Sikkim Tour Package with Darjeeling

Bagdogra - Gangtok - Lachen - Lachung - Gangtok - Pelling - Darjeeling - Bagdogra

Tour PackagesCustomised

Tour Basics •

Duration: 10 Days 09 Nights	**Route:** Bagdogra - Gangtok - Lachen - Lachung - Gangtok - Pelling - Darjeeling - Bagdogra

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About This Trip •

The Eastern Himalayas are a realm of breathtaking landscapes, ancient monasteries, alpine lakes, and vibrant hill culture. This North Sikkim with Pelling and Darjeeling tour offers a soul-stirring Himalayan journey that weaves together spirituality, natural beauty, adventure, and cultural immersion. Whether you're a nature lover, a spiritual seeker, or a mountain wanderer, this tour offers a transformative experience across some of Northeast India's most awe-inspiring destinations.

Start Your Journey in the Capital: Gangtok

Your trip begins in Gangtok, the capital city of Sikkim, perched on a ridge and surrounded by the snow-covered peaks of the Eastern Himalayas. The drive from Bagdogra Airport or NJP Station is lined with scenic river valleys, offering views of the Teesta and Rangeet River confluence at Triveni View Point. In Gangtok, you'll explore MG Marg, the town's heartbeat, bustling with cafes, shops, and local flavours.

Gangtok is also your base for an exhilarating day trip to Tsomgo Lake, a glacial wonder at over 12,000 feet that changes colour with the seasons. Close by is Baba Mandir, built in honour of Indian Army hero Baba Harbhajan Singh. For a truly rare adventure, travel to Nathula Pass, the Indo-China border, where the winds carry stories from two nations across barbed wire fences.

Unveil the Mystique of Lachen & Gurudongmar Lake

Leaving the urban comforts of Gangtok, the road leads north to Lachen, a peaceful hamlet

nestled at high altitudes. En route, witness the cascading beauty of Naga Falls and pass through Kanchenjunga National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Lachen serves as your gateway to the legendary Gurudongmar Lake, one of the highest lakes in the world at over 17,000 feet. Believed to have healing powers, the lake is revered by Buddhists and Sikhs alike and remains frozen for much of the year, except for a small portion that legends say never freezes.

Into the Blooming Valley: Lachung & Yumthang

Your journey continues to Lachung, a charming village often snow-draped during winter and surrounded by towering peaks. The nearby Yumthang Valley, often called the Valley of Flowers of the East, bursts into colour during spring with thousands of blooming rhododendrons. The valley is also home to Zero Point, where the road ends, a dramatic, snow-covered landscape where you feel at the edge of the world.

Spiritual Vibes in West Sikkim: Pelling

The journey itself is memorable, especially if you choose the route via Ravangla or Namchi. In Ravangla, visit the famous Buddha Park, while Namchi boasts the Char Dham Complex, featuring replicas of four sacred pilgrimage sites and a towering Shiva statue.

In Pelling, you'll explore attractions like the tranquil Khecheopalri Lake, considered sacred by both Buddhists and Hindus, where it is said that not even a leaf disturbs the water. The scenic Rimbi Waterfalls, Orange Garden, and Darap Village offer a deep connection with nature and local traditions. Don’t miss the Pelling Skywalk, India’s first glass-bottom skywalk with sweeping Himalayan views and a majestic Chenrezig statue. Wrap up your day with a visit to the ancient Pemayangtse Monastery and the Rabdentse Palace Ruins, the remnants of Sikkim's former capital, offer a glimpse into the region's royal history.

British-Era Charm in Darjeeling

From spiritual West Sikkim, travel west to Darjeeling, the "Queen of the Hills," where misty mountains meet aromatic tea gardens. This historic hill station offers the perfect mix of adventure and nostalgia. Start your day early at Tiger Hill, where the first rays of dawn illuminate the majestic Mt. Kanchenjunga, the world’s third-highest peak, in a stunning golden glow.

Experience the heritage charm of the Darjeeling Himalayan Railway, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The toy train journey to Ghum Station via the Batasia Loop gives panoramic views of the mountains and a visit to the Gorkha War Memorial. In town, you’ll visit the Himalayan Mountaineering Institute, the Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park (home to

red pandas), and glide over tea gardens on the Darjeeling Ropeway. Find inner peace at the Japanese Temple and Peace Pagoda, surrounded by silent prayer flags and soothing chants.

Stay Categories & Options •

Deluxe	Persons: 2	INR 62,900.00	~~INR 64,900.00~~	Save INR 2,000.00
Deluxe	Persons: 3	INR 49,600.00	~~INR 51,600.00~~	Save INR 2,000.00
Premium	Persons: 2	INR 75,500.00	~~INR 77,500.00~~	Save INR 2,000.00
Premium	Persons: 3	INR 62,300.00	~~INR 64,300.00~~	Save INR 2,000.00
Luxury	Persons: 2	INR 78,900.00	~~INR 80,900.00~~	Save INR 2,000.00
Luxury	Persons: 3	INR 72,800.00	~~INR 74,800.00~~	Save INR 2,000.00

Itinerary •

Day 1: Arrival at Bagdogra | Transfer to Gangtok

- Upon arrival at Bagdogra Airport (IXB) or New Jalpaiguri Railway Station (NJP), you will be greeted by our representative and transferred to Gangtok.
- Enjoy a brief stop at Triveni View Point, where the Teesta and Rangeet rivers converge. Continue your scenic drive through winding roads alongside the Teesta River.
- Explore MG Marg at your leisure in the evening before checking into your hotel for an overnight stay in Gangtok.

Hotel: Stay at the Hotel in Gangtok

Meals: Dinner

Day 2: Explore Gangtok; Tsomgo Lake, Baba Mandir and Nathula Pass

- After breakfast, embark on a full-day excursion around Gangtok.
- Start by visiting the picturesque Tsomgo Lake, renowned for its changing colours.
- Then, continue to Baba Mandir, a tribute to Indian Army soldier Baba Harbhajan Singh.
- For those interested, hire a taxi to visit Nathula Pass, the Indo-China border post (subject to availability and extra cost).
- Return to Gangtok for an overnight stay.

Hotel: Stay at the Hotel in Gangtok

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Day 3: Gangtok To Lachen

After breakfast, you'll drive 125 km to Lachen, stopping at Naga Falls and passing through Chungthang Village. You'll continue via Kanchenjunga National Park before arriving in Lachen for an overnight stay.

Hotel: Stay at the Hotel at Lachen

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Day 4: Lachen to Lachung. Visit Gurudongmar Lake

- Start your day with breakfast before heading north to visit Gurudongmar Lake, one of India's highest lakes.
- En route, pass through Thangu Village, a remote Tibetan nomad settlement. After enjoying the scenic views of the lake, continue your journey to Lachung, stopping for lunch along the way.
- Arrive in Lachung by evening, check in, and unwind with an overnight stay.

Hotel: Stay at the Hotel at Lachung

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Day 5: Lachung to Gangtok. Visit Yumthang Valley

- After breakfast, depart north from Lachung to explore Yumthang Valley, famously called the 'Valley of Flowers' and often referred to as the 'Switzerland of the Northeast' for its breathtaking beauty.
- You'll explore the Singba Rhododendron Sanctuary within the valley and visit Zero Point, the last outpost of civilisation.
- After sightseeing, you'll drive back to Gangtok to check in for an overnight stay.

Hotel: Stay at the Hotel in Gangtok

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Day 6: Gangtok to Pelling. Transfer via Ravangla OR Namchi

- After breakfast at the hotel, you'll transfer to Pelling in West Sikkim.
- En route, you'll stop at either Ravangla or Namchi.
- In Ravangla, visit Buddha Park, featuring a 130 ft. Shakyamuni Buddha statue amidst picturesque gardens and Himalayan views.
- If taking the Namchi route, explore the Namchi Chardham Complex, home to a 108 ft. Lord Shiva statue surrounded by Chardham replicas.
- Continue your scenic journey with views of the Kanchenjunga Ranges, arriving in Pelling for an overnight hotel stay.

Hotel: Stay at the Hotel in Pelling

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Day 7: Local Sightseeing in Pelling

- After breakfast at the hotel, you'll explore Pelling and visit Khecheopalri Lake, the wish-fulfilling lake.
- You'll then see the scenic Rimbi Waterfalls and take a peaceful stroll through the Rimbi Orange Garden. Next, you'll explore Darap Village to connect with nature, followed by a visit to India's highest Skywalk, featuring a 137-foot Chenrezig statue.
- You'll continue to the historic Rabdentse Ruins and end the day's sightseeing at the Pemayangtse Monastery.
- Head back to your hotel in Pelling for a restful overnight stay.

Hotel: Stay at the Hotel in Pelling

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Day 8: Pelling to Darjeeling. Travel to the best Tea Gardens in the Country

- After breakfast at the hotel, you'll transfer to Darjeeling, a picturesque hill station. Enjoy the scenic drive.
- As you approach Darjeeling, you'll be greeted by the fragrant tea plantations lining the streets. U
- pon arrival, check into your hotel and enjoy a comfortable overnight stay.

Hotel: Stay at the Hotel at Darjeeling

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Day 9: Darjeeling Local | Explore the best places in this hill station

- Start your day early at 4 AM with a visit to Tiger Hill to witness the stunning sunrise over Mt. Kanchenjunga.

- Return to the hotel for breakfast before enjoying a UNESCO-listed toy train ride from Darjeeling to Ghum Station and back via the Batasia Loop, offering panoramic views and a stop at the Gorkha Regiment Memorial.
- Continue to the Himalayan Mountaineering Institute and Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park to explore mountaineering history and see Himalayan wildlife, including the endangered Red Panda.
- Enjoy a ropeway ride over tea plantations, then visit the Japanese Temple and Peace Pagoda for a peaceful meditation before returning to the hotel for an overnight stay.

Hotel: Stay at the Hotel at Darjeeling

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Day 10: Departure. Darjeeling to Bagdogra Airport/ NJP Station

- Wake up to a lovely morning in Darjeeling and enjoy breakfast at the hotel.
- Afterwards, transfer to Bagdogra Airport (IXB) or New Jalpaiguri Railway Station (NJP).
- Your tour concludes as you depart for your onward journey, bringing home wonderful memories of your trip.

Hotel: Nil

Meals: Breakfast

Inclusions •

All ground transportation during the tour, including comfortable transfers in private vehicles.

Hotel accommodation on a twin/triple-sharing basis for the entire duration of the trip

Meals as specified in the itinerary, ensuring a wholesome experience throughout the journey.

Driver allowances, including daily charges and accommodation.

All necessary permits, including inner line permits wherever applicable

Toll taxes, fuel charges, and parking fees are included for a hassle-free travel experience.

Arrival and departure transfers to and from Bagdogra Airport (IXB) or New Jalpaiguri Railway Station (NJP).

Exclusions •

GST 5%.

Additional charges apply for visits to special locations such as Nathula Pass and Zero Point, including permits and transportation.

Meals and beverages that are not explicitly mentioned in the itinerary, such as lunches, snacks, bottled water, alcoholic drinks, or refreshments en route, are excluded

Any form of personal expenses, including but not limited to tips to drivers or guides, entry tickets to attractions, camera or video charges, laundry, telephone bills, etc., are not part of the package.

Airfare and train tickets are not included.

Any services or items not explicitly mentioned under the “Inclusions” section will be considered as excluded from the package.

FAQs •

Q: How do I reach the starting point of the North Sikkim with Pelling tour?

A:

The tour usually begins from Bagdogra Airport or New Jalpaiguri Railway Station (NJP), both of which are well connected to major Indian cities. From here, a private transfer is arranged to take you to Pelling, the first destination on the tour.

Q: What is the altitude of Gurudongmar Lake, and is it difficult to visit?

A:

Gurudongmar Lake sits at a height of 17,800 feet, making it one of the highest lakes in the world. The oxygen levels are low; travellers are advised to avoid exertion, stay hydrated, and spend minimal time at the lake.

Q: Is it possible to include Ravangla and Namchi in this itinerary?

A:

Yes, the route from Pelling to Gangtok allows a stop at either Ravangla (Buddha Park) or Namchi (Char Dham Complex). These are beautiful spiritual sites and are often included in custom itineraries.

Q: Are there ATMs available in North Sikkim?

A:

ATMs are available in Gangtok, Pelling, and Darjeeling, but access in Lachen and Lachung is limited or unreliable.It is advisable to carry enough cash before traveling to North Sikkim.

Q: Do we get snowfall in Pelling during winter?

A:

While Pelling itself does not receive heavy snowfall, the surrounding areas and viewpoints may offer snow-covered mountain views during the winter months, especially from late December to February.

Q: How much time is spent travelling between destinations on this tour?

A:

Most transfers, like Pelling to Gangtok or Gangtok to Lachen, take 5–7 hours depending on weather and road conditions. While long, these drives are scenic and dotted with waterfalls, rivers, and mountain views.

Q: What kind of hotels are provided in remote areas like Lachen and Lachung?

A:

In remote regions of North Sikkim, you can expect standard to deluxe category hotels or homestays. While the amenities are basic due to location constraints, they are clean, comfortable, and offer warm hospitality.

Q: Are there any age restrictions for visiting North Sikkim?

A:

Due to high altitude and low oxygen, it is generally advised that children below 5 years and adults above 65 years with health issues avoid travelling to places like Gurudongmar Lake. Please consult a doctor before booking.

Q: Will there be snow at Zero Point and Yumthang Valley year-round?

A:

Zero Point often has snow from November to May, whereas Yumthang Valley is more famous for blooming flowers in spring and early summer. The best time for snow lovers is between January and April.

Q: Are group tours available for this itinerary?

A:

Yes, both private and fixed-departure group tours are available. Group tours are ideal for budget travellers, while private tours offer flexibility, comfort, and custom sightseeing.

Q: What are the vehicle options available for this tour?

A:

Typically, SUVs like Bolero, Scorpio, or Xylo are used for North Sikkim due to the mountainous terrain. For larger groups, tempo travellers may be available up to certain regions

Q: Can we use drones for photography during the tour?

A:

Drones are not permitted in sensitive border areas like Gurudongmar Lake, Nathula Pass, and Zero Point. Drone use in Sikkim also requires special permissions from local authorities.

Q: What are the key attractions in the town of Gangtok during this tour?

A:

In Gangtok, travellers often enjoy visiting Tsomgo Lake, Baba Mandir, MG Marg, Enchey Monastery, and Namgyal Institute of Tibetology. Optional sightseeing includes Nathula Pass, if open.

Q: What shopping experiences can we expect during this tour?

A:

You can shop for handmade woollens, Sikkimese prayer flags, organic tea, and local handicrafts in MG Marg (Gangtok), Mall Road (Darjeeling), and small markets in Pelling. Lachung and Lachen offer minimal shopping options.

Q: Will there be power cuts or electricity issues in North Sikkim?

A:

In remote areas like Lachen and Lachung, occasional power cuts are common, especially in winter. Hotels usually have backup generators, but it’s a good idea to carry a power bank and flashlight.

Q: Can I extend the tour to include Kalimpong or Zuluk?

A:

Yes, this tour can be extended to include nearby locations like Kalimpong, Zuluk, or Silk Route destinations, depending on your available time and interest. These add scenic diversity and cultural value to the trip.

Q: Are meals vegetarian-friendly during the North Sikkim tour?

A:

Yes, vegetarian meals are widely available, especially in hotel buffets and restaurants. However, choices may be limited in remote areas, so it’s wise to inform your tour provider in advance of dietary preferences.

Q: Are there any trekking options on this route?

A:

While this tour focuses on scenic drives and sightseeing, short nature walks are possible in Pelling and Yumthang. If you’re interested in trekking, Khangchendzonga National Park near Yuksom can be added separately.

Q: What kind of cultural experiences are included in this tour?

A:

The tour includes visits to Buddhist monasteries, local villages like Darap, and spiritual sites such as Buddha Park and Chardham. These offer deep cultural insight into Sikkimese and Lepcha traditions.

Q: Is this North Sikkim with Pelling tour suitable for senior citizens?

A:

Yes, with a few precautions. Seniors should avoid high-altitude excursions like Gurudongmar Lake unless medically cleared. The rest of the tour—including Pelling, Gangtok, and Darjeeling—is senior-friendly and enjoyable.

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