

Day 1: Delhi to Shimla and Local Exploration

Morning/Afternoon

- **Departure:** Start from Delhi at 7:00 AM (please confirm your pickup location). The drive to Shimla is approximately 340 km and takes 7–8 hours with stops.
- Arrival: Reach Shimla by 2:00–3:00 PM and check into your accommodation.

Afternoon/Evening

- **Jakhoo Temple:** Visit this hilltop temple (2.5 km from the Ridge), dedicated to Lord Hanuman. It houses a 108-ft statue of Hanuman and is tied to his leap to fetch the Sanjeevani herb in the Ramayana, symbolizing devotion and strength.
- Kali Bari Temple: Explore this temple (1 km from the Mall), dedicated to Goddess Kali in her Shyamala form. Shimla's name derives from her, and it's a site of fierce devotion and protection in local lore.
- **Dinner:** Enjoy an included dinner—try Himachali *siddu* or *thukpa*.
- Overnight: Stay in Shimla with included breakfast and dinner.

Day 2: Shimla to Manali and Local Exploration

Morning

- Journey: Check out after breakfast (7:00 AM) and drive to Manali (250 km, 7–8 hours).
- Arrival: Reach Manali by 2:00–3:00 PM and check into your accommodation.

Afternoon/Evening

- Hadimba Devi Temple: Visit this 16th-century wooden temple (2 km from central Manali), dedicated to Hadimba Devi, wife of Bhima from the Mahabharata. Nestled in a cedar forest, it's revered as a symbol of nature's sanctity and feminine strength.
- Manu Temple: Explore this quaint temple in Old Manali (3 km from central Manali), dedicated to Sage Manu, the mythical creator of humankind in Hindu tradition. Its serene setting reflects ancient spiritual heritage.
- Vashisht Kund & Temple: Head to Vashisht village (3 km from Manali) to visit this temple dedicated to Sage Vashisht, one of the Saptarishis. The adjacent hot springs (Vashisht Kund) are believed to have healing properties, tied to Vashisht's penance in local lore. Bring a towel!
- **Dinner:** Enjoy an included dinner—savor Himachali *dham*.
- Overnight: Stay in Manali with included breakfast and dinner.

Day 3: Excursion to Solang and Koksar

Morning

- **Departure:** After breakfast at 8:00 AM, drive to Solang Valley (14 km, 30–40 minutes).
- **Solang Valley:** Enjoy the scenic beauty and optional activities (e.g., ropeway). No major temples, but the valley's tranquility echoes Himalayan spirituality.

Afternoon

- **Koksar:** Drive to Koksar (70 km from Solang, 2.5–3 hours via Atal Tunnel). Visit the small **Koksar Temple** (dedicated to a local deity), symbolizing protection for travelers in this rugged terrain—a nod to Lahaul's sacred landscape.
- Lunch: Stop at a dhaba (not included).

Evening

- Return: Drive back to Manali (80 km, 3–3.5 hours), arriving by 6:00–7:00 PM. Relax with an included dinner.
- Overnight: Stay in Manali with included breakfast and dinner.

Day 4: Manali to Kasol

Morning

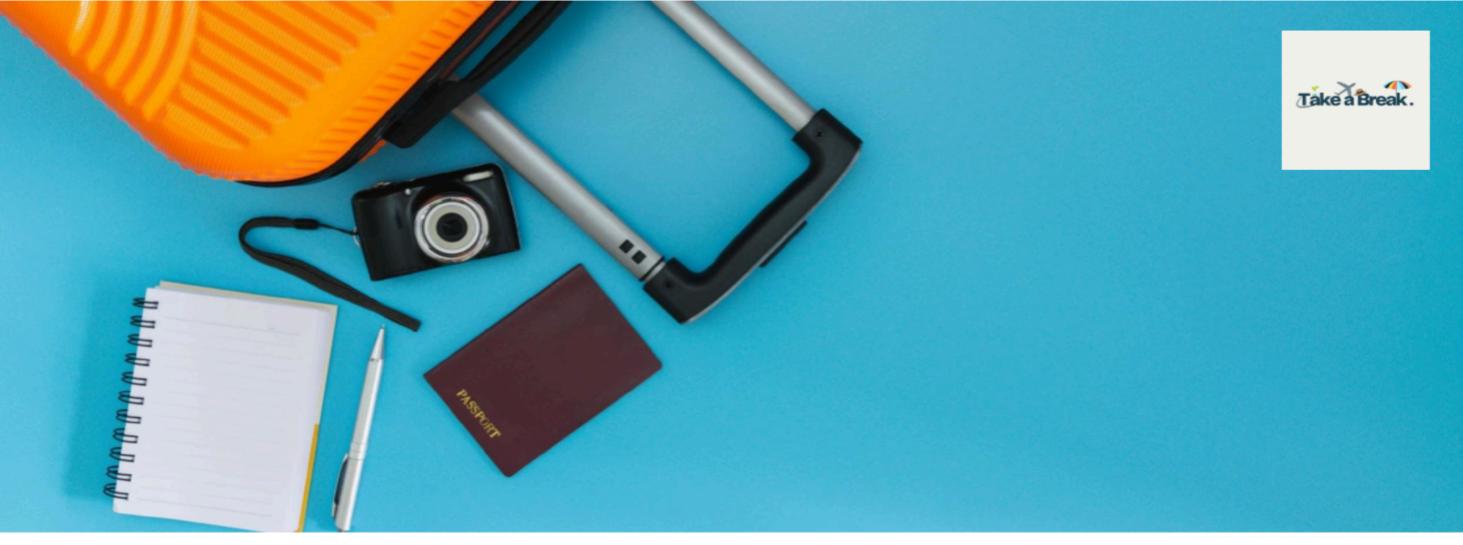
• Journey: Check out after breakfast (8:00 AM) and drive to Kasol (75 km, 2.5–3 hours) via Kullu and Parvati Valley.

Afternoon

• Manikaran Gurudwara & Shiva Temple: Arrive in Kasol by noon, then visit Manikaran (5 km, 15 minutes). The Gurudwara is tied to Guru Nanak's visit, with hot springs cooking langar, symbolizing divine sustenance. The adjacent Lord Shiva Temple honors Shiva's meditation, with springs as his gift.

Evening

- Kasol Stroll: Check into your accommodation and explore the riverside charm. Enjoy an included dinner at a local café.
- Overnight: Stay in Kasol with included breakfast and dinner.



Day 5: Kasol to Jibhi

Morning

• **Journey:** After breakfast (8:00 AM), drive to Jibhi (60 km, 2.5–3 hours) through Tirthan Valley.

Afternoon

- Arrival: Reach Jibhi by noon and check into your accommodation (room-only basis; meals à la carte, not included).
- Shangarh Temple: Visit this wooden temple near Shangarh Meadows (5–10-minute walk from Jibhi), dedicated to local deities like Shungchul Mahadev. It reflects animistic traditions, honoring nature's protective spirits.

Evening

- Relax: Enjoy Jibhi's quiet ambiance. Order dinner à la carte.
- Overnight: Stay in Jibhi (no meals included).

Day 6: Excursion to Serolsar Lake and Transfer to Dalhousie

Morning

- **Departure:** After an early breakfast (7:00 AM, à la carte), drive to Jalori Pass (12 km, 1 hour).
- Serolsar Lake Trek: Trek to Serolsar Lake (5 km round trip, 2–3 hours). Visit the **Budhi Nagin Temple** by the lake, dedicated to the serpent goddess, mother of 60 Nag devtas. She's revered as the lake's guardian, symbolizing fertility and protection.

Afternoon

• Transfer: Return to Jibhi by 1:00 PM, then depart for Dalhousie (250 km, 7–8 hours). Stop for lunch en route (not included).

Evening

- Arrival: Reach Dalhousie by 8:00–9:00 PM. Check into your accommodation and enjoy an included dinner.
- Overnight: Stay in Dalhousie with included breakfast and dinner.

Day 7: Excursion to Khajjiar and Jwala Devi Temple

Morning

- **Departure:** After breakfast (8:00 AM), drive to Khajjiar (22 km, 1 hour).
- **Khajji Nag Temple:** Visit this 12th-century temple in Khajjiar, dedicated to the serpent god Khajji Nag. Its wooden carvings and meadow setting honor the Naga cult, symbolizing protection and harmony with nature.

Afternoon

- Jwala Devi Temple: Drive to the Jwala Devi Temple in Kangra (80 km from Khajjiar, 2.5–3 hours). Dedicated to Goddess Jwalamukhi, one of the 51 Shakti Peethas, its eternal flames from the earth represent her fiery tongue, symbolizing divine energy and power.
- Lunch: Stop en route (not included).

Evening

- Return: Drive back to Dalhousie (100 km, 3–3.5 hours), arriving by 6:00–7:00 PM. Enjoy an included dinner.
- Overnight: Stay in Dalhousie with included breakfast and dinner.

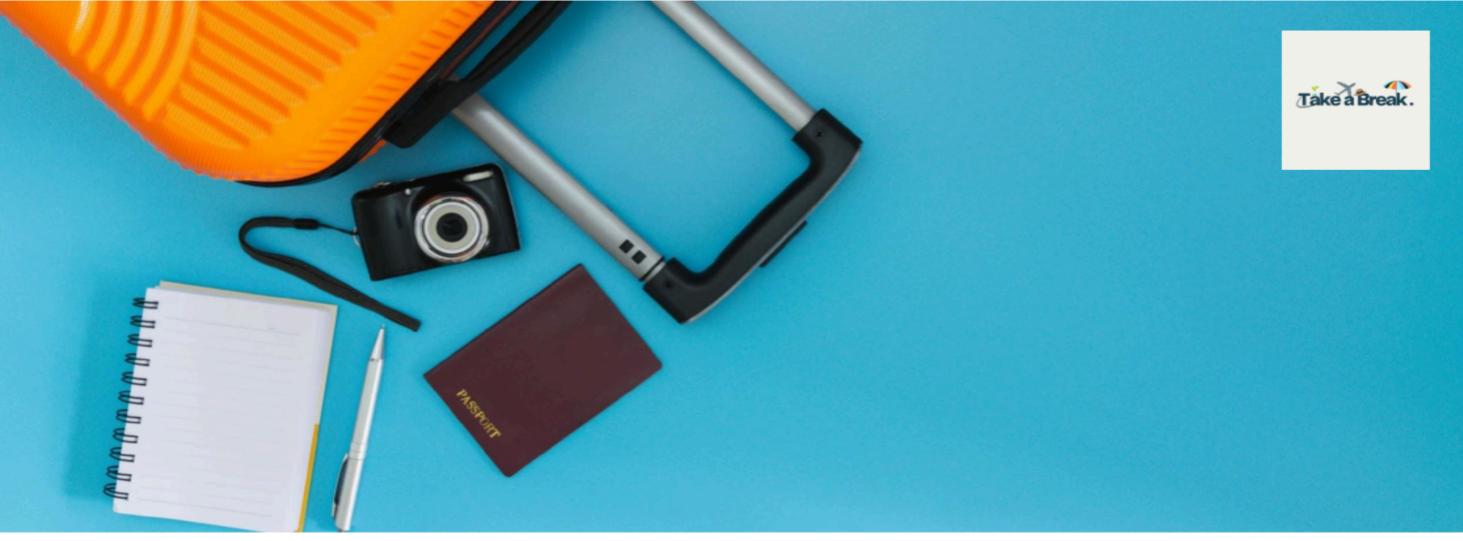
Day 8: Dalhousie Local Exploration

Morning

- Breakfast: Enjoy an included breakfast at 8:00 AM.
- Laxmi Narayan Temple: Visit this temple (1 km from the main square), dedicated to Lord Vishnu and Goddess Lakshmi. Built in the 10th century, it's a testament to Dalhousie's blend of local devotion and heritage, symbolizing prosperity and preservation.
- Chamunda Devi Temple (optional): If time permits, visit this temple (15 km from Dalhousie), dedicated to Goddess Chamunda, a fierce form of Durga. It's a site of power and protection against evil forces in local belief.

Afternoon/Evening

- St. John's Church: Explore this colonial-era church near the main square, symbolizing peace and resilience from Dalhousie's British past.
- Local Stroll: Wander the main square, enjoy shops, and have an included dinner.
- Overnight: Stay in Dalhousie with included breakfast and dinner.



Day 9: Dalhousie to Dharamshala and Local Exploration

Morning

- Journey: Check out after breakfast (8:00 AM) and drive to Dharamshala (120 km, 4–5 hours).
- Arrival: Reach Dharamshala by 12:00–1:00 PM and check into your accommodation.

Afternoon/Evening

- **Bhagsunag Temple:** Visit this ancient temple (2 km from Dharamshala), dedicated to Lord Shiva and the Naga deity Bhagsu. Linked to a legend of Bhagsu stealing water from Shiva, it's a site of penance and divine reconciliation, with a nearby spring adding to its sanctity.
- Dalai Lama Temple (Tsuglagkhang): Explore this Buddhist temple in McLeodganj (10 km from Dharamshala), central to Tibetan spirituality. It's a place of peace and enlightenment, reflecting the Dalai Lama's teachings.
- **Dinner:** Enjoy an included dinner—try Tibetan *momos* or local fare.
- Overnight: Stay in Dharamshala with included breakfast and dinner.

Day 10: Excursion to McLeodganj and Transfer to Delhi

Morning

- Breakfast: Enjoy an included breakfast at 7:00 AM.
- **Naddi Hanuman Temple:** Visit this temple in McLeodganj (5 km from Dharamshala), dedicated to Lord Hanuman. Perched with Himalayan views, it's a site of strength and devotion, tied to Hanuman's protective presence.
- **Gyuto Monastery:** Explore this Tantric Buddhist monastery in McLeodganj, known for its deep chants and vibrant thangkas. It's a center of spiritual learning and meditation in the Tibetan tradition.

Afternoon

• Transfer: Depart McLeodganj by 11:00 AM for Delhi (480 km, 10–12 hours). Stop for lunch en route (not included).

Travel Tip

- Weather (May): Pleasant days (20–30°C in lower areas, 10–20°C at higher altitudes like Solang and Serolsar). Pack layers, a warm jacket, and comfy shoes.
- **Temple Etiquette:** Remove shoes, dress modestly, and respect local customs at sacred sites.
- Permits: Solang/Koksar may require permits in May—we'll assist if needed.
- Essentials: Bring a reusable water bottle, sunscreen, and a small backpack for day trips.

Incluisons:

Accommodation

Buffet breakfast and dinnner

Well spoken and knowledgeable driver

All inner line permits

All toll and parking charges with fuel

24*7 Human assistance

Ground Assistance

Sedan for all transfers

Honeymoon inclusions on day 1 and

Exclusions:

Lunch

Meals while traveling overnight or during sightseeing