

Srinagar Culinary Tour: Kashmiri Wazwan & Market Walks

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Destination
Kashmir



Duration
5 Nights 6 Days



Starting from
Rs. 11,999 / person

ITINERARY ROUTE

✓ Srinagar - 5N

Overview

A richly curated 5-night / 6-day Srinagar culinary experience focused on authentic Kashmiri flavours, home-style Wazwan feasts, saffron farm visits and immersive market walks. Perfect as a Kashmir tour package and ideal for families seeking a flavorful retreat: this Kashmir Family tour package and Kashmir Family package option blends food, culture and gentle sightseeing. This itinerary is designed as one of the best 5 and 6 Kashmir Family tour package options for food-loving travellers.

Highlights:

- Authentic Wazwan feasts in traditional kitchens and top local venues
- Shikara ride on Dal Lake with sunrise/sunset perspectives
- Pampore saffron fields visit and saffron tasting
- Old City market walks: Nowhatta, Khayam Road, Lal Chowk
- Hands-on Kashmiri cooking class with a local chef
- Mughal Gardens sightseeing: Nishat & Shalimar

Tip: Carry a small reusable bag for dry fruit and saffron purchases; bargaining is common in local markets.

✓ What's Included

- ✓ 5 nights accommodation in Srinagar (houseboat / hotel as per selection)
- ✓ Daily breakfasts and 3 special meals including 1 hands-on cooking class meal and 2 Wazwan meals (as stated)
- ✓ All transfers and sightseeing by private vehicle as per itinerary
- ✓ Shikara rides (as mentioned)
- ✓ Guided market walks and local food guide
- ✓ Pampore saffron field visit and tasting
- ✓ All entrance fees for listed attractions
- ✓ Local taxes and service charges
- ✓ Note: Room upgrades, additional meals and optional excursions are available on request.

✗ Not Included

- ✗ International or domestic flights to/from Srinagar
- ✗ Personal expenses, tips and portage
- ✗ Alcoholic beverages and some additional meals beyond stated inclusions
- ✗ Travel insurance (recommended)
- ✗ Any activity or sightseeing not specified in the itinerary
- ✗ Tip: Carry local currency for market purchases; many small vendors do not accept cards.

Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day

1

Arrival, Houseboat Check-in & Dal Lake Shikara Ride

Arrive at Srinagar and transfer to your traditional houseboat on Dal Lake. After settling in, enjoy a relaxing shikara ride to soak in the floating gardens and hill-fringed panorama. In the evening, take a gentle market walk on Residency Road or Lal Chowk to get introduced to Kashmiri spices, bakery treats and tea-houses. Welcome dinner includes light Kashmiri starters and a first taste of noon chai.

Day

2

Old City Culinary Walk & Wazwan Preview

Explore the narrow lanes of the Old City (Nowhatta & Khayam Road) with a food guide: sample street favourites, traditional bakeries, and local snacks. Visit a working wazwan kitchen to observe chefs prepare signature dishes such as rogan josh, rista and gushtaba. Afternoon at leisure for rest or optional short shopping. Dinner: preview tasting of wazwan courses in a local eatery.

Day

3

Pampore Saffron Fields & Village Kitchen Lunch

Drive to Pampore for a fragrant walk through the famed saffron fields. Meet a saffron grower, learn about harvesting and participate in a small saffron tasting and demo. Enjoy a home-style village kitchen lunch featuring saffron-infused dishes, local breads like matnakash, seasonal vegetables and Kashmiri kahwa. Return to Srinagar for a relaxed evening.

Day

4

Mughal Gardens & Hands-on Kashmiri Cooking Class

Morning visit to the iconic Nishat Bagh and Shalimar Bagh to experience Mughal garden settings and scenic views above Dal Lake. Afternoon: hands-on Kashmiri cooking class with a local chef – prepare and cook dishes such as rogan josh, haakh, and Kashmiri pulao, followed by a communal meal. Evening free for personal exploration or a second market walk.

Day

5

Tea-House Walk, Local Bakeries & Grand Wazwan Banquet

Delve deeper into Srinagar's food culture with a morning tea-house and bakery walk – savor noon chai, sheermal, and traditional breads. Visit the Hazratbal area for light sightseeing and nearby markets to shop for dry fruits and Kashmiri spices. In the evening enjoy a grand Wazwan banquet at a renowned local venue or family-hosted kitchen – a highlight feast showcasing multiple wazwan courses.

Day

6

Sunrise on Dal Lake, Last-minute Shopping & Departure

Optional early shikara sunrise for photography and a final Dal Lake experience. Post breakfast, check out and spend time on last-minute shopping for saffron, dry fruits, and handicrafts at Polo View or Lal Chowk. Transfer to the airport with fond culinary memories of Srinagar. Note: flight times may affect final activity order.

🔗 Frequently Asked Questions

🔗 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.

🔗 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.

🔗 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!

❓ 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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