

LADAKH THE LAND OF LAMA'S
Delhi -Leh- Delhi
(4 days/ 3 Nights)



Sandwiched between Karakoram mountain ranges in the north and Himalayas in the south, Ladakh is a treacherous mountain terrains made accessible by human effort. Welcome to Ladakh, where harsh nature is sublimed by the gracious and warm hospitality of the Ladakhi people. Ladakh has everything that will content a traveler's heart from food, festival, nature, lakes, mountains and solemnness and tranquility from hush-bush of the cities.

: TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- ✓ Leh Palace
- ✓ Thiksey Monastery
- ✓ Hemis Monastery
- ✓ Sham Valley
- ✓ Hall of fame museum
and much more....

26 Sept 2019 (Thursday) Day 1: Delhi- Leh (flight)

Early morning meet at Delhi hotel for departure to Airport for flight to Leh.

Depart Delhi by Go Air G8- 203

ETD 0630 Hrs *(or similar)*

Arrive Leh "Economy Class"

ETA 0750 hrs

(Check-in baggage allowance 15 kg & Hand baggage allowance 7 kg)

Upon arrival, Check-in to Hotel. Full day at leisure for temperature acclimatization. Later, in the evening visit the **Leh Market, Leh Palace and Shanti Stupa.**



Leh Palace is a former royal palace overlooking the town of Leh, Ladakh, in the Indian Himalayas. The palace was constructed circa 1600 by Sengge Namgyal. The palace was abandoned when Dogra forces took control of Ladakh in the mid-19th century and forced the royal family to move to Stok Palace. The palace is open to the public and the roof provides panoramic views of Leh and the surrounding areas.

Shanti Stupa is a Buddhist white-domed stupa on a hilltop in Chanspa, Leh district, Ladakh, in the north India. It was built in 1991 by Japanese Buddhist Bhikshu, Gyomyo Nakamura and part of the Peace Pagoda mission. The Shanti Stupa holds the relics of the Buddha at its base, enshrined by the 14th Dalai Lama. It provides excellent view of surrounding areas.

Overnight at Hotel.

27 Sept 2019 (Friday) Day 02: Leh – Shey – Thiksey-Hemis – Leh

Post breakfast visit some important monasteries.

The Shey Monastery or Gompa and the Shey Palace complex are structures located on a hillock in Shey, it was used as a summer retreat by the kings of Ladakh. The monastery is noted for its giant copper with gilded gold statue of a seated Shakyamuni Buddha. Shakyamuni Buddha is so named since Buddha was the sage (muni) of the Sakya people who resided in the Himalayan foothills and their capital was Kapilvastu. It is said to be the second largest such statue in Ladakh.

Thikse Monastery (also translated from Ladakhi as Tiksey, Thiksey or Thiksay) is a gompa (Tibetan-style monastery) affiliated with the Gelug sect of Tibetan Buddhism. It is noted for its resemblance to the Potala the largest gompa in central Ladakh.



Hemis Monastery is a Himalayan Buddhist monastery (*gompa*) of the Drukpa Lineage. The annual Hemis festival honoring Padmasambhava is held in early June.

Matho Monastery, is a Tibetan Buddhist monastery located 26 kilometers southeast of Leh in Ladakh, Matho and Skidmang are the only example in Ladakh of the Sakyapa sect of Tibetan Buddhism.

Overnight at Hotel

28 Sept 2019 (Saturday) Day 03: Leh - Sham Valley - Leh (130 Kms | 5-6 hrs. approx.)

Breakfast in the hotel.

After breakfast proceed for an excursion to **Sham Valley**, visit **Likir, Alchi Monastery**.

Alchi Monastery is a Buddhist monastery, known more as a monastic complex (chos-'khor) of temples in Alchi village.



Pathar Sahib Gurudwara, is a beautiful Gurudwara sahib constructed in the memory of Guru Nanak, about 25 miles away from Leh, on the Leh-Kargil road, 12000 ft. above sea level. The Gurdwara was built in 1517 to commemorate the visit to the Ladakh region of Guru Nanak Dev, the founder Guru of the Sikh faith.

Hall of Fame museum is constructed by the Indian Army in memory of the brave Indian soldiers who laid down their lives defending the motherland in the Indo-Pak wars.

Sangam (Confluence of Zaskar & Indus Rivers) One of the most arresting moils of nature in Ladakh is Sangam, the confluence Indus and Zaskar Rivers.

Overnight at Hotel.

29 Sept 2019 (Sunday) Day 4: Leh- Delhi (Flight)

Morning after breakfast, leave for airport for onwards flight to Delhi and connecting flights to onwards destination.

Depart Leh by Go Air G8- 194 ETD 1025 Hrs *(or similar)*
Arrive Delhi "Economy Class" ETA 1155 hrs
(Check-in baggage allowance 15 kg & Hand baggage allowance 7 kg)

Upon arrival at Delhi airport your tour ends.

Note: *The overall average temperature in September is 30°C, Minimum 18°C

Bon Voyage!