

Tour Code : NK05

LEH - DISCOVER HIMALAYAS WITH SHAM VALLEY AND PANGONG - 5 D / 4 N



Brief About Ladakh:

Leh is the joint capital and largest city of Ladakh, a union territory of India. Leh, located in the Leh district, was also the historical capital of the Kingdom of Ladakh. Ladakh region of Jammu and Kashmir, Leh is known for its stunning scenic locales, Buddhist temples, and pristine environment. Due to the strong influence of Tibetan Buddhism, Leh is also known as Little Tibet or the Land of Lamas. Kushok Bakula Rimpochee Airport is the only tourist airport in Ladakh. It is a public-use airport located 2 km southwest of Leh, a town in Jammu and Kashmir, India. It is one of the highest airports in the world at an elevation of 3,256 m (10,682 ft.) above mean sea level. The Best time to visit Ladakh is during the summer season from the month of April to July during this time Ladakh temperature is between 15 to 30 Degree Celsius. Ladakh is known for its extremely low temperatures almost all through the year. Pangong Tso Lake, Zaskar Valley, Khardung La, Hemis Monastery, Nubra Valley, Shanti Stupa, Leh Palace, Thiksey Monastery, Hemis National Park, Tso Moriri Lake are must-visit tourist places in Ladakh. The most popular tourist attraction in Ladakh, Pangong lake is an endorheic (landlocked) lake situated at 4350 meters. Also known as Pangong Tso it is 12 kilometers long and extends from India to Tibet. Do not miss the opportunity to ride the camel with two humps which is common in Ladakh. The Bactrian camel safari is a very common activity in the Nubra Valley region. These camels are native to Mongolia and were imported here during the silk trade era. Ladakh is the highest livable region. Ladakh has many nicknames, such as 'the Moon land', 'Little Tibet', 'the last Shangri-La' and 'Roof of the World'.

Day 1: Arrival at Leh Airport

Arrive at Leh. Upon arrival in Leh, Meet and assistance at the airport and transfer by car to Hotel. One is advised to take complete day rest for acclimatization. Leh - Ladakh: Ladakh at a high altitude of 11500 Ft. is a land like no other. Bounded by world's mightiest two mountain ranges, the Great Himalaya and the Karakoram, it lies athwart two others, the Ladakh range and the Zaskar range. Ladakh is also known as the land of passes. Overnight stay.

Day 2: Leh full day sightseeing

After breakfast full day sightseeing of Shey, Thiksey & Hemis. Shey was the summer Palace of Ladakhi Kings, where you can see the 36Ft. high statue of Buddha made of copper and covered with gold. Thiksey: The twelve-storied monastery of Thiksey is situated in the most prominent of positions, lies on an island of Mountain. Final visit; Hemis: Farthest away from Leh, and famous for the Ladakh festival held in each summer. Evening return. Overnight stay.

Note: Entrances and expenses to avail of any activities are borne by the customer.

Day 3: Leh - Pangong Lake - Leh (280 Km / 10-11 hrs.)

After early breakfast proceeds for Pangong Lake (14,500 ft. high) through Changla Pass 17,350 ft. high, which is the third highest motorable road in the world. Arrive Pangong, it is the highest salt water Lake in the World, shared by two countries India & China. Enjoy the beauty of the lake on the Banks of Pangong while appreciating the changing Colors and fascinating high altitude of the Lake. Drive back to Leh by the same route. Overnight stay.

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Day 4: Leh – Sham region – Leh (124 Km / 5-6 hrs.)

After breakfast, drive for a full day of sightseeing to the Likir, Alchi Monastery, Pathar Sahib Gurudwara, Hall of Fame museum, and Sangam (Confluence of Zaskar & Indus River). Back to Leh. Later Local visit of Sankar Gompa: Located on a valley floor and is the home to Lamas who belong to the yellow sect and worship his Holiness - The Dalai Lama. Visits Shanti Stupa: A Buddhist religious monument built by Indian based Japanese Monk whose intention was to spread Buddhism by building such stupas throughout the world by evening and overnight stay.

Day 5: Departure from Leh

This morning after breakfast, check out from the hotel in time to catch your return flight back home. Tour Concludes.

Type of Vehicles		Apr-2023 To Nov-2023		
		Standard	Deluxe	Premium
SUV	2 Pax	25,479/-	27,949/-	30,809/-
	3 Pax	19,542/-	21,795/-	24,309/-
	4 Pax	17,699/-	19,799/-	23,299/-
	5 Pax	15,677/-	17,705/-	20,877/-
	6 Pax	15,339/-	17,341/-	20,409/-
Tempo Traveller	7 Pax	14,243/-	16,219/-	19,109/-
	8 Pax	14,949/-	16,769/-	19,759/-
	9 Pax	14,140/-	15,960/-	18,820/-
Child Without Mattress (6-11 Yrs.)	1 Pax	5,096/-	6,239/-	7,409/-
Child With Mattress (6-11 Yrs.)	1 Pax	7,670/-	9,489/-	11,179/-

Package Includes:

- ❖ Accommodation on Double room basis as per the details given above.
- ❖ Meal Plan- Breakfast at all hotels/ Camps.
- ❖ Arrival/departure transfer and all land transfers as per the itinerary.
- ❖ All transfers & Sightseeing NAC Car Xylo/Scorpio / Innova for the entire tour as per the itinerary Depends on the Group Size.
- ❖ Pickup Leh and Drop at Leh Airport
- ❖ Inner Line Permit for Leh Ladakh Sector
- ❖ Driver allowance/toll/parking/road tax/fuel charges.
- ❖ Currently applicable hotel and transport taxes.

Package Excludes:

- ❖ Any meal unless specified above.
- ❖ Any Air Fare/ Train Ticket.
- ❖ Any Guide Service.
- ❖ All entrance fees to monuments.
- ❖ Personal nature expenses like telephone/laundry bills etc.
- ❖ Airports tax and travel insurance etc.
- ❖ Services not specified above.

Special Note:

- ❖ All taxes, Hotel and Transport rates, etc. are as on date. Any future hike will be charged extra.
- ❖ The above rates are valid for the above-mentioned dates.
- ❖ Some of the sightseeing Places of the local city will not cover by vehicles like Mall Road, Monastery etc. which can be covered by local taxi/ E-Rickshaw at additional cost.
- ❖ The above is only an offer and we are not holding any booking at this stage, booking would be subject to availability once confirmed by you along with guest details & guarantee to book.

Things to note:

- ❖ Photo ID card (except Pan Card) mandatory while you are on tour
- ❖ Tour price is dynamic. The person booking tour early is likely to get the lowest price as communicated/offered by the Company, subject to the availability of seats.
- ❖ The vehicle used for transfers is not at your disposal.
- ❖ Please consult the driver / local representative for the next day's sightseeing/transfers schedule
- ❖ Health Tip: Due to sudden change in altitude, we advise people traveling to the Ladakh region to take sufficient time to acclimatize. Avoid running / fast walking. This tour is not recommended for people suffering Heart disease, Epilepsy, and Asthma; please consult your doctor before booking this tour. People should consult a Medical Expert before using medicines like Diamox for mountain sickness.
- ❖ At Nubra Valley, very basic accommodation is available.
- ❖ The Khardung La pass may remain close till first week of May. In that case the tourist will do excursion to Khardung La and stay at Leh in place of Nubra Valley.
- ❖ PANGONG stay will be subject to operation of CAMPS. Alternatively, we will arrange day trip to Pangong and next day will be kept free for optional activities or shopping
- ❖ No Fan available in Ladakh Region
- ❖ **Non Veg: Not available in Nubra and Pangong**
- ❖ Electricity: Nubra and Pangong electricity is not available after 2200 hrs

Important Note:

Hotels

- ❖ Tour price is subject to change as per the occupancy on the tour. Early birds get the best deal.
- ❖ The region does not have star category hotels. Generally there isn't any star categorization in this sector, however the same is demarcated as per prices and put into slabs of 2*/ 3*/ 4* or STD/ DLX/ PRM or equivalent.
- ❖ Packages are based on base category rooms, irrespective of the Hotel category opted.
- ❖ Room up-gradation payable at the hotel directly
- ❖ For large groups, all rooms in one hotel may not be available. So if two or more hotels are selected, identical facilities may not be available between rooms. We expect you to adjust to these conditions. We will however try our best to maintain similarity.
- ❖ Please be reminded that all special requests like early check-in, smoking, non-smoking, views, floors, king, twin, adjoining, and/or interconnecting rooms are strictly subject to availability upon arrival and cannot be guaranteed prior. Any expenses arising out of this are to be borne by the customer.
- ❖ All hotels do not have a lift facility & the guest may have to climb stairs. In case guests have problems with blood pressure, breathing, knee & heart, or if they cannot climb the higher floors, we request you to update this at the time of booking so that we may take appropriate action and try for rooms on the Ground floor. This is again subject to availability and DIFFERENCE IF ANY WILL HAVE TO BE SETTLED DIRECTLY BEFORE CHECK-OUT.
- ❖ Most of the Hotels in this region do not have Tea/coffee makers/ mini-fridges/ enhanced toiletry kits (with moisturizer, toothpaste, brush, shaving kit, lufa, bathrooms-sleepers, bathrobe), etc.
- ❖ Facilities like the western toilet, a television in the room, geysers in bathrooms, and intercoms may not be available at Eco camps and similar places.
- ❖ For meal plans, the menu will be on a fixed plan/ buffet basis and not on an A-la-Carte basis. MAP & AP Meal plans do not include Evening snacks & cold drinks/liquor, Soups, or Desserts. For orders on an A-la-Carte basis, guests are requested to make direct payments for additional items.
- ❖ For early morning check out breakfast may be limited to simple bread & butter jam with tea/ coffee/ juice. Request for such items will have to be made at the time of booking.
- ❖ Consumption and serving of alcohol in hotels/rooms is subject to the hotel's rules and regulations.
- ❖ Kindly inform guests that same-category rooms or identical rooms may not be available as the structure is not designed accordingly.
- ❖ In most hotels Extra Person Sharing the Room, a Child with an Extra Bed, will be provided MATTRESS/ ROLL OVERS as per availability and not a Bed.
- ❖ In hilly areas, scarcity of water & electricity is a natural phenomenon. To overcome the water crisis certain hotels have fixed schedules for supplying hot & cold water. We strongly regret the inconvenience and look forward to your cooperation.
- ❖ In hills, most of the hotels are located in a way where the view might be of a building in the front, beside, or behind it.
- ❖ Check-in time at Hotel will be 0900 Hrs & Check-out time will be 0800 Hrs. Early check-in / late checkout / extending of stay, will be completely subject to availability as per the situation.
- ❖ As imposed by the Government Valid photo ID for all members staying at the hotel is mandatory.
- ❖ MOST of the hotels do not have parking place & vehicle cannot be parked in front of the gates for longer period hence guests should wait at the reception 10 minute before the departure to avoid the inconveniences.
- ❖ In case Pangong stay is not possible due to operational reasons or any other reason, additional night stay at Nubra Valley or Leh will be arranged and Full day excursion to Pangong shall be provided. No claims for refund shall be entertained.

- ❖ In case the route from Nubra to Pangong is closed, customers will have to head back to Leh from an alternate route and Pangong excursions may have to be cancelled. No refunds shall be possible in such cases.
- ❖ Accommodation in Pangong will be very basic. Camps used here have very basic in nature and lack the basic amenities like toiletries & spacious rooms. Since the power supply here is limited a for few hours only, the hot water supply is for a very limited time period in the morning. Moreover, it gets extremely at cold the night and winds are severely strong; therefore, we recommend to carrying heavy woolen clothing to keep yourselves warm.
- ❖ Pangong is a remote place that lacks basic medical facilities too like a hospital/ clinic/ medical shop. The nearest doctor available is approx. ~45kms. From the lake. We, therefore, recommend you keep all your prescribed medicines handy with you.
- ❖ People suffering from respiratory disorders like asthma, bronchitis, etc. should refrain in staying in Pangong owing to the extreme weather conditions. However, an excursion can be easily opted for.
- ❖ Please note that all the meals provided during Nubra and Pangong visits will be vegetarian meals, irrespective of the meal preference provided.
- ❖ Hot water is only provided for 2 hours during the morning and evening in Leh. In camps, hot water is only available for a limited time in the morning.
- ❖ Room heaters if required can be provided on a chargeable basis, subject to availability.
- ❖ Connectivity (phone as well as internet) is poor and unreliable in Ladakh. Most hotels will not have a Wi-Fi connection.
- ❖ The camp accommodations at Nubra & Pangong are very basic even though they are classified into various categories.

Transport

- ❖ Due to unforeseen situations (force majeure/ traffic jams/traffic halts/ diversions/ bandh/ curfew, Union strike, VVIP movement, etc.) vehicle reporting may get delayed. We will request you to bear with us and as soon as the vehicle arrives you will have to get in asap.
- ❖ Due to vehicle-parking difficulty, most of the areas are restricted to entry of vehicles & specific time is allotted for entries. Kindly follow the time strictly as given to you.
- ❖ The vehicle used will not be at disposal and will be exclusively used as per the itinerary only (on point to point basis). It will change sector-wise. As per the Motor Vehicle Act capacity of a Luxury Vehicle (Scorpio / Xylo / Innova) is 06 pax including Adults or Children. Also while opting for Luxury Vehicle please travel light with minimum baggage of one piece per person.
- ❖ In group packages, an Oxygen cylinder will be provided in every alternate vehicle, while going to Khardungla Top, Nubra, Pangong & Tsomoriri only. For FIT packages, oxygen cylinders will be on an additional chargeable basis.
- ❖ In this area your vehicle & drivers will change for every transfer & sightseeing. These drivers come from remote places and are not educated in tourism etiquette and some of them do not know how to speak & behave. You are requested to be soft & gentle with your drivers.
- ❖ As the vehicles & drivers change always, we will request you to be very careful with personal belongings. Once left in the vehicle, there is almost nil or little chance, of getting it back.
- ❖ No AC will be available in vehicles in Hill regions
- ❖ Tempo Trv/ Innova / Xylo / Scorpio are similar categories.
- ❖ However, for comfortable & safe traveling it is advisable to fit in maximum 04 to 05 adult in a Luxury vehicle.

Terms & conditions:

- ❖ <https://www.southerntravelsindia.com/Terms-Conditions.aspx>

