

ENCHANTING HIMACHAL

13 Nights/14 Days Tour

Shimla-3, Manali-3, Palanpur-3, Dalhousie-2, Amritsar-2

Day 01

NEW DELHI>>SHIMLA (264 Kms/10 Hours)



Depart early morning at 5.30 am from Delhi to Shimla. Arrive by night. Overnight stay.

Day 02

SHIMLA



After breakfast, visit **The Ridge**, large open space in the heart of town presents excellent views of the mountain ranges, **LAKKAR BAZAR**: Popular for its wood crafts and Souvenirs, this is just off the Ridge. **mall road, Christ church, gaiety heritage cultural complex, kali bari temple and museum**. Back to hotel, overnight stay.

Day 03

SHIMLA>>NALDEHRA>>CHAIL>>SHIMLA (90 Kms)



After breakfast, drive to Naldehra located at distance of 22 km from Shimla, Naldehra (2044 m) is a heaven for tourists. It boasts of the oldest 9 hole golf course in the country. The well groomed Golf Course is a lovely verdant, perhaps one of the finest and sporty in India. Crowned with a springing

turf the Golf Course was suggested by Lord Curzon. Chail, a little mountainous heaven 45 kms. from Shimla. It was the summer capital of the Maharaja of Patiala before Independence. The forests near Chail have many species of birds and deer. Visit the Maharaja's palace & the highest cricket ground in the world. Back to hotel by evening. Overnight stay.

Day 04

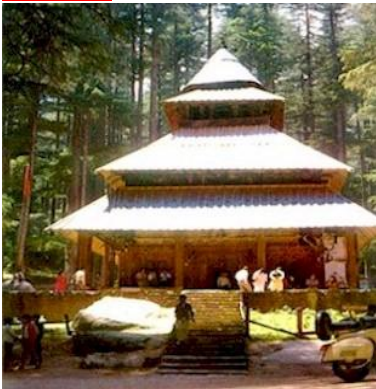
SHIMLA>>MANALI (270 Kms/09 Hours)



After early breakfast and checkout, drive to Manali. Reach by afternoon. Checkin to hotel. Evening free for leisure. Overnight stay.

Day 05

MANALI



After breakfast, visit **HADIMBA TEMPLE**, built in 1553 with a superbly crafted four tiered pagoda roof, it is famous for its exquisitely carved doorway. **MANU TEMPLE** this is dedicated to the sage Manu situated at old Manali. **VASHISTH** is well known for its hot springs. There are old temples dedicated to the sage Vashisth and to Lord Rama nearby. Also visit van vihar, naggar, old Manali. Back to hotel. Evening free for leisure. Overnight stay.

Day 06

MANALI>>ROHTANG PASS>>MANALI



After the breakfast, full day trip to **Rohtang Pass**. A crucial link on the old trade route and still the gateway to trans Himalayan Lahaul, the Rohtang Pass is at height of 3978 m. On the way to Rohtang Pass, visit to **Manikaran**, a place of pilgrimage for Hindus and Sikhs, has a temple and a gurudwara. Back to hotel by evening. Overnight stay.

Day 07

MANALI>>PALANPUR (200 Kms/05 Hours)



After early breakfast and checkout, drive to Palanpur. Check-in to hotel. Overnight stay.

Day 08

PALANPUR



After breakfast visit tea processing factory, Shovha Singh art gallery, Mini Singh Pottery, Baijnath Temple....Rest of the day at leisure. Overnight stay.

Day 09

PALANPUR>>DHARAMSALA>> PALANPUR



After breakfast, visit, Bajnath mandir, chamunda devi mandir, Tibetan market at Dharamshala town, Dalai lama temple. Back to Palanpur by evening. Overnight stay.

Day 10

PALANPUR>>DALHOUSIE (175kms/5 hrs)



After lunch, proceed to the Kangra fort & onwards to Dalhousie. Overnight stay.

Day 11

DALHOUSIE



After breakfast, excursion to **Chamba**, is a small but attractive tourist destination of Himachal Pradesh, is known for its exquisite natural beauty. The place, located amidst picturesque and verdant valleys, is visited by tourist round the year. Sub-Himalayan range of mountains, full of diverse flora and fauna, make Chamba an exhilarating experience. **Khajji Nag Temple** is present in the Chamba district and it holds a great religious importance and people visit this place quite frequently. The deity of khajji nag temple is known as Khajji nag, the lord of serpent. The temple was built in the 10th century and the architecture, gives the blend of Mughal and Hindu style. Going inside the temple one can see the shrines of Lord Shiva and Goddess Hadimba. **Khajjiar Lake** – amidst the grassland of Khajjiar, Khajjiar Lake is like a paradise. Khajjiar is a perfect picture spot one has in its mind and the Lake is added advantage on to its wonderful site. **St. Adrew's Church** commonly known as the **Church of Scotland** was built in the year 1903 at Baloon by Protestant Christians. **AKHAND CHANDI PALACE** now a college, this imposing building once housed Chamba's ruling family. Much of the original craftsmanship can still be seen. **RANGMAHAL** is old palace is an interesting mix of colonial and local architectural styles. **LAXMI NARAYAN TEMPLE COMPLEX** with six main Shikhara style temples and several smaller shrines, this is renowned for its finely executed classical forms, **Dalhousie castle**. Back to Hotel. Overnight stay.

Day 12

DALHOUSIE>>AMRITSAR (145 Kms/03 Hours)



Early morning checkout and drive to Amritsar. Check-in to hotel. Later excursion to **Attari Border** about 28 kms. from Amritsar is the oldest border crossing between India and Pakistan. It's an

interesting experience especially at sunset when the 'Retreat' ceremony takes place with the BSF on the Indian Side of the Border. The daily highlight is the evening "Beating the Retreat" ceremony. Soldiers from both countries march in perfect drill, going through the steps of bringing down their respective national flags. As the sun goes down, nationalistic fervors rises and lights are switched on marking the end of the day amidst thunderous applause. Back to hotel by evening. Overnight stay.

Day 13

AMRITSAR



After the breakfast, visit **The Golden Temple** also known as Harmandir Sahib, it is the most revered shrine of the Sikhs. The name Golden Temple originated as the sanctum sanctorum Akal Takht has its roof covered with pure gold plates. The Sikhs from all over the world come to visit the shrine at least once in their lifetime. The four gates in four cardinal directions are an open invitation to all to visit the shrine. Back to hotel. Overnight stay.

Day 14

AMRITSAR>>MUMBAI



After breakfast, drop at Airport to take flight to Mumbai at 10.15 am.