

Spiti Valley Explorer 5 Nights: Monasteries & High Plateaus

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Destination
Himachal



Duration
5 Nights 6 Days



Starting from
Rs. 24,900 / person

ITINERARY ROUTE

↖ Sangla · 1N

↖ Kalpa · 1N

↖ Tabo · 1N

↖ Kaza · 2N

Overview

an immersive Himachal tour package crafted for travelers seeking high-altitude landscapes, ancient monasteries, and rugged adventure. This Himachal Adventure tour package blends scenic drives, cultural visits, and acclimatized exploration across Kinnaur and Spiti. Ideal as a 5 and 6 Himachal Adventure tour package option, the route covers verdant valleys, high mountain passes, and remote plateaus with comfortable stays and experienced local support.

Highlights:

- Kinnaur Valley vistas and apple orchards
- Sangla & Kalpa scenic villages
- Ancient monasteries: Tabo, Key, and Kye (Kye/Key)
- High-altitude towns: Kaza and Dhankar
- Chandratol drive (optional extension) and high mountain passes

Important: Allow time for acclimatization — Spiti reaches altitudes above 3,000 m. Travel times are long due to mountain roads; this is an adventure-focused itinerary best suited for travelers comfortable with long drives and cold, high-altitude conditions.

Quick Package Snapshot:

- Duration: 6 days / 5 nights
- Package Type: Himachal Adventure package / moderate activity level
- Best Time to Travel: May to October (roads typically open after late April; some passes close in winter)

Highlights (scannable):

- Monasteries: Tabo, Key, Dhankar
- Villages: Sangla, Kalpa, Kaza
- Scenic Drives: Reckong Peo–Nako–Tabo–Kaza
- Altitude: Highest nights at Kaza (~3,800 m)
- Adventure: Mountain passes, optional short treks, cultural walks

✓ What's Included

- ✓ Surface transfers in a comfortable, well-maintained vehicle (as per group size)
- ✓ Accommodation: 5 nights in twin/double rooms (guesthouses/hotels) — 1 night Sangla, 1 night Kalpa, 1 night Tabo, 2 nights Kaza

✗ Not Included

- ✗ Arrival/departure rail or air fare
- ✗ Meals not mentioned above, personal beverages and snacks
- ✗ Travel insurance and evacuation charges
- ✗ Personal expenses such as laundry, phone calls, tips and souvenirs
- ✗

- ✓ Daily breakfasts and select dinners (as per itinerary)
- ✓ Experienced local driver and local guide for Spiti sightseeing
- ✓ Monument/monastery entry fees and local permits where applicable
- ✓ First-aid kit and emergency liaison support
- ✓ Road-side assistance during the tour

Any extra activities not listed in the itinerary (e.g., extended treks, Chandratol extension unless specified)

- ✗ Government taxes and additional permits (if new permits are required at time of travel)

Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day

1

Arrival and Transfer to Sangla — Enter Kinnaur Valley

Start early from your pick-up point (Shimla/Recong Peo/route arranged by operator). Enjoy a scenic drive into Kinnaur Valley, passing apple orchards, terraced fields and river valleys. Arrive in Sangla, check into your hotel/guesthouse and take a gentle walk to the Baspa River and the picturesque Sangla village. Acclimatize and rest.

Activities: Evening stroll in the village, sunset views over the valley and light cultural introduction by your local guide.

Driving time varies depending on pick-up point. This day is reserved for gradual acclimatization.

Day

2

Sangla to Kalpa — Scenic Ridges and View of Kinner Kailash

After breakfast, drive to Kalpa, a serene village with panoramic views of the Kinner Kailash range. En route, stop for photos at viewpoints and local hamlets. On arrival, explore the Kalpa village, visit traditional wooden houses and enjoy an easy walk to the vantage point for sunset over the snow-capped peaks.

Activities: Short village walks, photography stops and a briefing about the high-altitude section ahead.

Tip: Warm clothing is recommended for evenings; temperatures drop after sunset.

Day

3

Kalpa to Tabo — Entering Spiti: Historical Monastery Visit

A long but spectacular drive today as you cross high passes and transition from Kinnaur into Spiti Valley. Arrive at Tabo, one of the oldest monastic complexes in the Himalaya. Explore the Tabo Monastery — famous for its murals, frescoes and ancient stucco work — and stroll through the village.

Activities: Guided visit of Tabo Monastery, photo stops along the valley, and an evening cultural discussion about Spitian traditions.

Note: Carry water and light snacks for the drive. Rest early to prepare for higher altitude in the days ahead.

Day

4

Tabo to Kaza — Dhankar & Pin Valley Route

Short drive to Dhankar to visit the cliff-top Dhankar Monastery and viewpoint overlooking the confluence of tributaries. Continue to Kaza, the administrative center of Spiti. On arrival in Kaza, check into your accommodation and relax. If time permits, visit the Kaza market for local handicrafts and tea houses.

Activities: Visit Dhankar Monastery, explore Kaza town and optional short walks in the surroundings.

Acclimatization: Kaza sits at ~3,800 m — stay hydrated and avoid overexertion.

Day

5

Kaza Local Exploration — Key Monastery, Kibber & Hikkim

Full day of local sightseeing around Kaza. Visit the iconic Key (Kye) Monastery perched above the valley, then proceed to Kibber (one of the highest inhabited villages) and Hikkim, home to one of the world's highest post offices. Enjoy short cultural walks and panoramic views of the Spiti plateau.

Activities: Guided visits to Key Monastery, Kibber Village, Hikkim Post Office, photography, and optional short walks to nearby viewpoints.

Tip: Carry sunscreen and sunglasses — UV exposure is higher at altitude.

Day

6

Departure — Return Transfer (Route via Tabo / Reconnections)

After breakfast, begin your return journey to the pre-arranged drop-off point (Shimla/Recong Peo/Manali/alternate). En route you can stop at scenic viewpoints and revisit short attractions as time permits. End of services on arrival at your exit point.

Note: Depending on your onward travel bookings, the operator can arrange extended transfers or an optional extension (e.g., Chandratol or return via Kinnaur).

? Frequently Asked Questions

? 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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