

Char Dham Yatra (Only Kedarnath By Helicopter)

Places Covered:

Delhi - Haridwar - Barkot - Yamunotri - Uttarkashi - Gangotri - Guptkashi - Kedarnath - Badrinath - Rudraprayag - Rishikesh - Haridwar - Delhi

Description

Chardham Yatra By Helicopter tour packages offers a magnificent trip to Char Dham. Especially to Kedarnath by helicopter. Chardham Yatra is one of the most popular pilgrimage spot. Having great significance in the Sanatan Dharama or Hinduism. Devotees aspire to visit this holy char dham pilgrimage once in a life time. This 10 Nights and 11 days package begins from Delhi and will take you to the holy shrines via Haridwar yet another holy city in India.

Besides the blessing of the almighty, pilgrims enjoy the mesmerizing beauty of nature and the spiritual ambience of Himalayas covered by snow, the melodious chirping of birds & the scatter thick green forests. **Chardham Yatra By Helicopter tour packages** pilgrimage tour package covers trek to Yamunotri followed by Gangotri, Kedarnath and Badrinath.

You will also enjoy the flora and fauna of this space known as the land of gods. Here you can explore other scenic beauty around. Or can go ahead to see the picturesque beauty of Valley of Flower, Joshimath, Kedarnath, Badrinath, and so on.

You can explore some of the most spectacular destinations of Uttarakhand like Mussoorie, Nainital and Jim Corbett National Park. Some of the highlights of this tour package are wildlife safari in Jim Corbett, Enjoy Boat ride at Nainital Lake.

Read the below itinerary for your kind perusal.

Note: This is just a suggested itinerary indicative of what could be possible. We tailor holidays for your specific needs. Kindly contact us if you want modifications in this itinerary. So that we could

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tailor a holiday to suit your requirement for an unforgettable tour.

Itinerary

Day 01: Delhi - Haridwar (230 kms/6-7hrs) HT : 314 MTS.

Arrival Delhi Airport / Delhi Railway Station, Meet & Assist further drive to Haridwar. Transfer to your Hotel. If time permits visit Mansadevi Temple, Chandidevi Temple, Daksha Mahadev Temples & Others. Also visit Har-ki-Pauri for Ganga Aarti. The 'Aarti' worship of the Ganga after sunset and the floating 'dia' (lamp) is a moving ritual. Back to your hotel, Night halt. Haridwar, lying at the feet of Shiva's hills, i.e., Shivaliks, in the Haridwar district of Uttaranchal Pradesh, is a doorway. Suryavanshi prince Bhagirath performed penance here to salvage the souls of his ancestors who had perished due to the curse of sage Kapila. The penance was answered and the river Ganga trickled forth forms Lord Shiva's locks and its bountiful water revived the sixty thousand sons of king Sagara. In the traditional of Bhagirath, devout Hindus stand in the sacred waters here, praying for salvation of their departed elder. It is doorway to the sources of the Ganga and the Yamuna, 3000 to 4500 meters up into the snowy ranges of the central Himalayas. Har ki Pauri: It is also known as Brahmakund and it is believed to be the place where divine nectar fell from the pitcher. It is the site for the famous Kumbh Mela which is celebrated in 12 years. Large number of devotees comes especially to Haridwar to take a holy dip in the Ganga River. At twilight, when evening aarti is performed the reflection of the golden diyas that keep floating on the river offers an enchanting view of the ghat to the visitors. This sacred Ghat was built by King Vikramaditya in memory of his brother Bhatrihari, who is said to have meditated on the banks of Ganga in Haridwar. Chandi Devi Temple: Situated on the top of the Neel Parvat, Chandi Temple was built in 1929 by Suchat Singh, the King of Kashmir. The temple can be reached after a 3km trek from Chandi Ghat. The main statue of Chandi Devi Temple is said to be established by the Adi Shankaracharya in 8th century. Cable car has also been introduced upto Chandi Devi Temple. Mansa Devi Temple: Mansa Devi temple is perched on the top of the Bilwa Parwat and it is dedicated to Goddess Mansa Devi. Mansa Devi can be reached either by a ropeway that carries pilgrims to the temple or on foot. A statue of the Goddess here has three mouths and five arms, while the other one has eight arms. The temple affords bird's eye view of Haridwar. Daksha Mahadev Temple: This ancient Dsksha Mahadev Temple (Daksheswara Mahadev Temple) is located in the south Kankhal with Lord Shiva as its residing deity. According to mythology, this temple is supposed to have been the site of a yagna conducted by Daksha.

Day 02: Haridwar - Barkot (210kms/7-8hr) HT : 1352 MTS.

Drive to Barkot via Mussoorie, enroute visit Kempty Fall (Suggestible to have your lunch at Kempty fall as further no good restaurants are available before Badkot). Later drive straight to Barkot, transfer to your Hotel. Overnight stay at Barkot. Barkot is known for its scenic natural beauty. Located at the confluence of Yamuna and tons rivers. At an elevation of over 4,000 ft, apple orchards ringed by the Himalayan range. Barkot offers panoramic views of the snowcapped mountains of Bandar Poonch. Barkot is an important stopover en route to Yamunotri and Gangotri, among the four Char Dham Pilgrimages. Weather - Generally pleasant in summer, the temperature ranges from 25-30 degree Celsius, Winter: The Days are pleasantly cool but the nights are cold, temp ranges from 10 deg to 05 deg.

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Day 04: Barkot - Uttarkashi (100kms/4hr) HT:1352 MTS.

Drive to Uttarkashi. Visit Vishwanath Temple & Others. Check in Hotel. Rest day at leisure. Night Halt. Uttarkashi is home to a number of ashrams and temples and also to the Nehru Institute of Mountaineering. The name of the town reflects its similarity to and location (as north of) the city of Kashi (Varanasi). Similar to Varanasi, town of Uttarkashi is situated on the Ganges, lies next to a hill named Varun Parvat, on confluence of two rivers Varuna and Asi, has a ghat called Manikarnika Ghat and has a temple dedicated to Shiva (Kashi Vishwanath Temple) in the center of the town. Vishwanath temple - Vishwanath temple is one of the oldest Shiva temples in Northern India. Re-constructed in 1857 by Maharani Khaneti Devi of Tehri State in the ancient architectural style. It is situated at the heart of the town. A massive iron trident, symbolic of divine mother's, is erected and worshiped from time immemorial at the temple complex. Ganeshji, Sakshi Gopal, Markandeya Rishi's small shrines are also part of the temple complex. Akhand Jyoti as well as Akhand Abhishek, special aarti at morning and evening are offered. As per Skunda Puran, Uttarkashi is known as 'Saumya Varanasi', the abode of Lord Shiva in Kaliyug and counted as one of the twelve Jyotirlingas. Shakti temple - Right in front of the Vishwanath temple is Shakti temple. It has a big 'Trishul' of about 6 meters in height and a circumference of 90 cms. at bottom. Though there are different views about the making of this, the upper part of it seems to be made up of iron and the lower one is of copper. As per the epics this Shakti was thrown on the devils by the Goddess Durga(Shakti), hence it gets its name. Since then this Shakti is erected over here Weather - Generally hot in summer, the temperature ranges from 30-35 degree Celsius but nights is pleasant, Cold in winters.

Day 05: Uttarkashi - Gangotri - Uttarkashi (100kms/3-4 each side) HT: 3048 MTS.

Early morning drive to Gangotri, enroute at Gangnani take a holy dip in Garam Kund, further drive to Gangotri via beautiful Harsil Valley. Harsil is famous for its nature beauty and for the majestic views of the Deodar trees, and mountains. On arrival at Shree Gangotri, take a holy dip in the sacred river Ganges which is also called Bhagirathi at its origin. Perform Pooja and Darshan, after that relax for some time in the lovely surroundings. Return back to Uttarkashi. Overnight stay at Uttarkashi. Gangotri Temple: The temple, constructed by the Gorkha General Amar Singh Thapa in the 18th Century, is situated on the right bank of Bhagirathi. Submerged Shivling: Submerged in the river, this natural rock Shivling is the place where, according to mythology Lord Shiva sat when he received the Ganga in his matted lock. It is visible in winter months when water level decreases. Kedar Ganga Sangam: Around 100 Yards from the Ganga Temple flows the river Kedar Ganga. Starting from the Kedar Valle, this river meets the Bhagirathi on its left bank.

Day 07: Guptkashi – Phata Helipad (10kms) - Kedarnath – Phata (By Helicopter) – Rudraprayag (60kms)

Morning drive to Phata (Helipad), transfer to Kedarnath by Helicopter. Visit Kedarnath Temple & return back to Phata. Later drive back to Rudraprayag via Guptkashi. Check in Hotel. Rest day at leisure. Overnight stay. Kedarnath: The Kedarnath shrine, one of the 12 jyotirlingas of Lord Shiva, is a scenic spot situated, against the backdrop of the majestic Kedarnath range. Kedar is another name of Lord Shiva, the protector and the destroyer. According to legend, the Pandavas after having won over the Kauraya in the Kurukshetra war, felt quilty of having killed their own

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brothers and sought the blessings of Lord Shiva for redemption. He eluded them repeatedly and while fleeing took refuge at Kedarnath in the form of a bull. On being followed he dived into the ground, leaving his hump on the surface. The r! emaining portions of Lord Shiva appeared at four other places and are worshipped there as his manifestations. The arms appeared at Tungnath, the face at Rudranath, the belly at Madhmaheshwar and his locks (hair) with head at Kalpeshwar. Kedarnath and the four above-mentioned shrines are treated as Panch Kedar.

Day 09: Badrinath – Pipalkoti (80kms) / Rudraprayag (160kms) / Kirtinagar (200kms)

Early morning, pilgrims after having a bath in the Taptkund have the Darshan of Badrivishal. Brahamakapal is significant for Pinddan Shraddh of ancestors (Pitrus Later drive back to Pipalkoti / Rudraprayag / Kirtinagar via Joshimath. Check in Hotel. Overnight stay. Joshimath is situated on the slopes above the confluence of the rivers Alaknanda and Dhauliganga. Of the four 'Maths' established by Adi Shankaracharya, Joshimath is the winter seat of Badrinath. The idol is brought down to Joshimath and installed in the temple for people to worship. There are many other temples in the township. The most important is the temple of Nir Singh with the idol of Lord Vishnu. The left arm of this deity is getting destroyed with time and the popular belief holds that the day the arm completely withers Badrinath valley will cease to exist and the Gods will transfer the residence into the neighboring Niti Valley at Bhavishya Badri.

Day 11: Rishikesh - Hardwar - Delhi (250kms/7-8hr)

Drive back to Delhi. On Arrival at Delhi, transfer to Railway Station / Airport for your onwards destination. Tour Terminate.

Inclusions

- Accommodation in well appointed hotel/resort.
- Daily breakfast
- Transportation by Non A/C Vehicle (Delhi-Haridwar & Rishikesh-Delhi by A/C Vehicle Services) for transfers & sightseeing.
- All permit fees & hotel taxes (as per itinerary).
- Toll, parking, driver batta, etc.
- All applicable hotel taxes.

Exclusions

- Air Fare/Train fare.
- Personal Expenses such as Laundry, telephone calls, tips & gratuity, mineral water, rafting,

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paragliding, Porter charges.

- Additional sightseeing or extra usage of vehicle, other than mentioned in the itinerary.
- Entrance Fees.
- Any cost arising due to natural calamities like, landslides, road blockage, political disturbances (strikes), etc (to be borne by the client, which is directly payable on the spot).
- Service Tax.
- Insurance.
- Anything which is not include in the inclusion.

Terms & Conditions

- In case of any diversion due to landslide /road block any additional cost incurred with be payable directly by the guest.
- Also note during Christmas & New Year eve, most of the hotels celebrate Gala Dinner, which is mandatory for all its resident guest to attend & settle the bill on direct payment basis.
- Bookings are subject to availability with the hotel.
- Service Tax extra (as applicable).
- Package rates are subject to change without any prior notice
- Cost does not include additional sightseeing or usage of vehicle, any services apart from the above designed itinerary.
- Tour cost does not include Guide Charges, Porter Charges, Entry Fees and all the Personal Expenses Like Laundry, Alcoholic & non Alcoholic beverages, Food (if not included), or any other item not specified in the inclusions.
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