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CHARDHAM YATRA

WITH

AYODHYA, PRAYAGRAJ, VARANASI

21 DAYS AMAZING THE HOLY CHARDHAM

YAMUNOTRI:

The first chardham (going from left to right, as is traditionally stipulated), is one of the most revered temples in India. Yamunotri is the source of the sacred river Yamuna that originates from the glacial lake of Saptarishi Kund, at an altitude of 4,421 meters. Dedicated to capricious Goddess Yamuna, this ancient temple has been a pilgrimage for centuries. Starting at Rishikesh, the yatra takes the pilgrim through some of the most beautiful panoramas, and eventually on the 14 kilometer arduous trek from Hanuman Chatti that is not merely visually and physically stimulating but spiritually uplifting.

GANGOTRI:

Ganga, India's most sacred river is inextricably linked to our past, present and future; it is the very essence of our cycle of life and death. The journey to its source is to reinforce those systems of belief that have been held sacred by our ancestors for centuries. The pilgrimage begins at Rishikesh, an ancient holy town, and leads the traveler through majestic vistas, stunning valleys, and beautiful meadows to eventually end at the holy temple of Gangotri. All through the journey, it is the glimpses of the Ganga in all its moods - playful, placid, and turbulent - that inspire the pilgrim to continue this journey towards spiritual salvation.

KEDARNATH:

set in the beautiful Mandakini valley, cupped by lofty peaks, the majestic Kedarnath Temple stands on a glacial terrace, remnant of an ancient glacier - long since melted. This is Lord Shiva's territory - and the region is a living testimony to his adventures and exploits. The temple is believed to have been built by the Pandavas, protagonists of the Mahabharata, as a tribute to Lord Shiva having forgiven them for fratricide after an exciting chase through the Himalayas. The journey to Kedarnath - the most significant of the 12 jyotirlings located in different parts of India -- is to relive these ancient tales and legends, and to become one with God.

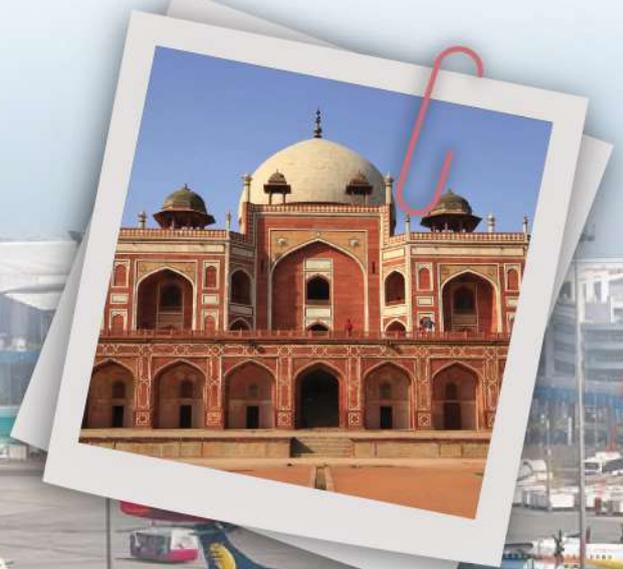
BADRINATH:

The Badrinath shrine is believed to be as old as time itself. Dedicated to Lord Vishnu, this temple was re-established by Adi Shankracharya in the 8th century as part of his mission to revitalize Hinduism. Located on the banks of the Rishi Ganga (Alaknanda), the temple, and the numerous ancient sites around it, is indeed a worthy goal to aim for. The last 11 kilometers to Badrinath is a steep ascent. At Devdarshni, the vista of the entire Badrinath valley appears before you - the township, the magnificent façade of the temple and the twin peaks Nar and Narayan as if standing guard on its either side, and the Neelkanth shining like a crown on its head! And immediately you feel the spiritual upliftment that such a magnificent site inspires. TT

DAY 01:

ARRIVE DELHI AIRPORT (FLIGHT)

Arrive at Delhi airport and drive Hotel. Enroute short visit of Delhi including India Gate /Humayun tomb/Lotus temple (Subject to time availability). Arrive at the hotel and checkin.



DAY 02

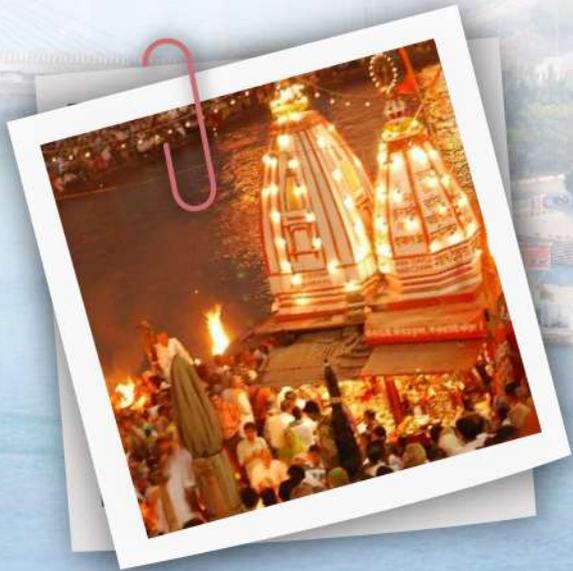
DELHI - HARIDWAR

(DRIVE: 220 KM/6 HR DRIVE) ALT: 0294 M

Breakfast at hotel and drive to Haridwar. Arrive at the hotel and check in.

In the afternoon, local sightseeing of Haridwar including PM Ganga aarti ceremony at the Har ki Pauri ghat (Subject to time availability).

Overnight is at the hotel in Haridwar.



DAY 03

HARIDWAR - BARKOT

(185 KM DRIVE / 06 - 07 HR) ALT: 1280 M

This morning after breakfast, drive to Barkot visiting Lakhamandal, which is en route to Barkot, situated 5 kms off road. After visiting this mesmerizing sight, drive further to Barkot. Upon arrival in Barkot, check in at the hotel. Overnight stay is at the hotel in Barkot.



DAY 04

BARKOT - YAMUNOTRI

(40 KM DRIVE /07 KM TREK) ALT: 3185 M

YAMUNOTRI -BARKOT

07 KM TREK / 38 KM DRIVE) ALT: 1280 M

Today, a bit early in the morning, drive to Janki Chatti. From here, start your trek to Yamunotri.

Either by walk or by mule or by palanquin on own expenses.

After visiting the temple, return to the hotel in Barkot. Overnight is at the hotel in Barkot.

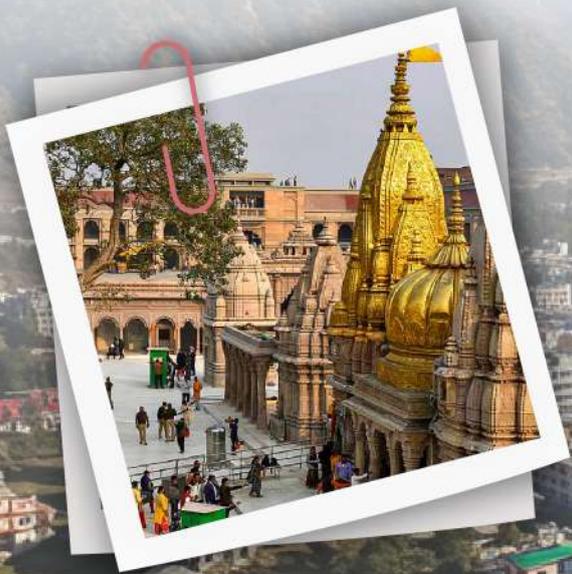


DAY 05

BARKOT - UTTARKASHI

(90 KM DRIVE / 03-04 HR) ALT: 1158 M

Today morning after breakfast, drive to Uttarkashi. En-route visit the Shiv Gufa at Mahargaon. After visiting the cave, continue your drive to Uttarkashi. Upon arrival, check in at the hotel. Overnight is at the hotel in Uttarkashi. In the evening, visit Vishwanath Temple at Uttarkashi town.



DAY 06



UTTARKASHI - GANGOTRI
(100 KM DRIVE / 04 HR) ALT: 3048 M
GANGOTRI - UTTARKASHI
(100 KM DRIVE / 04 HR) ALT: 1158 M

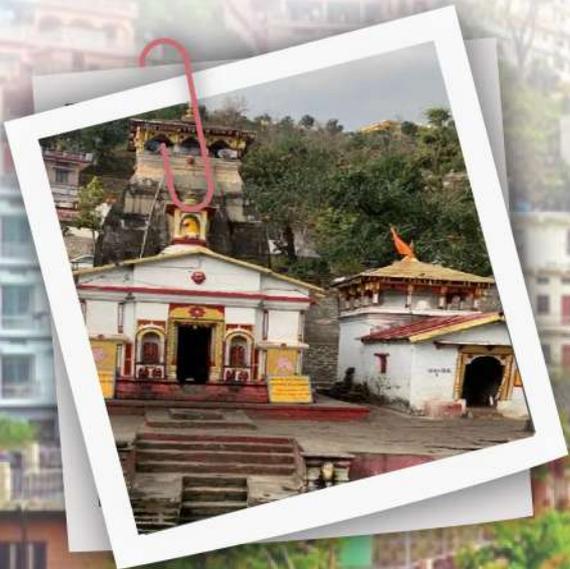
After visiting Gangotri temple, return to Uttarakashi. On the way enjoy picturesque Harshil Village, Bhagirathi River and the most magnificent view of Himalayas. Continue your drive to Uttarkashi. Overnight is at the hotel in Uttarkashi.



DAY 07

UTTARKASHI - GUPTKASHI
(196 KM DRIVE / 07 HR) ALT: 1319 M

This morning after breakfast, drive towards Guptkashi. Upon arrival in Guptkashi, check in at your hotel. Overnight stay is at the hotel in Guptkashi.



DAY 08

GUPTKASHI KEDARNATH

(35 KM DRIVE / 01.5 HR | 18 KM
TREK) ALT: 3584 M

Today, early morning after breakfast, drive to Sonprayag. Upon arrival in Sonprayag, take a local jeep to Gaurikund and start your trek to Kedarnath. (Outside Vehicles are not allowed beyond Sonprayag). Upon arrival, check in at your hotel. Overnight stay is at Hotel/Guesthouse in Kedarnath Kedarnath can be reached by:

Option 1: By 18 kms trek one way.

Option 2: By hiring mule/ponies/dollies from Gaurikund- Subject to availability on direct payment- Not Included

Option 3: By overnight Heli shuttle from Guptkashi and nearby - with supplement cost Not Included

(Subject to availability on booking opening and subject to weather condition)



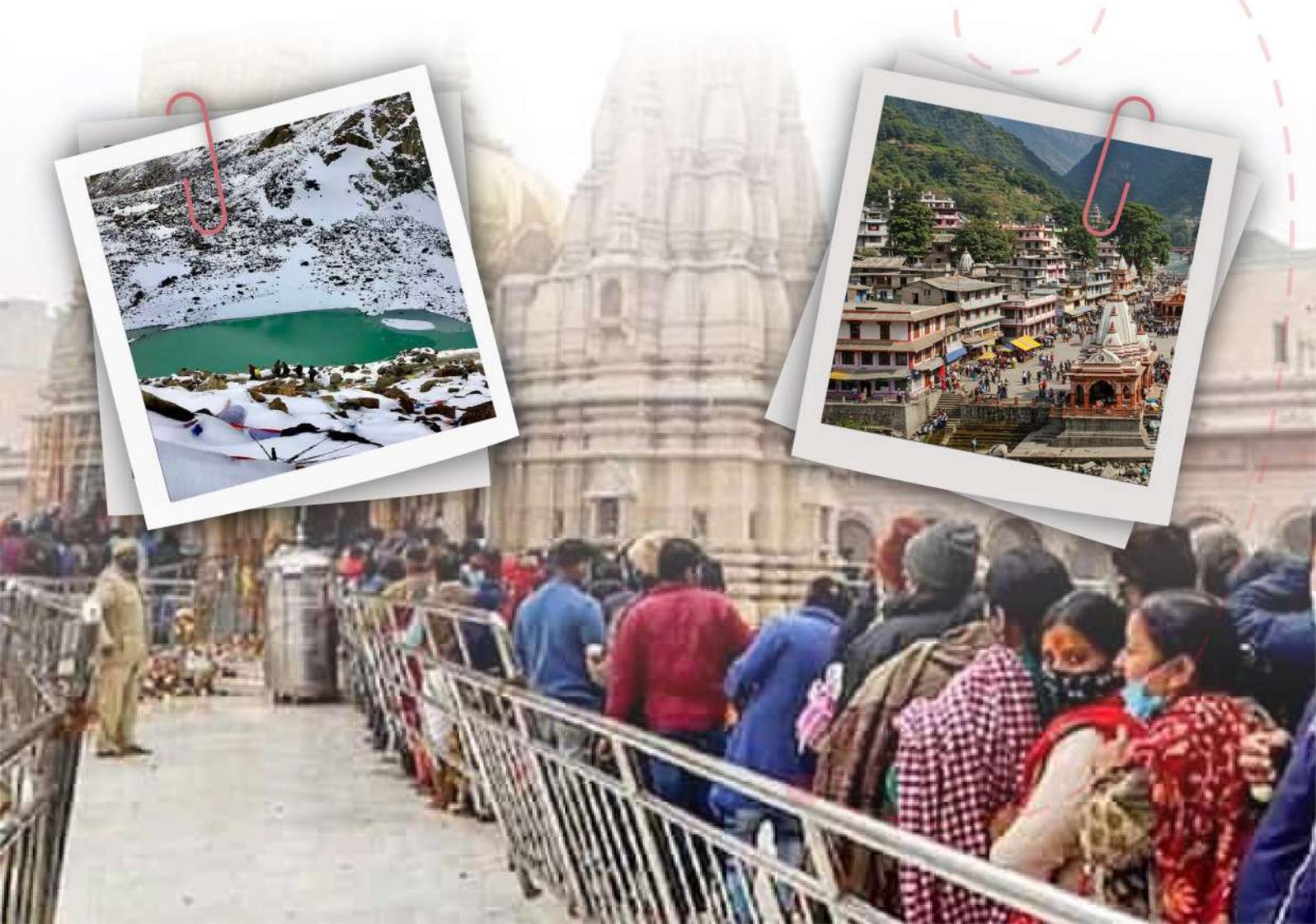
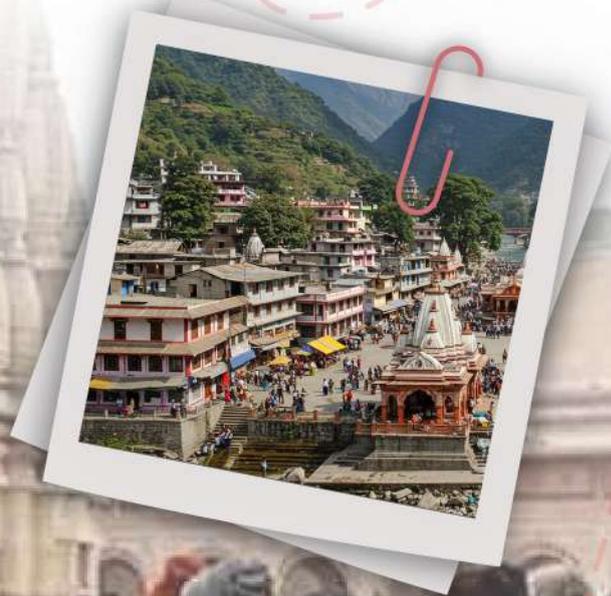
DAY 09



KEDARNATH - GUPTKASHI

(18 KM TREK 135 KM DRIVE / 01.5 HR) ALT: B19 M

Today early morning proceeds for Temple Darshan. Later after breakfast, check out from your hotel/ guesthouse and trek down to Gaurikund and take a local jeep back up to Sonprayag. Upon arrival at Sonprayag, you will be transferred to your hotel in Guptkashi. Overnight stay is at Hotel in Guptkashi.



DAY 10



GUPTKASHI - BADRINATH

(165 KM DRIVE / 06 HR) ALT: 3133 M

Today morning after breakfast, drive to Badrinath, en-route to visit Chopta (also known as mini Switzerland of Uttarakhand). Later, drive to Badrinath. Arrive at the hotel and check in. In the evening, proceed to visit Mana Village which is the last village at the Indo-china border. Also visit Bhimpul, Saraswati river, Vyas gufa, Ganesh Gufa and other important sites. Overnight is at the hotel in Badrinath.



DAY 11

BADRINATH - RUDRAPRAYAG
(160 KM DRIVE / 06 HR) ALT: 0610 M

Today morning after Badrinath Temple Darshan, drive to Rudraprayag, En-route visit Joshimath.
Later after the visit, continue your drive to Rudraprayag. Upon arrival, check in at the hotel.
Overnight is at the hotel in Rudraprayag.



DAY 12



RUDRAPRAYAG - RISHIKESH - HARIDWAR

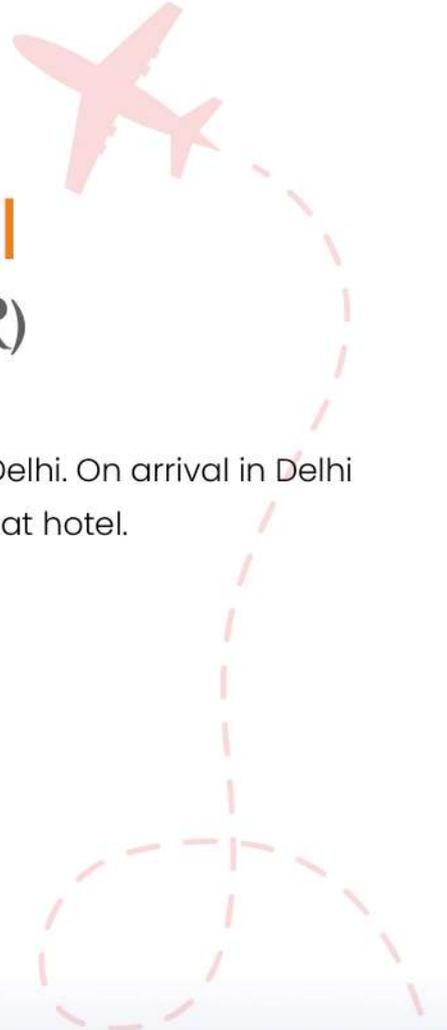
(155 KM DRIVE / 06 HR) ALT: 0372 M

Today morning after breakfast, drive from Rudraprayag to Haridwar. En-route visiting Rishikesh PM visit Rishikesh including Ram Jhula/Laxman Jhula/Ashrams followed by Ganga Arti at Triveni Ghat Later, drive straight to Haridwar. Upon reaching, check-in to the hotel in Haridwar.



DAY 13

HARIDWAR - DELHI
220 KM DRIVE / 06HR)



Today after breakfast, check out from your hotel and drive to Delhi. On arrival in Delhi short visit of Akshardham temple. Later check in at hotel.

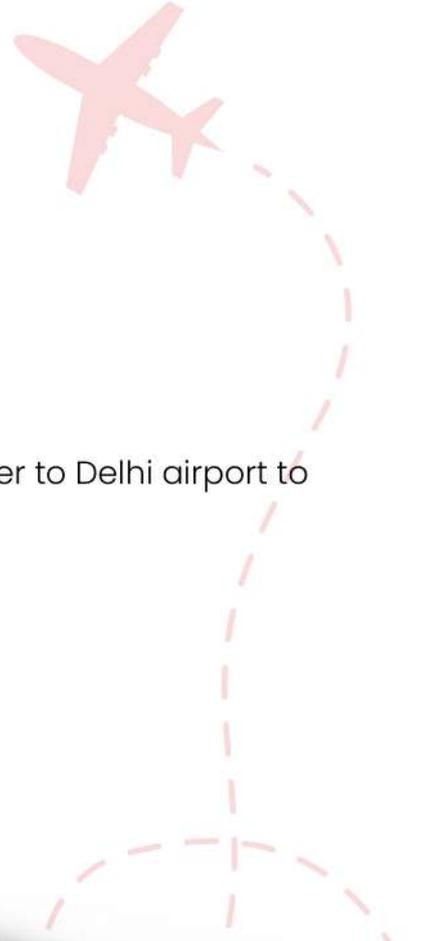


DAY 14

DEP DELHI

FLIGHT

Today after breakfast, check out from your hotel and transfer to Delhi airport to board onwards flight.

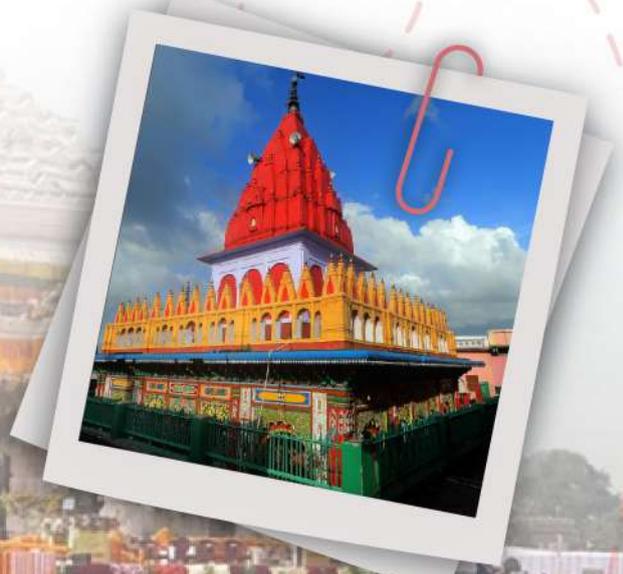


DAY 15

ARRIVAL IN AYODHYA



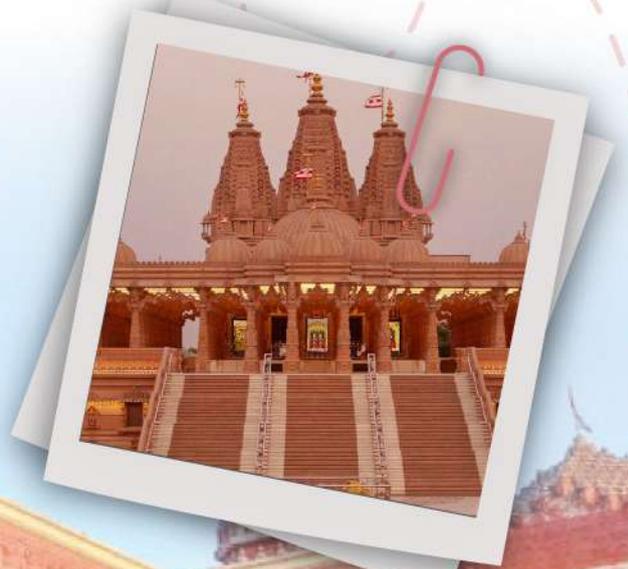
Arrive in Ayodhya and check into your hotel. Visit Ram Janmabhoomi and Hanuman Garhi. Explore Kanak Bhawan and Dashrath Bhawan. Evening at leisure or attend the Saryu Aarti.



DAY 16

AYODHYA AND CHHAPAIYA

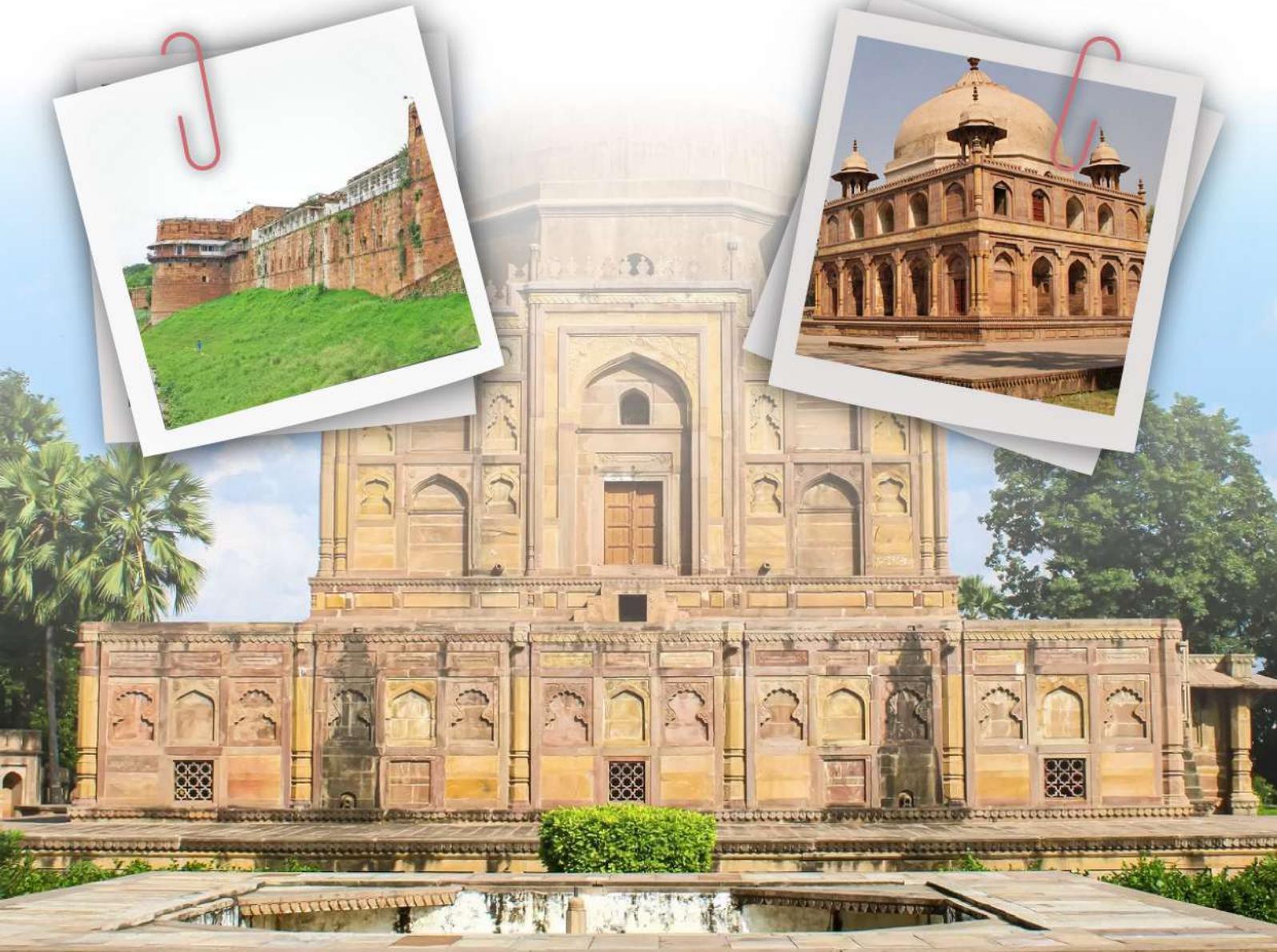
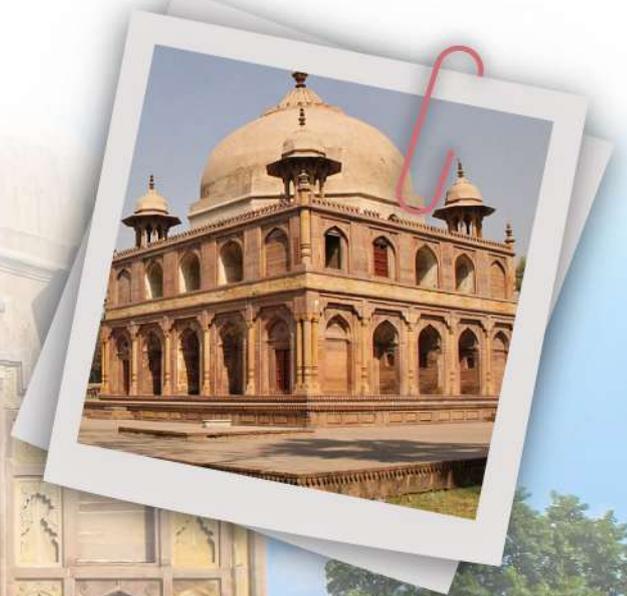
Visit Nageshwarnath Temple in the morning. Take a day trip to Chhapaiya (approximately 40 km from Ayodhya). Visit the Swaminarayan Temple and Ghanshyam Bhavan. Return to Ayodhya and relax in the evening.



DAY 17

Travel to Prayagraj

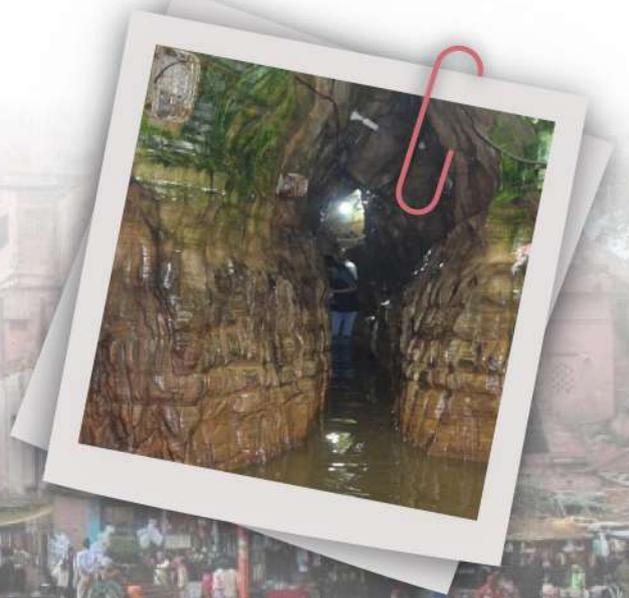
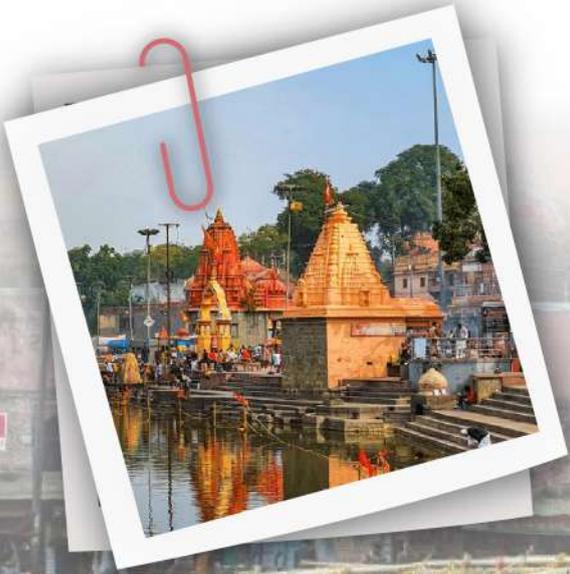
Check out from the hotel and travel to Prayagraj (approximately 4 hours by road). Check into your hotel in Prayagraj. Visit the Allahabad Fort and Khusro Bagh. Explore the Triveni Sangam in the evening.



DAY 18

Prayagraj and Chitrakoot

Take a day trip to Chitrakoot (approximately 3 hours by road). Visit Ram Ghat, Kamadgiri, and Hanuman Dhara. Explore Gupt Godavari and Sati Anusuya Ashram. Return to Prayagraj in the evening.



DAY 19

Travel to Varanasi

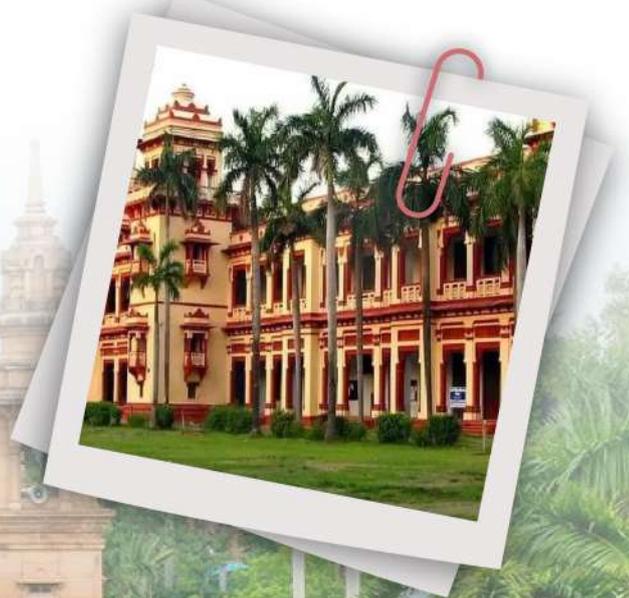
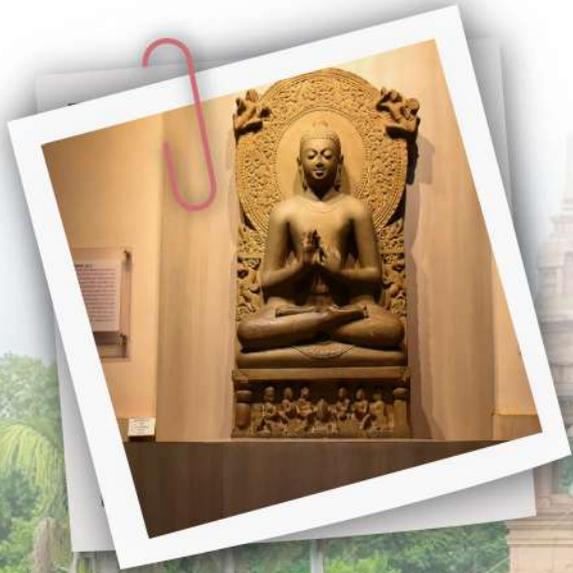
Check out from the hotel and travel to Varanasi (approximately 3 hours by road).
Check into your hotel in Varanasi. Visit the Kashi Vishwanath Temple and Ganga
Aarti at Evening.



DAY 20

Varanasi Sightseeing

Take an early morning boat ride on the Ganges. Visit Sarnath, including Dhamek Stupa and Sarnath Museum. Explore Banaras Hindu University (BHU) and Bharat Kala Bhavan. Evening free for shopping or exploring local cuisine.



DAY 21

Departure from Varanasi

Check out from the hotel. Depending on your departure time, visit any remaining attractions or relax before your journey back.



HOTEL NATE

AYODHYA: The Clarks Inn Express /Panchsheel/similar Similar

PRAYAGRAJ: Hotel Millennium Inn / Hotel Placid Prayagraj Similar

VARANASI: Prime land/ Similar

INCLUSIONS

- Accommodation at the above mentioned hotels on DBL/TWIN Sharing basis.
- All Transfers & Sightseeing by 01 AC Tempo Traveler as per program
- All Meals BF +L+D
- Assistance on Arrival/Departure at the airport.
- English speaking Tour Guide/Escort for Sightseeing and Excursions.
- 02 Bottled water per person per day in the vehicle.
- Monument Entrance Fee.
- Seating arrangements for Aarti Ceremony at Varanasi.
- Private Motor boat Ride at Varanasi.
- All Applicable Taxes.

EXCLUSIONS

- All accommodation as per itinerary in the above or similar hotels.
- Meal Plan: B.fast & Dinner
- AC Vehicle as per the above-mentioned itinerary.
- Toll, Parking & State Tax.
- Pick up Ayodhya airport and drop at Varanasi as per itinerary.
- Vehicle use :- 2 & 3 pax for sedan, 4 pax -Innova crysta, 6/8/10 person - Tempo traveller.
- Any boat ride.
- Monument Entrance Fee. Travel Insurance.
- Any meals which is not mentioned above.
- Guide Charges.Rickshaw Ride. VIP Darshan Any additional expenses incurred due to any flight delay or cancellation, weather conditions, political closures, technical faults etc any other service/ not specified above.
- Any personal expenditure like tip, phone, laundry etc.
- Any Mandatory Festive / Special date/ supplement like Dev Diwali / New Year / Holi /Long weekEnd Christmas Eve,kumbh mela 01st Jan 2025 to 31st March 2025.
- NOTE: Anything not in inclusions is excluded
- Ac will be opert only during traveling time.
- Standing AC.
- Repeated sightseeing will be charged extra with parking and toll charges.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1.** Above Hotels or similar, Subject to availability at the time of booking.
- 2.** Check inn & Check out time will be as per hotel's policy & Early Check inn or Late Check-out is subject to availability.
- 3.** Mandatory Festive / Special date supplement like Dev Diwali / New Year / Christmas /Holi/Long Weekend Eve etc. will be extra for Hotel & Boat as per best available rate.
- 4.** Boat Ride subject to Operational Condition & permission by Concern\ authority.
- 5.** Most of the Temples are closed between 11:00 AM to 03:00 PM. So please do so accordingly.
- 6.** In Varanasi, vehicles are not allowed near Kashi Vishwanath Temple and around. So guests have to walk or hire a Rickshaw on their own. Kashi Vishwanath Temple, Dashashwamedh Ghat, Annapurna Temple within 01 KM from parking.
- 7.** In Ayodhya, As we know Ayodhya is an under-construction site. So as many places are prohibited to visit with vehicles nearby we have to leave our vehicle in parking and explore by walking or local vehicle (E-rickshaw/ Paddle Rickshaw on Your own). Most of the Temples are within 02 km area. Same also in Naimisharanya.
- 8.** Our vehicle will drop you till the last point which is allowed or permitted by local authority.
- 9.** We do not take responsibility to provide a ventilation room / any view or open window at any hotel that is subject to availability at the time of check-in.
- 10.** As per government policy, please carry any copy of photo identity proof of the guest for the security reason. Also note that if the guest is non-residential Indian please carry the passport copy (must).

KEDARNATH ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation at Kedarnath will be on sharing basis (twin bed/triple bed /quad/five etc) due to limited accommodation inventory there. We will try to accommodate you in the best possible way.

YOUR YATRA PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- 13 Nights' accommodation on Twin Sharing Basis at above mentioned above or similar. Kedarnath accommodation is on a sharing basis. Meal Plan: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner (Veg only).
- AC Transportation as per program. (Ex-Delhi/Delhi) (AC will not be operational during hill drives) Using 27 Seater Mini Coach(2x2 Pushback) with Personal Tour Escort Toll tax, parking charges and driver allowance

YOUR YATRA PACKAGE EXCLUDES:

- Any air fare or train fare.
 - Any helicopter fares to visit Kedarnath. (Supplement for Helicopter quoted above separately)
 - Any meals other than those specified in programmed.
 - Any Guide services during the tour (Supplement can be quoted on request)
 - Any VIP Darshan charges or special arrangement in temples or entrance fees during sightseeing.
 - Any claim due to natural calamity, medical emergencies or evacuation. Expenses of personal nature such as tips, telephone calls, laundry, liquor, medication etc.
 - Room heaters are subject to availability on direct payment basis(if required)
 - Cable car charges in Haridwar.Portages, Pooja, Ponies, Dolis during trekking
 - Any cost incurred due to change in program due to unforeseen circumstances.
 - Any other item not specified in 'cost includes'.
- Travel insurance

ADVISORY:

The Chardham Yatra is a pilgrimage tour where a long & hectic journey goes through remote locations of Himalayan region in Uttarakhand. We would request you to kindly, do not expect luxury arrangements due to lack of resources in the region and also make yourself physically and mentally prepared to undertake the tour. However, we provide the best services and a comfortable trip putting our best efforts in the given conditions.

- The Chardham Yatra begins from the end of May to Mid-November each year. We suggest you to avoid July and August months as during this period this region witnesses heavy rainfall leads to landslides and other natural adversities.
- We highly recommend to undertake the Chardham Yatra during the month of September - October due to following reasons:
 - Weather during this period is very pleasant so the tour becomes comfortable.
 - Due to limited tourists, there is hardly any traffic congestion anywhere in the entire trip so the journey becomes less tiring.
 - There are almost no queues to visit temples during this period so you get hassle free visit to temples for which you travel from so far away places.
 - Sure chance of getting envisaged hotels avoiding alternate hotels which may get downgraded due to non-availability situation in peak season.
 - Probability of Helicopter tickets availability is higher as compared to May and June.
 - During this period you can also add other places in India in your tour plan as weather remains pleasant throughout.
 - Due to altitude variation you need to carry both summer and winter clothes. (Provided in checklist). Women are advised to avoid Sarees and opt for Salwar Kameez or trousers.
 - Do consult with your doctor and make sure you do not have any health issues related to high altitudes. If you have ailments like acrophobia, high blood pressure, asthma or other heart problems, please do refrain from undertaking this journey.

- As Chardham Yatra is a seasonal business for hotels, therefore in these locations hotels operate with limited power backup. Therefore, there might be some power interruptions.
- Due to mountain terrain the mobile networks in few places are not good, so keep your family & friends informed if sometimes there is any issue of connectivity.
- Night drive in the Hilly area is not safe so not recommended. Also keeping in mind the tourist safety, Uttarakhand police put barriers at several places on hilly routes, so that night drivers can be avoided on hilly areas. (Only emergency service vehicles are allowed for night drive in the Hilly region).
- Biometric/Online registration for Chardham Yatra is mandatory for which guests need to register personally to do the formalities, so please inform the guest in advance regarding the same.
- ATMs (Automated teller machines) are available in many places during your travel but money exchange facility is available in Haridwar, Rishikesh and Dehradun only.
- VIP Darshan / Special Puja arrangements are subject to availability on the spot.
- Vehicle will be permitted to use for sightseeing points on the route and inside the city limits or which is mentioned in the itinerary. For additional sightseeing, off route sightseeing, sightseeing not inside the city limits or substitute sightseeing kindly contact the company.
- Tour destination/route cannot change without prior notice (Amended route and tour Destination rates may be change)
- Enroute sightseeing mentioned in the itinerary is completely subject to time availability.

CANCELLATION POLICY

- Any cancellation received before 45 days before arrival - Only 25% Per person as processing charge.
- Any cancellation received within 30-20 days before arrival -35% cancellation on the total billing amount
- Any cancellation received within 20-15 days before arrival -75% cancellation on the total billing amount
- Any cancellation received within 15-01 days before arrival -100% cancellation on the total billing amount

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

ACCOMMODATION:

Hotels used above are the best available hotels in all categories.

TRANSPORTATION:

- As mentioned in inclusions
- Coach would be air conditioned but the air conditioning would not operate in hills.

DOS AND DON'TS:

- Eat only what is cooked and drink either packaged or boiled water.
- Carry heavy woolen clothes to protect from cold weather during the month of October–November and carry moderate woolen during Summer Season.
- Carry dry eatable stocks with you like biscuits, Sugar, Candies, Chocolates, milk powder, assorted dry fruits, honey, lemons and tinned foods and other items suiting your palate.
- While visiting Hindu mythological sites, shrines and temples, one should remove shoes and cover the head with a piece of cloth before entering the Holy Place.
- Trek only on hill-side, avoid trekking or standing on valley side, as a pony (horse) coming from opposite direction may push you down to the valley which may cause serious casualty.
- Don't overstrain on steep gradients. Move slowly and steadily, as this is a laborious pilgrimage.
- Only registered pony walla, porter, dandy man may be hired as they are available for prefixed tariffs.
- Do not take pictures if cameras are not allowed in any particular area. Do not play with the sentiments of any particular religion.
- Alcohol or non-vegetarian food is not permitted during the Char Dham Yatra Tour. Heavy jewelry should be avoided during the journey.

CHECK LIST:

- Small shoulder bag
- Well broken in shoes
- Cotton full sleeves shirts/T Shirts
- Track pants/Trousers
- Thermal vests & pants
- Woolen socks & gloves
- Pullovers & Jacket
- Monkey Cap & Sun Cap
- Light raincoat & Umbrella
- Windcheater
- Toilet kit
- Quick dry hand towel
- Torch with spare battery
- Personal medical kit (if any)
- Extra pair of shoes (added comfort in case one gets wet)
- Walking stick
- Bum bag/Waist pouch



Booking Form

Tour Name:	Tour date:
Name:	Email:
Phone:	Cell phone:
Address:	City:
State:	Zip code:

Emergency Contact details:	Phone:
Name:	Email:

Passengers Information (as it appears on your passport)

Title	First name	Middle name	Last name	D.O.B MM/DD/YY	Meal	Citizenship	Passport number	Price USD \$
Mr.								
Mrs.								
Miss								
Mstr								
Total								
Grand Total								

TRAVEL INSURANCE

We highly recommend you purchase travel insurance to cover your trip and get health coverage overseas. We DO NOT PROVIDE INSURANCE SERVICE, but we recommend that you directly purchase through TRAVELGUARD AIG or ALLIANZ

- Room type: DBL = One king or Queen Size bed
- Twin = Two separate bed
- Triple = One king or Queen Size and one additional bed
- Single = One single bed (single supplement applies)

Please note: Max three people allowed in one room

Please check on the box below that you read & understand and accept the T&C

Declaration & Payments:

Full payment is required within 6 weeks prior to departure, 40% deposit is require at the time of booking to hold your space on the tour. I enclosed a non-refundable deposit of \$_____towards the cost of the tour
 Pay by cash or check payable to Sruhadam Tours And Travels And Mail check to Vishnu Patel, Sruhadam Tours and Travel
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Signature:	
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Thank you



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