

# Luxury Houseboat Retreat: Private Butler & Dal Lake Views

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Destination  
**Kashmir**



Duration  
**4 Nights 5 Days**



Starting from  
**Rs. 34,999 / person**

## ITINERARY ROUTE

✓ **Srinagar - 4N**

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## Overview

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A premium 4 nights / 5 days Kashmir tour package designed for couples seeking romance and privacy. Stay on a private luxury houseboat on Dal Lake with a dedicated private butler, enjoy serene Shikara rides, day trips to Gulmarg and Pahalgam, and curated experiences that make this an ideal Kashmir Honeymoon tour package or Kashmir Honeymoon package. Perfect for travelers searching for 4 and 5 Kashmir Honeymoon tour package options.

### Highlights:

- Stay: 4 nights on a private luxury houseboat on Dal Lake with lake views
- Experience: Private butler service, sunset Shikara ride, candlelit dinner on the houseboat
- Day trips: Full-day excursions to Gulmarg (Gondola, meadows) and Pahalgam (Betaab Valley, Aru Valley)
- Culture: Visit Mughal Gardens, Shankaracharya Temple, and local Kashmiri markets
- Extras: Airport transfers, private car for excursions, curated romantic touches

This itinerary is customizable to suit special requests, seasonal changes, or inclusion of extra experiences (e.g., gondola tickets, spa treatments, or private guided tours).

### ✓ What's Included

- ✓ 4 nights accommodation on a private luxury houseboat on Dal Lake (double occupancy)
- ✓ Dedicated private butler service throughout stay
- ✓ Daily breakfast and 3 dinners (welcome and farewell dinners included)
- ✓ Arrival and departure airport transfers by private car
- ✓ Private car & driver for two full-day excursions (Gulmarg & Pahalgam)
- ✓ One sunset Shikara ride on Dal Lake
- ✓ All applicable local taxes (unless stated otherwise)
- ✓ 24/7 local assistance and concierge for special arrangements

### ✗ Not Included

- ✗ International / domestic airfare to/from Srinagar
- ✗ Entrance fees, monument donations, and Gondola tickets (Gulmarg Gondola - optional)
- ✗ Meals not specified in inclusions and personal beverages
- ✗ Tips, portorage, and personal expenses
- ✗ Travel insurance and emergency evacuation
- ✗ Any activities marked optional or seasonal surcharges
- ✗ Government-imposed taxes introduced after booking

## Day-by-Day Itinerary

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Day

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### **Arrival, Private Houseboat Welcome & Sunset Shikara**

Arrive at Srinagar Airport where you will be received and transferred to your luxury houseboat on Dal Lake. Check in and meet your private butler who will walk you through the houseboat amenities. Relax and refresh before an evening sunset Shikara ride across Dal Lake with views of the snow-capped ranges. Return for a specially prepared welcome dinner on the houseboat.

Highlights: Private butler welcome, sunset Shikara ride, lake-view dinner.

Tip: Carry light layers – evenings on the lake can be cool.

Day

2

### **Mughal Gardens, Old City & Evening Leisure on the Houseboat**

After a relaxed breakfast on the houseboat, visit the iconic Mughal Gardens – Shalimar Bagh, Nishat Bagh, and Chashme Shahi. Explore the terraced gardens with panoramic views of the Dal Lake. Continue to the Old City for a guided walk through narrow lanes, visit the Shankaracharya Temple (viewpoint) and browse the bustling Lal Chowk markets for pashmina shawls and Kashmiri handicrafts. Return to the houseboat for an evening at leisure and an optional private candlelit dinner arranged by your butler.

Highlights: Mughal Gardens, Shankaracharya viewpoint, shopping in local markets.

Note: Some garden timings vary seasonally; we recommend morning visits to avoid crowds.

Day

3

### **Gulmarg Day Trip – Gondola & Meadows**

Full-day excursion to Gulmarg (approx. 2 hours each way). Discover the alpine meadows, wildflowers (seasonal) and pristine landscapes. Ride the famous Gulmarg Gondola (optional – we can pre-book phase 1 & 2 tickets) for stunning mountain panoramas. Enjoy leisurely walks, photography, and optional activities like pony rides or a guided nature stroll. Return to your houseboat in Srinagar by evening.

Highlights: Gulmarg Gondola (optional), alpine meadows, panoramic mountain views.

Tip: Carry sunscreen and comfortable walking shoes; the Gondola operates on weather conditions.

Day

4

## Pahalgam Day Trip — Betaab & Aru Valley

Today head to the scenic Pahalgam (approx. 2.5–3 hours). Visit Betaab Valley, Aru Valley, and the scenic banks of the Lidder River. Enjoy picnic spots, tranquil riverside walks, and optional short treks or pony rides in Aru. On the way back, stop for tea at a viewpoint and return to your houseboat for a relaxed final night with a specially curated farewell dinner prepared by your private butler.

Highlights: Betaab Valley, Aru Valley, Lidder River, farewell dinner.

Note: Pahalgam involves more road travel; plan for an early start.

Day

5

## Leisure Morning & Departure Transfer

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast on the houseboat with final views of Dal Lake. Use remaining time for last-minute shopping, a short Shikara outing, or a relaxing spa treatment (on request). Check out and transfer to Srinagar Airport for your onward flight. End of services.

Tip: Confirm flight times the evening before; allow extra time for airport transfers during peak seasons.

## 🔗 Frequently Asked Questions

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### 🔗 What are the must-see tourist attractions in Kashmir?

Kashmir offers breathtaking attractions like Dal Lake for its houseboats, Pahalgam for stunning valleys, Gulmarg for skiing, and Sonamarg for breathtaking landscapes. Don't miss the Mughal Gardens in Srinagar and the ancient monasteries in Zanskar. Each location showcases the region's natural beauty and rich culture.

### 🔗 How can I reach Kashmir from major cities in India?

You can reach Kashmir by air, road, or rail. The nearest airport is Srinagar, with flights from Delhi and other major cities. For train travel, Jammu is the closest railway station, followed by a scenic drive to Kashmir. Buses and taxis also connect major cities via the highway. Enjoy the breathtaking landscapes!

### ❓ **Is Kashmir a safe destination for tourists?**

Kashmir, renowned for its stunning landscapes and rich culture, has seen improvements in safety for tourists in recent years. While many travelers visit without issues, it's important to stay updated on local conditions and follow travel advisories. Enjoy the beauty, but prioritize your safety.

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### ❓ **What are the best times to visit Kashmir for tourism?**

The best times to visit Kashmir are during spring (March to May) and autumn (September to November). Spring showcases blooming flowers and pleasant weather, while autumn offers stunning fall colors and crisp air. Summer can be warm, but it's a good time for trekking and adventure activities.

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### ❓ **What activities can I do in Kashmir during my visit?**

In Kashmir, you can enjoy stunning activities like trekking in the Himalayas, houseboat stays on Dal Lake, exploring Mughal gardens, skiing in Gulmarg, and experiencing the vibrant culture through local markets and cuisine. Don't miss the breathtaking views and photography opportunities!

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### ❓ **What is the local cuisine of Kashmir and where can I try it?**

Kashmir boasts a rich cuisine, with specialties like Rogan Josh, Yakhni, and Dum Aloo. You can savor these dishes at local restaurants in Srinagar, such as Ahdoos or Mughal Darbar. For an authentic experience, try traditional Wazwan meals served at local homes or heritage hotels.

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### ❓ **What accommodations are available for tourists in Kashmir?**

Kashmir offers a wide range of accommodations for tourists, from luxury hotels and heritage houseboats on Dal Lake to cozy guesthouses and boutique hotels in popular areas like Pahalgam and Gulmarg. Many options provide stunning views and warm hospitality, making your stay memorable.

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## ★ **Traveller Reviews**

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**Kapil Bhatnagar**

★★★★★ 5/5

### **Cordial and Cheerful**

Kashmir's warmth is reflected in the smiles of its people. This tour package was delightful with its activities and accommodations.



**Sakshi Agarwal**

★★★★★ 5/5

### **An Experience of a Lifetime**

The entire trip was an experience of a lifetime. Every sight was a story waiting to be told. Don't miss it!



**Deepesh Malik**

★★★★☆ 4/5

### **Kashmir Unplugged**

This journey let me unplug from everyday life and soak in the beauty of nature. A much-needed retreat!



**Nandini Patil**

★★★★★ 5/5

### **A Perfect Blend of Activities**

From trekking to leisure walks along the lake, this package offered a perfect blend of activities to enjoy.



**Suman Verma**

★★★★★ 5/5

### **Beautiful Gardens**

The Mughal gardens were stunning during our visit. Highly recommended as part of the package!

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