

# Leh Nubra Pangong Hanle Tour

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

Tour Packages Customised

## Tour Basics •

**Duration:** 8 Days 7 Nights

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

Leh — 8D 7N

## About This Trip •

If you are planning a high-altitude Himalayan adventure, the **Leh Nubra Turtuk Pangong Tso Hanle Leh trip** is one of the most breathtaking and diverse circuits in Ladakh. This iconic route combines dramatic landscapes, ancient monasteries, pristine lakes, and remote villages, making it the ultimate Ladakh experience for travellers, bikers, families, and photographers.

### Why Choose the Leh Nubra Turtuk Pangong Tso Hanle Leh Route?

This circuit is perfect for travellers who want:

- A complete Ladakh experience in one journey
- Stunning natural beauty, deserts, lakes, valleys, and mountains
- A mix of adventure, culture, and unique landscapes
- Offbeat destinations like **Turtuk** and **Hanle**

Covering the top attractions of Ladakh, this route offers unforgettable views from start to finish.

### Travel Tips for This Circuit

- Acclimatise for 48 hours in Leh
- Carry warm clothes, even in summer

- Keep cash; ATMs don't work in remote areas
- Stay hydrated to avoid AMS
- Fuel up in Leh & Diskit
- Drive with a 4x4 or an experienced Ladakh driver

#### Things to Do on This Trip

- High-altitude driving
- Camping by Pangong Tso
- Exploring monasteries
- Cultural village walks
- Photography & drone shots (where permitted)
- Stargazing in Hanle
- Camel riding in Hunder

#### Best Time to Do the Leh Nubra Turtuk Pangong Hanle Circuit

The ideal time is **May to September**, when:

- Passes remain open
- The weather is pleasant
- Lakes and valleys are accessible
- Perfect conditions for stargazing

#### Stay Categories & Options •

<b>Semi Deluxe</b>	Persons: 2	INR 39,500.00	<del>INR 43,500.00</del> Save INR 4,000.00
<b>Semi Deluxe</b>	Persons: 3	INR 32,500.00	<del>INR 35,500.00</del> Save INR 3,000.00
<b>Semi Deluxe</b>	Persons: 4	INR 28,999.00	<del>INR 32,500.00</del> Save INR 3,500.00

<b>Deluxe</b>	Persons: 2	INR 40,999.00	<del>INR 45,999.00</del>	3,501.00 Save INR 5,000.00
<b>Deluxe</b>	Persons: 3	INR 33,999.00	<del>INR 36,999.00</del>	Save INR 3,000.00
<b>Deluxe</b>	Persons: 4	INR 31,499.00	<del>INR 33,999.00</del>	Save INR 2,500.00
<b>Super Deluxe</b>	Persons: 2	INR 44,999.00	<del>INR 48,999.00</del>	Save INR 4,000.00
<b>Super Deluxe</b>	Persons: 3	INR 39,999.00	<del>INR 44,999.00</del>	Save INR 5,000.00
<b>Super Deluxe</b>	Persons: 4	INR 35,999.00	<del>INR 41,999.00</del>	Save INR 6,000.00
<b>Luxury</b>	Persons: 2	INR 97,999.00	<del>INR 102,999.00</del>	Save INR 5,000.00
<b>Luxury</b>	Persons: 3	INR 89,999.00	<del>INR 94,999.00</del>	Save INR 5,000.00
<b>Luxury</b>	Persons: 4	INR 85,999.00	<del>INR 91,999.00</del>	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

- Upon arrival at the airport, you will be greeted by a cab ready to transfer you.
- After checking into your hotel in Leh and taking some time to unwind, you'll explore Leh by visiting the historic Leh Palace, the serene Shanti Stupa, and the bustling Leh Bazaar.

Meals: Dinner

Night: Stay at the hotel in Leh

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

- Following breakfast, set out for a local sightseeing excursion.
- Explore the Hall of Fame, Spituk Monastery, and Gurudwara Pathar Sahib, then experience the wonders of Magnetic Hill, the confluence at Sangam, and enjoy rafting at the Rafting Point (seasonal, available in summer).

- In the evening, return to your stay.

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

- Today, after breakfast, you'll head towards Nubra Valley, crossing Khardung La pass.
- Visit Diskit Monastery, explore the Sand Dunes of Hunder, and try an optional camel ride.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay at a hotel/camping in Hunder

### Day 4: Nubra to Turtuk | Dist: 80 km | Altitude: 3048 m to 3200 m

- Wake up to the stunning Karakoram mountain views.
- Enjoy breakfast before setting out for Turtuk Village, the last Indian village in this region.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay at a cottage/camp in Hunder

### Day 5: Nubra Valley to Pangong | Dist: 200 km | Altitude: 3100 m to 4814 m

- Today's journey takes you to Pangong Tso after breakfast.
- En route, stops are made at the picturesque villages of Shayok, Durbuk, and Tangtse.
- In the evening, settle into your accommodation near Pangong Lake.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay at the homestay/Hotel in Pangong

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

- Post breakfast, drive to Hanle, crossing the picturesque Tsaka La Pass.
- Visit the ancient Hanle Monastery and enjoy a glimpse of the night sky at the Hanle Observatory.
- In the evening, check into your accommodation in Hanle.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay at the Hotel in Hanle

**Day 7: Hanle to Leh | Dist: 313 km | Altitude: 4500 m to 3100 m**

- Today, after breakfast, drive back to Leh.
- Stopping along the way at Shey Palace, Rancho School, and Thiksey Monastery.
- After reaching Leh, check into the hotel.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay at a hotel in Leh

**Day 8: Departure | Morning 10:00 am**

- Following breakfast, you will start your journey back home.
- Taking with you the unforgettable experiences and moments from this incredible trip.

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 Hanle in Ladakh known for?

**A:**

Hanle is a remote village in eastern Ladakh, famous for its pristine night skies, stargazing opportunities, and the Indian Astronomical Observatory, one of the world's highest observatories. It's also part of India's first Dark Sky Reserve.

**Q:** What is the temperature in Hanle?

**A:**

- Summer (May–September): 5°C to 20°C (cold and dry)
- Winter (October–March): -15°C to -30°C (extremely cold, often inaccessible)

For the current temperature, we recommend using real-time weather apps.

**Q:** What is special about the Hanle Observatory?

**A:**

The Indian Astronomical Observatory (IAO) in Hanle is situated at an elevation of 4,500 meters (14,764 feet). It is one of the world's highest observatories, featuring advanced telescopes for deep-sky observation. Public access is limited, but you can view the premises from outside.

**Q:** Why is Hanle famous for its night sky?

**A:**

Hanle offers one of the clearest, darkest skies in India, with minimal light pollution and stable atmospheric conditions, making it a haven for astronomers and astrophotographers.

**Q:** What is the Hanle Dark Sky Reserve?

**A:**

In 2022, Hanle was designated as India's first Dark Sky Reserve, a protected area dedicated to conserving the pristine night sky for scientific research and promoting astro-tourism.

**Q:** What is the distance from Leh to Hanle?

**A:**

- Distance: Approximately 254 km
- Travel Time: About 9–10 hours by road, depending on the route and conditions.

Popular route: Leh ? Chumathang ? Nyoma ? Loma ? Hanle.

**Q:** What is the height of Hanle in feet?

**A:**

Hanle is situated at an altitude of approximately 4,500 meters (14,764 feet) above sea level.

**Q:** Is Hanle good for stargazing?

**A:**

Absolutely! Hanle is one of the best stargazing destinations in India, thanks to its clear skies, high altitude, and minimal light pollution. Visitors often witness the Milky Way, constellations, shooting stars, and other celestial phenomena.

**Q:** Things to Do in Hanle

**A:**

## Stargazing & Astrophotography

Known for its crystal-clear skies, Hanle is among the best places in India for stargazing. It's clear, pollution-free skies offer an unparalleled view of:

- The Milky Way Galaxy
- Shooting stars and meteor showers
- Planets, constellations, and distant galaxies

*Tip:* Bring a telescope or DSLR camera for astrophotography.

## 2. Visit the Indian Astronomical Observatory (IAO)



Hanle is home to the world's highest optical telescope at the Indian Astronomical Observatory (14,764 feet). While public entry inside the observatory is restricted, you can tour the surroundings and learn about its importance from the locals.

### **3. Explore Hanle Monastery (Hanle Gompa)**

This 17th-century Drukpa Kagyu Monastery offers stunning views of the Hanle plains. It's perched on a hill and provides insight into Ladakh's rich spiritual and cultural heritage.

### **4. Experience the Hanle Dark Sky Reserve**

Hanle is India's first Dark Sky Reserve, protected to maintain the quality of its night sky. You can participate in:

- Night sky tours (organised by some locals and homestays)
- Astronomy workshops (seasonal)

### **5. Visit Remote Villages and Interact with Locals**

Located in the remote Changthang region, Hanle is home to the Changpa nomads. Engage with the local community to learn about their rich cultural heritage.

### **6. Bird Watching & Wildlife Spotting**

The Hanle region is part of the Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary, where you might spot:

- Black-necked cranes (summer)
- Kiangs (Tibetan wild asses)
- Marmots and other high-altitude wildlife

### **7. Enjoy the Scenic Drives**

Routes to Hanle offer breathtaking landscapes, including:

- Tsaka La Pass
- Loma Bend

- Changthang Plateau
- Views of the Indo-China border region (from a distance)

## 8. Visit Nearby Attractions

If time allows, explore nearby places like:

- Umling La Pass – the world's highest motorable pass
- Nyoma and Loma Villages

Kyung Tso Lake (less-visited and pristine)

## Get in Touch •

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