

LADAKH APRICOT BLOSSOM TOUR

09 NIGHTS/10 DAYS

Apricot blossom tourism in Ladakh centers around the Apricot Blossom Festival, known locally as "Chuli Mendoq," which takes place from early April to early May. This festival aims to boost tourism by highlighting the stunning scenery of pink and white blossoms in places like Sham Valley, Nubra Valley, and the Aryan belt. Visitors can enjoy cultural performances, walks through the orchards during this period. Witness Ladakh in its most magical season—the **Apricot Blossom**. Every year, between March and April, the rugged landscapes of Leh transform into a paradise of soft pink and white hues as apricot trees.



TOUR ITINERARY

DAY 01. ARRIVAL LEH

Arrive at Leh - a largest city and the capital of Kingdom of Ladakh. This region is known for its high passes, dramatic mountains and beautiful landscapes hence, called as paradise on earth. On arrival you will be received by our company representative and transfer to the Hotel. It will be free time to get acclimatized to this high-altitude destination also referred as cold desert of India. In the evening Visit Shanti Stupa - peace seat of Japanese Buddhists, inaugurated by his holiness Dalai Lama, afterwards visit Leh Palace. Return to Hotel for dinner and overnight stay.



DAY 02. LEH - SHAM VALLEY - ALCHI

Morning proceed to Alchi. En-route visit Pathar Sahib Gurudwara, Magnetic hill and Indus Zaskar Sangam (confluence of Zanaskar and Indus Rivers). Further drive to Alchi Gompa, it bears the name of Alchi from the language of pre-Tibetan Dardic inhabitants. The Alchi Chos-khor consists of unique paintings, which may be attributed from the mid to late 11th century and was constructed by the famous translator Rin-chen bzang po. The paintings are characterized according to the Tabo and Tholing. At the entrance gate, light stupas are constructed and are known as Kakini choten with local village people & Apricot Blossom orchards. After sightseeing return to for dinner and overnight stay.



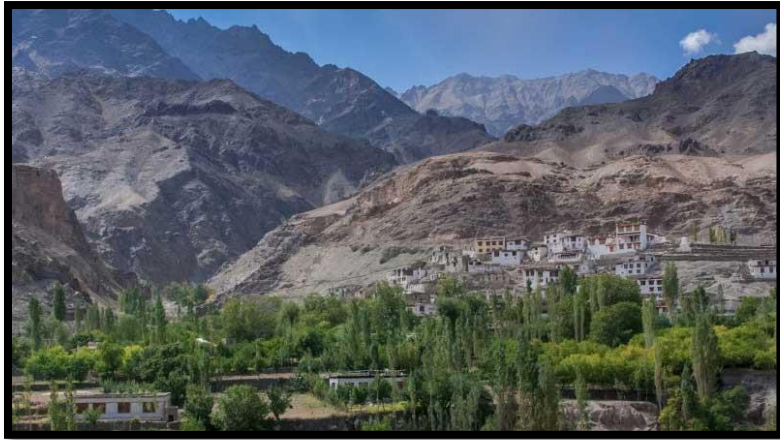
DAY 03. ALCHI - DAH HANU ARYAN VILLAGES

After Breakfast proceed to Aryan Valley - famously known as the 'Last Aryan Villages of India'. Drive on the banks of Indus river and enjoy the scenic beauty. Enroute visit the quaint villages of Dah is among the few villages that are home to the ethnic Drokpa tribe of Leh, renowned for their hospitality. They are said to be the descendants of the original Aryan or Indo-European race. These villages are a great way to explore the cultural diversity of the region and a huge pull for photographers, who love to capture portraits and scenery. The tribes have a unique ornamentation style and interesting headgear that makes for great pictures. Afternoon free to enjoy the local villages with ethnic Brokpa Aryan People having long nose with Apricot Blossom orchards. Return to Hotel for dinner and overnight stay.



DAY 04. DHA HANU- BATALIK - KARGIL

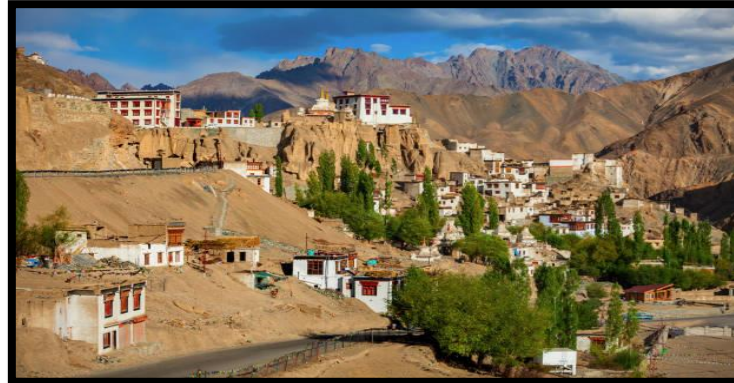
Morning drive & reach Batalik is a town in Ladakh, located on the upper reaches of the Indus river. It was a focal point in the Kargil War because of its strategic location between Kargil, Leh, and Baltistan. In 1999, the Kargil war was fought in this region. Continue your drive and reach Kargil, arrive, and check in at the Hotel. Afternoon leave to visit local markets of the Kargil city, return to Hotel for overnight stay



DAY 05, KARGIL - DRASS - LAMAYURU - LEH

After breakfast leave the Hotel and drive to Drass to visit "The War Memorial", a monument built by the Indian Army in memory of Indian soldiers who lost their lives during the Kargil War in 1999.

After sightseeing drive to Leh via Mamika La Pass, Mulbekh monastery, Fate La pass, continue your drive, and reach Lamayuru, this place allows you to travel over Jelebi Mods (serpentine road) and once you reach the top a photograph of the road you traveled up is something you cherish to possess. In front of the Lamayuru, you will believe why the name of this tour is Moonland. The same formations of Land are visible as on the moon. Continue your drive to Leh with Apricot Blossom orchards all around, arrive, and check in at the Hotel for an overnight stay.



DAY 06: LEH - NUBRA VALLEY

After an early breakfast we drive to NUBRA VALLEY leads through KHARDUNG-LA-PASS (the highest motorable road in the world) at 18,390 ft, around 39kms from Leh. Nubra Valley is popularly known as Ldorma or the Valley of Flowers. It is situated to the North of Ladakh between the Karakoram and Ladakh ranges of the Himalayas. Arrive in Sumur or Hunder by afternoon and rest of the day at leisure to explore the beautiful villages of Sumur & Hunder and you can also enjoy the camel ride at the Hunder desert (at your expense), afterward Visit to Diskit Monastery. After sightseeing, return to camp/Guest House for an overnight stay.



DAY 07: NUBRA - TURTUK APRICOT BLOSSOM ORCHARDS - NUBRA:

One of the most fascinating journeys in Ladakh this is a less popular destination recently opened for tourists, if you have a thirst for a beautiful location this is the place. En route spectacular mountain ranges and Villages like. This region is controlled mainly by the Ladakh Scouts a rear department of the India Army. A border village that was recaptured by the Indian Army in 1971. Locals have relatives

across the border (Line of Control) and depend mainly on farming of vegetables, apricot besides providing mules and porters. Baltistan a beautiful village with charming people "On the night of December 13, 1971, the people of this village went to sleep in Pakistan. The next morning, they woke up in India." We are in Turtuk, listening to a villager recount the history of this remote northwest corner of Ladakh, which until that night was part of Baltistan in PoK. A full-day rough excursion and evening back to Nubra Valley. Overnight stay at the camp/Hotel/Cottage



DAY 08: NUBRA - PANGONG LAKE:

After Breakfast leave for Pangong Lake (14,500 ft.) through Shyok River & Durbuk village. Arrive at Pangong Lake is the highest salt water Lake in the World, shared by two countries India & China. Enjoy the beauty of the lake on the Banks of Pangong Lake with multi-color reflections and fascinating high altitude of the Lake. Overnight stay at Pangong Lake.



DAY 09: PANGONG - LEH:

This morning, after breakfast, drive around Pangong Lake and don't forget to click photos!!

Afterwards, drive to Leh through the Changla Pass 17,350 ft is the third highest motor-able road in the world. Arrival at Leh and if time permits afternoon free at leisure to roam around Leh Markets for shopping and personal activities, overnight at Hotel in Leh.



DAY 10: LEH DEPARTURE:

Today, bid farewell to your Lake and Pass Ladakh tour, as you are transferred to the Airport in Leh for your onward journey.

END OF OUR SERVICES

TOUR COST PER PERSON

Minimum 02 Persons traveling together:	Rs 49,250/- Per Person
Minimum 04 Persons traveling together	Rs 34,750/- Per Person
Minimum 06 Persons traveling together	Rs 31,750/- Per Person
Minimum 08 Persons traveling together	Rs 28,625/- Per Person
Minimum 10 Persons traveling together	Rs 26,750/- Per Person
Minimum 12 Persons traveling together	Rs 25,500/- Per Person
Extra Bed:	Rs 19,900/-
Child without bed:	Rs 11,375/-

HOTELS ENVISAGED 3 STAR:

NIGHTS	PLACE	HOTELS 3 STAR
03 Nights	Leh	Ladakh Imperial/Jeevanam Villa/The Mogol/Blue Stone
01 Night	Alchi	Ule Delight Camp/Ule Eco Resort/Alchi Zimkhang Hotel/similar
01 Night	Dha Hanu	Payupa Guest House/Aryan Village Camp/Aryan Residency/similar
01 Night	Kargil	The Kargil Heights/Caravan Sarai/similar
02 Nights	Nubra	Organic Boutique/Himalayan Desert Villa/Grand Nubra/similar
01 Night	Pangong	Norling Cozy Cottage/P3 Camp/Panoramic Cottage/similar

Meal Plan: MAP, 09 breakfasts & 09 dinners

Transport: By one non a/c Innova/Xylo for 02-05 Pax & Tempo Traveler for 06-12 pax.

TOUR COST INCLUDES :

- 09 Nights Hotel accommodation on double/twin sharing basis in above Hotels/similar
- 09 breakfasts & dinners at all the Hotels (MAP Plan)
- All transfers and sightseeing as per the above itinerary by 01 non a/c Innova/Xylo for 02-05 Pax & Tempo Traveler for 06-12 pax.
- Wildlife, Red Cross & environmental fee
- Restricted Inner Line Permits
- All applicable taxes of hotels.

- All toll tax and parking fees.
- Driver night charges.

EXCLUSIONS:

- Airfare to and from Leh.
- Any Kind of Personal Expenses or Optional Tours / Extra Meals Ordered.
- Anything not specifically mentioned under the head "Package Inclusions"
- Tips, Insurance, Laundry, Phone Calls
- The Services of Vehicle are not included on leisure days & after finishing the sightseeing tour as per the Itinerary
- Any Kind of Drinks (Alcoholic, Mineral, Aerated)
- Camera fee, Soft or Hard drinks, Starters.
- Medical & Travel insurance
- Additional costs due to flight cancellation, roadblocks etc.
- GST 5% on total Invoice.