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### 9Nights/10 Days



#### **Overview** Ultimate North East Adventure

Darjeeling, often referred to as the "Queen of the Hills," is a captivating Himalayan gem nestled in the Indian state of West Bengal. Famed worldwide for its breathtaking views of the mighty Mt. Kanchenjunga, it offers a spectacular vantage point from which visitors can also catch glimpses of the Singalila Range, Bhutan's Himalayan peaks, and even a part of the Everest range. As the mist rolls over its lush green tea gardens, Darjeeling's natural beauty unfolds in every direction—from meandering rivers to verdant valleys that seem to stretch endlessly into the horizon. <br/>br> A UNESCO World Heritage site, the iconic Darjeeling Himalayan Railway offers a nostalgic ride through time, adding a unique charm to this hill station. The air is filled with the aroma of freshly brewed tea, and the rolling hills are lined with tea estates, making it a paradise for tea lovers. <br/>br> But Darjeeling is not just about scenic beauty. Its attractions are a perfect blend of nature, adventure, and culture. The Himalayan Mountaineering Institute (HMI) stands as a testament to the spirit of adventure, while the Himalayan Zoo offers a glimpse of rare high-altitude wildlife. Tiger Hill is renowned for its panoramic sunrise views, and the Rock Garden and Batashiya Loop provide captivating spots for exploring the picturesque landscapes. Every corner of Darjeeling tells a story, making it a must-visit destination for those seeking a magical escape into the heart of the Himalayas.

# Day 1 NJP RIy Station / IXB Airport - Darjeeling (75 Kms. / 3 Hrs.)

Upon your arrival at New Jalpaiguri Railway Station or Bagdogra International Airport, you'll be greeted with warm smiles and transferred to the

enchanting hill station of Darjeeling, nestled at an altitude of 6,950 feet. As you ascend the scenic winding roads, you'll be treated to a preview of Darjeeling's awe-inspiring beauty – lush tea gardens, mist-covered mountains, and the promise of adventure around every corner. Upon arrival, check into your charming hotel and take a moment to relax and soak in the tranquil surroundings. The day is yours to unwind, whether you wish to stroll through the town's vibrant streets, sip a cup of fresh Darjeeling tea, or simply enjoy the peace and cool mountain air. As the sun sets behind the towering peaks, rest in the comfort of your hotel, ready for the exciting experiences that lie ahead. Enjoy a peaceful overnight stay in this Himalayan paradise, where adventure and serenity coexist in perfect harmony.

# Day 2 Darjeeling Full Day Sightseeing with Tiger Hill

Your day begins in the early hours with a mesmerizing sunrise at Tiger Hill, renowned for its panoramic views of the mighty Kanchenjunga and the snow-clad peaks of the Himalayas. As the first light of day bathes the mountains in hues of gold, you'll witness a magical moment that will stay etched in your memory forever. (Please note: Visit is subject to the availability of permits). After this unforgettable experience, head back to your hotel for a well-deserved breakfast, and prepare for a day of discovery. At 8:30 AM, begin your exploration of Darjeeling's rich history and natural beauty. First, visit the Himalayan Mountaineering Institute, where the spirit of adventure comes alive through fascinating exhibits. Then, take a stroll through the P.N. Zoological Park, home to unique high-altitude wildlife (closed on Thursdays). Next, visit the legendary Tenzing Rock, where you can learn about the iconic mountaineer, Tenzing Norgay, and perhaps even try your hand at rock climbing. Soar through the skies on a thrilling ride at the Ropeway, offering breathtaking views of Darjeeling's scenic landscapes. Continue your journey with a visit to the Tibetan Refugee Self-Help Centre (closed on Sundays), where you'll gain insight into Tibetan culture, followed by a visit to the lush Tea Gardens, offering a glimpse of Darjeeling's famous tea industry (outer view). Conclude your sightseeing with a peaceful visit to the serene Japanese Temple, where the tranquil atmosphere provides a perfect retreat. In the evening, enjoy some free time for shopping or leisure—perhaps picking up local handicrafts or simply soaking in the local charm. After a day filled with beauty, adventure, and culture, return to your hotel for an overnight stay in Darjeeling, ready for the next chapter of your Himalayan journey.

# Day 3 Darjeeling - Kalimpong - Local Sightseeing (77 Kms. / 6½ Hrs.)

After a delightful breakfast, set off on a scenic drive to Kalimpong, a charming town nestled at 4,091 feet. The journey of 55 kilometers (approx. 2½ hours) takes you through lush valleys, terraced farms, and beautiful Himalayan landscapes, offering glimpses of a quieter, more tranquil side of the hills. Upon arrival, check in to your hotel and take a moment to settle in before embarking on an afternoon of discovery. Your first stop is Mangal Dham, a peaceful temple dedicated to Lord Krishna, where the serene surroundings will fill you with a sense of calm and reverence. Next, head to Deolo Hill, the highest point in Kalimpong, offering sweeping panoramic views of the surrounding valleys, mountains, and distant peaks, including glimpses of the towering Kanchenjunga. It's the perfect spot to snap a few pictures and take in the natural beauty that surrounds you. For a touch of nostalgia, visit Kalimpong's Golf Course, where you can enjoy a leisurely stroll through the scenic grounds. Continue your journey to Durpin Dara Hills, another viewpoint that offers stunning vistas of the town and beyond, including the famous river valleys and mountain ranges. End your tour with a visit to Pine View Nursery, where you'll be surrounded by exotic flowers and vibrant orchids, creating a colorful and fragrant atmosphere (closed on Sundays). After an afternoon of sightseeing and nature's wonders, return to your hotel for a relaxing evening. Spend the night in Kalimpong, soaking in the tranquility of this lesser-explored Himalayan gem.

## Day 4 Kalimpong - Pelling (90 Kms. / 5 Hrs.)

After a refreshing breakfast, embark on a scenic drive to Pelling, situated at an altitude of 6,300 feet. The 90-kilometer (approximately 5-hour) journey takes you through picturesque landscapes of lush green valleys, charming villages, and winding roads, all offering glimpses of the majestic Himalayan ranges. As you make your way to Pelling, the sight of towering mountains and beautiful rivers will only heighten your excitement for the day ahead. Upon arrival, check in to your hotel and take a moment to unwind. Pelling, known for its serenity and unparalleled views of the snow-capped Kanchenjunga and surrounding peaks, offers a perfect blend of peace and adventure. After settling in, the rest of the day is free for you to relax and immerse yourself in the calm atmosphere of this hidden Himalayan retreat. Whether you wish to take a leisurely stroll through the town, enjoy the spectacular views from your hotel, or simply savor the quiet charm of Pelling, this is your time to relax and rejuvenate. In the evening, enjoy the cool mountain air and the tranquility of the surroundings as you prepare for another day of exploration in this scenic haven. Overnight stay at

### Day 5 Pelling Full Day Sightseeing with Skywalk

After a hearty breakfast, get ready for a day full of awe-inspiring sights and cultural treasures as you embark on a full-day sightseeing tour of Pelling. Your first stop is the charming Darap Village, where you can experience the simple, rustic beauty of rural Sikkim and the warmth of its local communities. Continue your journey to the stunning Rimbi Waterfalls, where the cascading waters create a mesmerizing spectacle against the backdrop of lush greenery. Next, make your way to Khecheopalri Lake, also known as the Wishfulfing Lake. Revered as a sacred site, this serene lake is believed to fulfill wishes and is surrounded by dense forest, adding to its mystical charm. As you take in the breathtaking beauty of the lake, its peaceful aura will surely leave you feeling rejuvenated. Continue your scenic journey to Khangchendzongha Waterfalls, where the sparkling water plunges down the mountainside, offering a perfect photo opportunity to capture the essence of Sikkim's natural grandeur. In the afternoon, delve into the region's rich spiritual heritage by visiting the Pemayangtse Monastery, one of the oldest and most significant monasteries in Sikkim. The intricate architecture and serene surroundings make it a must-visit for anyone seeking peace and spiritual solace. Just a short distance away are the Rabdantse Ruins, the site of the former second capital of Sikkim, where the remnants of the ancient structures tell the story of a bygone era. For a truly unique experience, head to Sang-Ngag Choling (Skywalk) at the New Helipad Ground, where you'll walk on a glass bridge suspended high above the ground. The Skywalk offers breathtaking views of Kanchenjunga, the world's third-highest peak, and the surrounding mountains—a moment you'll never forget! After a day of exploring the natural beauty and spiritual heritage of Pelling, surrounded by the timeless beauty of the Himalayas.

#### Day 6 Pelling - Gangtok via Namchi (150 Kms. / 5 Hrs.)

After a delightful breakfast, set off on a scenic drive to Gangtok, the vibrant capital of Sikkim, situated at an altitude of 5,500 feet. The 150-kilometer journey (approximately 5 hours) will take you through picturesque landscapes, charming villages, and winding mountain roads, offering stunning views of the Himalayas at every turn. Enroute, make a stop at Namchi, a serene town known for its spiritual significance and breathtaking views. Visit the Sai Temple, a tranquil sanctuary dedicated to Sai Baba, where you can take a moment to reflect and seek peace amidst the surrounding beauty. Continue your spiritual journey with a visit to Siddheshwar Dham (Chardham), an impressive complex housing replicas of the four sacred shrines of Char Dham—Badrinath, Dwarka, Puri, and Rameswaram. The panoramic views of the surrounding mountains and valleys from this sacred site add to its spiritual ambiance, offering a peaceful retreat in the heart of nature. After these enriching stops, continue your drive to Gangtok, soak in its vibrant atmosphere, or simply enjoy the stunning Himalayan backdrop. In the evening, enjoy a leisurely dinner and reflect on the memorable journey so far, with the promise of more adventures to come in this beautiful mountain city. Overnight stay at Gangtok, ready for another exciting day of exploration!

### Day 7 Excursion to Tsomgo Lake and Baba Mandir (53 Kms. / 3 Hrs. one-way)

After a fulfilling breakfast, prepare for an exciting adventure as you set out for an excursion to the breathtaking Tsomgo Lake (also known as Changu Lake), located at an altitude of 12,400 feet. The 37-kilometer (2-hour) journey from Gangtok takes you through scenic landscapes, offering glimpses of snow-covered peaks, lush valleys, and alpine vegetation, setting the stage for one of the most memorable experiences of your trip. Tsomgo Lake, surrounded by towering mountains, is a serene glacial lake known for its striking beauty. The sparkling blue waters and the stunning reflection of the snow-capped peaks create a picture-perfect setting. In winter, the lake is often frozen, adding to its mystical charm. If you're lucky, you may even spot some wildlife like the Himalayan yak, which is often seen grazing in the area. From Tsomgo Lake, continue your journey to the Baba Mandir, located at 13,200 feet, a further 16 kilometers (1 hour) away. This sacred shrine, dedicated to Baba Harbhajan Singh, a revered figure in the Indian Army, is set in a dramatic landscape. The peaceful surroundings, coupled with the spiritual atmosphere, offer a truly humbling experience. After visiting these stunning and spiritually significant locations, begin your journey back to Gangtok, where you can spend the evening relaxing or exploring the vibrant city at your own pace. Overnight stay at Gangtok, as you reflect on the beauty of the highlands and the unforgettable sights you've witnessed today.

#### Day 8 Gangtok - Lachen (120 Kms. / 6 Hrs.)

After a hearty breakfast, check out from your hotel and embark on an exciting journey towards Lachen, a beautiful town located at an altitude of 8,980 feet in North Sikkim. This 120-kilometer (approximately 6-hour) drive is a perfect blend of adventure and natural beauty, taking you through winding roads, lush landscapes, and picturesque villages. As you journey along, make stops at some of the most captivating spots that Sikkim has to offer. Your first stop is the Naga Waterfall, where the waters cascade down in a splendid display of nature's power and beauty. Continue to the Confluence of Lachen Chu and Lachung Chu Rivers at Chungthang, a truly breathtaking spot where the two rivers meet amidst the serene mountains. This picturesque location is perfect for a moment of reflection and capturing stunning photographs. Further along the route, you'll encounter the magnificent Bhim Nala Waterfall, one of the tallest in Sikkim, where the water plunges down with incredible force, surrounded by the majestic mountain backdrop. As you approach Lachen, the mountain town nestled amidst the mighty peaks, you'll be greeted by the crisp mountain air and the serenity of the landscape. Upon arrival, check into your hotel, and take time to relax and settle in. The tranquility of Lachen provides a perfect retreat before you continue your journey into the higher altitudes of Sikkim. In the evening, enjoy a warm dinner as you reflect on the day's adventures and prepare for the days ahead in the mesmerizing landscapes of North Sikkim. Overnight stay at Lachen, where the beauty of the Himalayas surrounds you at every turn.

# Day 9 Excursion to Chopta Valley and Gurudongmar Lake (137 Kms. / 6 Hrs.)

Rise early for a thrilling day of exploration as you embark on an unforgettable excursion to Gurudongmar Lake, one of the highest and most sacred lakes in the world, situated at an altitude of 17,100 feet. After a quick breakfast, you'll begin your journey with a scenic drive via Chopta Valley (13,200 feet) and Thangu, passing through pristine landscapes of snow-clad peaks, rugged terrain, and untouched wilderness. As you ascend towards Gurudongmar Lake, the landscape transforms into an awe-inspiring sight. The lake, often covered in snow from December to April, is not just a natural wonder but a spiritual one as well. Revered by Buddhists, Sikhs, and Hindus alike, it is considered a holy lake, and its crystal-clear waters reflect the surrounding snow-capped mountains, creating a surreal, almost mystical atmosphere. The journey to this remote and sacred site, surrounded by tranquility, will be an experience you'll never forget. The drive from Lachen to Gurudongmar takes approximately 3-4 hours one way, so be prepared for an exhilarating road trip through high-altitude terrain. Along the way, the breathtaking views and the serene atmosphere will leave you mesmerized. After spending time at the sacred lake, return to Lachen in the afternoon. Once back, enjoy a peaceful lunch, and the rest of the day is yours to unwind. Take this time to reflect on your journey or enjoy leisure activities amidst the breathtaking Himalayan landscape. In the evening, relish a warm dinner and prepare for a restful night in Lachen, surrounded by the towering peaks and the sacred energy of the region. Overnight stay at Lachen, where the magic of North Sikkim continues to envelop you.

# Day 10 Lachen - Lachung (47 Kms. / 2 Hrs.)

After breakfast, get ready for a scenic drive from Lachen to Lachung, a charming village nestled at an altitude of 8,738 feet. The 47-kilometer (2-hour) journey takes you through one of the most picturesque valleys in North Sikkim, where every turn reveals a new, breathtaking view. The road winds

through lush forests, rugged terrains, and sparkling rivers, offering a tranquil journey amidst nature's finest offerings. As you approach Lachung, the serene surroundings and cool mountain air will immediately captivate you. Upon arrival, check into your hotel and take a well-deserved rest after your scenic drive. You're free to spend the rest of the day at leisure—whether you prefer to explore the quiet village, take in the surrounding landscapes, or simply relax and soak in the beauty of the region. The peaceful atmosphere of Lachung offers the perfect escape, and there's no rush to do anything other than enjoy your time here. In the evening, enjoy a warm and comforting dinner, reflecting on your journey through North Sikkim's enchanting landscapes. Overnight stay at Lachung, where the mountains stand tall and the atmosphere is filled with tranquility.

#### Day 11 Lachung - Yumthang Valley - Gangtok (161 Kms. / 9 Hrs.)

Start your day early with a thrilling journey to the enchanting Yumthang Valley, also known as the Valley of Flowers, located at an altitude of 12,000 feet. After a scenic 1.5-hour drive from Lachung, you will arrive at this breathtaking valley, where vibrant wildflowers bloom in the summer and the landscape is blanketed by snow in the winter. Known as the summer grazing ground of yaks and the winter playground of yetis, Yumthang is a mystical place that will leave you spellbound. As you explore the valley, take in the panoramic views of the surrounding snow-capped peaks, rolling meadows, and pristine rivers. It's a photographer's dream, and the perfect place to immerse yourself in nature's beauty. On the way back, make a visit to the Hot Spring, famous for its medicinal properties. A dip in the warm waters here is said to rejuvenate the body and mind, adding a therapeutic element to your journey. After returning to Lachung for a satisfying lunch, the next part of your adventure takes you back to Gangtok, situated at 5,500 feet. The drive to Gangtok is scenic, and if the skies are clear, you'll be treated to a stunning view of the mighty Khangchendzonga from the Singhik Viewpoint, one of the most magnificent sights in the region. Upon arrival in Gangtok, check into your hotel and unwind after an adventurous day. Overnight stay at Gangtok, where the evening's cool breeze and Himalayan vibes provide the perfect end to a memorable day.

#### Day 12 Gangtok - NJP Rly Station / IXB Airport (128 Kms. / 5 Hrs.)

After breakfast, it's time to bid farewell to the enchanting landscapes of Gangtok. As you check out from your hotel, take a moment to reflect on the incredible experiences you've gathered in the Himalayan paradise of Sikkim. Begin your journey back to the plains with a scenic drive to New Jalpaiguri Railway Station (NJP) or Bagdogra International Airport (IXB), approximately 128 kilometers (5 hours) away. Along the way, enjoy the picturesque views of rolling hills and vibrant green valleys one last time. As you head towards the airport or station, you'll carry with you not just the memories of the towering peaks and the serene valleys, but also the warmth of the region's hospitality and the beauty of its culture. Upon arrival at the station or airport, bid adieu to your unforgettable adventure and board your onward journey, knowing that the magic of the Himalayas will always remain in your heart.

#### **TOUR COST INCLUDES**

- Accommodation on twin Sharing Basis.
- Meal Plan (as per mentioned above).
- Exclusive Nona/c vehicle for transfers & sightseeing. Please brief to guest that vehicle will not be at disposal it will be available to guest as per itinerary only (point to point basis).
- All permit fees & hotel taxes (as per itinerary).
- Rates are valid for INDIAN NATIONALS only.

#### TOUR COST EXCLUDES

- Air Fare / Train fare.
- Personal Expenses such as Laundry, telephone calls, tips & gratuity, mineral water, soft & hard drinks, rafting, rock climbing, paragliding, joy ride (Toy Train), Ropeway, porterage.
- Additional sightseeing or extra usage of vehicle, other than mentioned in the itinerary.
- Entrance Fees & Guide charges.
- Any cost arising due to natural calamities like, landslides, road blockage, political disturbances (strikes), etc (to be borne by the client, which is directly payable on the spot).
- Any increase in taxes or fuel price, leading to increase in cost on surface transportation & land arrangements, which may come into effect prior to departure.
- Room Heater Charges.
- Insurance.
- Anything which is not included in the inclusion.

#### **CANCELLATION/NO SHOW POLICY**

• As per the Booking Conditions of the Tour, the cancellation charges will be applicable for any cancellation request of the tour, either by the customer or any member of the group. This will be intimated at the time of booking. In any other case, including 'No Show', the Company shall make no refund to the customer.

#### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

- Itinerary is subject to change without any prior notice.
- No rooms on Hold. Confirmation will be subject to availability at the time of confirmation.
- Tour itinerary may be shuffled due to the inclement weather conditions and changes in Flight/ Ferry operations, which may incur extra charges.
- All the passengers should carry the valid ID during the travel
- Peak Season / Weekend Surcharges may be applicable at the time of confirmation. This will be intimated at the time of booking. However we will not be able to get this information prior.
- Child below 2 years is considered as infant and 2 years to 11 years are considered to be child.
- All the services included in the package are compulsory and no refund will be given if any of the services are not taken.
- Flights arriving Early Morning or Late Evening & departing Early Morning or Late Evening, passengers needs to book Private Transfers if Schedule Transfer is not operational
- Check-in time of the hotels starts from 14.00 hrs and check out time will be 12.00 hrs. Early Check in/late check out will be subjected to availability of rooms. However Hotel has the right to change the timing without any prior notice.
- Company will not be liable for any claims due to accidents, food poisoning, medical illness or other natural calamities arising during the tour/travel. Passenger will have to ensure themselves and company will not entertain any claims in this regard.
- At the airport driver will be holding placard under the main passenger name. If you do not locate the driver please call the emergency no and trace out the same.
- For transfers and tours please be ready on time and wait at the hotel reception. If you miss the same no refund. Please carry all your documents safely. All valuables, cash, traveler cheque, air ticket, Visa copy passport etc. should be carried in your handbag for easy access

- Documents for Tsomgo Lake & New Baba Mandir 02 Passport Size Photo along with Photo Copy of Photo ID Proof (Passport or Driving License or Voter ID (Pan Card & Adhaar Card is not accepted). For Children below 18 years, Birth Certificate / School Id / College Id are must. Original needs to carry while travelling.
- In case of Land slide or any other reason, if Tsomgo Lake is closed we will provide alternate sightseeing. • Documents for Lachen & Lachung – 02 Passport Size Photo along with Photo Copy of Photo ID Proof (Passport or Driving License or Voter ID (Pan Card & Adhaar Card is not accepted). For Children below 18 years, Birth Certificate / School Id / College Id are must. Original needs to carry while travelling.