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Soulful Delight

1Night Amritsar- 2 Dharamshala – 3 Dalhosie – 2 Katra

8Night/9Days

Day-1 Arrive at Amritsar. Visit Golden Temple, Jalianwalabagh and Wagah Border

Arrive at Amritsar. Visit Golden Temple, the most revered pilgrim centre for Sikhs, one of the five Takhts and a renowned tourist attraction. Also visit Jalianwala Bagh and evening beating retreat ceremony at Wagah Border (36 kms).

Day-2 Amritsar - Dharamshala. Visit Norbulingka Institute.

Proceed to Dharamsala (3500+ ft asl, 190 kms - 5 hrs). Visit Norbulingka Institute, a must visit for any visitor to Dharamsala for a Tibetan cultural heritage experience and St Johns Church. Time permitting, visit war memorial at Dharamsala, that commemorates martyrs of the area.

Day-3 Mcleodgunj Visit and options visits around Dharamsala

Morning visit to Mcleodgunj (6500+ ft asl, 10 kms), visit Dalai Lama Monastery and Bhagshunath Temple (3 kms from Mcleodgunj). Visit local street market for Tibetan artefacts. Naddi Area near Cantonment (8 kms from Mcleodgunj) has one of the best Himalayan views of the area. In the evening time permitting, Pilgrimage oriented travelers may head for Chinmaya Tapovan, an ashram complex established by the late Swami Chinmayananda (10 kms from Dharamsala). Guests who can do a bit of walking can head for Kunal Pathri Temple, a 3 km walk from Dharamsala is a rock temple dedicated to Goddess Kapaleshwari. Guests also have an option to head for Naam Art Gallery, a renowned art gallery.

Day-4 Dharamsala - Dalhousie. Visits around Dalhousie

Proceed to Dalhousie (7000+ ft asl - 120 kms - 3.5 hours). Time permitting visit local markets and local places to visit such as Churches in Dalhousie, Panchpula / Sat Dhara (confluence of 7 streams said to have medicinal effect).



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Day-5 Khajjiar, Chamba, Chamera Lake excursion

Full Day excursion to Khajjiar Meadows (22 kms), Chamba (riverside pilgrim centre at 44 kms from Dalhousie can be visited with Khajjiar) and Chamera Lake (large lake with watersports centre). Enroute visit Barkota hills. Back by late evening.

Day-6 Kalatop Excursion / Walk

Explore Kalatope Wildlife Sanctuary (The sanctuary is home to a variety of species including black bears and barking deer, abundant variety of bird life), Daikund peak etc. Kalatope is an 8 km moderately uphill walk-through pine forests. The hilltop offers excellent views of the area around and snow peaks. Paragliding is offered here in Summer. Guests looking to relax and not do walking may just enjoy snow peak views of Dalhousie and relax.

Day-7 Dalhousie - Katra

Proceed to Katra (230 kms - 6.5 hrs). Enroute visit Raghunath Temple at Jammu, time permitting.

Day-8 Vaishnodevi Darshan

Early morning start for Vaishnodevi climb (Total 13 kms walk to the temple that takes about 4-5 hours). Enroute stops at Adhkwari Temple and darshan at Baba Bhaironath Temple is recommended). During Summer and peak travel season it may be advisable to start the climb previous evening. Once queue tickets are purchased the wait period could be half an hour to 3 hours depending on the rush. During season Yatra Parchi (entry tickets required to begin the uphill walk), it is recommended to purchase in advance

to avoid delays. Guests looking for Helidarshan (Helicopter ride, darshan and back), morning flights are recommended for best weather and least uncertainty. Return by late evening.

Day-9 Departure Depart for onward journey.