



Colonel's Highland Retreat & AstroCamp



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PROPOSAL: EDUCATIONAL TOUR

Introduction

Colonel's Highland Retreat & AstroCamp (District Mandi, Himachal Pradesh) is an offbeat destination owned, managed and run under the direct supervision of a decorated Army Veteran. Perched at an elevation of more than **7000 ft**, the property offers a bird's eye view of its beautiful geographical surroundings. The uniqueness of the property lies in being pollution free, being offbeat and being amidst raw nature with amazing views.

Aim

The aim of this proposal is to offer affordable opportunities for young students to take a break from the routine and explore nature in its raw form. Many of our activities, if adopted by the students as part of their daily lives, shall make them better humans, responsible citizens and balanced personalities. We offer an exposure, and it will be on to them to pick up from this process of initiation.

What is on Offer

We offer our guests an unmatched connect with nature through the following activities:-

- Cosmic meditation- enlightening experience with copyright sound (guided).
- Night sky orientation - astro-watch and star gazing with telescope, to include Jupiter and its moons, Saturn and its rings, Moon and its craters, Venus, nebulas, galaxies and clusters (guided).
- Astronomical equipment handling session- telescopes, binoculars etc (guided).
- Fun virtual tour of whole sky with 3 different virtual modules (VR glasses).
- Astrophotography- training on using any DSLR camera with learn to capture star trails, meteors, galaxies and much more (guided).
- Mythological story telling and talk about constellation hunt.
- Yoga (guided).
- Nature walk (guided).
- Bird watching of over 150 bird species (self).
- Flora exploration (self).

In addition to the above, we provide logistical support/ organise following activities: -

- Day long excursion to Barot Valley and Uhl River.
- Day long excursion to Parashar Lake.
- Day long trip to Bir, Billing (with or without paragliding) and Baijnath.
- Bonfire.
- Air rifle shooting.
- Free access to our collection of books.
- Hiking (guided).

Time Period for the Visit

Post rains, ie September and October shall be the best time to plan a visit this side.

Package Details

Please see ahead for **package options**.

Group Packages

(We offer free stay and experience @ one teacher/staff member per 10 students)

Option 1 – Amazing Fula-Ri-Dhar (We provide accommodation, guidance, food while transport is arranged by the group)				
Itinerary	Up to 10 pax (minimum 6 pax)	25 + Pax	35 + Pax	Remarks
<p>Day 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Arrive in the afternoon, check-in after a short trek of 1.5 km. -Tea and light snacks. -Team-building activity. -Astro watch session. -Veg Dinner <p>Day 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cosmic Yoga. - Veg Breakfast. -Hike to Fula-ri-Dhar (5km). -Veg Lunch outdoors. - Return and evening tea. -Air rifle and air pistol shooting. -Bonfire and Veg Dinner <p>Day 3.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Yoga (self and optional). -Breakfast. -Check-out 	3500 INR per head	3200 NR per head	3000 INR per head	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Accommodation on a shared basis. -All meals on buffet model. -All consumptions beyond buffet meals, including snacks and beverages not mentioned here, shall be chargeable separately. -No transport except for ferrying luggage to/from the Retreat from/to parking during check-in and check-out. -Prices are all-inclusive and valid for 2025-26 session.



Option 2 – Hybrid Barot (We provide accommodation, guidance, food while transport is arranged by the group)				
Itinerary	Up to 10 pax (minimum 6 pax)	25 + Pax	35 + Pax	Remarks
<p>Day 1 Same as the earlier package</p> <p>Day 2 Same as the earlier package</p> <p>Day 3 - Yoga (self). - Veg Breakfast. -Excursion to Barot (only lunch provided by us) - Return and evening tea. -Fun activity. -Bonfire and Veg Dinner</p> <p>Day 3. -Yoga (self and optional). -Breakfast. -Check-out</p>	4800 INR per head	4500 NR per head	4200 INR per head	<p>-Accommodation on a shared basis. -All meals on buffet model. -All consumptions beyond buffet meals, including snacks and beverages not mentioned here, shall be chargeable separately. -No transport except for ferrying luggage to/fro the Retreat from/to parking during check-in and check-out. -Prices are all-inclusive and valid for 2025-26 session.</p>



Menu (All Veg; School Management is requested to indicate preferences, if any, by mentioning codes)

Breakfast Options	Lunch Options	Dinner Options	Misc
-Fresh fruits. -Porridge -Poha -Upma -Bread, butter, jam -Chocolate milk -Tea B1	-Himachali Dham to include: +Dum Madra +Ambal +Channe ka Khatta +Kadi +Chelru +Local Rice L1	-Tomato Soup -Fried rice. -Veg Manchurian. -Hakka noodles. -Fruit Custard D1	Packed Lunch -Aloo-Poori and pickle OR -Ajwain Paratha, Zeera Aloo and pickle L5
-Fresh fruits -Cereal -Stuffed Paratha -Bread, butter, jam -Milk (with added flavor) -Tea B2	-Chana -Bhatura -Raita -Salad -Papad L2	-Pasta in cream -Russian Salad -Beans -Marinated sautéed veggies -Biscuit pudding D3	Evening snacks -Mixed pakoda OR -French fries OR -Cookies
-Fresh fruits -Porridge -Poori-Bhaji -Bread, butter, jam -Milk (with added flavour) -Tea B3	-Biryani/Pulao -Mirchi Salan -Raita -Salad -Papad L3	-Dum Aloo -Yakhni -Saman (Kashmiri Paneer) -Pulao -Kheer D4	Note -No bottled water is supplied/allowed. -Students are expected to carry their own non-disposal water bottles. We will fill those up for them
-Fresh fruits -Cereal -Besan Chilla -Bread, butter, jam -Milk (with added flavour) -Tea B4	-Rajma -Seasonal Veg -Raita -Rice -Roti -Salad L4	-Tawa fried veggies -Dal tadka -Seasonal veg -Paneer -Zeera Rice -Tandoori roti -Salad -Soozi Halwa D5	Jungle Cooking (in lieu of lunch) -Cooking one Dal and Rice using self-created wooden stoves by students. -Utensils will be provided. -Cleaning with ash by students. L6



Vacancies Available

35 (including 3 teachers @ 1/10 students) – 55 (including 5 teachers)

Best Time to Visit

April-mid-July and October-December

For snow enthusiasts: January-February

More About Us

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Booking/Query Handling

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