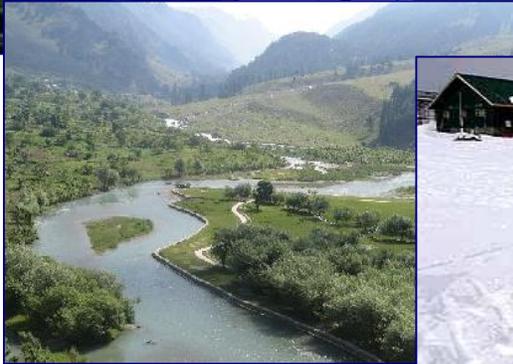
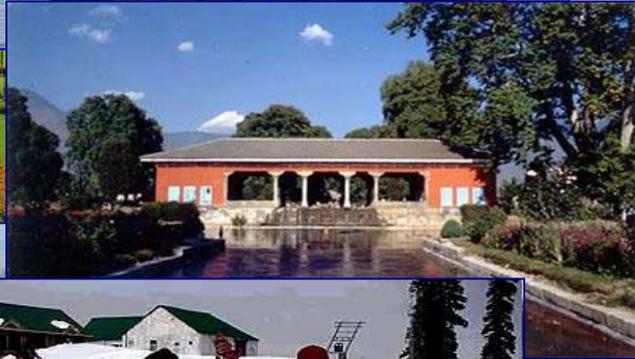


KASHMIR PACKAGE

7 NIGHTS 8 DAYS



Day 01**Arrival - Pahalgam**

Upon arrival our representative will meet you at the Srinagar Airport and transfer you to hotel at Pahalgam.

Pahalgam, situated at the confluence of the streams flowing from Sheshnag Lake and the Lidder River, Pahalgam (2,130 m) was once a humble shepherd's village with



breathtaking views. Now it is Kashmir's premier resort, cool even during the height of summer when the maximum temperature does not exceed 25°C. A number of hotels and lodges cater to all preferences and budgets, from luxurious hotels to unpretentious trekkers' lodges. Around Pahalgam are many places of interest, and because the resort is set between fairly steep hills, it is worth hiring a pony rather than walking. Pony fares are posted at prominent locations. The most beautiful of these is the huge, undulating meadow of Baisaran, surrounded by thickly wooded forests of pine. Hajan, on the way to Chandanwari, is an idyllic spot for a picnic. Filmgoers will recognize it instantly as it has been the location of several movie scenes.

Pahalgam has within it no fewer than eight tiny villages, one of which is Mamal. There is a Shiva temple here, generally considered to be Kashmir's oldest existing temple, dating to the 5th century.

Pahalgam is also associated with the annual Amarnath Yatra. Chandanwari (2,895 m), 16 kms from Pahalgam, is the starting point of the yatra that takes place every year in the month of Sawan (July to August). The road from Pahalgam to Chandanwari is on fairly flat terrain and can be undertaken by car. From Chandanwari onwards the track becomes much steeper, and is accessible on foot or by pony. About 11 kms from Chandanwari is the mountain lake of Sheshnag (3,574 m), after which, 13 kms away is the last stop, Panchtarni. The Amarnath cave is 6 kms away from there. During the month of Sawan, an ice stalagmite forms a natural shivling in the Amarnath cave, which waxes and wanes with the moon.

Dinner & Overnight at Hotel

Day 02**Pahalgam**

In Pahalgam, free day at Leisure for Independent activities to explorer surroundings.

Dinner & Overnight stay at Hotel.

Day 03**Pahalgam - Gulmarg**

After breakfast drive to Gulmarg via Srinagar Bye-Pass.

Gulmarg, called as "**Meadow of Flowers**" with picnic lunch. Gulmarg is 53 Kms from Srinagar at an altitude of 8700 – ft. Gulmarg also referred as "**Switzerland of India**" is a famous Ski Resort & the world's highest 18 hole Golf Course. The place was prominent during the British time. Gulmarg's legendary beauty, prime location and proximity to Srinagar naturally make it one of the premier hill resorts in the country. Originally called 'Gaurimarg' by shepherds, its present name was given in the 16th century by Sultan Yusuf Shah, who was inspired by the sight of its grassy slopes emblazoned with wild flowers. Gulmarg was a favourite haunt of Emperor Jehangir who once collected 21 different varieties of flowers from here. Today Gulmarg is not merely a mountain resort of exceptional beauty- it also has the highest green golf course in the world, at an altitude of 2,650 m, and is the country's premier ski resort in the winter.



The journey to Gulmarg is half the enchantment of reaching there - roads bordered by rigid avenues of poplar give over to flat expanses of rice fields interspersed with picturesque villages. Depending on the season, nature's colors could be the translucent green of spring, summer's rich emerald, or autumn's golden hues, when scarlet chillies festoon windows of village homes. After Tangmarg, the climb to Gulmarg begins through fir-covered hillsides. At one point, known simply as View Point, travelers generally stop their vehicles for a few minutes and look out a spectacle of snow-covered mountains, almost within touching distance.

Dinner & overnight at Hotel

Day 04**Gulmarg**

In Gulmarg, free day at Leisure for Independent activities to explorer surroundings.

Day 05**Gulmarg - Srinagar**

After breakfast you will be driven to Srinagar.



Srinagar is located in the heart of the Kashmir valley at an altitude of 1,730 m (1530 feet) above sea level, spread on both sides of the river Jhelum. The Dal and Nigin lakes enhance its picturesque setting, while the changing play of the seasons and the salubrious climate ensures that the city is equally attractive to visitors around the year.

Evening 1 Hour Boat Ride on Dal Lake by a gondola Boat called "SHI KARA" witness the ride on lake, called Venice of India & experience the aquatic life of Srinagar. Also see the scenic extravaganza of the Kashmir and enjoy the profusion of colors in the Paradise on Earth. While returning visit to the local crafts market and see the fine carved hand-made articles from Paper Machie & wood of a walnut.

Dinner & overnight at Hotel

Day 06

Srinagar - Sonamarg - Srinagar



After breakfast leave for full day excursion to Sonamarg. Situated at an altitude of 9000 Ft. Sonamarg – 84 Kms is also called as "The meadow of gold" has, as its backdrop, snowy mountains against a cerulean sky. The Sindh River that meanders through the valley abounds with trout and mahaseer. Ponies can be hired for the trip up to Thajiwas glacier, which is a major local attraction during the summer.

Return for Dinner & overnight stay at Hotel

Day 07

Srinagar

After breakfast you will visit the Mughal gardens. With terraced lawns, cascading fountains, paint-box-bright flowerbeds with the panorama of the Dal in front of them - the three Mughal Gardens of Cheshmashahi, Nishat and Shalimar are the Mughal Emperors' concept of paradise and are today very popular places.



Shalimar Bagh: Built by Emperor Jehangir for his wife Nur Jehan, Shalimar Bagh, 15 Kms from the TRC, is a beautiful garden with sweeping vistas over gardens and lakes, and shallow terraces. The garden is 539 m by 182 m and has four terraces, rising one above the other. A canal lined with polished stones and supplied with water from Harwan runs through the middle of the garden. The fourth terrace, by far the best, was once reserved for royal ladies.

Nishat Bagh: Situated on the banks of the Dal Lake, with the Zabarwan Mountains as its backdrop, (11 km. from TRC), this 'garden of bliss' commands a magnificent view of the lake and the snow capped Pir Panjal mountain range which stands far away to the west of the valley. Nishat was designed in 1633 AD by Asif Khan, brother of Nur Jehan.

Chashma Shahi ("Royal Spring") received its name from its water source, a spring located on its uppermost terrace. The garden, one of the smaller Kashmiri gardens around Dal Lake, is found on the southeastern side of the lake.

Chashma Shahi was built by the Mughal governor Ali Mardan Khan under the emperor Shah Jehan in 1632-1633.

Dinner & Overnight at Hotel.

Day 08

Srinagar - Departure

Breakfast at your hotel. In time transfer to Srinagar Airport to connect flight for Onwards Destination

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