



Shimla Manali Tour (ex Chandigarh)

Duration : 6n / 7d

DAY 01: Arrival at Shimla from Chandigarh (4hrs drive)

On arrival at Chandigarh station/airport, you will be received and transferred to Shimla. Refresh and get ready for the sightseeing tour of Shimla. Depending upon your time of arrival at Shimla you can visit several prominent attractions like the **Vice Regal lodge**, the erstwhile Residence of British Viceroy General in India **OR Jakhu Temple(optional), OR Hanuman Temple(optional)**. Dinner and overnight stay at Shimla.

Note: The above mentioned attractions can be witnessed only if you reach in the afternoon.

DAY 02: Shimla – KUFRI – Shimla

On your second day in Shimla, begin with a hearty breakfast and head to visit **Kufri** for some sporting fun. Located at a distance of about 21 kms from Shimla on National Highway No.22, Kufri is thronged by tourists for adventure activities like hiking, skiing, horse riding and zorbing amongst others. Enjoy beautiful views of forest covered mountains, snow capped peaks and splashing fountains while taking a stroll in the numerous parks here like **Himalayan Nature Park, Indira Tourist Park and Mashru Park.**

Optional: Once you have had your dose of adrenalin at Kufri, you can head to **Fagu Top** for some relaxation, which is at a distance of 8 kms from here. Have a delicious lunch at the Revolving Restaurant at Snow King Retreat while enjoying the panoramic 180 degree views of the Shivalik Range, an experience which is one of its kind in Himachal.

Return to your hotel, visit Mall road and do shopping/spend your time. Dinner and overnight stay at the hotel.

DAY 03: Shimla – Manali (380 kms / 10 hrs)

After breakfast, check out and drive for Manali. En route visit **Manikaran**. On arrival in the evening, check into the hotel & relax, overnight stay at Manali.

DAY 04: Manali excursion

Today relax get up and post breakfast, visit **Buddhist Monastery(optional), Hadimba Devi temple(optional)**- It is small temple situated amidst forest. Hadimba is said to be the wife of Bhima from the epic of Mahabharata. On the way up to the village you come upon the **Vashisth hot baths**, where a natural sulphur spring is piped into a modern bath-house. Thereafter go to **Club House**. Overnight hotel stay in Manali.

DAY 05: Manali - Snow Point (Permitted Point) - Solang Valley - Manali

After breakfast, go for full day tour of **Rohtang Pass**(subject to weather conditions and opening). The vehicle will leave you at **Snow Point** which is the permitted point for tourist vehicles; from there you need to walk/hike to Rohtang Pass. The majestic mountains and the glaciers can be seen at their best; you have next two hours to enjoy this snowy haven. Take a sledge ride down the slopes (optional), try your luck climbing the little snow hills. On your descents to Manali, halt at the **Solang Valley**. The Magnificent views and natural beauty here are a never-ending source of delight. In Solang Valley you can enjoy adventure activities like Paragliding, Snow Scooter, etc (at your own cost). Also halt at **Gulaba, Nehru Kund** enroute to Rohtang Pass. Overnight hotel stay in Manali.

Piece of Advise: Please start early morning for Rohtang pass. The passage is notorious for huge traffic jams.

DAY 06: Kullu excursion and back to Manali

Today, after having your morning breakfast, start driving to Kullu(40kms). Visit **Naggur town** and its attractions- Naggur was the former capital of Kullu. It was founded by Raja Visudhpal and continued as a headquarter of the State until the capital was transferred to Sultanpur (Kullu) by Jagat Singh in 1460 A.D. Situated on the left bank of river Beas at an altitude of 1851m, Naggur - an ancient town commands extensive views, especially to the North West of the valley. Today this ancient and beautiful Palace is a popular tourist spot.

Naggur Castle: The Castle was converted into a rest house, a hundred year back and in 1978 this ancient building was handed over to HPTDC to run as a heritage hotel. This medieval Castle was built by Raja Sidh Singh of Kullu around 1460 A.D. The hotel overlooks the Kullu Valley and apart from the spectacular view and superb location this has a flavour of authentic western Himalayan architecture. Here, **a gallery houses the paintings of the Russian artist Nicholas Roerich**. Naggur also has three other old shrines. Hotel Castle is a unique medieval stone and wood mansion, once the home to the Raja of Kullu and now an HPTDC Heritage hotel. Visit **Jagat Sukh temple(optional)**. Jagatsukh temple is located in Jagatsukh - a small village around 7 kms from Manali and at northern end of Kullu Valley. The temple is surrounded by scenic beauty of Mountains which looks good in winter at the time of snow. The temple is also known as Jagatsukh Shiva Temple. It is built in early 8th century. This place is famous for old temples roofed by shikhara. Jagatsukh is also known as the base for trekking lovers. Come back by the evening and overnight at Manali.

DAY 07: Departure from Manali (280kms / 9 hrs)

Today, after having your morning breakfast, pack your bags and check-out from hotel. Transfer drive to Kalka/Chandigarh. You will be dropped at the station/airport.

Your tour concludes here with best of memories....

Please inquire for price as per number of touring persons.

Please specify-

1. Number of travelling persons- adults & children with age(if any)
2. Number of rooms you require (please note family rooms are not available at all destinations/ at all hotels, hence we cannot guarantee such arrangements)
3. Your food choice (veg/non-veg)

IMPORTANT:

***Cost that may incur for Rohtang visit is not included in the total cost.**

Cost includes:

1. Pick up, all transfers and sight seeing by an exclusive vehicle
2. Toll taxes, parking fees, green tax, driver allowances, fuel charges
3. All hotel and service taxes
4. Accommodation in well appointed TWO deluxe rooms, in popular hotels
5. Breakfast & Dinner
6. Sight seeing as per plan unless restricted to reasons beyond our control, train/flight delay, road blockades, strikes, political disturbance, etc
7. Complimentary supplements offered by hotel under package

Cost does not include:

1. Train/air tickets
2. Travel insurances
3. Meals & snacks other than mentioned
4. Cost for room heating(directly payable to hotel)
5. Costs for any optional tours
6. Entrance fees to monuments, historical institutions, shows, gardens, lakes, etc wherever applicable
7. Camera fees wherever applicable
8. Cost involve in deviation of tours either by your choice, or circumstances if arise out of necessity like bad roads, LANDSLIDES, political reasons, etc
9. Expenses of personal nature
10. Any revision in the cost of surface transportation due to sudden rise in fuel price
11. Tipping, portorage, etc
12. Anything not mentioned in cost inclusions

About Shimla town:

- Please be informed that- Shimla town is depicted as a water-scarce town. Guests are usually advised to be aware of this while visiting the place. Hotels do keep their exigency plans as per their worth, still visitors find shortage of water.
- Shimla town do have electricity problems too during summers.
- Guests need to climb steep roads/stairs as vehicle movements are restricted inside and around the Mall area. One has to be fit enough to enjoy attractions by walking/hiking.

Note on Vehicle services:

AC at vehicles will not operate on typical hill roads.

No refund will be made for any unused transportation segments, sightseeing tours or any other service due to bad weather, ill health, strikes, road blocks, landslides or any other factor beyond our control. Such unused items are neither refundable nor exchangeable.

About Rohtang Pass Tour:

Visiting Rohtang Pass is possible by the discretion of HP govt. Lesser number of vehicles are now allowed with local number plates(HP registered only). A permit for Rohtang Pass is required to travel on the road from Manali to Rohtang Pass. On a daily basis, the permit for Rohtang Pass is restricted to only 800 petrol and 400 diesel vehicles to travel to Rohtang Pass (as per rules followed in 2017). The permit for Rohtang Pass is available on first come, first serve basis.

While at Rohtang Pass

- Bargain for every activity - skiing, snow mobile, tyre drop etc at Rohtang
- Skiing at Rohtang is rudimentary and you do not need a guide. Guide will cost you exorbitant amount and do nothing more than hold you while you pretend to ski.
- Snow mobiles do not follow any particular track, so please do avoid crowded part of Rohtang pass unless you want to be mowed down by a speeding snow mobile
- For all the effort of reaching Rohtang Pass, you will stay for only three to four hours. The crowd makes the experience less interesting that it ought to be.

Snow Point

Snow Point is not any particular location, rather it is just a stretch of snow on the way to Rohtang Pass identified by local vendors to set up their stalls. In peak winters, Snow point is at a location very close to Manali.

As the summer progresses, location of snow point moves higher and higher till it reaches Rani Nullah and then further towards the Rohtang Pass. Enthusiasm of tourists converts snow point into some sort of a snow theme park. Tourists can indulge in various snow activities like amateur skiing, yak rides, snow scooters and snow mobiles and of course throwing snow balls at one another.

Wish you will have nice memories travelling with Traveller's Delight...

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