, apple plantations, snowcapped mountains and lakes attracting travelers from other regions of India as well as around the world. One should not miss out on visiting this place on your trip to Manali. It's another skiing heaven, and is known for many other thrilling and one of a kind experience. So basically, whether you're an adventure lover or a nature lover, this is the best spot to visit for your next vacation.

Best time to visit: Although Solang Valley looks magnificent and awe-inspiring throughout the year, the best time to enjoy the pristine beauty and unparalleled vistas of this place is between April and December. This is because the weather during this time is pleasant enough to partake in the various adventurous activities during this time.

Note: The given sightseeing can be done if have hired vehicle for the full day or planning to take one. However it is at discretion of vehicle company to do it. Also one has to make sure that the same falls in given kilometer limits by the company.

SHIMLA

Shimla City Tour

Shimla, the place where you get to experience the Himalayas in all its enigmatic glory! Evergreen forests, rolling valleys, breathtaking lakes, pleasant climate, and colonial ambiance, all come together to lend this hill station a charm of its own. With a varied range of attractions – natural splendors as well as man-made wonders – the place truly lives up to its reputation. But there's a downside to it. When you plan to visit this erstwhile summer capital of British India, you will have a tough time finalizing the list of places to visit.

Worry not and read on! In this blog, we give you a rundown of the must-visit places in the region that will never fail you entice you, whether you are a family holidaymaker, a honeymooner or a solo traveler. So, on your mark and get set, because it's time to pack your bags and gear up for an exciting trip to Shimla

Kufri Valley

OpenTime: 09:30AM

Close Time : 17 : 00 PM

Kufri is a tiny hill station located near Shimla. They can hike through thick forest around Kufri to the Mahasu Peak. The other places to visit in Kufri are the Himalayan Nature Park, which has a collection of animals and birds found only in Himachal Pradesh, and the Indira Tourist Park, which is near the Himalayan Nature Park and provides panoramic view of the locations around Kufri. In winters, the snow-covered slopes of Kufri come alive with skiers and other visitors. It is famous for its trekking and hiking trails. Adventure-seeking travelers throng Kufri in winters to enjoy skiing and tobogganing along its snow-covered slopes. Kufri is also famous for its nature parks and picnic spots. The best time to visit Kufri is in summers, between April and June. However, one may also the place between December and February to enjoy snowfall and skiing.

Visit golf course in Naldehra

Open /Close Time : April to September : 7:00 AM to 19:00 PM

Open /Close Time : October to March : 8:00 AM to 17:00 PM

Nestled at a distance of 23 Km from Shimla in Himachal Pradesh, the Golf Course in Naldehra is the oldest golf club in India. The golf course stretches over an extensive area surrounded by trees at an altitude of 2,200 metres. It is a par 68, 18-hole course with 16 greens and 18 tees. In the year 1905, Lord Curzon was captivated by the beauty of the region and so he made his favourite camping site just outside the British summer capital of Shimla. What he made in 19's is now considered as one of the most scenic golf course in the country. Also, it is believed that in the memory of his stay he named this place as Alexandra Naldehra, which was the name of her third daughter. Naldehra Gold Course remains open from April to November as the weather is quite pleasant. Entry is free of golf course but golf packages are there.

Note: You will need to pay the exact cost directly at the counter.

Shimla Mall Road

Open Time : 09:00 AM

Close Time : 21:00 PM

Mall road means “married officers accommodation and living lines” road. Before the partition of Pakistan and India; British constructed accommodations for officers and other ranks opposite to each other separated by a road between them. Hence MALL road were constructed in different cities in the then subcontinent. Mall Road is one of the most popular attractions for tourists & visitors & for locals also in Shimla which encompasses many clubs, bars, banks, hotels, shops, offices, post offices, restaurants, and tourism offices. People can gradually walk up to the Mall Road and enjoy the beautiful views of nature while sipping their favourite coffee. A lot of people & family & groups meet and hang out at the ridge and scandal point on Mall Road, see the Himalayan range and do some shopping. The Mall Road is connected to Road Ridge by Scandal Point. The statue of nationalist leader Lala Lajpat Rai has been installed.

Note : It is a no vehicle zone as no other vehicles except emergency vehicles are allowed on this road which serves as an icing on the cake.

Jakhoo Hill and Temple

OpenTime: 07:00AM

Close Time : 20:00 PM

Located above Jakhoo hill, the temple is a holy place for the Hindu communal of India. It is dedicated to the Hindu God, Hanuman. This hill is situated 2.5 km from the Ridge at the height of 2,455 m above sea level and is Shimla’s highest peak. From the hill, visitors can enjoy wonderful panoramic views of the Shivalik Ranges and the sister town of Sanjauli. The 108 feet tall idol of Lord Hanuman which is located at the top of the hill and is a big attraction for tourists. The premises hold several paintings that represent the story of Hanuman during Ramayana. Installed in 2010, the 108 feet long idol of Hanuman is an attraction in itself and has enticed a huge number of tourists throughout the years. Illuminated with lights in the night, it is a grand sight to watch on your Shimla tour and is visible from anywhere in Shimla. Legend and myth suggests that the monkey Lord Hanuman rested here while on his search for the Sanjivini Booti (a kind of herb). He met sage Yaaku on the hilltop and then moved ahead in his journey. It is also believed that the sage built this temple. Devotees from all over the country come here, especially at the time of Dussehra festival celebrations. World’s tallest statue of Lord Hanuman was unveiled to the public by Abhishek Bachchan on November 5th, 2010

Note: Beware of the monkeys here as they are known to snatch away any free hanging objects from people.

Viceregal Lodge

Open Time : 10:00 AM

Close Time : 17:00PM

This breathtaking building was built in 1888 as the residence of the British Viceroy Lord Dufferin. This observatory is situated on the hills and surrounded by well-maintained gardens and lawns, surrounded by beautiful cedar trees and rose plants. The Viceregal Lodge, also known as the "Rashtrapati Niwas", is now restyled into the Indian Institute of Advanced Study and students come here for higher studies. The building has an English Renaissance style of architecture, where the colour of the limestone is grey. Since it is situated at a good height, the views of this place are thrilling and cannot be described in words.

Note: The Given Cost is Estimated. You will need to pay the exact cost directly at the counter.

CHANDIGARH

Chandigarh City Tour

India's first planned city, Chandigarh is a union territory that is the capital of both Punjab as well as Haryana. Chandigarh's food and gedi culture is something everybody hears off. Nestling in places like the Rock Garden, and the Leisure Valley & Rose Garden, Chandigarh is a city you would love visiting. With Chandigarh Sightseeing Tour, explore all the major tourist attractions and learn more about the history and culture of the city. This Chandigarh Day Tour of Chandigarh will leave you awestruck.

Rock Garden

Open Time : 09:00 AM

Close Time : 20:00 PM

Chandigarh is famous for its unique and much admired Rock Garden. It is situated in Sector 1. Opened in 1976 Garden contains art Objects from urban and industrial waste. It is Spread in 20 acres in form of an open are exhibition.Garden Exhibits Art Structure made from rocks , boulders, broken chinaware, Glass bangles, coal clay, building waste all juxtaposed to create a palace, monkeys,soldiers, Village life, temples women. It is without doubt, a must visit tourist spot for every visitor to Chandigarh. This garden is also famous for being one of the most eco-friendly gardens in the country, as it is has been built solely by home-waste and other industrial items

Note: The Given Cost is Estimated. You will need to pay the exact cost directly at the counter.

INCLUSIONS

Accommodation as per your itinerary

Daily Breakfast & Dinner

All transfers & sightseeing by ac vehicle (AC will not work in Hilly regions)

Total Valid Kilometers For Sedan Car 1500 kms & for luxury car 2000 kms

Hotel Luxury Taxes

EXCLUSIONS

5% Government Service Tax

Any air/train fare

Cost for Optional Tours , Up- Gradation Charges , Sightseeing Entry fee & Guide charges & special Permits

Personal Expenses such as laundry, soft drinks, bottles of water, incidental, porter charges, tips etc

Expenses incurred due to change in oil price, mishaps, landslides, strikes, political unrest etc, high season surcharge if levied any

Rohtang will be at additional cost and only through union vehicle

PACKAGE COST ON REQUEST