

# Kashmir Family Summer Escape: Meadows, Lakes & Easy Treks

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Destination  
**Kashmir**



Duration  
**5 Nights 6 Days**



Starting from  
**Rs. 13,650 / person**

## ITINERARY ROUTE

↙ Srinagar · 2N

↘ Gulmarg · 1N

↙ Pahalgam · 2N

## Overview

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A carefully crafted 5-night / 6-day Kashmir Family tour package ideal for families seeking gentle walks, scenic meadows, and serene lakes. This Kashmir tour package blends relaxed boat rides, easy treks to alpine meadows, and comfortable stays in houseboats and valley hotels. Highlights:

- Dal Lake & Shikara Ride
- Mughal Gardens (Shalimar & Nishat Bagh)
- Gulmarg Meadows & Gondola Ride
- Betaab Valley & Aru Meadow (Pahalgam)
- Easy family-friendly treks and meadow picnics

This Kashmir Family tour package is designed for families and travelers looking for an easy-paced holiday with scenic drives, short walks, and plenty of photo stops.

### ✓ **What's Included**

- ✓ Accommodation for 5 nights as per itinerary (2 nights Srinagar houseboat/hotel, 1 night Gulmarg, 2 nights Pahalgam)
- ✓ Daily breakfast and 3 family-style dinners
- ✓ Airport transfers and all inter-destination private transfers by a comfortable vehicle
- ✓ Shikara ride on Dal Lake (one session)
- ✓ Gulmarg Gondola tickets (Phase I; Phase II optional and payable locally)
- ✓ Local sightseeing and entry fees where applicable
- ✓ Assistance of local travel coordinator and emergency contact
- ✓ Note: Specific hotels can be customized for family needs on request.

### ✗ **Not Included**

- ✗ Airfare / train fare to and from Srinagar
- ✗ Lunches and any meals not specified above
- ✗ Personal expenses (tips, portage, laundry, phone calls)
- ✗ Activities/ excursions not mentioned (e.g., pony rides in Gulmarg/Pahalgam if not pre-booked)
- ✗ Travel insurance and medical expenses
- ✗ GST or local taxes if applicable
- ✗ Important: Any government-imposed changes (taxes, entry fees) or weather-related alterations will be communicated and may incur extra charges.

## Day-by-Day Itinerary

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Day

1

### **Arrival, Relaxation on a Traditional Houseboat**

Arrive at Srinagar Airport. Meet and transfer to a warm, comfortable houseboat on Dal Lake or a waterfront hotel (based on preference). Enjoy a welcome drink and time to settle in. In the late afternoon, take a gentle Shikara ride on Dal Lake to watch the sunset and floating gardens. Evening at leisure to enjoy local cuisine and houseboat ambience. Tip: Keep your camera ready for great sunset reflections on the lake.

Day

2

### **Mughal Gardens, Shankaracharya & Local Markets**

After breakfast, visit the famous Mughal Gardens — Shalimar Bagh and Nishat Bagh for colorful flower terraces and landscaped views of the Dal. Continue to Shankaracharya Temple for panoramic views over Srinagar. In the afternoon, explore the old city and local markets, including paper-mâché and Kashmiri shawl shops — great for family souvenirs. Return to your houseboat/hotel for a relaxed evening. Note: Gardens are best enjoyed in the morning when flowers are vibrant.

Day

3

### **Drive to Gulmarg: Meadows & Gondola Experience**

After breakfast, drive to Gulmarg (approx. 1.5–2 hours). Check in at the hotel and enjoy the fresh mountain air. Take the famous Gulmarg Gondola (Phase I & optional Phase II) to reach alpine meadows — perfect for family photos and short, easy walks. Optional pony rides and gentle meadow strolls available for kids. Evening at leisure in Gulmarg. Important: Gondola timings and weather can affect Phase II operations.

Day

4

### **Transfer to Pahalgam via Scenic Valleys**

After breakfast, drive to Pahalgam. En route, stop at Aru Valley and Betaab Valley for easy family-friendly walks and picnic spots amid lush meadows and clear streams. Arrive in Pahalgam, check in to your hotel and enjoy a peaceful evening. Tip: Keep water and sun protection for valley walks.

Day

5

### **Explore Pahalgam: Baisaran Meadow & Riverside Walks**

Spend the day exploring Pahalgam. Take an easy trek or pony ride to Baisaran Meadow (often called Mini Switzerland) — a gentle, grassy meadow ideal for children and family picnics. Stroll along the Lidder River and visit local markets. Evening at leisure with an optional campfire at the hotel (seasonal). Note: Baisaran is a short, family-friendly trek; suitable footwear recommended.

Day

6

### **Return to Srinagar & Departure**

After breakfast, drive back to Srinagar with a photo stop en route if time permits. Transfer to Srinagar Airport for your onward flight. If departure is late, enjoy a final stroll or quick shopping stop in Srinagar. Special note: Flight timings can be affected by weather — allow flexibility on travel day.

## 🔗 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.

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### 🔗 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!

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### 🔗 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.

## ❓ 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.

## ★ Traveller Reviews



**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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