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**DISCOVER THE HIMALAYAS ON WHEELS: KINNAUR AND SPITI VALLEY -
HIMALAYAS.**

A 25-day road safari trip through the middle lands of the Himalayas:
The LAHUAL, KINNAUR and SPITI valleys

Departure dates:

10th July 2018 to 3rd August 2018

21st August 2018 to 14th September 2018



This magnificent journey provides you with the opportunity to see the splendor of the Great Indian Himalayas without having to walk at high altitudes or on rough terrain.

We will travel mostly by car. A part of this journey, from Delhi to Kalka (Kalka is a small town close to Chandigarh) will be covered by First Class air-conditioned train. The next leg of the journey, the 90-kilometer stretch between Kalka and Shimla, is the cherry on the cake: we will be taking the five-hour trip to Shimla by the narrow-gauge UNESCO heritage train, which races through the lush green hills. As we cross the 108 tunnels that were carved through the mountains, this is indeed a refreshing rail journey that will make us feel as if we were travelling back in time.



Our journey will navigate through Spiti Valley, a desert mountain valley located in the eastern part of the Indian Himalayas. Spiti actually means “middle land,” the land between Tibet and India, and the Spiti valley is a center for Buddhist research and culture. Spiti is home to two of the oldest and world-renowned monasteries: Key and Tabo Monasteries.

Our journey will also navigate through the Kinnaur region, which is surrounded by Tibet and offers an exceptionally stunning landscape. The three mountains range that surround Kinnaur are those of Zaskar, the Greater Himalayas and the Dhauladhar range. Most of Kinnaur is a sort of a lap formed by the three twisty rivers Sutlej, Spiti and Baspa and their tributaries, which run through Kinnaur and have their own valleys. All these valleys are simply breathtaking, their slopes covered with thick wood, orchards, fields and picturesque mountain hamlets.



The journey through this region was only opened to non-Indians in 1989. The Hindustan-Tibet Road, also known as National Highway 22, guides us to Kinnaur and presents an idyllic picture of life from the height of 4,000m. The road that runs along the banks of the River Sutlej finally ends up in Tibet.

This trip has been put together to allow you to discover the local life style, culture, heritage, customs and traditions and to interact on a first-hand basis with the local residents. Discover their simple and happy lifestyle. This is what makes this a fascinating journey.



Ladakh, renowned for its remote mountain beauty and culture, is a region in the Indian state of Jammu and Kashmir, which currently extends from the Kunlun mountain range to the main Great Himalayas to the south. It is one of the least densely populated regions in Jammu and Kashmir, and as it is inhabited by people of Indo-Aryan and Tibetan descent, its culture and history are closely related to that of Tibet. Our main highlight is a visit to the celebrated Buddhist monasteries of Hemis, Tikse and TukTuk.



During this trip, some overnight stays will be at local hotels. Mostly, though, we will be camping out in tents, sleeping under the huge and clearly visible Milky Way. Our fantastic food will be prepared by our own cooks in our kitchen tent and eaten in the specially provided dining tent.



This journey will be fully enjoyed by those who relish the unknown, are ready for the ups and downs of an adventurous high mountain drive, can do without smooth five-star creature comforts and do not really care what will be around the bend or after the next top. They simply wish to enjoy their journey.

This will be AN EXPERIENCE, surrounded by the mighty Himalayan peaks and impressed by its thundering waterfalls, power-packed rivers, thick forests and fruit gardens. Enjoying your drives through all kinds of terrain and meeting smiling local village folks, you will be visiting ancient Buddhist monasteries and meeting local communities, possibly participating in ongoing festivals with local residents.

In short, you will be witnessing the Buddhist way of life where one feels, amidst the serenity and beauty of Mother Nature, that time has stood still.

Dear Travelers, discover the Himalayas on wheels. Perhaps you wish to make an inner retreat of your body and mind; or feel an honest desire to develop your senses; or long to make peace with your soul; or maybe you simply wish to admire the magnificence of Mother Nature and the mighty Himalayas. I invite you to dream a new dream and make an exciting discovery.

For a detailed itinerary with prices and conditions, please contact Virender Prakash at

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