



HIMALAYAN KINGDOM

Day 1: Welcome to Delhi

Arrive in India's vibrant capital, New Delhi. After your flight, settle into your hotel and rest – tomorrow, your Himalayan journey begins.

Day 2: Flight to Leh – Gateway to the Himalayas

This morning, fly over the snow-dusted peaks of the Himalayas into Leh, the heart of Ladakh. Once an ancient crossroads of trade between Tibet, India, and Central Asia, Leh sits at the meeting point of cultures and mountain ranges. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel and spend the day at leisure, giving your body time to adjust to the altitude and climate.

Day 3: Leh Palace & Sunset Views

Leh lies cradled between two of the world's greatest mountain ranges, dotted with monasteries, palaces, and timeless villages. This afternoon, step into history at the Leh Palace, once home to Ladakh's royal family and built in the same style as Tibet's Potala Palace. As the sun begins to set, the palace becomes a perfect vantage point to photograph the glowing white dome of Shanti Stupa against the fading light. This is also snow leopard country – and just knowing these elusive cats wander the surrounding valleys adds an air of mystery to your visit.

Day 4: Into the Wilds of Ulley

After breakfast, drive west along the Indus River, pausing at the confluence of the Indus and Zaskar before visiting Likir Monastery, one of Ladakh's great centers of Tibetan Buddhism. From here, you leave the main road and follow the Ulley Chhu Valley – a secluded, rugged landscape of cliffs and canyons, where your guides begin scanning the ridgelines for silhouettes of ibex or perhaps even the fabled snow leopard. Tonight, you settle into a remote lodge, surrounded by silence and starlit skies.

Day 5: Snow Leopard Expedition

Spend the day with expert trackers exploring the wild valleys of Ulley. Winter brings ibex and bharal (blue sheep) down from higher altitudes, and with them follow their predators – the snow leopards and Tibetan wolves. Every trek into the snow-covered ridges heightens the anticipation of a sighting, while golden eagles circle above and red foxes dart between rocks. The silence of the mountains is broken only by the crunch of your footsteps and the call of ravens. To witness a snow leopard in its natural habitat is one of the rarest and most moving wildlife encounters on Earth.

Day 6: The Search Continues

Join the spotters in the early morning as they scan the mountainsides for fresh tracks or signs of movement. Each day is different – one may bring the thrill of watching ibex perched high above a ravine, another the intimate discovery of fox trails in the snow. Whether your lunch is at the lodge or enjoyed in the field, the day unfolds as a mix of patience, adventure, and awe. Evenings are spent gathered around the fire with naturalists, sharing stories and sightings over hot tea, deepening the connection to this extraordinary wilderness.

Day 7: Return to Leh

Bid farewell to Ulley's mountains and return to Leh, where colorful markets and Tibetan Buddhist culture await. Wander through bazaars lined with prayer flags, silver jewelry, and handmade crafts, or simply soak in the atmosphere of a town where ancient traditions still thrive in the shadow of towering peaks.

Day 8: Back to Delhi

This morning, fly from Leh to Delhi. The rest of the day is yours to explore the capital – perhaps wander through bustling markets, discover Mughal landmarks, or enjoy the city's vibrant cuisine.

Day 9: Departure

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your international flight home, carrying with you memories of wild mountains, timeless culture, and the unforgettable search for the elusive snow leopard.