

# Srinagar to Pahalgam Scenic Drive (4 Nights): Waterfalls & Valleys

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Destination  
**Kashmir**



Duration  
**4 Nights 5 Days**



Starting from  
**Rs. 11,450 / person**

## ITINERARY ROUTE

↙ Srinagar - 2N

↘ Pahalgam - 2N

## Overview

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A relaxed, family-friendly Kashmir tour package designed for those who want to experience the serene beauty of Dal Lake, the majestic Mughal Gardens, and the scenic Lidder Valley en route to Pahalgam. This Kashmir Family tour package blends gentle sightseeing, a memorable Shikara experience, and scenic drives with stops at waterfalls and valleys – ideal for families, couples, and small groups.

### Highlights:

- Dal Lake & Shikara Ride
- Mughal Gardens (Shalimar Bagh, Nishat Bagh)
- Pampore Saffron Fields
- Scenic Srinagar to Pahalgam Drive
- Betaab Valley, Aru Valley & Baisaran (Mini Switzerland)
- Lidder River views & Waterfalls

#### ✓ **What's Included**

- ✓ Accommodation: 4 nights (2 nights in Srinagar – including 1 night on a houseboat, 2 nights in Pahalgam hotel)
- ✓ Meals: Daily breakfast
- ✓ Transfers: Airport/railway pickup and drop, all intercity transfers by private vehicle
- ✓ Sightseeing: As per itinerary with local guide (entrance fees where stated included)
- ✓ Taxes: Applicable hotel and service taxes
- ✓ This Kashmir Family Retreat package is ideal for families and small groups and aligns with common search terms like Kashmir tour package and Kashmir Family Retreat tour package.

#### ✗ **Not Included**

- ✗ Airfare or train fare to/from Srinagar
- ✗ GST (if applicable) and permit fees
- ✗ Entrance fees for optional activities, pony rides, trekking, and personal tours unless specified
- ✗ Lunches, dinners, and beverages unless specified
- ✗ Travel insurance, tips, and personal expenses
- ✗ Note: Peak season surcharges (summer and winter holidays) and any sudden route changes due to weather or local conditions are not included.

## Day-by-Day Itinerary

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Day

1

### **Arrival, Houseboat Welcome & Shikara Ride**

Arrive at Srinagar Airport or Railway Station and meet your private chauffeur-guide. Transfer to your traditional Kashmiri houseboat on Dal Lake. After check-in and a short rest, enjoy an iconic Shikara ride through floating gardens and bustling lake life. Evening at leisure to relax on the deck, with views of the sunset over the lake.

Tip: Carry a light jacket for early morning/evening breezes on Dal Lake.

Day

2

### **Mughal Gardens & Srinagar City Sights**

After breakfast on the houseboat, explore the beautifully terraced Mughal Gardens – Shalimar Bagh and Nishat Bagh. Visit the historic Shankaracharya Temple for panoramic city views and the serene Hazratbal Shrine on the lakeshore. Stroll along the Boulevard Road and explore local markets for pashmina shawls and handicrafts.

Family-friendly pace with short walks and plenty of photo stops.

Day

3

### **Scenic Drive to Pahalgam via Pampore**

Check out and set off on the scenic Srinagar–Pahalgam drive. Stop at Pampore to see the famed saffron fields and learn about local cultivation. Continue the drive along the Lidder River with picture-perfect stops at viewpoints and riverside cafes. Arrive in Pahalgam by late afternoon, check in to your hotel, and enjoy a relaxed evening.

Note: The drive is scenic with several short stops – keep your camera ready.

Day

4

### **Valleys & Waterfalls of Pahalgam**

Explore Betaab Valley and the charming Aru Valley – both perfect for gentle walks, family picnics, and easy pony rides (optional). Visit Chandanwari (seasonal snowline access) and take in the cascading streams and small waterfalls feeding the Lidder River. Option for a short trek or pony ride to Baisaran (Mini Switzerland) for sweeping meadows and panoramic views.

Activities like pony rides and river-side picnics are optional and incur extra charges.

Day

5

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

After breakfast, check out and drive back to Srinagar. En route, stop for final photos and last-minute shopping. Reach Srinagar in time for your onward transfer to the airport or railway station. Tour concludes with memories of Kashmir's waterfalls, valleys, and serene lakes.

Important: Allow adequate time for airport transfer depending on your flight schedule.

## 🔗 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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