

Tour Of India
With A Driver Guide In Your Own Exclusive Air-Conditioned Vehicle.

LADAKH – ROOF OF THE WORLD

Day	Date	Location	First Class Hotels Where Available	Standard Hotels	Schedule
01		Depart UK			
02		Arrive Delhi	The Manor Superior Room	Parkland Green Park	>Pick Up From New Delhi Airport >Sightseeing Tour Of Old Delhi With The Red Fort, Jama Masjid And Rickshaw Ride Through Bazaars Of Chandni Chowk
03		Leh	The Grand Dragon Deluxe Room	Spic n Span	>Drop Off At Delhi Airport INTERNAL FLIGHT FROM DELHI TO LEH 1 HOUR 25 MIN >Pick Up From Leh Airport >Visit Leh Market, Leh Palace And Shanti Stupa
04		Ule	Ule Ethnic Resort	Ule Ethnic Resort	>Visit Liker Monastery >Explore The Mesmerising Moon Landscapes Of Ladakh And The Lamayuru Monastery Leh - Ule: 100 Miles Approx 4 Hours
05		Leh	The Grand Dragon Deluxe Room	Spic n Span	>Alchi Monastery And Basgo Palace Ule - Leh: 44 Miles Approx 2 Hours
06		Tso Moriri	Nomadic Camp	Nomadic Camp	>Drive To Tso Moriri Passing Chumathang Hot Springs Along The Indus River >Walk Around The Tso Moriri Lake To Enjoy The Scenic Beauty Leh - Tso Moriri: 148 Miles Approx 6 Hours
07		Leh	The Grand Dragon Deluxe Room	Spic n Span	>Return To Leh Tso Moriri - Leh: 148 Miles Approx 6 Hours
08		Leh	The Grand Dragon Deluxe Room	Spic n Span	>Drive To Khardongla Pass, One Of The World's Highest Motorable Roads At 18380 Feet! Leh - Khardongla - Leh: 96 Miles Approx 4 Hours
09		Delhi	Svelte Hotel	Parkland Green Park	>Drop Off At Leh Airport >INTERNAL FLIGHT FROM LEH TO DELHI 1 HOUR 25 MIN >Pick Up From Delhi Airport
10		Depart Delhi Arrive UK			>Drop Off At Delhi Airport

Standard Rooms Unless Otherwise Specified
Possible Only Between May - September



Day 02 – New Delhi



Domes Of The Jama Masjid

Old Delhi

Delhi is one of the world's great cities and contains something of interest for everyone. Lose yourself in the teeming bazaars and markets of **Chandni Chowk** with outstanding opportunities for bargain-hunting or sample fine authentic cuisine at many superb local restaurants.

The Red Fort Of Delhi (Lal Qila) was the palace of **Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan** and dominates the old city. The **Jama Masjid** is a mosque of vast proportions with a courtyard that can easily accommodate 25 000 people.



The Red Fort At Delhi



Day 03 – Leh



Leh Palace

Leh Market, Leh Palace And Shanti Stupa

Leh (11,490 feet) was the old capital of the **Himalayan** kingdom of **Ladakh** and is located in the **Indus River** valley. The old town is a compact area of mud brick houses and narrow lanes directly to the east of **Main Bazaar**.

Leh has for centuries been an important stopover on trade routes along the **Indus Valley** between **Tibet** to the east, **Kashmir** to the west and also between **India** and **China**.

The town is dominated by the now ruined former **Palace Of The King** of **Ladakh**, which is the most noticeable building in **Leh**. The palace was built in the 17th century. There are some lovely views of **Leh** from the **Shanti Stupa** built on a hill overlooking the town.



View Of Leh From The Shanti Stupa

Day 04 – Ule



Moonscape At Lama Yuru

Likir Monastery

Likir Monastery is picturesquely situated on a little hill in the valley of the **Indus River**. It belongs to the **Gelugpa** sect of **Tibetan Buddhism** and was established in 1065. The monastery is a repository of old manuscripts and has a notable collection of old costumes and earthen pots. Sitting on the roof is also a 25 foot statue of **Sakyamuni Buddha**.

Lama Yuru Moonscapes

Lama Yuru is set amidst dramatic mountains and a vast swath of windswept high-mountain desert. This is often referred to as the “**Moonscape**” of **Ladakh**. The **Moonscape** is caused by erosion of lakebed deposits from a former glacial lake. It is a barren, stark landscape of sheer grandeur and unparalleled beauty.

Lama Yuru Monastery

Lama Yuru is one of the largest and oldest gompas (monasteries) in **Ladakh**, with a population of around 150 permanent monks resident.



Young Monks At Lama Yuru

Day 05 – Leh



Image Of Kanon At Alchi Monastery

Alchi Monastery

Alchi is a village and monastery situated on the bank of **Indus River**. Unlike the other gompas (monasteries) in **Ladakh**, **Alchi** is situated on lowland, not on a hilltop. **Alchi Monastery** is one of the oldest monasteries in **Ladakh** and is known for its magnificent, and well-preserved 11th / 12th century wall paintings, all in an **Indian** style.

Basgo Palace

The ruins of **Basgo Palace** are set in mountains with beautiful views of the valley below and craggy rocks all around. Not much visited, the 3 temples have attractive old statues and exquisite paintings.



Ruins Of Basgo Palace



Day 06 – Tso Moriri



The Heavenly Tso Moriri Lake

Tso Moriri Lake

Tso Moriri, is an amazingly beautiful high altitude salt-water lake at 15,075 ft above sea level. It is located in the **Changthang Plateau** with spectacular snow covered peaks that provide the source of water for the lake. Various nomadic tribes inhabit the plateau and an experience of a lifetime would be to glimpse into their traditional lifestyle and share a cup of butter tea in one of their black yak-hair tents.

Tso Moriri is an important wildlife sanctuary with 14 species of water birds including the endangered **Black-necked Crane**, **Great Crested Grebe** and **Bar-headed Geese**.

There are herds of **Tibetan Ass (Kiang)** that are endemic to the **Tibetan Plateau**, as well as **Tibetan Gazelle** and **Goa Antelope**. The **Snow Leopard** and the **Tibetan Grey Wolf** lurk in the craggy hills surrounding the lake.



Tibetan Wild Ass At Tso Moriri

Day 07 – Leh

The River Indus Near Chumanthang

Return To Leh From Tso Moriri

Return to **Leh** from **Tso Moriri Lake** along the **Indus River** valley.



Leh Market



Day 08 – Leh



Amazing Zig Zag Roads At Khardung La

The Khardung La Pass – One Of The Highest Motorable Roads in The World

Khardung La (Khardung Pass) at an elevation of 17 582 ft is a high mountain pass that lies north of **Leh** and is the gateway to the **Shyok** and **Nubra** valleys. The **Siachen Glacier** lies partway up the latter valley. **Khardung La** is historically important as it lies on the major caravan route from **Leh** to **Kashgar** in **Chinese Central Asia**. About 10,000 horses and camels used to take the route annually, and a small population of **Bactrian** camels can still be seen at **Hundar**, in the area north of the pass. During **World War II** there was a futile attempt to transfer war material to **China** through this route.

Today the **Khardung La** enjoys a reputation as perhaps the second highest motorable road in the entire world!



The Khardung La Pass

Day 09 – New Delhi

Chawri Bazaar At New Delhi

Relax At Delhi

Relax in the capital city, or head towards **Delhi's** famous markets and bazaars for some last minute shopping. You can even catch up on some of **Delhi's** new sights such as the **Lotus Temple** and **Akshardham Temple** towards the north east of the city.



Akshardham Temple At Delhi

**Day 10 – Depart Delhi**