

Leh Ladakh Umling La Tour

Leh - Nubra - Turtuk - Pangong Tso - Hanle - Tso Moriri - Leh

Tour Packages Customised

Tour Basics •

Duration: 10 Days 09 Nights

Route: Leh - Nubra - Turtuk - Pangong Tso - Hanle - Tso Moriri - Leh

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About This Trip •

Embark on one of the most breathtaking journeys in the Himalayas: the Leh – Nubra – Turtuk – Pangong Tso – Hanle – Tso Moriri – Leh trip. This route takes you through the heart of Ladakh, offering dramatic landscapes, ancient monasteries, high-altitude lakes, and unforgettable cultural experiences. Perfect for adventurers, bikers, and travellers seeking the raw beauty of the Himalayas, this circuit showcases the very best of Ladakh.

Highlights of the Trip

- Drive through the world's highest motorable passes like Khardung La and Chang La.
- Witness the changing hues of Pangong Tso and Tso Moriri Lakes.
- Explore the remote villages of Hanle and Turtuk, two of Ladakh's most fascinating and least-explored destinations.
- Experience Ladakh's unique Buddhist culture, monasteries, and warm local hospitality.

Places to Visit

Leh

Start your journey in Leh, the capital of Ladakh. Visit Shanti Stupa, Leh Palace, and the vibrant Leh

Market. Don't miss monasteries like Thiksey, Hemis, and Shey.

Nubra Valley

Cross the iconic Khardung La Pass (17,982 ft) to reach the enchanting Nubra Valley. Visit Diskit Monastery, take a Bactrian camel ride on the dunes of Hunder, and explore the lush villages of Sumur and Panamik (famous for hot springs).

Turtuk

Turtuk, the last Indian village before the Pakistan border, offers a glimpse into Baltistani culture. Walk through apricot orchards, meet friendly locals, and soak in the views of the Shyok River valley.

Pangong Tso

Drive to the world-famous Pangong Lake, known for its mesmerising blue shades. The lake changes colours throughout the day, a photographer's dream. Camping by Pangong under the starry sky is a must-do experience.

Hanle

One of the most isolated settlements in India, Hanle is home to the Indian Astronomical Observatory, one of the world's highest. The night sky here is apparent, making it perfect for stargazing and astrophotography.

Tso Moriri

Located in the Changthang region, Tso Moriri is a serene high-altitude lake surrounded by snow-capped peaks. It's a paradise for bird watchers, especially during summer when migratory birds visit the lake.

Things to Do

- **Adventure Driving / Biking:** Experience the thrill of driving through high passes and rugged terrain.
- **Camping:** Spend nights by Pangong Tso and Tso Moriri under a sky full of stars.
- **Monastery Visits:** Explore ancient monasteries such as Diskit, Thiksey, and Hemis to experience the spiritual essence of Ladakh.
- **Photography:** Capture surreal landscapes, blue lakes, and the Ladakhi lifestyle.

- Cultural Interaction: Discover the local traditions in the Nubra and Turtuk villages.
- Wildlife Watching: Spot Himalayan blue sheep, kiang (wild ass), and rare migratory birds.

Best Time to Visit

The ideal time for the Leh – Nubra – Turtuk – Pangong – Hanle – Tso Moriri trip is May to September, when the passes are open, the weather is pleasant, and the region is accessible by road.

Travel Tips

- Always acclimatise in Leh for at least 2 days before starting the journey.
- Carry enough cash, as ATMs are limited beyond Leh.
- Keep fuel reserves, petrol pumps are scarce after Nubra.
- Carry warm clothes, even in summer, as temperatures drop sharply at night.

Stay Categories & Options •

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| Semi Deluxe | Persons: 2 | INR 49,500.00 | INR 52,500.00 | Save INR 3,000.00 |
| Semi Deluxe | Persons: 3 | INR 42,500.00 | INR 46,500.00 | Save INR 4,000.00 |
| Semi Deluxe | Persons: 4 | INR 37,500.00 | INR 42,500.00 | Save INR 5,000.00 |
| Deluxe | Persons: 2 | INR 51,500.00 | INR 56,500.00 | Save INR 5,000.00 |
| Deluxe | Persons: 3 | INR 45,500.00 | INR 51,500.00 | Save INR 6,000.00 |
| Deluxe | Persons: 4 | INR 39,500.00 | INR 43,500.00 | Save INR 4,000.00 |
| Super Deluxe | Persons: 2 | INR 57,500.00 | INR 61,500.00 | Save INR 4,000.00 |
| Super Deluxe | Persons: 3 | INR 50,500.00 | INR 55,500.00 | Save INR 5,000.00 |
| Super Deluxe | Persons: 4 | INR 45,500.00 | INR 50,500.00 | Save INR 5,000.00 |
| Luxury | Persons: 2 | INR 108,500.00 | INR 116,500.00 | Save INR 8,000.00 |

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| Luxury | Persons: 3 | INR 99,500.00 | INR 108,500.00 Save INR 9,000.00 |
| Luxury | Persons: 4 | INR 95,500.00 | INR 101,500.00 Save INR 6,000.00 |

Itinerary •

Day 1: Pick up from Leh Airport | Dist: 10 km to 12 km | Altitude: 3300 m to 2600 m

- We'll pick you up from the airport in a cab when you arrive.
- Then you'll head to your hotel in Leh and check in.
- Once you've had some time to freshen up and relax, the day's sightseeing will begin.
- Later, you'll explore the historic Leh Palace, enjoy the serenity of Shanti Stupa, and take a leisurely walk through the vibrant Leh Market.

Meals: Dinner

Night: Stay at the hotel in Leh

Day 2: Leh Local Sightseeing | Dist: 70 km to 90 km | Altitude: 3300 m to 2600 m

- After breakfast, you'll head out for a local sightseeing tour.
- Places you'll visit include the Hall of Fame, Spituk Monastery, and the Gurudwara Pathar Sahib.
- You'll also stop at Magnetic Hill, where vehicles seem to defy gravity, and visit Sangam, the meeting point of the Indus and Zaskar rivers.
- If you're interested, you can also check out Rafting Point.
In the evening, you'll head back to your hotel to rest.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay at the hotel in Leh

Day 3: Leh to Nubra | Dist: 160 km | Altitude: 3500 m to 5354 m

- After breakfast, you'll begin your journey to Nubra Valley.
- On the way, you'll cross Khardung La, one of the highest motorable passes in the world, a highlight in itself!
- Once in Nubra, you'll visit the Diskit Monastery and explore Hunder Village, known for its unique landscape.
- You'll also stop by the sand dunes. Here, you can experience a camel ride on the renowned double-humped Bactrian camels.
- After a day of exploring, you'll check into your hotel in Nubra Valley and relax for the night.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay in the camps at Nubra Valley

Day 4: Exploring Turtuk Village | Dist: 80 km | Altitude: 3048 m to 3200 m

- Today, you'll visit Turtuk, the northernmost village of India.
- Turtuk is a unique place, surrounded by scenic apricot orchards and beautiful mountain views.
- You'll also visit Turtuk Gompa, where you can experience the peaceful atmosphere and receive blessings.
- The village has a distinct culture, giving you a chance to explore local traditions and meet the people who live in this remote region.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay in the camps at Nubra Valley

Day 5: Nubra Valley to Pangong | Dist: 200 km | Altitude: 3048 m to 4814 m

- You'll start your day by waking up to breathtaking views of the Karakoram mountains.
- After breakfast, you'll set out for Pangong Tso, the famous high-altitude saltwater lake known for its shifting shades of blue.
- On the way, you'll pass through the scenic villages of Shayok, Durbuk, and Tangtse, giving you a glimpse of local life and beautiful landscapes.
- It's a day filled with stunning views and peaceful moments by the lake.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay at the cottage/camps in Pangong Tso

Day 6: Pangong to Hanle via Tsaka LA (Observatory Star Gazing) | Dist: 200 km | Altitude: 4814 m to 4500 m

- After breakfast, you'll set off for Hanle, travelling through the scenic Tsaka La Pass, one of the lesser-known but beautiful routes in Ladakh.
- Once you reach Hanle, you'll have time to explore this peaceful village, known for its remote charm and vast open landscapes.
- If time allows, you can also visit the Hanle Monastery or stop by the Hanle Observatory, one of the world's highest astronomical observatories, perfect for stargazing enthusiasts.
- By evening, you'll check into your hotel and unwind after the day's journey.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Night: Stay at the homestay/Hotel in Hanle

Day 7: Hanle to Umiling, LA to Hanle | Dist: 130 km | Altitude: 4500 m to 5798 m

- Today, you'll travel to Umling La, the highest motorable pass in the world.
- Umling La sits on the ridgeline between Koyul Lungpa and the Indus River near Demchok, offering incredible views of the rugged Ladakhi landscape.
- After spending some time at Umling La and taking in the stunning surroundings, you'll begin your journey back to Hanle for the night.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay at the Hotel in Hanle

Day 8: Hanle To Tso Moriri | Dist: 175 km | Altitude: 4500 m to 4295 m

- After breakfast, you'll leave Hanle and head towards Tso Moriri, one of Ladakh's most beautiful high-altitude lakes.
- On the way, you'll cross Tasaga La, a scenic mountain pass, and pass through Nyoma Village, giving you a glimpse of life in remote Ladakh.
- You'll also stop at Mahe Bridge, a well-known landmark along this route.
- In the evening, you will arrive at Tso Moriri and check into your accommodation, allowing you to unwind and soak in the tranquil surroundings of the lakeside.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay at a hotel in Tso Moriri

Day 9: Tso Moriri to Leh | Dist: 230 km | Altitude: 4295 m to 3100 m

- Start your day with a serene morning at Tso Moriri.
- En route, you will visit Tso Kar Lake, Puga Hot Springs, Puga Village, Tanglang La Pass, Thiksey Monastery, the iconic Rancho School, and Shey Palace.
- In the evening, return to the hotel.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay in Leh

Day 10: Departure | Morning 10:00 am

- After breakfast, you'll check out of your hotel and head to Leh airport for your onward journey.
- Your trip comes to an end, leaving you with wonderful memories of Leh and the beautiful moments you've experienced along the way.

Meals: Breakfast

Night: Nil

Inclusions •

Meals as per the itinerary.

Stay on dual/triple sharing.

Vehicle for sightseeing & excursions as per the itinerary.

Pick-up and drop-off services from the Leh Airport.

Entire travel from Leh to Leh by Cab.

Driver Charges, Toll Tax, Parking Charges, etc.

Inner Line Permits (ILPs) for visiting restricted areas.

Ladakh environment fee and applicable taxes.

Oxygen Cylinder.

Exclusions •

Room Heater cost and Bonfire.

GST 5%.

Fees for any adventure activity.

Dedicated Tour Guide.

Any entrance fee to the monastery and monuments.

Any kind of personal expenses.

Any additional use of vehicles beyond the planned itinerary will incur extra charges.

Any kind of drink (alcoholic, mineral water, aerated).

In the Ladakh region, AC will not be operational in the cab.

Additional costs due to itinerary or stay changes caused by flight cancellations, bad weather, health issues, roadblocks, or other uncontrollable factors.

Anything not mentioned under the head.

FAQs •

Q: What is Umling La?

A:

Umling La, located in Ladakh, India, is one of the highest motorable passes in the world. Situated at an altitude of 19,024 feet (5,798 meters), It offers spectacular panoramic views of the surrounding mountains and valleys.

Q: How can I book a Umling La Tour Package?

A:

You can book Leh Ladakh Umling La Tour Packages with Wander Yak, which usually include transport, permits, accommodation, and meals. Customizable Umling La tour packages are available to suit different travel styles

Q: What is included in a Umling La Tour?

A:

Typical Umling La Tour Packages include:

- Transport by SUV or 4x4 vehicles
- Inner Line Permits (mandatory for Umling La)
- Accommodation (in Hanle or nearby villages)
- Meals (as per package)
- Local sightseeing and photography stops

Q: How do I travel from Umling La to Leh?

A:

After visiting Umling La Top, you usually return to Hanle first, and from there, drive back to Leh. The route is:

Umling La ? Hanle ? Nyoma ? Chumathang ? Upshi ? Leh

- Distance: Approx. 275 km
- Travel Time: 8–9 hours

Q: How difficult is the Umling La Pass tour?

A:

The route to Umling La is remote and challenging due to high altitude and thin air. It's recommended for experienced travellers who have acclimatised properly. Roads are rough, but the drive is rewarding.

Q: Is a permit required for Umling La?

A:

Yes, special Inner Line Permits (ILP) are mandatory for visiting Umling La. Your tour operator usually arranges this in advance.

Q: What is the best time to visit Umling La?

A:

The best time to visit is between June and September when the weather is clear, and the roads are open. The pass is closed in winter because of heavy snowfall.

Q: What are some highlights of a Leh Ladakh Umling La tour?

A:

- Crossing Umling La Top (19,024 ft)
- Visiting Hanle village and the Hanle Observatory
- Experiencing Ladakh's remote landscapes and wildlife
- Exploring Tso Moriri, Nyoma, and Chushul (optional add-ons)

Q: How far is Umling La from Leh?

A:

The distance from Leh to Umling La Pass is around 370 km (one way).

- Leh ? Hanle: ~255 km
- Hanle ? Umling La: ~75–120 km (depending on the route)

Q: Is Umling La open to tourists now?

A:

As of the latest updates, Umling La is open to domestic tourists; however, travel regulations are subject to change. It's recommended to consult local authorities or your tour operator before finalising any plans.

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