

# Himalayan Discovery



The district of Kinnaur is a **fairytale land**, with a picturesque terrain of lush green valleys, orchards, vineyards and snow capped mountains. This border district of **Himachal Pradesh** makes a breathtaking off-the-beaten-track summer journey through the lovely Himalayan foothills, with their **rich flora & fauna**. Highlights and hidden gems include the Sangla Valley, Thanedar and Nalagarh. The best season to visit is between April and October.

## Day 1 Arrive Delhi

Arrive Delhi and transfer to your hotel. New Delhi tour includes Humayun's Tomb, Qutab Minar and a drive around the Parliament of India. Overnight at The Claridges.

## Day 2 Delhi to Shimla

Train to Kalka and the "toy train" to Shimla. Summer capital of the Raj, its ethos retained by many original buildings including the Viceroy's residence. Overnight at The Cecil. (B)

## Day 3 Shimla

Free day to explore. Visit the Vice-Regal Lodge, Jhakoo Temple and walk the famous Mall. Overnight at The Cecil. (B)

## Day 4 Shimla to Mashobra

Drive to Mashobra, with its densely forested hills, and Wildflower Hall set in twenty three acres of cedar forest with panoramic views of the Himalayas. Overnight at Wildflower Hall. (B)

## Day 5 Mashobra to Sangla

On to the Sangla Valley (Passage of Light) where the local deity resides in a lovely wooden temple. Visit Kamru Fort. Overnight at Banjara Camp. (B, L, D)



## Day 6 Sangla

Excursion to Chitkul on the old Hindustan-Tibet trade route, where the local architecture has distinctive slate and wood plank roofs. Overnight at Banjara Camp. (B, L, D)

## Day 7 Sangla

Activity choices include: walking (superb Himalayan views and unique flora and fauna), angling (for trout), or just relaxing. Overnight at Banjara Camp. (B, L, D)



Sangla Valley

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## Day 8 Sangla to Thanedar

Drive through apple orchards with a backdrop of blue hills and dazzling yellow mustard fields. Overnight at Thanedar Retreat. (B, L, D)

## Day 9 Thanedar

Visit Tani, Jubbar Lake and Hattu Peak, where at 3,385 meters the views are breathtaking. Overnight at Thanedar Retreat. (B, L, D)

## Day 10 Thanedar to Nalagarh

Drive to Nalagarh where the Fort, built in 1421, is located on a hillock and surrounded by acres of greenery. A restful place to unwind. Overnight at Nalagarh Fort. (B)

## Day 11 Nalagarh to Delhi

Morning at leisure. Later drive to Delhi. Farewell dinner. Overnight at the Taj Palace. (B)

## Day 12 Delhi to Agra to Delhi

Train to Agra. Visit the Taj Mahal, Agra Fort and Fatehpur Sikri. Evening train to Delhi. Overnight at the Taj Palace. (B, D)

## Day 13 Delhi and Departure

Transfer to the airport for your flight home.