

# Heritage Shimla Weekend Extended: Ridge to Viceregal Lodge

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Destination  
**Himachal**



Duration  
**4 Nights 5 Days**



Starting from  
**Rs. 11,600 / person**

## ITINERARY ROUTE

📍 Shimla · 4N

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## Overview

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a curated 4 Nights / 5 Days Himachal tour package that blends colonial heritage, pine-scented valleys and scenic Himalayan views. Perfect as a Himachal Family tour package, this itinerary focuses on Shimla's iconic landmarks – from The Ridge and Mall Road to the stately Viceregal Lodge (Indian Institute of Advanced Study) – with day excursions to Kufri and the peaceful orchards of Mashobra. Ideal for families seeking comfort, culture and gentle hill-side exploration.

### Highlights:

- The Ridge, Shimla – panoramic views & heritage walk
- Viceregal Lodge – colonial architecture & museum visit
- Kufri Himalayan Nature Park – wildlife & short treks
- Mashobra & Apple Orchards – tranquil walks and local life
- Comfortable stays, daily breakfasts, guided heritage walks

#### ✓ **What's Included**

- ✓ 4 nights accommodation in Shimla (listed or similar hotels)
- ✓ Daily breakfasts (Buffet or fixed-menu)
- ✓ Arrival and departure transfers within the specified route
- ✓ Guided heritage walk & entry assistance for Viceregal Lodge (as per local timings)
- ✓ Sightseeing transfers for Kufri, Mashobra & Naldehra as per itinerary
- ✓ All applicable hotel taxes
- ✓ Local English-speaking guide for selected sightseeing
- ✓ 24/7 local assistance and emergency support
- ✓ Suitable as a family-friendly Himachal tour package with comfortable pace and child-friendly activities.

#### ✗ **Not Included**

- ✗ Train / Airfare to/from Shimla or nearest hub
- ✗ Monument entry fees (unless specified), parking charges and local permits
- ✗ Adventure activity fees in Kufri (e.g., skiing, tobogganing) and pony rides
- ✗ Meals other than specified (lunches & dinners unless mentioned)
- ✗ Personal expenses, tips, liquor and portorage
- ✗ Travel insurance and medical expenses
- ✗ Any services not explicitly mentioned in the inclusions

## Day-by-Day Itinerary

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Day

1

### **Arrival, Settling In & Colonial Evening Stroll**

Arrive in Shimla (by road/rail/air via nearest hub) and transfer to your hotel. After check-in and a short rest, enjoy an easy paced heritage walk on The Ridge and Mall Road, soaking in panoramic views of the Himalaya, colonial facades and local shops. Evening at leisure with dinner at the hotel or a recommended local restaurant.

Tip: Arrivals before late afternoon are recommended to make the most of the first evening.

Day

2

### **Viceregal Lodge & Heritage Exploration**

Today's focus is the grand Viceregal Lodge (Indian Institute of Advanced Study) – enjoy a guided visit to the museum, Victorian-era gardens and stately rooms. Continue with a heritage walk through Shimla's colonial quarter, visiting Lakkar Bazaar for handicrafts and Gaiety Theatre for a photo stop. Late afternoon, head to Jakhu Temple to catch sunset views and the friendly monkey population.

Important: Entry timings for Viceregal Lodge vary; please carry valid ID for museum entry.

Day

3

### **Kufri Excursion — Nature Park & Adventure Options**

After breakfast, take a scenic drive to Kufri (approx. 20–30 minutes). Visit the Himalayan Nature Park to observe local flora and fauna and walk up to Mahasu Peak for sweeping views. In winter, enjoy snow activities (subject to snow conditions); year-round options include pony rides, short nature trails and photography stops. Return to Shimla for dinner.

Note: Adventure activities (tobogganing, skiing, pony rides) are payable locally and depend on seasonal availability.

Day

4

### **Mashobra & Naldehra — Orchards, Leisure & Scenic Walks**

Today is a relaxed day exploring Mashobra and the nearby Naldehra area. Stroll through apple orchards, enjoy a picnic or attempt the gentle Naldehra Golf Course viewpoint walk. This day is designed for family time – easy walks, photography, and sampling local Himachali cuisine at a quaint café.

Tip: Carry a light jacket; mornings and evenings can be chilly even in summer.

Day

5

## Final Morning & Departure

Enjoy a relaxed breakfast and a final stroll on The Ridge or last-minute shopping on Mall Road. Check out from the hotel and transfer to your onward destination (railhead/airport/road). Our team will assist with departure logistics to ensure a smooth end to your Himachal Family Retreat package.

Note: Standard check-out time applies; early departures can be arranged on request.

## 🔗 Frequently Asked Questions

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### 🔗 What are the top tourist destinations in Himachal Pradesh?

Top tourist destinations in Himachal Pradesh include Shimla, known for its colonial architecture; Manali, a hub for adventure sports; Dharamshala, home to the Dalai Lama; and Kasol, famous for its picturesque landscapes. Don't miss the stunning landscapes of Spiti Valley and the tranquility of Dalhousie!

### 🔗 What is the best time to visit Himachal for tourism?

The best time to visit Himachal Pradesh for tourism is from March to June and September to November. During these months, the weather is pleasant, ideal for exploring scenic landscapes, temples, and adventure activities. Summer offers a respite from the heat, while autumn showcases stunning foliage.

### 🔗 What are some adventure activities available in Himachal Pradesh?

Himachal Pradesh offers a plethora of adventure activities for thrill-seekers. You can indulge in trekking, paragliding in Bir Billing, river rafting in Kullu, skiing in Manali, mountain biking, rock climbing, and camping amidst stunning landscapes. Explore the breathtaking trails and experience the ultimate adrenaline rush!

### 🔗 How to reach Himachal Pradesh from major cities in India?

Himachal Pradesh is well-connected by road, rail, and air. From Delhi, take a bus or hire a taxi for a scenic drive (about 10-12 hours). The nearest airport is in Bhuntar (Kullu) with flights from Delhi. By train, you can reach Joginder Nagar or Pathankot, followed by a road trip to popular destinations.

## ❓ Are there any travel restrictions in Himachal Pradesh due to COVID-19?

As of October 2023, Himachal Pradesh has relaxed most COVID-19 travel restrictions. However, it's advisable to check for any specific guidelines or requirements before traveling, such as health protocols or mask mandates in crowded places. Enjoy the scenic beauty and adventure activities safely!

## ❓ What are the best trekking routes in Himachal?

Himachal Pradesh offers stunning trekking routes like Triund Trek, Hampta Pass, and Kinnaur Kailash Trek. Explore the picturesque landscapes, lush green valleys, and breathtaking views. Other popular options include Beas Kund and the Great Himalayan National Park trails, catering to both beginners and experienced trekkers.

## ❓ What cultural experiences can visitors have in Himachal Pradesh?

Visitors to Himachal Pradesh can immerse themselves in vibrant local culture through traditional festivals like Kullu Dussehra, explore ancient temples, and participate in folk dances. The region offers authentic Himachali cuisine, handicraft shopping, and opportunities to interact with local communities, enhancing the travel experience.

## ★ Traveller Reviews



**Nidhi Mehta**

★★★★★ 5/5

### A Journey to Remember

This tour was truly a journey to remember, filled with laughter, beautiful landscapes, and countless memories. Thank you, Himachal!



**Pankaj Singh**

★★★★★ 5/5

### Historical Wonders

Loved exploring the historical wonders of Himachal. Each site had a story to tell and added to our adventure.



**Nishant Kohli**

★★★★☆ 4/5

### **Peaceful Lakes**

Visiting the beautiful lakes in Himachal was a highlight. Kayaking in the tranquil waters was an experience like no other.



**Seema Joshi**

★★★★★ 5/5

### **Delicious Local Cuisine**

The local food was delicious! Each meal was a delightful experience, showcasing Himachal's rich culinary heritage.



**Deepak Yadav**

★★★★★ 5/5

### **Adorable Hill Stations**

Each hill station we visited had its unique charm. The ride through the hills was exhilarating! Loved every minute of it.

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