

<b>Trip Title:</b>	<b>Exotic Ladakh with Turtuk</b>
Type:	Culture and Border
Duration:	08 nights / 09 days
Grade:	Easy
Max. Attitude:	5604m/18380ft
Best Time:	May to Sep

**Overview:** Once you land in Ladakh you know that you have to get the best of this beautiful mountain destination, Ladakh Adventure the trip is highly recommended as you get an opportunity to see the best of Ladakh with an insight of Lakes, Palaces, High Passes, Monasteries we have tried to include all the popular and off beat trails of this fine tuned Ladakh adventure, refer to the Highlights it gives you the name of each points of sightseeing for the 9 days experience. You will surely be enthralled with the exotic scenic and mesmerizing beauty that will over whelm you and rejoice your mood... On the Ladakh Adventure

**Highlights:** Leh city, Hall of Fame, Shanti Stupa, Nubra Valley, Pangong Lake, Changla Pass, Shey, Thiksey, Hemis, Khardung-la Pass K Top, Turtuk. Hanley – Umlungla Pass

<b>Places</b>	<b>Sarai Special</b>
<b>Leh</b>	Ladakh Sarai (Chalet)
<b>Nubra</b>	Unalome Resort / Creek Diskit/ Mystic Earth Home / Similar
<b>Pangong</b>	Pangong Retreat / Misty Hills Cabin / The Merak /Similar
<b>Hanley</b>	The Hor / Hanle House / Umlungla Residency / Royal Rebo / Aurora Cabin / Similar

**Above Cost Includes.**

- Assistance upon arrival at Leh airport with welcome in the Hotel
- Accommodation on twin/Double sharing basis as per the Itinerary.
- Accommodation on 08 Breakfast & 08 Dinner basis.
- Round trip transfers along with all sightseeing tours by Non-ac Crysta or (tempo Traveler Maximum (12 Seated)
- Environmental, Wild life & Red cross Fee.
- 01 Small Oxygen cylinder during Nubra, Pangong and Hanley for emergency.

**Above Cost exclude:**

- 5% GST on total amount.
- Any sightseeing or excursion that is not mentioned in the itinerary.
- Monument, Guide, other expenses not mentioned in inclusion.
- Any item of personal requirement, such as drinks, laundry, telephone, etc.
- Any medical or evacuation expenses.
- Any expenses occur due to natural climate, security and other unexpected reason.
- Any type of insurance – personal, medical, travel etc.

- Any airfares.
- Tips.

#### **Day 01: Arrival at Leh (3505 meters/11567 feet above sea level)**

On arrival at Kushok Bakula airport Leh - 3500m above sea level you will be transfer to hotel and check in. Half day at rest for acclimatization. Evening drive to visit Shanti Stupa, a Buddhist white-domed Stupa on a hilltop in Changspa, It was built in 1991 by Japanese Buddhist Bhikshu, Gyomo Nakamura and part of the Peace Pagoda mission. Later visit Leh Palace. In the evening walk around local market. Dinner and overnight stay at the Hotel in Leh.

**Day 02 : Sham Valley** :Day start with **Hall of Fame**, which was constructed by the Indian Army to commemorate the sacrifice of soldiers during Indo-Pak wars , Kali Mata Temple, followed by **Spituk Gompa** - an 11th century structure , Next on the list of attractions is the majestic Gurudwara **Patthar Sahib**. Nestled deep in the Himalayas, it was constructed by the Lamas of Leh in 1517 to honour the visit of Guru Nanak Dev - the founder of the Sikh faith. Drive another few km to witness the magic of **Magnetic Hill** that defies the law of gravity. It has been noticed that when a vehicle is parked on neutral gear on this metallic road, it seems to slide up and further. Driving through a picturesque landscape, we reach the **confluence of the Indus and Zaskar River**. Proceed back to Hotel via same route. Dinner and overnight stay at the Hotel in Leh

#### **Day 03: Leh to Nubra via Khardungla Pass – 18,380 Ft/5550 Mtrs. (125 Kms /0 5-0 6 hrs)**

Today at morning drive to Nubra valley, driving over the highest motored pass in the world. The exciting journey through serpentine roads lead you to the Khardungla Pass at an awesome height of 5550 meters. We stop at the pass to admire and click some photographs of the fantastic view. The valley is situated on an old caravan route at the confluence of the Shayok and the Nubra rivers. On the way visit the charming valley, of Deskit – the tiny capital of Nubra. We will visit the Deskit Gompa, perched on a rocky spur above the village, with a commanding view of the entire valley. At Deskit Monastery you will visit 106-feet high, statue of Maitreya Buddha atop on the hill. The monastery has intriguing images of many deities. From Deskit we will drive to Hunder past an area of sand dunes and get acquainted with the famous Bactrian camels, small population of shaggy double-humped animals, which in the old days, were used as pack animals on the Central Asian Trade routes are now used as riding animals in the high deserts. We will ride the double hump camel at hunder on direct payment basis. In the evening we will drive back to the camp/hotel. Dinner and overnight in camp/hotel at Nubra.

**Day 04: Nubra - Excursion to Turtuk - Nubra:** One of the most fascinating journeys in Ladakh this is a less popular destination recently opened for tourist, if you have a thirst for a beautiful location this is the place. En-route spectacular mountain ranges and Villages like. This region is controlled mainly by the Ladakh Scouts a rear department of the India Army. A border village that was recaptured by the Indian Army in 1971. Locals have relatives across the border (Line of Control) and depend mainly on farming of vegetables, apricot besides providing mules and porters. Baltistan a beautiful village with charming people "On the night of December 13, 1971, the people of this village went to sleep in Pakistan. The next morning, they woke up in India." We are in Turtuk, listening to a villager recount the history of this remote northwest corner of Ladakh, which until that night was part of Baltistan in PoK. A full day rough excursion and evening back to Nubra Valley. Overnight in camp/hotel at Nubra.

#### **Day 05: Nubra to Pangong Lake via Shayok (165 Kms/05 – 06 hrs)**

After breakfast at camp/hotel we drive to next destination Pangong Lake (situated at 14, 500 ft above sea level) via Shayok and onto Tang Tse and Spangmik (Pangong). It's a short cut and it's a beautiful route. The road follows the Shayok river, and climbs up a mountain before finally descending into Shayok village. It takes less than an hour to reach Shayok, and you will be delighted at the sight of the rather big village surrounded by barren mountains, the entire setting being very picturesque. Afternoon we reach at Pangong Lake and enjoy your day at Pangong Lake. Dinner and overnight stay in camp .

**Day 06: Pangong Lake – Hanle via Tsaga La (160kms / 04-05hrs)**

Morning after breakfast leave for a beautiful drive to Hanle, on the way cross Chushul Village and Tsaga La (15,200 Ft), Hanle, is home to the Indian Astronomical Observatory one of the highest observatory in the world known for star gazing. As per history, it is believed that King Singge Namgyal died here at Hanle while on his return from an expedition on Mongols. Enjoy the stay with locals at local guest house/homestay. O/N Hanle

**Day 07: Hanle – Umlingla Pass – Hanle.**

Morning after breakfast leave for visit to Umlingla – Highest Motorable road in the world at height of 19,300 Ft, drive of 2 – 3 Hrs one way, later back to Hanle. Evening free time at Leisure & explore the local village. O/N Hanle.

**Day 08: Hanle – Leh via Chumathang (280 kms / 05-06 hrs)**

Morning after breakfast drive to Leh via Loma bend and Mahay, enroute visit Chumathanghot springs, Evening free time at Leisure. O/NLeh

**Day 09: Depart from Leh.**

Morning you will be transfer to airport to board the flight towards your further journey.