Manali Srinagar Bike Trip with Umlingla

elhi - Manali - Sarchu - Tsomoriri - Hanle - Umlingla - Pangong - Nubra - Leh - Kargil - Sonamarg - Srinagar

Tour PackagesCustomised

Tour Basics •

Duration: 12 Days 11 Nights	**Route:** elhi - Manali - Sarchu - Tsomoriri - Hanle - Umlingla - Pangong - Nubra - Leh - Kargil - Sonamarg - Srinagar

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About This Trip •

The Manali Srinagar trip via Ladakh is one of the most exciting and scenic road journeys in India. This route allows you to explore the best of Himachal, Ladakh, and Kashmir in a single trip, offering a diverse range of landscapes and high-altitude adventures.

Your adventure kicks off with an overnight journey by Volvo bus from Delhi to Manali, where you can enjoy a relaxed day exploring the town and acclimatising to the altitude. From Manali, the road leads to Sarchu, crossing the picturesque Atal Tunnel and Baralacha La. Sarchu is a high-altitude camping site, ideal for stargazing and exploring rugged landscapes.

Next, you travel to the beautiful Tsomoriri Lake, Famous for its pristine waters and tranquil surroundings. From there, you head to Hanle, a remote village famous for its observatory and night skies, ideal for stargazing. The trip also includes a visit to Umling La Pass (5,883 m), the world's highest motorable road.

After Hanle, you reach Pangong Lake, followed by a drive to Nubra Valley via the adventurous Shyok route. Nubra is renowned for its distinctive dunes and double-humped Bactrian camels.

The journey then takes you to Leh, the heart of Ladakh, where you can explore the local monasteries and markets. From Leh, the route moves to Kargil, crossing stunning mountain

passes. Finally, you reach Sonamarg, famous for its green meadows, before ending the trip in Srinagar.

This Manali to Srinagar trip is perfect for those who love mountains, adventure, and remote landscapes. It’s a journey of a lifetime through some of the highest and most beautiful terrains in the world.

Places to visit in Manali Srinagar Trip

Manali

A charming retreat in Himachal Pradesh, Manali is a popular hill station renowned for its cool climate and stunning scenic beauty. Visitors can explore the ancient Hadimba Temple, stroll along Mall Road, or enjoy adventure activities like paragliding and river rafting. The nearby Solang Valley and Jogini Waterfalls offer additional attractions. Manali is also the starting point for most Leh-Ladakh trips, making it a hub for travellers seeking high-altitude adventures. It’s ideal for acclimatisation before heading towards the challenging mountain terrains of Ladakh.

Sarchu

Sarchu is a remote campsite on the Manali-Leh highway, located at an altitude of 4,290 meters. It serves as an important overnight halt for travellers journeying from Himachal to Ladakh. Tented camps are the primary accommodation here, providing a raw and adventurous experience. The location sits between Baralacha La and Lachulung La, making it a natural stop. Travellers often experience cold temperatures and must prepare for altitude-related challenges. The starry skies at night are a highlight, perfect for stargazing.

Tsomoriri

On your way to Tsomoriri Lake, you will witness dramatic changes in the landscape from barren mountains to open grasslands dotted with nomadic camps. As you reach Tsomoriri Lake (4,595 meters), the sight of the deep blue waters surrounded by snow-capped peaks will leave you mesmerised. On the lake’s shores lies Korzok Village, one of the world’s highest permanent settlements, home to the historic Korzok Monastery. Unlike Pangong, Tsomoriri is tranquil and less commercialised, perfect for travellers seeking peace and raw nature.

Hanle

On your way to Hanle, you’ll travel through vast open landscapes and high-altitude plateaus of Ladakh’s remote Changthang region. Located at an altitude of approximately 4,500 meters, Hanle is one of the most isolated villages in Ladakh, situated near the Indo-China border. Its main

attraction is the Indian Astronomical Observatory. Hanle is also home to the ancient Hanle Monastery, which belongs to the Drukpa lineage of Tibetan Buddhism. The village is renowned for its peaceful environment, vast landscapes, and diverse wildlife, including kiangs (wild asses). Hanle is an offbeat destination, perfect for those who love solitude, photography, and stargazing in pristine, dark skies.

Umling La

Umling La Pass, at 5,883 meters (19,300 feet), is officially the world’s highest motorable road, surpassing even Khardung La Pass. It is located near Hanle in Eastern Ladakh and offers a thrilling drive through stark and rugged landscapes. The road is an engineering marvel built by the Border Roads Organisation (BRO) and serves as a symbol of India's resilience in high-altitude infrastructure. Visiting Umling La is a bucket-list experience for adventure seekers and bikers. The views from the pass are breathtaking, showcasing the remote beauty of the Changthang plateau.

Nubra Valley

Nubra Valley, fondly known as the ‘Valley of Flowers of Ladakh,' is also renowned for its stark, cold desert landscapes. Located at around 3,050 meters, Nubra is known for the Hunder Sand Dunes, where visitors can ride unique double-humped Bactrian camels. The Diskit Monastery, with its giant Buddha statue overlooking the valley, is a central attraction point. The Shyok River flows alongside, adding to the valley's scenic beauty. Nubra offers a blend of adventure, culture, and Himalayan beauty.

Leh

Leh, the cultural and administrative capital of Ladakh, welcomes you with its unique mix of ancient heritage and modern charm. Visit landmarks such as the Shanti Stupa, which offers panoramic views of the city, and the historic Leh Palace, reflecting Ladakh’s royal past. Experience the magnetic pull of Magnetic Hill, and witness the spectacular confluence of the Zanskar and Indus Rivers. The vibrant Leh Market is perfect for shopping for local crafts, Pashmina shawls, and savouring Tibetan delicacies. Leh also serves as the central hub for trips to Nubra Valley, Pangong Lake, and beyond. Spending time here is ideal for acclimatisation before you venture into higher altitudes.

Kargil

Kargil is a historic town situated at 2,676 meters between Leh and Srinagar. It rose to prominence during the 1999 Kargil War, and today, visitors can pay their respects at the Kargil War Memorial in Drass. Kargil is surrounded by stunning mountains and serves as a cultural melting pot for Buddhist and Muslim communities. The Mulbekh Monastery, renowned for its massive rock carvings of the Maitreya Buddha, is a must-visit en route. Kargil also serves as a gateway to

Zanskar Valley and offers travellers a chance to experience authentic Ladakhi hospitality away from the tourist crowds.

Sonamarg

The scenery of Sonamarg transforms into lush green meadows framed by snow-capped peaks. Sonamarg, meaning the "Meadow of Gold," sits at 2,730 meters and is one of Kashmir's most picturesque destinations. The valley comes alive in summer with wildflowers carpeting the landscape, while in winter it becomes a serene snow-covered paradise. You can visit the beautiful Thajiwas Glacier, reachable by a short trek or pony ride. Sonamarg, known as the "Meadow of Gold," is situated at an elevation of 2,730 meters and serves as a haven for nature lovers. The lush meadows bloom with wildflowers in summer, while winter turns the area into a snowy retreat. The Sindh River flows gracefully through the valley, adding to its peaceful charm.

Srinagar

Srinagar, the picturesque summer capital of Jammu & Kashmir, is famous for its serene Dal Lake and Nigeen Lake, where you can enjoy peaceful Shikara rides and stay in traditional houseboats. The city is home to the iconic Mughal Gardens, including Shalimar Bagh and Nishat Bagh, which feature classic Persian-style landscaping with terraced lawns, flowing fountains, and floral designs. The city is famous for its vibrant handicrafts, Kashmiri carpets, and dry fruits. The old town features historic mosques, such as Jamia Masjid, and traditional wooden houses along narrow alleys. The backdrop of the Zabarwan Range and the cool breeze from the lakes make Srinagar a relaxing endpoint for your Manali to Srinagar trip via Ladakh.

Stay Categories & Options •

Own Bike Own Fuel	Persons: 1	INR 34,999.00	~~INR 39,999.00~~	Save INR 5,000.00
One Bike One Rider	Persons: 1	INR 58,999.00	~~INR 64,999.00~~	Save INR 6,000.00
One Bike Two Rider	Persons: 2	INR 48,999.00	~~INR 54,999.00~~	Save INR 6,000.00

Itinerary •

Day 1: Delhi to Manali (Overnight Volvo Bus) | Dist: 530 | Altitude: 195 m to 2050 m

- Board an evening Volvo bus from Delhi (approx. 7-8 PM).
- Overnight journey to Manali (approx. 12-14 hours, depending on traffic/road conditions).

Meals: Nil

Night: Overnight Journey by AC Volvo Semi Sleeper Bus

Day 2: Reaching Manali | Morning 10:00 am

- Morning arrival in Manali.
- Check into the hotel and rest.
- Explore local attractions, including the Hadimba Temple, Mall Road, and Manu Temple.
- Acclimatise to altitude.

Meals: Dinner

Night: Stay at the hotel in Manali

Day 3: Manali to Sarchu via Jispa & Baralacha | Dist: 225 km | Altitude: 2050 m to 4290 m

- Early morning departure from Manali.
- Cross the Atal tunnel, Sissu & Baralacha La.
- Drive through Keylong and Jispa.
- Reach Sarchu (altitude: 14,070 ft) by late afternoon.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay in the camps at Sarchu

Day 4: Sarchu to Tsomoriri | Dist: 230 km | Altitude: 4290 m to 4295 m

- Morning drive towards Tsomoriri Lake.
- Pass through Pang and More Plains.
- Visit Tso Kar (optional stop).
- Reach Tsomoriri by evening.
- Explore the serene Lake and the village of Korzok.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay at the hotel in Tso Moriri

Day 5: Tsomoriri to Hanle | Dist: 230 km | Altitude: 4295 m to 4500 m

- After breakfast, check out of the hotel and proceed to Hanle.
- You can ride via the Mahe Bridge & Loma Checkpost.
- Reach Hanle by afternoon.
- Visit the Hanle Monastery and India’s highest Astronomical Observatory.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay at the hotel in Hanle

Day 6: Umlingla Pass | Dist: 130 km | Altitude: 4500 m to 5798 m

- After breakfast, you will visit Umling La Pass, the world’s highest motorable road at 5,883 meters (19,300 feet).
- Leisure day in Hanle for stargazing and having dinner under millions of stars.

- Optional short excursions around Hanle.
- Relax and enjoy the remote beauty.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay at the hotel in Hanle

Day 7: Hanle to Pangong Lake | Dist: 175 km | Altitude: 4500 m to 4240 m

- After breakfast, an Early morning ride to Pangong Lake via the Chushul route.
- Visit the Rezang La War Memorial (optional).
- Reach Pangong by late afternoon.
- Explore the lake and take photos at sunset.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay in the camps at Pangong

Day 8: Pangong to Nubra Valley | Dist: 170 km | Altitude: 4240 m to 3050 m

- Have a delicious breakfast and ride to Nubra Valley via the Shyok route.
- Cross Tangste & Durbuk.
- Reach Nubra Valley (Hunder or Diskit).
- Visit Diskit Monastery and Hunder Sand Dunes.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay in the camps at Hunder

Day 9: Nubra to Leh via Khardung La Pass | Dist: 160 km | Altitude: 3050 m to 3524 m

- Today, you will ride to Leh via one of the highest passes: Khardung La Pass (17,982 ft).
- Arrive in Leh by afternoon.
- Rest and explore Leh Market, Leh Palace, and Shanti Stupa.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay at the hotel in Leh

Day 10: Leh to Kargil by Fotu La | Dist: 215 km | Altitude: 3524 m to 2676 m

- Drive towards Kargil via Magnetic Hill, Gurudwara Pathar Sahib, and Lamayuru Monastery.
- Cross Fotu La and Namik La.
- Reach Kargil by evening.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay at the hotel in Kargil

Day 11: Kargil to Sonamarg | Dist: 125 km | Altitude: 2676 m to 2730 m

- Early morning departure from Kargil.
- Cross Drass (visit Kargil War Memorial).
- Cross Zoji La Pass.
- Arrive in Sonamarg by afternoon.
- Rest and enjoy the meadows of Sonamarg.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay at the hotel in Sonamarg

Day 12: Sonamarg to Srinagar | Dist: 80 km | Altitude: 2730 m to 1585 m

- After breakfast, proceed to Srinagar (2-hour drive).
- As you say goodbye to the majestic landscapes of Ladakh, you'll carry with you memories and stories to treasure for a lifetime.

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.

Himalayan (410cc and 450cc) as per your requirements.

Fuel charges.

Backup vehicle.

Helmet for both rider and pillion.

Backup vehicle.

Mechanics.

Bonfire wherever possible.

Oxygen cylinder.

Marshal.

Inner Line Permits (ILPs) for visiting restricted areas.

Ladakh environment fee and applicable taxes.

Exclusions •

Room Heater cost and Bonfire.

GST 5%.

Fees for any adventure activity.

Fuel for your own bike.

Security fees (Refundable amount)

Riding Jacket, Ankle and Knee Guard.

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 the best time to take the Manali to Srinagar Bike trip via Ladakh?

A:

From June to mid-September, the Manali–Leh and Leh–Srinagar highways are open, making it the safest window for travel.

Q: How many days are required for this trip?

A:

Typically, a journey of 10–12 days is ideal for covering all central locations comfortably.

Q: Is this trip suitable for first-time travellers to Ladakh?

A:

Yes, but only if you are physically fit and can handle high-altitude travel.

Q: Is AMS (Acute Mountain Sickness) common on this route?

A:

Yes, especially at Sarchu, Tsomoriri, and Umling La. Proper acclimatisation is crucial.

Q: Do I need to carry oxygen cylinders or oximeters?

A:

For safety, a portable oxygen tank and a pulse oximeter are recommended, especially for high-altitude passes like Umling La.

Q: Do we need inner line permits or special passes?

A:

Yes, for Tsomoriri, Hanle, Umling La, Nubra, and Pangong. Most operators arrange these in advance.

Q: Will I get mobile network and internet connectivity?

A:

Postpaid SIMs work in Ladakh. Hanle, Tsomoriri, and Sarchu may have limited or no network.

Q: Do I need to carry cash, or is online payment available everywhere?

A:

Carry sufficient cash. ATMs are primarily available only in Leh and Kargil.

Q: Can kids or elderly people do this trip?

A:

Not recommended for children under five or elderly travellers with heart/lung conditions due to altitude risks.

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