# **Amazing Himachal**

## 05 Nights / 06 Days

## PACKAGE HIGHLIGHTS:

 $\rightarrow$ In Dharamshala, visit

Tsuglagkhang Complex (Museum and Home of Dalai Lama), Tour of Norbulingka Institute, Monasteries and Yoga/Meditation programs (optional)

- →Excursion to Khajjiar and Dalhousie sightseeing
- $\rightarrow$ In Amritsar, visit Harminder Sahib

-The Golden Temple and Wagah (India-Pakistan border)

- $\rightarrow$  Assistance at airport and sightseeing tours by private air-conditioned vehicle
- $\rightarrow Start$  and End in Amritsar

### **ITINERARY**:

Day 01 Arrival in Amritsar | Drive to Dharamshala (200 kms / approx. 4.5 hours) Meet our representative upon arrival in Amritsar and proceed to Dharamshala – Perhaps one of the best holiday destinations since the time of the British. Situated amid coniferous forests, this place is renowned as the holy abode of The Dalai Lama– the leader of Tibetan Buddhism. Explore His home in this picturesque territory and the Centre of Tibetan culture to gain an insight into the place's origin and history. Head to the hub of Buddhist culture in Dharamshala– McLeod Ganj and explore its myriad attractions, including the exotic Kangra valley. Check–in at the hotel upon arrival for overnight stay.

#### Day 02 Sightseeing in Dharamshala

After breakfast, visit Tsuglagkhang Complex – Centre of Tibetan culture, which includes a museum and the residence of His Holiness Dalai Lama – the spiritual leader of Tibetan Buddhism. Later, visit popular monasteries, Tibetan medical center and the Church of St. John. Also, you may rejuvenate yourself with yoga and meditation retreats available in Dharamshala (optional). Overnight stay in Dharamshala.



After breakfast, check-out from the hotel and drive to Dalhousie. Upon arrival, check-in to the hotel. Later, visit Bhulwani Mata Mandir at Bara Pathar and hike up the Bakrota Hills to see an impressive view of snow-clad peaks. Also, see St. John's Church. It was the first to be built after the town of Dalhousie was founded. Overnight stay at the hotel.

#### Day 04 Trip to Khajjiar

After breakfast, drive to Khajjiar to spend the day in what is called India's 'mini-Switzerland'. Khajjiar is among the 160 places in the world that was officially given the title because of its resemblance to the lovely landscapes in Switzerland. The lush green meadows are a photographer's delight. Khajjiar Lake is situated at the centre of the plains. Return to Dalhousie for Overnight stay at the hotel.

## Day 05 Drive from Dalhousie - Amritsar (200 kms / approx. 4.5 hours)

After early breakfast, drive to Amritsar – colloquially known as Ambarsar, is a spiritually significant city for the followers of Sikhism. The city derives its name from the sacred pool, which was founded in 1574 by Guru Ram Das – the 4th Sikh guru. This holy pond circumscribes Harmandir Sahib, which is popularly known as the Golden Temple amongst devotees. After check–in at the hotel, proceed to India–Pakistan border at Wagah. Watch the 'Beating the Retreat' ceremony where soldiers of both countries bring down their respective national flags in their unique styles. After returning, visit the iconic Golden Temple. If time permits you may visit Jalianwala Bagh and Ranjit museum. Overnight stay in Amritsar.

#### Day 06 Departure from Amritsar

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Amritsar railway station / airport for return journey back home.

End of Services.

Route Map:

