Spiti Winter 4x4 Expedition

Delhi - Shimla - Sangla - Tabo - Kaza - Tabo - Kalpa - Shimla - Delhi

Group PackagesGroup Tour

Tour Basics •

Duration: 08 Days 07 Nights	**Route:** Delhi - Shimla - Sangla - Tabo - Kaza - Tabo - Kalpa - Shimla - Delhi

Delhi — 8D 7NShimla — 7D 6N

About This Trip •

Begin your unforgettable winter journey in the heart of Delhi, venturing into the untouched, snow-covered wonders of Himachal Pradesh. Your adventure starts with an overnight drive to Shimla, the charming capital, where crisp mountain air and sweeping Himalayan views greet you. From Shimla, travel along winding mountain roads through picturesque towns like Rampur and Karcham, eventually arriving in the serene Sangla Valley. Known for its rugged beauty, apple orchards, and warm mountain hospitality, Sangla also serves as the gateway to Chitkul, the last inhabited village near the Indo-Tibetan border, where life unfolds in a simple yet culturally rich way.

As you progress into the Spiti region, the scenery becomes even more dramatic. A brief stop in the village of Nako allows you to admire its serene lake and monastery before reaching the ancient settlement of Tabo, home to one of the world's oldest functioning Buddhist monasteries. Your path then takes you to Kaza, the administrative hub of Spiti and a gateway to some of the region’s most iconic attractions. En route, you’ll explore the breathtaking Dhankar Monastery perched on a cliff, the icy expanse of Pin Valley, and the cascading Lingti Waterfall. In Kaza, immerse yourself in the stark beauty of high-altitude Himalayan life by visiting Langza, where a giant Buddha statue overlooks the valley, Komic, one of the highest motorable villages in the world, and Hikkim, home to the world’s highest post office.

The next leg of the journey takes you to Key Monastery, the spiritual heart of Spiti, renowned for its commanding hilltop location and distinctive monastic architecture. The adventure continues over Chicham Bridge, Asia’s highest suspension bridge, a feat of engineering that offers surreal views of the deep gorge below. Returning to Tabo, you revisit its historic monastery before heading to Kalpa in the Kinnaur region. Nestled against the backdrop of the snow-capped Kinner Kailash

range, Kalpa offers tranquil beauty, and from its Suicide Point, the cliffs open up to breathtaking views of the valleys below. A stroll through the local market in Reckong Peo allows you to immerse yourself in the local culture and pick up traditional souvenirs.

As your expedition nears its end, you journey back to Shimla and eventually return to Delhi, carrying with you not just photographs but an entire collection of unforgettable memories. This winter tour through Spiti offers a rare opportunity to witness the untouched charm of a high-altitude cold desert, where every turn reveals a new facet of natural wonder, spiritual depth, and Himalayan resilience. Ideal for adventurers, photographers, and culture enthusiasts alike, the Spiti Winter 4x4 Expedition offers an immersive journey that brings you closer to the true spirit of the mountains.

Departure Dates •

DEC: 28

Stay Categories & Options •

Jimny | 2 Pax	Persons: 2	INR 38,499.00	~~INR 42,999.00~~	Save INR 4,500.00
Jimny | 3 Pax	Persons: 3	INR 31,999.00	~~INR 35,999.00~~	Save INR 4,000.00
Hilux | 2 Pax	Persons: 2	INR 46,999.00	~~INR 51,999.00~~	Save INR 5,000.00
Hilux | 3 Pax	Persons: 3	INR 38,999.00	~~INR 42,999.00~~	Save INR 4,000.00
Rubicon | 2 Pax	Persons: 2	INR 97,999.00	~~INR 104,999.00~~	Save INR 7,000.00
Rubicon | 3 Pax	Persons: 3	INR 72,999.00	~~INR 79,999.00~~	Save INR 7,000.00
Jimny | 2 Pax	Persons: 2	INR 36,499.00	~~INR 40,999.00~~	Save INR 4,500.00
Jimny | 3 Pax	Persons: 3	INR 29,999.00	~~INR 32,999.00~~	Save INR 3,000.00
Hilux | 2 Pax	Persons: 2	INR 44,999.00	~~INR 49,999.00~~	Save INR 5,000.00
Hilux | 3 Pax	Persons: 3	INR 36,999.00	~~INR 40,999.00~~	Save INR 4,000.00
Rubicon | 2 Pax	Persons: 2	INR 95,999.00	~~INR 102,999.00~~	Save INR 7,000.00
Rubicon | 3 Pax	Persons: 3	INR 70,999.00	~~INR 76,999.00~~	Save INR 6,000.00
Self Drive Own Vehicle	Persons: 2	INR 15,999.00	~~INR 18,999.00~~	Save INR 3,000.00

Itinerary •

Day 1: Delhi to Shimla | Dist: 348km | Time: 07 to 08 hr | Altitude: 238 to 2272m

- Your journey from Delhi will start at night, travelling by a Volvo bus or a cab.
- After a scenic 7 to 8-hour drive through the picturesque valleys of Himachal Pradesh, you will arrive in Shimla the next day.

Meals: Nil

Overnight: Journey by Volvo Bus or Cab

Day 2: Shimla to Sangla | Dist: 222km | Time: 07 to 08 hr | Altitude: 2270m to 2632m

- After arriving in Shimla, continue your drive towards Sangla, passing through the scenic towns of Rampur and Karcham along the way.
- By evening, you'll check in to your hotel, and later visit Chitkul – the last inhabited village near the Indo-Tibetan border.

Meals: Dinner

Night: Stay at Homestay/Hotel in Sangla/Chitkul

Day 3: Sangla to Tabo | Dist: 188km | Time: 06 to 07 hr | Altitude: 2630m to 3280m

- After enjoying a delicious breakfast, you'll set off for Tabo.
- On the way, you'll halt at Nako Village for lunch (at your own expense), followed by a visit to Nako Lake and, if time allows, Gompa Monastery.
- By evening, you'll continue your drive to Tabo, where you'll spend the night.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay at Homestay in Tabo

Day 4: Tabo to Kaza | Dist: 50km | Time: 07 to 08 hr | Altitude: 3280m to 3800m

- After breakfast, you will visit Tabo Monastery and Tabo Caves.
- Later, you'll head towards Kaza, visiting Dhankar Monastery, Pin Valley, and the scenic Lingti Waterfall along the way.
- Reach Kaza by evening and settle in for the night at your hotel or cosy homestay.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay at Homestay in Kaza

Day 5: Kaza Sightseeing | Morning 9:00 am | Time: 07 to 08 hr | Altitude: 3800m to 4590m

- After breakfast, visit Langza to see the famous Buddha statue overlooking the scenic valley.
- Head to Komic, one of the highest and most remote villages in the world.
- Continue to Hikkim, home to the world's highest post office.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay at the Homestay in Kaza

Day 6: Kaza Sightseeing | Morning 10:00 am

- Start your morning with a visit to the iconic Key Monastery, the most prominent and expansive monastery in the Spiti region.
- Continue onwards to Chicham Bridge, the highest suspension bridge in Asia, known for its breathtaking views of the deep canyon it spans.

- Later in the evening, you will visit the Kaza Market.

Meals: Breakfast and dinner

Night: Stay at the hotel in Kaza

Day 7: Kaza to Kalpa | Dist: 219 km | Time: 08 to 09 hr | Altitude: 3880m to 2960m

- Begin your day with an early breakfast before heading to Kalpa, a picturesque village in Kinnaur known for its spectacular views of the Kinnaur Kailash range.
- In the evening, visit the striking Suicide Point, renowned for its cliffs and breathtaking panoramas.
- Wrap up the day at the local market in Reckong Peo, where you can shop for souvenirs or simply enjoy a relaxed stroll.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Night: Stay at the Hotel in Kalpa

Day 8: Kalpa to Shimla and Depart | Dist: 326 km | Time: 08 to 09 hr | Altitude: 2960 m to 2276 m

- Wake up to the stunning views of Kalpa Valley.
- After enjoying your morning tea and breakfast, begin your drive back to Shimla.
- Reach Shimla by late evening, from where you can either board your bus to Delhi.

Meals: Breakfast

Night: Overnight Journey by Volvo Bus

Day 9: Arriving in Delhi | Dist: 348 km | Time: 09 to 10 hr | Altitude: 2270m to 239 m

- Arrive in Delhi early in the morning, marking the end of your unforgettable journey through the cold desert of Spiti Valley.
- Return home with a heart full of memories, stories, and adventures to cherish for a lifetime.

Meals: NA

Night: NA

Inclusions •

Accommodation will be provided on a double or triple-sharing basis, depending on the hotel or homestay listed in the itinerary.

Trip Captain included for group departures.

Daily breakfast and dinner are outlined in the itinerary.

All sightseeing and excursions will follow the planned schedule.

Driver charges, tolls, and parking fees are covered.

All necessary permits are included.

Exclusions •

Lunch, bottled water, and snacks are not included.

5% GST applies to the total package cost.

Expenses incurred if you choose to end your trip early are not covered.

Additional costs incurred due to natural events, such as landslides, road closures, or government-imposed restrictions, will be borne by the traveller.

Anything not mentioned under ‘Inclusions’ will be treated as an exclusion.

Travel insurance does not cover medical emergencies, evacuation, hospitalisation, or luggage.

Trip Captain is not provided for private/custom tours unless arranged separately.

Room heater charges, if required, are to be paid directly at the property.

Entry fees to monasteries and monuments are not part of the package.

Fuel is not included in Self Drive Vehicles.

FAQs •

Q: What is the best time to go on the Spiti Winter 4x4 Expedition?

A: The expedition typically takes place from late December to early March, when Spiti is covered in snow, offering an authentic winter experience.

Q: Do I need a 4x4 vehicle for the expedition?

A: Yes, a 4x4 vehicle is highly recommended or provided by the operator, as the route involves snow-covered, icy, and rugged terrains that require extra traction and control.

Q: Is the Spiti Winter 4x4 Expedition safe during extreme winter?

A: Yes, the expedition is carefully curated by experienced teams who monitor weather conditions, routes, and safety standards throughout. However, participants must be physically fit and mentally prepared for extreme cold.

Q: How cold does it get in Spiti Valley during winter?

A: Temperatures in winter range between 5°C and -20°C. Daytime may feel warmer under the sun, but nights are freezing. Proper winter gear is essential.

Q: What kind of clothing should I carry?

A: Carry insulated jackets, thermal innerwear, sunglasses, waterproof gloves, snow boots, woollen socks, mufflers, and layers of warm clothing. Sunglasses and sunscreen are also necessary for sun and snow glare.

Q: Are meals included in the package?

A: Yes, breakfast and dinner are usually included in the package. Lunch is generally at your own expense en route or at local dhabas.

Q: What type of accommodation is provided?

A: Accommodation is provided in homestays or hotels on a twin/triple sharing basis. The facilities are basic but warm and comfortable, considering the remote winter conditions.

Q: Will I find mobile network or internet connectivity in Spiti?

A: Limited. BSNL and Jio have the widest coverage, but the signal can be patchy in remote areas, particularly in villages. The Internet may not be reliable. Best to inform family beforehand.

Q: Is medical assistance available during the expedition?

A: Basic medical kits are carried by the support team. However, participants are required to carry their personal medications. Check with your doctor before travelling, particularly for advice on high-altitude and cold-weather conditions.

Q: How is high-altitude sickness handled?

A: The itinerary includes gradual altitude gain to help acclimatisation. Diamox (after consulting a doctor), hydration, and rest are recommended. Immediate descent is arranged if required.

Q: What is the level of difficulty for this Spiti Winter 4x4 Expedition?

A: Moderate to challenging. It involves long drives in snow, high-altitude conditions, and extreme weather. A good level of physical fitness and adaptability is required.

Q: Can solo travellers join this Spiti Winter 4x4 Expedition?

A: Absolutely. Solo travellers are welcome and will be accommodated with other participants of the same gender.

Q: Is travel insurance included?

A: No, travel insurance is not included. Participants are strongly advised to purchase a policy that covers high-altitude emergencies, medical expenses, and cancellations.

Q: Will there be restroom facilities available during the drive?

A: In remote areas, facilities are limited. You may need to use roadside options or basic public toilets during long drives.

Q: What are some must-visit spots on this expedition?

A: Key Monastery, Tabo Monastery, Komic, Langza, Hikkim, Pin Valley, Chicham Bridge, and the frozen beauty of Nako and Kalpa are key highlights.

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