

Leh Ladak 12 Days

Delhi 1nts, Delhi 2nts, Leh 4nts, Nubra Valley 2nts, Turtuk 1nts, Pangong 1nts

Daywise Itinerary:

Day 01 DEPART FOR DELHI

Board the flight to Delhi.

[X] Breakfast [X] Indian Lunch [Y] In flight Dinner

This tour can be conducted on any day of the week. Please enquire office on your preferred dates.

Day 02 ARRIVE DELHI

Arrive at New Delhi International airport & transfer to your hotel (Check in after 3 pm). Leisure time or independently explore this historically and modern capital of the world. From its great historical monuments to the contemporary infrastructure. Witness for many important events in history of the country, this city has seen extreme phases of love and war. Overnight at Delhi.

[Y] Breakfast [X] Indian Lunch [Y] Indian Dinner

Day 03 DELHI

After breakfast at hotel explore the capital city of India visit Raj Ghat, drive pass India Gate (War memorial), President's house, Parliament house and Secretariat building. Visit Humayu's tomb and Qutab Minar and Lotus Temple. Dinner and overnight at the hotel.

[Y] Breakfast [x] Lunch [Y] Indian Dinner

Day 04 DELHI - LEH

Transfer to the airport for your flight to Leh. On arrival transfer to hotel and experience the traditional welcome there. Rest of the day at leisure to acclimatise. Overnight at Leh Hotel.

[Y] Breakfast [Y] Indian Lunch [Y] Indian Dinner

Day 05 LEH

After breakfast have a full day of sightseeing seeing the Shey Palace, Thiksey Monastery, Leh Palace and Shanti stupa. Overnight at Leh Hotel.

[Y] Breakfast [X] Indian Lunch [Y] Indian Dinner

Day 06 LEH - NUBRA

After breakfast, we have an early start to proceed towards Nubra Valley via Khardung-La pass (5359m above sea level) making it one of the world's Highest Motorable Road. This breath-taking drive takes approximately 4 hours. See the amazing valley and landscape. Arrive at the hotel at the end of the drive. In the evening visit the Sand dunes, Double Hump Camel Safari (optional), Dis kit monastery. Overnight at Nubra Valley.

[Y] Breakfast [X] Indian Lunch [Y] Indian Dinner

Day 07 NUBRA VALLEY - TURTUK

Today after breakfast we drive towards Turtuk. Turtuk is one of the few villages in India that is populated by Balti people. These people have a rich culture and history, distinct from the rest of Ladakh. Their language, Balti, is closely related to Tibetan. Turtuk was under Pakistani control until the 1971 war when it was captured by India. This unique history adds to the village's charm where you witness in your village walk. Overnight in Turtuk.

[Y] Breakfast [X] Indian Lunch [Y] Indian Dinner

Day 08 TURTUK - NUBRA

After breakfast, we drive to Nubra. Nubra, also referred to as Dumra, is a historical region and administrative subdivision in the Leh district of Ladakh. Nubra Valley is a tri-armed valley formed by



the Shyok and Nubra Rivers. The name "Nubra" comes from the Tibetan word "Lumra" which means "grove". It is a high-altitude cold desert region known for its sand dunes, Bactrian camels, and Buddhist monasteries. We take a stroll in the village and feel the vibes of the people around us. Overnight at Nubra.

[Y] Breakfast [X] Indian Lunch [Y] Indian Dinner



Day 09 NUBRA VALLEY - PANGONG

This morning we head towards Pangong. A long drive along the Shyok River. We will reach early evening to our tented camp.

[Y] Breakfast [X] Indian Lunch [Y] Indian Dinner

Day 10 PANGONG - LEH

After breakfast, return to Leh via the Chang La pass. The Chang La Pass at an elevation of 5360m above sea level is claimed to be the second highest motor-able road in the world. Although 4 hour drive it avails the opportunity to experience the different villages and amazing opportunity for scenic Photography. Overnight at Leh Hotel.

[Y] Breakfast [X] Indian Lunch [Y] Indian Dinner

Day 11 LEH - DELHI

After breakfast transfer to the airport for your onward flight to Delhi. Taking the beautiful memories of Leh Ladakh Region. On arrival transfer to hotel. Overnight stay.

[Y] Breakfast [X] Indian Lunch [Y] Indian Dinner

Day 12 DELHI - HOME

Depending on your flight timings we get transferred to airport for your return flight back home.

[Y] Breakfast [X] Indian Lunch [X] Indian Dinner



Return with the Happy Memories of the Tour!!!

Departures:

2024 Tour Departures:	
June	23
July	14
August	11
September	01
October	06, 13

Tour Cost:

Departures: 23/06/2024, 14/07/2024, 11/08/2024

Title: From Delhi (India)

Passengers	Rates			Sharing
	Without Flight 1-2 pax	Without Flight 3-4 pax	Without Flight 5-8 pax	
	GBP	GBP	GBP	
Per Adult	2,500.00	2,235.00	2,250.00	Twin Room
Per Adult	2,500.00	2,235.00	2,250.00	Double Room
Per Adult	2,500.00	2,235.00	2,250.00	Triple Room
Child 2-11 yrs	1,750.00	1,565.00	1,575.00	1st Child(with Bed) when 2 adults paying
Per Adult	3,675.00	3,410.00	3,425.00	Single Room

Departures: 01/09/2024, 06/10/2024, 13/10/2024

Title: From Delhi (India)

Passengers	Rates			Sharing
	Without Flight 1-2 pax	Without Flight 3-4 pax	Without Flight 5-8 pax	
	GBP	GBP	GBP	
Per Adult	2,580.00	2,325.00	2,335.00	Twin Room
Per Adult	2,580.00	2,325.00	2,335.00	Double Room
Per Adult	2,580.00	2,325.00	2,335.00	Triple Room
Child 2-11 yrs	1,810.00	1,630.00	1,635.00	1st Child(with Bed) when 2 adults paying
Per Adult	3,925.00	3,770.00	3,680.00	Single Room

Travel Mode:

From	Via	To	By
Home	Delhi	Leh	Flight
Leh	Nubra Valley	Turtuk	Car

Turtuk	Pangong	Leh	Car
Leh	Delhi	Home	Flight

Inclusions:

- * All nights in 3* / 4* star hotels / park lodges with breakfast
- * Meal plans as indicated in the itinerary
- * Entrances to sightseeing's and excursions as per the itinerary
- * Transportation: AC Sedan Car for 1-2 Pax / Innova Crysta (or similar) for 3-4 Pax/ Tempo Traveller (or similar) for 5-8 Passengers

Exclusions:

- * Travel insurance
- * Visa charges
- * Items of personal nature viz. telephone calls, drinks (beverages), laundry, other meals, potter service, other personal expenses, etc..
- * Any cost of beverages, alcohols with the set meals.
- * Other services not listed in inclusive item & the itinerary
- * Domestic (local) Flights
- * Return flights to and from
- * Guide services during Ladakh visit (only accompanying guides are available on additional cost)
- * Driver & Guide tips

Cancellation Policy:

- * More than 56 days prior to departure date 50% of Total Holiday Cost for International Flight Tours
- * 55 - 42 days prior to departure date 75% of Total Holiday Cost for International Flight Tours
- * 41 - 0 days prior to departure date 100% of Total Holiday Cost for International Flight Tours

Terms & Conditions :

- * Please refer to the full Terms and Conditions on our website

FAQ :

Can I join the tour from any part of the world?

A: Yes, you can fly to New Delhi (India), our first point in the tour preferably a day earlier. Please do inquire in the office to arrange your logistics for both arrival and departure

Weather & Essential to carry

Q. How can I check the local weather?

A: You can check the local weather to your destinations here: www.accuweather.com

Q. What is the best time to travel?

A: Every effort has been made to select date where the weather is moderate to ensure your best experience of Golden Triangle, India. (Kindly note due to changing weather conditions globally, Sonatours is not liable for weather variations).

Q. What clothes shall I wear or pack?

A: During the lovely summer months, it is advisable to wear light garments during the day but keep a light jacket or sweater in your hand luggage as evenings can get chilly.

A: We suggest waterproof jacket and a pair of sunglasses.

A: During the holiday most of the dressing is casual attire. Should you independently wish to visit Casino or Nightclub, evening wear is required.

Q. What kind of footwear will I need on the trip?

A: We suggest trainers, walking shoes, sandals, chappals or similar.

Passport; Immigration & Visa

Q. Do I need to carry a passport?

A: Yes, all passengers must travel with their passport if traveling outside the country you live in. We request you to see the following websites for the latest updates on travel to your destinations.

For UK Residents: www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice

For USA Resident: travel.state.gov/content/travel.html

Q. How long should the passport be valid?

A: Please ensure you have a passport that is valid for at least 6 months from the date of starting your tour.

Q. What are the Visa Requirements?

A: You are responsible to ensure that you have correct documentation.

British passport holders: Require an ETA (Electronic Travel Authority) prior to arrival in India (ETA updates to follow) or contact the office.

Please see the link for further information: <https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/evisa/tvoa.html>

Non British passport holders: Please do check with the India Embassy or High Commission in country of your residence.

Sonatours is not responsible or liable in any way should you be denied travel due to incorrect documentation.

Q. What happens to me if I am stopped at custom and immigration?

A: Sonatours cannot be held responsible if passengers are stopped or held by any government departments, e.g. Police, Customs, Immigration or any other authorities. We are sorry to say that the tour will continue and no financial or any other kind of responsibility will be accepted by Sonatours.

Money Matters

Q. What is the currency used?

A: The currency in India is Indian Rupee (INR).

American Dollars (USD) is widely used throughout the country.

Q. Can I use my Credit/Debit cards there?

A: We recommend that you take a credit or debit card on holiday with you, as it provides extra financial flexibility. Major international credit cards, such as Visa or MasterCard are accepted by many restaurants, shops and hotels.

Most countries are using chip and pin. In cases where chip and pin not used, please be cautious when handing your debit/credit card.

Q. Are ATM machines available?

A: Major cities will have cash/ATM machines where cash can be withdrawn with your credit or debit card, though this might incur a fee charged by your card provider. Advise your bank which countries you are visiting prior to travel so that you don't run the risk of your card being refused and subsequent expensive phone calls to unlock it.

Q. Where can I exchange my money?

A: Money can be exchanged at Airports, Banks, Exchange Bureaus and at the hotels. You may also need your passport for identification, please be aware that locally exchange rate may vary.

Health (Medication); Welfare & Travel Insurance

Q. Do I need any vaccinations?

A: For further information on vaccinations please check with your medical doctor for recent updates or go on the following website:

www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/nhs-vaccinations-and-when-to-have-them/

or contact your medical doctor for recent updates.

Q. Should I bring all my medication with me?

A: Please travel with all your necessary medication for the duration of your trip including your prescription/doctors report confirming the medication.

Q. Do I need to declare any special medical condition and requirements prior to booking the tour?

A: Should you have pre - existing medical conditions or requirements (e.g. oxygen during flight or sleeping, colostomy bags, etc). Kindly advise the office at the time of booking.

Q. What happens if I am unwell during the tour?

A: Should you feel unwell during the trip, kindly contact the Hotel Reception, Tour Manager/Local Guide. We regret that no refunds can be made for absences from a trip, including experiences such as missed meals or sightseeing. Strongly recommend to have personal travel insurance to cover these mishaps.

Q. What happens if an accident occurs while on the tour?

A: Should you be involved in an accident (minor or major), please contact your Tour Manager/Local Guide. Unfortunately, no refunds can be made for absences from a trip, including experiences such as missed meals or sightseeing.

Q. What should I do if there is an incident?

A: Sonatours makes every effort to keep your health and safety in mind. However, should an unforeseen incident occur please contact your tour manager/local guide/hotel reception for immediate assistance.

Q. Do you facilitate clients with disability?

A: Sonatours does not provide special tours for the disabled. Our coaches do not have wheelchair excess. It is possible to bring along a folding type

wheelchair which may be kept in the baggage hold of the coach. The driver will load and unload the wheelchair from the coach for the passenger however they will need to be physically fit enough to be able to embark and disembark the coach on their own. On the tour it is also essential that a capable person is accompanying such a passenger on the tour to push their wheelchair.

Q. What happens if I have lost or left something in the hotel?

A: Kindly note that you are responsible for looking after your valuables and property when on vacation. If an item has been left in a hotel you will need to call the hotel and arrange with them directly for the return of your item, there might be charges involved.

A: You are advised not to carry unnecessary valuables and to be vigilant, as tourist spots are well known targets for pickpockets. In case of theft, you will need to advise your Tour Director immediately and report the theft to the police. This should provide you with a police report or crime reference number.

Q. Do I need travel insurance?

A: We strongly recommend you travel with Travel/Medical Insurance from your country of residence. Kindly ensure you get the correct insurance for the tour.

Q. Can Sonatours provide travel insurance?

A: There are various travel insurance providers in the market, however Sonatours does not provide Travel Insurance.

Accommodation & Transport

Q. How are rooms allocated?

A: Each hotel checks their bookings and room inventory in the morning and pre-assigned the rooms. Sonatours have no control over room allocations.

Q. Can you guarantee rooms together?

A: Room allocation is done by the hotels. Rooms together only be requested but not guaranteed.

Q. What facilities are there in the room?

A: Facilities vary from Hotel to Hotel and include en-suite bathrooms, generally TV, safe box, telephone, mini bar, room service (use of some of the services are chargeable and to be settled by yourself at the time of checkout). Hotels may require your credit card to cover your extras or cash deposits.

Q. Will the room have walk in shower?

A: Not all hotel rooms have walking showers.

Q. Does my room have Tea & Coffee making facilities?

A: Please note that not all hotels provide tea/coffee in the room. If hot water is required, kindly request the hotel reception for assistance.

Q. Is smoking allowed in the hotels/rooms?

A: Hotels do not allow smoking in the rooms. However, designated smoking areas are provided. Please check with the hotel reception.

Q. Is WIFI freely available?

A: Most hotels will have WIFI available in the public areas. Please check with hotel reception for WIFI information in the rooms.

Q. Do all rooms have air-condition?

A: Most hotels rooms in Sri Lanka offer air-conditioners or fans.

Q. Will all hotels have lifts?

A: Most of the hotels worldwide will have lifts. However, at some places Heritage Hotels or Resorts are used In such cases lifts cannot be guaranteed.

Q. What time do I need to be at the airport?

A: All flight tours originating in the UK require that you be at the airport for your flight at least 3 hours prior to your flight time. Your final itinerary confirmation will confirm the time you need to be at the airport. Should you miss your flight Sonatours will not be liable for any costs incurred for you to join the tour. The office will make every effort to assist you in such circumstances.

If you have booked the tour without flights, please meet the group at the hotel. Details will be sent to you at a later date. Please do check with the office as you might need to book a hotel before the tour starts and after it finishes.

Please be on time as we cannot be held responsible or liable for any loss or expense suffered if you miss the flight or coach.

Q. Are flights upgrades available?

A: On long haul flight tours upgrade to your flights is possible. Please advise the office at the time of booking to get the best possible price.

Q. Can I select my seats on the airplane?

A: International and Internal flight booking are booked as a group and the airlines will allocate the seats. Should you have a specific request it will be

forwarded to the airline but cannot be guaranteed.

Q. What are the luggage requirements on the airplane?

A: International Flights: Different airlines will have different requirements on the weight allowance. It can range 20-30kgs for your main luggage and 5kg for hand luggage.

We do advise you to travel light. This information will be on your e-ticket once the tickets have been issued.

Q. What type of car will I be travelling in?

A: We use the finest fleet cars. AC Sedan car for 2 passengers, Innova Cysta for 4 passengers & Tempo Traveler for 6 -8 passengers. On a touring holiday there are some long journeys which are unavoidable especially what travelling from city to city.

Q. What is the smoking and alcohol policy while travelling by car?

A: There is a strict policy of "no smoking, no alcohol and no smelly food" on all our coaches. We do, however, make plenty of comfort stops.

Food Matters

Q. Can I request my flight meal and is it guaranteed?

A: Meal request should be advised at the time of your booking; Sonatours will request on your behalf, but we cannot guarantee the request. Sonatours are not liable in case the requested flight meal cannot be fulfilled. Please be advised that complimentary meals are not available on the internal flights.

Q. What meal options are available to me while on tour?

A: Sonatours can cater for a range of Asian Vegetarian (e.g. Jain, Swaminarayan) as well as Asian Non-Vegetarian (Halal). Kindly advise your meal preference/allergies at the time of your booking. In areas where Indian is not available local cuisine will be provided.

Q. Where will I have my daily meals?

A: On all tours breakfast is at the hotel and dinners is at various restaurants or hotels.

Q. Should I carry dry snacks?

A: Dry snacks can be carried, provided they are pre-packed, and all the ingredients are clearly listed on the packaging.

Q. What is the cost of a local meal?

A: On an average local meal costs about £15-£20 per person per meal. This estimated price varies from city to city and country to country.

Miscellaneous

Q. Are tips included?

A: Driver and guide are not included in this tour.

Q. When does my day start?

A: The day usually starts between 8 & 9am. Further instructions you will be given the night before. However, this may differ depending on the activity of the day or when having an early flight.

Q. How much walking is involved per day for the duration of the tour?

A: This tour involves a substantial amount of walking (normally 6 to 7 hours a day, not all at one stretch).

Q. Will I have free time?

A: Each itinerary offers the perfect balance of downtime and discoveries. We also give you the opportunity to tailor your trip with optional experiences. If you decide to venture on your own during your free time, preferably you go in a group, keep the guide contact and the hotel address handy. Please do inform the tour director. We recommend you download an offline map too.

Q. Do I need to get a local SIM card?

A: Usually it is not necessary, should you require one kindly speak to your Tour manager/Local guide for assistance.

Q. Should I bring any electric outlet adapter and charger for my electronics?

A: Electrical currents vary Globally. We recommend that you carry a universal adapter and your electronic charges for your convenience and comfort.

India: Electricity supply is 220 and 240 Volts; uses the type G- 3 rectangular pins in a triangular pattern. Like in the UK.