# 5N/6D

# **EXOTIC SIKKIM-DARJEELING TRIP**



### TOUR AT A GLANCE

DAY 1: PICK UP FROM NJP/IXB TO GANGTOK TRANSFER DAY 2: DAY EXCURSION TO CHANGU LAKE & NEW BABA MANDIR DAY 3: GANGTOK LOCAL SIGHTSEEING DAY 4: GANGTOK TO DARJEELING TRANSFER DAY 5: DARJEELING LOCAL SIGHTSEEING DAY 6: DARJEELING TO NJP/IXB DROP

### GANGTOK:- 3N, DARJEELING:- 2N

#### DAY 1: ARRIVAL AT IXB / NJP / SILIGURI AND TRANSFER TO GANGTOK [125 KMS/5 HR]

Welcome to the Cleanest State in India - Sikkim, and transfer to the capital city. As the aircraft lands at the nearest airport, our representative waits outside to meet & greet on arrival at Bagdogra and drives towards Gangtok (Alt.5550Ft/1675M). The drive is about 4 hours following the most scenic way through the beautiful lanes of Sikkim along with the picturesque Teesta River.

On arrival, check into the beautiful view rooms of the hotel well equipped with modern amenities and sink into the soft bed to get rid of the exhaustion. In the evening, take a stroll in the neighbourhood or enjoy some hot coffee sitting at the balcony while admiring the beauty of the place.

#### **Overnight at Gangtok.**

#### DAY 2: DAY EXCURSION TO CHANGU LAKE, BABA MANDIR AND NATHULA PASS

As the morning sores in, the warm rays of the sun knock through the window to give a start-up call for the second day. Enjoy breakfast at the hotel in its peaceful surroundings, and load the bags with dry foods before leaving for a full day trip to Tsomgo Lake with Baba Mandir / Nathula Pass Excursion.

**Tsomgo Lake (12400ft)** - Also known as Changu Lake is an oval shaped glacial lake which is only 40 km from Gangtok City, and almost about 1Km in length with 15 meters depth. The name Tsomgo is made of two words in Bhutia Language 'Tso' means 'lake' and 'Mgo' means 'head' in a short 'source of the lake'. This high-altitude lake is surrounded by snow-capped steep mountains and remains frozen during wintertime. As summer beings to step-in, the glacier melts and the lake gets its origin. The locals consider the lake to be sacred, and it reflects different colors with the change in seasons.

**New Baba Harbhajan Singh Mandir** - The Baba Mandir was built in the Memorial of Baba Harbhajan Singh or the 'Hero of Nathula', a soldier in the Indian Army. It is situated at a distance of 12Km from Tsomgolake, and 52Km from Gangtok city. Baba Harbhajan served as a part of the border patrol force, and in the year 1968 while escorting a mule column he fell on a fast-flowing stream and got carried away by the powerful water current. Soldiers found his remains after 3 days and cremated with full military honour along with a shrine on his Samadhi built as per Baba's wish, which he expressed through his friend post-death. The original bunker of Baba Harbhajan Singh is located further up near the Gnathang valley which is the Old Baba Mandir but because of its difficult terrain tourist can't reach there so they build a New Mandir for easy access. This shrine is believed to have wish-fulfilling powers along with that Baba is still guarding the international border between India and China. On Sundays, a 'Langar' runs at the temple, which provides free meals to the visitors.

**Nathula Pass** - A major mountain pass in the Himalayas in East Sikkim district, which is a corridor of passage between India and Tibet before it was closed in 1962 but reopened in 2006. Located around 56 km from Gangtok at an altitude of 14450 ft, the road to Nathula is the highest motorable road, passes through the Tsomgo lake, and requires an entry permit to visit. The view from this international border is breath-taking and allows the tourist to get a glimpse of China on the other side along with their Chinese militants. On a clear day, the road winding down the Chumbi valley can be seen.

# (Nathula Pass is closed on every Tuesday and Permit depends on Weather conditions) and ALWAYS ON EXTRA PAYMENT BASIS

#### **Overnight at Gangtok.**

#### DAY 3: GANGTOK LOCAL SIGHTSEEING

The morning in hilly areas is always beautiful, with the glittering rays of the sun spreading its golden hues on the snowy mountains, the chirping of the birds, the murmuring river, and the floating clouds making promise every day of a new beginning. After feasting on a sumptuous breakfast, it is time for Gangtok Local Sightseeing. Post breakfast, start for a tour in and around Gangtok. Visit -

**Tashi View Point** - Located in Tashi about 8 Km from Gangtok town built by Tashi Namgyal, which offers a panoramic view of Mt Kanchenjunga on a clear day. Binoculars and Telescopes are mounted at the viewpoint which can get an unobstructed view of the mountains and forest on the opposite side.

**Gonjang Monastery** - The monastery is located 6 Km away from Gangtok near Tashi View Point. This monastery was established in the year 1981 and the founder is H.E. Tingkye Gonjang Rimpoche. He got recognition as an incarnation of Yolmo Terton Ngakchang Shakya Zangpo, a 15th-century Nyingmapa Terton. The monastery follows the Jangter tradition of the Nyingmapa school of Tibetan Buddhism.

**Do-drul Chorten** - The huge Stupa or monument built by the Venerable Trullshi Rimpoche, head of the Nyingma order of Tibetan Buddhism, in 1945. Inside the stupa, there is a complete set of Dorjee Phurba (Vajra Kilaya), a set of Kang Gyur relic (Holy Book), completes Zunga (mantras) and other religious objects. Around the Chorten, there are 108 Mani Lhakor (Prayer Wheels) all of which have mantras inscribed on them in Tibetan, and they consider this place as one of the important Chorten of Sikkim.

**Namgyal Institute of Tibetology** - It is considered a prestigious and renowned research institute of its kind in the world, NIT is a treasure of a vast collection of rare Lepcha, Tibetan and Sanskrit manuscripts, statues and rare Thankas (colorful tapestries used in Buddhist liturgy). Apart from an attractive museum, it has over 200 Buddhist icons and other prized objects of art along with a majestic image of Manjushri (Bodhisattva of knowledge and wisdom) brought from Tibet.

**Tsukla Khang Monastery or Palace Monastery** - This monastery is located inside the complex of Tsuklakhang royal palace of the Chogyal, the former rulers of Sikkim, and is the most accessible monastery within the city. Built-in typical Sikkimese style, there are exciting murals and images of the Buddhist pantheon.

**White Memorial Hall** - A two-storied structure with typical British architecture, the hall built in the year 1932. The hall gets its name not because they paint it white but as they construct it in the memory of Sir John Claude White, the first political officer of Sikkim. The hall has historical values and is on the Ridge.

**Flower Show Hall** - A popular permanent exhibition of Sikkim diverse flowering fauna, near the White Hall, which holds the annual Orchid Show between March/June. This place is perfect to take photographs of the various colourful flowers and shrubs.

**Gangtok Ropeway** - One of the major attractions of Gangtok is the cable car ride at Deorali. The ropeway has 03 entry points or stops with the lowest point being the Deorali market, Nam Nang as mid-point, and the highest point is at Tashiling. This is a standing ride for everyone that offers a panoramic bird-eye view of the mountains, the valleys, the flowing river along with the mesmerizing view of the Gangtok city and snow-covered Mt. Kanchenjunga.

As the sightseeing ends for the day back to the Hotel, and evening is free to roam around the MG Marg where one can taste the Sikkim delicacies at local restaurants or spend some bucks in shopping handicrafts and other items.

#### **Overnight at Gangtok.**

#### **DAY 4: GANGTOK TO DARJEELING TRANSFER**

Soon after the vibrant Sunrays has begun to warm the day, a shrill noise from the bustling city wake you up as the locals beginning their daily chores. Let your tummy fill with the morning delicacies before Check out from Gangtok and drive for 4 hours towards Darjeeling (Alt 7100Ft/2100M).

"**The Queen of Hills**" - Darjeeling, a gem of a place known for its youthful vibe combined with modern as well as colonial charm. The dreamy town is situated at an altitude of 7100 ft, surrounded with tall mountains, coniferous trees, and green tea plantation. Darjeeling is a favoured spt for everyone whether it's a tourist, trekker, photographer, artist, or a botanist apart from its World-famous Darjeeling Tea.

On arrival, check-in at the hotel surrounded by Mother Nature with big, clean rooms facing the Mt. Kanchenjunga standing head up high. In the afternoon or evening, stroll about and shop -

#### **Overnight at Darjeeling.**

#### DAY 5: DARJEELING LOCAL SIGHTSEEING

As the chilly night continues to dominate over Darjeeling this day calls to wake up even before the sun to witness the stunning view of sunrise from the viewpoint along with full day city tour Post breakfast. Early morning visit to -

**Tiger Hill Sunrise Point** - An early morning visit to the tiger hill is perfect to witness the unforgettable sunrise over the snow-covered peaks of the majestic Himalayas. As the sunrise beings, the dazzling snow cover peaks of Mt. Kangchenjunga gloriously enlightens with a magnificent view, and on a clear day glimpse of the World's highest peak Mt. Everest is visible. The sunrise from Tiger Hill has earned international fame for the magnificent view of the sunrise over Kanchenjunga and the great Eastern Himalayan Mountains.

**Batasia Loop** - The Batasia Loop is a spiral narrow-gauge railway track where the Toy Train negotiates a sudden sharp descent from Ghoom. This place provides a breath-taking view of the

surrounding mountains with a 360-degree view of the Darjeeling landscape in the backdrop of the majestic Kanchenjunga. The loop is decorated with grass, shrubs, and seasonal flowers, along benches laid inside the garden to enjoy nature while the Toy train enters hooting its way to complete the spiral route.

**Ghoom Monastery** - Yiga Monastery or Old Ghoom Monastery is one of the oldest Tibetan monasteries in Darjeeling build in the year 1850 and below the Ghoom railway station. It follows the lineage of Sakya Sect of Vajra yana Buddhism and also has a small philosophical institute. This monastery has the biggest and the oldest statue of Buddha in Darjeeling and is being bought from Tibet. Back to Hotel for breakfast and freshen-up before heading towards city tour.

**Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park** - Also known as Darjeeling Zoo is now one of the best Zoo in the world after bagging the International Earth Hero Award in 2014. The unique feature of this zoo is, it houses animals of high altitude, and mostly from the upper Himalayas with rare animals like Red Pandas, Snow Leopards, Tibetan Wolf, etc. The zoo contributes significantly to the breeding programs of endangered animals and safeguards the vulnerable ones.

**Himalayan Mountaineering Institute (Closed on Thursday)** - HMI is a pilgrimage for all climbing enthusiasts of the world. Established in honor of Tenzing Norgay, it has a well-stocked museum with mountaineering displays and many expedition artefacts. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru laid the foundation stone of the Institute, and now it comprises a residential school for mountaineering providing students with basic and advanced courses.

**Japanese Temple and Peace Pagoda** - Also known as Darjeeling Peace Pagoda are on the Jalapahar hill. They build the Temple under the guidance of Buddhist monks from Japan in traditional Japanese style, and this place is the house of four avatars of Buddha. Close to it is the Peace Pagoda, where it showcases the four large avatars of Lord Buddha. The view from the top is magnificent with the panoramic view of the Darjeeling town, and Mt. Kanchenjunga. During the visit, tourists can join for morning or evening prayers in the temple along with the monks.

**Tenzing Rock & Gombu Rock** - This huge and giant natural rock named after Tenzing Norgay who created history after climbing the Mt. Everest is at Lebong Cart Road, also known as Monkey Rock. Located opposite of Tenzing rock is the Gombu rock name after Nawang Gombu, the nephew of Tenzing Norgay, who was the first person to climb Everest twice. Tenzing Norgay and his nephew used to climb this rock to train them for Everest climbing, and now these two steep rocks are being used by HMI during their Rock climbing training courses.

**Tibetan Refugee Self Help Centre** - The help center was established on 1st October 1959, to rehabilitate the Tibetan refugees who followed Dalai Lama and escaped from Tibet. The workers in the centre produce excellent Tibetan handicrafts like carpets, woollens, wood, and leather works which they sell and export to different countries for a living.

**Rangeet Valley Passenger Ropeway** - Also known as The Darjeeling Ropeway is the perfect spot to enjoy the breathtaking view of the valley below with the dreamy Darjeeling town, the lush green tea plantations, dense forests, mountain streams in their full flow, waterfalls, and the impressive snow peaks the background.

You can also enjoy the **World UNESCO Heritage** world-famous Darjeeling railway or the Toy Train to Ghoom subject to track conditions. It's the main and best attraction for visiting this hill train in Darjeeling. The path in which the train runs is well decorated by nature with lush green trees, flowering plants, small bushes, and vast Kanchenjunga dominating its presence throughout the journey.

The evening is free to visit the Darjeeling Mall for shopping as this is the last spot to crack a great deal and grab something unique from this trip.

#### **Overnight Stay at Darjeeling.**

#### DAY 6: DARJEELING TO NJP/IXB TRANSFER

After Breakfast Proceed to NJP Rly Station / Bagdogra Airport (IXB) from Darjeeling with sweet memories.

# **HOTEL OPTIONS**

DESTINATION	HOTEL NAMES	HOTEL TYPE	ROOM TYPE	NO OF NIGHTS	MEAL PLAN
GANGTOK	ALPINE HILLS / DACHEN VILLA	3 STAR	DELUXE	03	МАР
DARJEELING	TAKSHA RETREAT / GOLDEN POTALA / SUMITEL / SUMI VISTA TV TOWER / SUMI QUEEN YARDS	3 STAR	DELUXE	01	МАР

#### MAP :- BREAKFAST & DINNER

### PRICE 1 (VALID TILL 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH)

TRANSPORTATION	TOTAL TOUR COST (1 ROOM)	COST PER PERSON
WAGON R / SWIFT DZIRE	44,600/- (2 Pax)	22,300/-

TRANSPORTATION	TOTAL TOUR COST (2 ROOMS)	COST PER PERSON
INNOVA / XYLO	71,600/- (4 Pax)	17,900/-

TRANSPORTATION	TOTAL TOUR COST (3 ROOMS)	COST PER PERSON
INNOVA /XYLO	91,200/- (6 Pax)	15,200/-

### PRICE 2 (VALID 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL – 15<sup>th</sup> JUNE)

TRANSPORTATION	TOTAL TOUR COST (1 ROOM)	COST PER PERSON
WAGON R / SWIFT DZIRE	58,000/- (2 Pax)	29,000/-

TRANSPORTATION	TOTAL TOUR COST (2 ROOMS)	COST PER PERSON
INNOVA / XYLO	92,400/- (4 Pax)	23,100/-

TRANSPORTATION	TOTAL TOUR COST (3 ROOMS)	COST PER PERSON
INNOVA /XYLO	1,19,400/- (6 Pax)	19,900/-

# NOTE

- DUE TO ANY NATURAL CALAMITIES, AGENCY WILL TAKE FULL & FINAL DECISION.
- TOUR PROGRAM CAN BE REVISED AS PER THE ROOM AVAILABILITY.
- PACKAGE PRICE MAY BE REVISED AS PER THE HOTEL & ROOM CATEGORY AVAILABILITY.

# INCLUSION

- Accommodation in the listed category hotels on Double / Triple Occupancy
- All transfer and local sightseeing arranged by an exclusive vehicle as per itinerary
- Meals as mentioned in the above table

# EXCLUSION

- Anything not mentioned in the inclusion
- Meals not mentioned in the above table.

- Entry fees, Camera Permit, Parking fees, Room Heaters
- Any cost arising due to any unavoidable circumstances or changes in the program by guest

## **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

- We do not charge anything for below 5 years children but if any food charge applicable inany hotels/homestays need to pay directly on spot.
- From 9 years on words consider as an adult
- Peak Time Surcharge on transportation may apply

### **MANDATORY DOCUMENT**

Carry Each member should carry original voter card or Passport or Driving license (Pan card and Aadhar Card are not valid) along with four copies of Xerox and 3 copies of passport size photographs. In case of children you can carry School ID proof and Birth certificate along with photographs.

### PAYMENT SCHEDULE

- Package Confirmation 30% of Total Package Amount.
- Balance amount should be made 15 days after confirmation.
- Short time booking 100% payment. [within 10 days]
- The Service voucher will apply after full payment.

### **BANK DETAILS**

Bank- IndusInd Bank Account Name - ADORABLE VACATION LLP Account type - Current Account number - 251807202201 IFSC Code - INDB0000872 Branch- Kasba - Kolkata – 0872

Bank Name- HDFC BANK Account Name - Adorable Vacation LLP Account Type - Current Account Number - 50200072873716 Ifsc Code - HDFC0000530 Branch - Rashbehari Avenue Branch

## **UPI OR QR CODE OPTION**



