

CHARDHAM YATRA BY HELICOPTER EX-DEHRADUN 1N/2D

<u> Places covered - | Gangotri | Yamunotri |</u> Kedarnath | Badrinath

<u>YAMUNOTRI:</u> The first chardham (going from left to right, as is traditionally stipulated), is one of the most revered temples in India. Yamunotri is the source of the sacred river Yamuna that originates from the glacial lake of SaptarishiKund, at an altitude of 4,421 meters. Dedicated to capricious Goddess Yamuna, this ancient temple has been a pilgrimage for centuries. Starting at Rishikesh, the yatra takes the pilgrim through some of the most beautiful panoramas, and eventually on the 14 kilometer arduous trek from Hanuman Chatti that is not merely visually and physically stimulating but spiritually uplifting.

<u>GANGOTRI</u>: Ganga, India's most sacred river is inextricably linked to our past, present and future; it is the very essence of our cycle of life and death. The journey to its source is to reinforce those systems of belief that have been held sacred by our ancestors for centuries. The pilgrimage begins at Rishikesh, an ancient holy town, and leads the traveler through majestic vistas, stunning valleys, and beautiful meadows to eventually end at the holy temple of Gangotri. All through the journey, it is the glimpses of the Ganga in all its moods – playful, placid, and turbulent – that inspire the pilgrim to continue this journey towards spiritual salvation.

<u>KEDARNATH:</u> Set in the beautiful Mandakini valley, cupped by lofty peaks, the majestic Kedarnath Temple stands on a glacial terrace, remnant of an ancient glacier – long since melted. This is Lord Shiv's territory – and the region is a living testimony to his adventures and exploits. The temple is believed to have been built by the Pandavs, protagonists of theMahabharat, as a tribute to Lord Shiv having forgiven them for fratricide after an exciting chase through the Himalayas. The journey to Kedarnath – the most significant of the 12 jyotirlings located in different parts of India -- is to relive these ancient tales and legends, and to become one with God.

<u>BADRINATH:</u> The Badrinath shrine is believed to be as old as time itself. Dedicated to Lord Vishnu, this temple was re-established by AdiShankracharya in the 8th century as part of his mission to revitalise Hinduism. Located on the banks of the Rishi Ganga (Alaknanda), the temple, and the numerous ancient sites around it, is indeed a worthy goal to aim for. The last 11 kilometres to Badrinath is a steep ascent. At Devdarshni, the vista of the entire Badrinath valley appears before you – the township, the magnificent façade of the temple and the twin peaks Nar and Narayan as if standing guard on its either side, and the Neelkanth shining like a crown on its head! And immediately you feel the spiritual upliftment that such a magnificent site inspires.

DAY ITINERARY

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Passengers are supposed to reach state government helipad on Sahastradhara Road, Dehradun which is the starting and ending point of this yatra. Our pilots and ground staff will brief the passengers about the entire trip and do's and don'ts.

DAY 01: -Gangotri - Yamunotri

07:00 am Departure Sahastradhara helipad, Dehradun

07:45 am Arrival Harsil Helipad

You will be received by representative & transfer to Gangotri Temple, which is 25 kms far and the drive will take 45min to 1 hour depending upon the traffic, we will offer you a car for this drive. After darshan return back to helipad.

Gangotri Temple: The temple is dedicated to Goddess Ganga who is supposed to be daughter of Heaven. The temple was constructed by the Gorkha General Amar Singh Thapa in the 18th Century, is situated on the right bank of Bhagirathi River

11:00 Am Departure Harsil helipad

11:30 Am Arrival Barkot helipad, Yamunotri

Upon arrival at kharsali passengers are welcomed by ground staff and transfer to yamnotri temple which is 5 Km far from Helipad the drive will take half hour depending upon the traffic, we will offer you a car for this drive. you will then be carried by palkis/ Pony to Yamunotri Temple. This trek from helipad to temple is 6 kms and return trip by palki takes about 5 hours. After Darshan return back to Helipad. You have an option of taking ponies or Palki for the trek. Overnight stay at Kharsali

DAY 02 Badrinath - Kedarnath

07:00 am Departure Barkot helipad

08:00 am Arrival Kedarnath / Guptkashi helipad

Due to Government regulation, you will have to change helicopter at Sitapur/Phata. Upon arrival at Kedarnath, you will be met by our ground personnel, who will escort you to the holy shrine. We will offer VIP darshan slips at Kedarnath temple so you can avoid the long queue and finish darshan quickly.

Since weather at Kedarnath remains quite uncertain so passengers are advised to finish darshan and puja in 1.5 hours and return to helipad.

10:00 am Departure Kedarnath / Guptkashi helipad 11:00 am Arrival Badrinath helipad Badrinath temple is only 1kms from the helipad. We shall provide car for this stretch. Our ground staff in Badrinath will assist passengers with darshan, after Darshan return back to Helipad.

01:00 Pm Departure Badrinath helipad **02:00 Pm** Arrival Dehradun (Sahastradhara Helipad)

On arrival at Sahastradhara Helipad. This is the end of Chardham Yatra, a car will be ready to drop you back to your Hotel.

PACKAGE COST PER PERSON

INR 1,50,000/-

01N-02D.

(Inclusive Taxes)

Destination	Hotel/ Similar
Harsil	Himalayan Nature Resort/similar

Our Package Includes

- Helicopter Trip from Dehradun to Dehradun
- Hotel accommodation for 1 Night
- All meals in hotels
- Pony/Palaki Charges service at Yamunotri
- Car service at Gangotri & Yamunotri
- Local Transport for darshan and sightseeing at Yamunotri, Gangotri and Badrinath
- Shuttle service at Kedarnath with priority Darshan.
- Car service at Badrinath with priority Puja Pass.
- VIP darshan arrangement at all temples

Our Helicopter Charter Services Excludes

- Any special puja charges will have to be paid directly by passengers.
- Expenses of personal nature such as tipping, laundry, telephones, table drink, room service, medical evacuation due to ill health etc.
- Any kind of Insurance.
- Any claim or delay charges due to any operational or weather changes etc. Or any other things which are not mentioned in cost included column.
- Any Increase in Taxes, Fuel Price, Royalty charges, leading to increase in cost on surface Transportation & Land Arrangements, Which May Come into Effect Prior to Departure

GUIDELINES FOR PASSENGERS

- There is very limited space for luggage in the helicopter. Only 5 kgs luggage per passenger will be permitted.
- Passengers should carry only handbags as suitcases cannot be kept in the helicopter
- All temples in Chardham are located in high altitude areas. Passengers are advice to carry regular medical kit.
- All passengers undertaking this yatra should be medically and physically fit.
- Passengers are advised to carry a small oxygen bottle with them as a precaution. It is available locally at all medical shops

Although day temperatures at these locations are normal it becomes cold in the night and so passengers must carry woollen clothes with them.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. The quality of accommodation available at Yamunotri and Kedarnath is just above average and so passengers should not have very high expectations. However, at Harsil and Badrinath the accommodation standard is 3 star.
- 2. Only 5 Kg baggage per passenger will be permitted. Passengers are advised not to carry big suitcases as there is very small baggage space inside helicopter. Passengers bringing excess baggage might not be allowed to take the same in the chopper by pilot.
- 3. Children above the age of 2 years will be considered full ticket
- 4. There is no provision of concession to children or senior citizens.
- 5. Total passenger weight should not exceed -400:5 PAX /450:6 PAX Beyond the said weight limit the flight won't be able to take off and your journey will be cancelled effective immediately (it is vital for you to provide us with the right & exact weight to avoid such situation
- 6. The booking has to be done in advance with a deposit of 50% of the charter amount and balance amount has to be deposited 14 days prior to date of journey.
- 7. In case the journey is not finished within the stipulated time and passengers are not able to visit one or more Dhams due to bad weather conditions/technical reasons then the company will try to visit all places within the stipulated time. Although if this is not possible then the liability of the company will be limited to refund of unutilised sector/s.
- 8. Rescheduling of booking to a next date will be done subject to availability and on payment of 10% of the cost. This will be permitted only if applied 7 days before journey date. In case the rescheduling is requested with less than 7 days to the journey then booking will be treated as cancelled and a fresh booking will be given subject to availability.
- 9. The Company reserves the right, without assigning any reason, to cancel, advance, reschedule, over-fly or delay the commencement or continuance of the flight. Without incurring any liability in damages or otherwise to the passengers or any other person on any ground whatsoever. The Company reserves the right to refuse to carry any person whom it considers unfit for travel or what in the opinion of the company may constitute risk to the aircraft or to the persons on board
- 10.**BAD WEATHER SITUATION**: If you are stuck in a bad weather situation on any particular day out of the 5 days we will still try to finish the darshan on next day. In case we are completely unable to visit any dham due to bad weather situation we will refund proportionate money. This means that if due to any reason we are unable to do 2 dhams then we will refund the amount acc. to flying time
- 11.5% service charge will be applicable in Case of cancellation due to weather.

If passengers wish to cancel their booking, then they will have to pay following cancellation charges

- ❖ Upto 30 days before journey -30% of amount
- ❖ Upto 20 Days before journey -50% of amount
- Upto 10 Days before journey -No Refund

Note: -

1. Exact Schedule can be advised before a day of departure. Above mentioned schedule is tentative just for understanding the operational system & timing. Things can be changed last moment due to any operational or weather changes.

Thanks & Regards



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