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HIMACHAL PRADESH

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A Motorcycle Safari into Himachal Pradesh is probably one of the most exhilarating experiences that you can have. Also known as the Abode of the Gods, the beauty and variety of the landscapes include lush river valleys, fruit orchards and dense forests; and also the starkness and almost lunar terrain of the Great Himalayan Desert. You will be awe struck at this myriad encounter with Mother Nature. The adrenaline and thrills of riding on such terrain leaves you with a sense of accomplishment, and a sense of true adventure. The people of Himachal are known for their honesty, charm and tolerance and it is truly refreshing to interact with them. [Venture On Wheels](#) ensures you get memories that last a lifetime.

TOUR ITINERARY

Our Tour begins at Chandigarh.

May 22nd: Chandigarh

Meet at the Hotel. The entire group meets and gets familiar with one another, the bikes, the riding rules and styles and then in the evening visit the lake and other scenic spots. Briefing for next day's ride will be held prior to dinner.

May 23rd: Chandigarh to Chail 140 kms (5 hrs)

After breakfast, we depart for Chail by 0830 to avoid Panchkula traffic. At Kalka, we enter the Siwalik range and start on the climb towards Shimla . This is a much travelled route and you will encounter fairly heavy traffic. Enroute stop at Dharampur for a tea break and to pick up packed lunch. At Kandaghat, deviate from the main highway onto a small winding road to Chail. This drive is very scenic and a gentle introduction to the tougher roads ahead. Descend to Sadhupul, cross the stream and start the long climb to Chail via beautiful densely forested mountains. Arrive early afternoon, check in to our hotel. Stroll through the town and walk up to the highest cricket ground in the world.

May 24th: Chail to Sarahan 205 kms (8 hrs)

Early start for Sarahan. Drive through forested hill slopes passing through Kufri, Theog, and Narkanda. Start the descent to Rampur Bushair on the banks of the mighty Sutlej river, where you will have lunch at a restaurant overlooking the river. Proceed on to Sarahan via Jeori, it is a steep climb up to Sarahan. Check in and freshen up. Attend the evening aarti at the famous Bhimakali Temple. This temple is a 500 year old temple still in use. The original temple is aeons old, but, sadly, now locked up as the structure is no longer safe.

May 25th: Sarahan to Sangla (Kinnaur District) 100 kms

If interested, arise early to walk up to the pheasant breeding station to view the various species of Indian pheasants being bred to revive the disappearing pheasant population. After breakfast, drive down back to Jeori and proceed along the old Hindustan Tibet road to Karcham and then on to Sangla. Overnight at a luxury camp site on the banks of the Baspa River. Bonfire and bonhomie at night.

May 26th: Sangla 60 kms

After a leisurely breakfast, proceed to Chitkul, the last Indian village before Tibet at a height of 3500 meters. Beautiful ride when you gradually start leaving the tree line. Return to camp for lunch and after resting, walk to Batseri village across the Baspa.

May 27th: Sangla to Kalpa 75 kms

Short ride down to Karcham and then back up to Recong Peo and Kalpa. This is where we obtain our Inner Line Permits for the journey ahead. Kalpa is beautifully situated opposite the Kinner Kailash range. The Kinner Kailash range looms over Kalpa and has numerous peaks over 6000 m. Time permitting, visit Chini village and Koti.

May 28th: Kalpa to Tabo (Spiti Valley) 175 kms (7 hrs)

Early start for Tabo as today is a long haul on rough mountain roads, often untarred. Today is when you leave the treeline way behind and enter the cold desert area of Spiti. The mountains are by and large treeless, rugged and craggy. The ride is mind blowing and something you won't forget in a long time. There is a strong army presence here and your permit will be checked a few times. The journey will take you past Nako, which has a big freshwater lake fed by melting snows, Mulling, Chango and on to Tabo. Tabo has probably the most important live monastery in Himachal and is over 1000 years old. It is said that the present Dalai Lama plans to retire here.

May 29th: Tabo to Kaza (3600 m) 60 kms (3 hrs)

Early morning visit to monastery and then depart for Kaza, the district headquarters for Spiti. Enroute visit Dhankar monastery (3900 m) built in the 8th Century, which also has a ruined fort attached to it. Time permitting, cross the Spiti and visit Kungri monastery which does most of the block printing of prayer flags etc for Himachal.

May 30th: Kaza 70 kms

Visit Ki Monastery, another 1000 year old monastery, whose Kal Chakra was attended by the Dalai Lama some years back. Climb up to Kibber, the highest inhabited village in the world and road permitting, ride on to Gete. Return to Kaza. Time and road permitting, ride to Komic and beyond.

May 31st: Kaza to Manali 210 kms (10/11 hrs)

Very early start for Manali as this will be a grueling ride to test the mettle of even the most hardened rider. Through high altitude cold desert, over Kunzum Pass at 4600 m, down to Chota Darra and then up again through Rohtang pass at 4000 m. The final leg of your ride will be downhill to Manali, 52 kms from Rohtang. Check in to hotel.

June 1st: Manali

We visit the Bhimakali temple and after that the group is free to visit the mall and spend their time on their own.

June 2nd: Manali to Chindi 220 kms

After breakfast we ride towards Chindi through some beautiful terrain which is also home to the lammergier, the Himalayan bearded vulture with a wing span of approx 3 metres. We join up with the main highway connecting Manali to Delhi at Pandoh, 99 kms from Chindi. Upon reaching Chindi we check into our hotel. Our ride today takes us through remote areas of Himachal and off the beaten track.

June 3rd: Chindi to Narkanda 170 kms

We head out from Chindi on lesser traveled roads to our Overnight destination of Narkanda. We will ride through remote areas of Himachal.

June 4th: Narkanda to Chandigarh 180 kms

Drive through forested hill slopes passing through Kufri, Theog, and Fagu. Enroute we will pass Chail. Ride from Chail down to Sadhupul, cross the stream and start the long climb to Kandaghat through beautiful densely forested mountains. From Kandaghat we join the Shimla Kalka highway riding down to Chandigarh.

June 5th : Chandigarh to Delhi 240 kms

Leave early morning for Delhi by road. Today's ride is long and will be on National Highway 1, also known as the Grand Trunk Road. We will reach Delhi by late afternoon. After reaching Delhi we will leave our bikes at Lajpat Nagar where our journey will end. Group meets in the evening for dinner and drinks. This is our last evening together. Accommodation for this night's stay is not included and will have to be taken care of by the participants. If required by the group we can organize stay in Delhi at an additional cost. A visit to the Taj Mahal can be organized at extra cost at the end of the Tour.

NB: The Itinerary is subject to road and weather conditions and could change.

Cost of Tour - please email tours@ventureonwheels.in or call Asheesh Mehra at +91 98221 06637

Terms of payment: Wire Transfer/DD of full payment on or before 01 May 2010.

What's included as part of the tour:

- 1) Enfield 500 cc motorcycles
- 2) Support vehicle for baggage & pax
- 3) Support staff & guides
- 4) Mechanic
- 5) Petrol + lube oil
- 6) Spares
- 7) Meals on fixed menu
- 8) Accommodation on twin sharing

What's NOT included as part of the tour:

- 1) Station / airport pick up and drop
- 2) Hotel accommodation in New Delhi on the last day of the tour
- 3) Fares to Delhi / Chandigarh & back
- 4) Personal expenses like alcohol, cigarettes, medicines etc
- 5) Personal accident & medical insurance
- 6) Entry fees to monuments
- 7) Video & still camera fees - some places will charge you to use your own cameras
- 8) Anything not mentioned in the included list



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