

# Kashmir Seven-Night Signature: Full Valley Immersion with Local Hosts

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Destination  
**Kashmir**



Duration  
**7 Nights 8 Days**



Starting from  
**Rs. 31,900 / person**

## ITINERARY ROUTE

↙ Srinagar · 3N

↙ Gulmarg · 1N

↙ Pahalgam · 2N

↙ Sonamarg · 1N

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## Overview

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An immersive 7-night / 8-day Kashmir tour package designed for couples, families, and small groups seeking authentic local experiences. Enjoy a mix of iconic landscapes and off-the-beaten-path village hospitality. Highlights include Dal Lake shikara rides, Mughal Gardens, Gulmarg Gondola & meadows, Pahalgam's Betaab Valley, and the Thajiwas Glacier at Sonamarg. This Kashmir Honeymoon tour package is paced for relaxation and romance while offering curated local-host interactions to learn Kashmiri culture, cuisine, and crafts.

### Highlights:

- Srinagar: Houseboat stay & Dal Lake shikara ride
- Gulmarg: Gondola ride & alpine meadows
- Pahalgam: Betaab Valley, Aru & Chandanwari
- Sonamarg: Thajiwas Glacier & scenic mountain views
- Local-host village walk, Kashmiri cuisine tasting, and craft visits

Tip: Carry layered clothing, comfortable walking shoes, and a light rain/wind jacket – weather can change quickly in the Valley.

### ✓ What's Included

- ✓ 7 nights accommodation as per the itinerary: Srinagar (3N) houseboat/hotel, Gulmarg (1N), Pahalgam (2N), Sonamarg (1N)
- ✓ Daily breakfast and 4 dinners (houseboat welcome dinner, local-host dinner, and two hotel dinners) – vegetarian and non-vegetarian options available
- ✓ Private transfers and sightseeing by comfortable vehicle (AC where applicable)
- ✓ Shikara ride on Dal Lake and guided Mughal Gardens visit
- ✓ Gulmarg Gondola (Phase I & II) tickets (subject to weather and operational status)
- ✓ Guided visits to Betaab Valley, Aru, Chandanwari, and Thajiwas Glacier visit (entrance/permits as required)
- ✓ Local-host cultural experience & village walk in Pahalgam
- ✓ All applicable local taxes
- ✓ Emergency assistance and 24/7 local support

### ✗ Not Included

- ✗ Airfare / train fare to/from Srinagar
- ✗ GST or any central taxes not mentioned
- ✗ Personal expenses (tips, laundry, phone calls)
- ✗ Adventure sports or activities not mentioned explicitly (e.g., skiing, river rafting)
- ✗ Snow/trekking equipment or pony fees unless specified
- ✗ Peak-season surcharges, monument entry fees where applicable if not pre-paid
- ✗ Travel insurance (recommended)
- ✗ Anything not specified under inclusions

## Day-by-Day Itinerary

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Day

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### **Arrival, Houseboat Welcome & Dal Lake Shikara**

Arrive at Srinagar Airport or Srinagar railway point. Meet your local host and transfer to a traditional houseboat on Dal Lake. After check-in and a short rest, enjoy a gentle Shikara ride at sunset, taking in floating gardens and local life. Evening welcome dinner featuring Kashmiri cuisine and a short orientation with your local host about the week ahead.

Special note: Houseboats provide authentic charm – rooms may be cozy and uniquely furnished.

Day

2

### **Mughal Gardens, Old City & Local Market Walk**

Breakfast on the houseboat followed by a guided morning visit to the Mughal Gardens: Shalimar Bagh, Nishat Bagh, and Chashme Shahi. Enjoy panoramic views of the Dal and Zabarwan range. After lunch, explore Srinagar's Old City, visiting the Jamia Masjid, local artisans (pashmina, papier-mâché), and bustling bazaars. Evening at leisure with an optional Kashmiri wazwan tasting or family-hosted dinner.

Tip: Carry cash for small artisan purchases; bargaining is common in local markets.

Day

3

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

After breakfast, drive to Gulmarg (approx. 1.5–2 hours). Check into your hotel. Spend the day exploring the alpine meadows, riding the iconic Gulmarg Gondola (Phase I & II – weather permitting), and optional activities such as pony rides or guided short treks. Evening free to enjoy the mountain vistas and a cozy dinner.

Important: Gondola operation is weather-dependent; early bookings recommended for peak season.

Day

4

### **Gulmarg Morning & Transfer to Pahalgam via Avantipora**

Enjoy a quiet morning in Gulmarg – take a short meadow walk or a nature photo session. After brunch, drive to Pahalgam (approx. 4–5 hours) via scenic routes; stop at Avantipora ruins and local vistas en route. Arrival in Pahalgam in the evening. Check into your riverside hotel. Relax by the Lidder River.

Tip: The drive is scenic with several photo stops – carry a light snack for longer stretches.

Day

5

### **Explore Pahalgam — Betaab Valley, Aru & Chandanwari**

Full day exploring Pahalgam and its valleys. Visit Betaab Valley, Aru Valley, and Chandanwari. Options include pony rides to some vantage points, short guided walks, and riverside picnics. For adventurous couples, local guides can arrange longer treks. Evening cultural interaction with local hosts to learn about Kashmiri cuisine and folk traditions.

Special note: Altitude is moderate but walking on uneven trails is common; good footwear recommended.

Day

6

### **Village Walk, Local-host Experience & Leisure in Pahalgam**

Morning village walk with a local host to see daily Kashmiri village life — home gardens, saffron and apple orchards (seasonal), and craft demonstrations. Afternoon at leisure: riverside cafes, short nature walks, or relax at your hotel. Evening optional bonfire and private couple experiences for honeymooners.

Tip for honeymooners: Request a private riverside dinner in advance; local hosts can help arrange special touches.

Day

7

### **Drive to Sonamarg — Thajiwas Glacier Excursion**

After breakfast, depart for Sonamarg (approx. 3–4 hours). On arrival, take a short ride/trek to Thajiwas Glacier for snow/ice views (seasonal). Enjoy panoramic mountain vistas and riverine scenery. Evening stay in Sonamarg with a cozy mountain-lodge experience and stargazing if weather permits.

Important: Glacier access depends on season and local conditions; warm clothing essential even in summer.

Day

8

### **Return to Srinagar, Final Shopping & Departure**

After breakfast, drive back to Srinagar (approx. 2–3 hours). Spend remaining time for last-minute shopping (Pashmina, saffron, spices), or enjoy a relaxed lakeside lunch. Transfer to Srinagar Airport / Railway Station for your onward journey. End of the Kashmir Honeymoon package with warm farewells from your local host.

Tip: Confirm your departure transfer time 24 hours in advance to ensure smooth logistics.

## **🔍 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.

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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.

## ★ 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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