

# इदरररर वर-वधरर

( 5 NIGHT 6 DAYS EX-HARIDWAR)



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Pickup from Haridwar Railway Station, drive straight to Guptkashi. On arrival Check In at the Hotel, evening visit Ardh Narishwar Temple. Overnight stay at the Hotel.

The name Gupt Kashi means "Hidden Benares. Mythology describes how when the Pandava brothers were searching for a glimpse of Shiva, Shivji first concealed himself at Gupt Kashi, but later fled from them further up the valley to Kedarnath, where the Pandavas finally got their wish fulfilled. There are more tangible connections as well-the Kedarnath pandas (hereditary pilgrimage priests) live in Gupt Kashi during the winter months, and after the Kedarnath temple closes for the winter, the image of Kedarnath passes through Gupt Kashi on its way to Ukhimath (across the valley), where it stays for the winter.

Weather - Generally pleasant in summer, the temperature ranges from 25-30 degree Celsius. Cold in winters.



## DAY 02 HARIDWAR - BARKOT | 210kms | 7-8 hrs | HEIGHT: 1352 mtr

After medical check-up proceed to Sonprayag, Trek start from Sonprayag to Kedarnath (3584 mts) by Pony / Doli. Tour members should carry personal medicines, heavy woolen, toiletries and clothes for an overnight halt at Kedarnath. Visit Kedarnath Temple. Overnight stay.

**KEDARNATH:** The Kedarnath shrine, one of the 12 Jyotirlingas of Lord Shiva, is a scenic spot situated, against the backdrop of the majestic Kedarnath range. Kedar is another name of Lord Shiva, the protector and the destroyer. According to legend, the Pandavas after having won over the Kaurava in the Kurukshetra war, felt guilty of having killed their own brothers and sought the blessings of Lord Shiva for redemption. He eluded them repeatedly and while fleeing took refuge at Kedarnath in the form of a bull. On being followed he dived into the ground, leaving his hump on the surface. The remaining portions of Lord Shiva appeared at four other places and are worshipped there as his manifestations. The arms appeared at Tungnath, the face at Rudranath, the



belly at Madhmaheshwar and his locks (hair) with head at Kalpeshwar. Kedarnath and the four above-mentioned shrines are treated as Panch Kedar.

**DAY 03 KEDARNATH – GUPTKASHI (19Kms Down Trek & 30kms/1hr by Road)**

Early morning you get up before dawn and after taking bath you are at the temple by 4:45 am for the 'Abhishek' to Kedarnath Shiva. Everyone can go inside Garbha Griha and touch the idol. You can also prostrate with your head touching the deity etc. After Temple Darshan trek down to Sonprayag. Further drive to Guptkashi. Check in Hotel. Night Halt.

**DAY 04 GUPTKASHI - BADRINATH (210kms/7-8hr) HEIGHT: 3133 mtr.**

Drive to Badrinath via Joshimath. Check in Hotel. Later at evening visit Badrinath Temple for Aarti. Overnight stay.

Badrinath one of the 'Four Dhams' is one of the most celebrated pilgrimage spots of the country and is situated at an elevation of 3,133 meters, guarded on either side by the two mountain ranges known as Nar & Narayan with the towering Neelkanth Peak providing a splendid backdrop. This revered spot was once carpeted with wild berries. Thus the place got the name "Badri van", meaning "forest of berries".



**DAY 05 BADRINATH – RUDRAPRAYAG (160kms) / KIRTINAGAR (190kms)**

Early morning, pilgrims after having a bath in the Taptkund have the Darshan of Badrivishal. Brahamakapal is significant for Pindan Shraddh of ancestors (Pitrus). There is other interesting sightseeing spot like Mana, Vyas Gufa, Maatamoorti, Charanpaduka, Bhimkund and the "Mukh" of the Saraswati River. Just within the three kms of Badrinathjee. Later drive back to Rudraprayag / Kirtinagar via Joshimath. Check in Hotel. Overnight stay.

**JOSHIMATH:** Situated on the slopes above the confluence of the rivers Alaknanda and Dhauliganga. Of the four 'Maths' established by Adi Shankaracharya, Joshimath is the winter seat of Badrinath. The idol is brought down to Joshimath and installed in the temple for people to worship. There are many other temples in the township. The most important is the temple of Narsingh with the idol of Lord Vishnu. The left arm of this deity is getting destroyed with time and the popular elief holds that the day the arm completely withers Badrinath valley will cease to exist and the Gods will transfer the residence into the neighboring Niti Valley at Bhavishya Badri.



**TAPT KUND** : Natural thermal springs on the bank of the river Alaknanda, where it is customary to bathe before entering the Badrinath temple.

**NARAD KUND** : A recess in the river, near Tapt Kund, forming a pool from where the Badrinath idol was recovered.

**BRAHAMA KAPAL** : A flat platform on the bank of river Alaknanda. Hindus perform propitiating rites for their deceased ancestors.

**SHESHNETRA** : 1.5kms. away is a boulder having an impression of the legendary serpent, better known as the Sheshnag's eye.

**CHARANPADUKA** : 3kms. away is a beautiful meadow where the footprint of Lord Vishnu is seen on a boulder.

**MATA MURTY TEMPLE** : Devoted to the mother of Sri Badrinathji. Other important temples include Sesh Netra Temple, Urvashi Temple and Charanpaduka.

**MANA VILLAGE** : Inhabited by an Indo-Mongolian tribe, it is the last Indian village before Tibet.

**VASUNDHARA** : As the name suggests, vasundhara is a magnificent water fall. This place is 5 kms. from Badrinath out of which 2 kms. is motorable upto Mana.

**BHIM PUL** : On the other side of Mana village, a massive rock forming a natural bridge, lies over the roaring Saraswati river. It presents a spectacular view of water thundering down through the narrow passage under the rock and is believed to have been placed there by Bhim, the second eldest among the five Pandava brothers.

**VYAS GUFA (CAVE)** : Near Mana Village, this is a rock-cave where Ved Vyas is believed to have composed the Mahabharata and the pauranic commentaries.



**DAY 06 RUDRAPRAYAG – RISHIKESH – HARIDWAR (160KMS/5HR)**

Drive to Rishikesh, the 'place of sages' is a celebrated spiritual town on the bank of Ganga and is surrounded by Shivalik range of the Himalayas on three sides. It is said that when Raibhya Rishi did hard penances, God appeared by the name of " Hrishikesh " and this area hence firth came to be known as Rishikesh. Visit Rishikesh Temples & Sight Seeing – Laxman Jhulla, Ram Jhulla, Triveni Ghat, Bharat Mandir, Shivananda Ashram.



Later transfer to Haridwar Railway Station / Dehradun Airport. Tour Terminate.

**TOTAL TOUR COST (PER PERSON):**

PAX	TRANSPORTATION	PREMIUM	LUXURY	DELUXE
		(MAP)	(MAP)	(MAP)
2	Tata Indigo / Dezire	INR 38,650.00	INR 36,500.00	INR 32,800.00
4-6	Toyota Innova	INR 43,000.00	INR 41,000.00	INR 37,000.00
6-12	Tempo Traveler (12 Seater)	INR 33,000.00	INR 31,000.00	INR 27,500.00
Extra Mattress cost per person/child above 7 years		INR 17,000.00	INR 22,500.00	INR 19,900.00

**HOTEL CATEGORY DETAILS:**

PLACE	NIGHTS	PREMIUM PKG	LUXURY PKG	DELUXE PKG
<b>GUPTKASHI</b>	2 N	Charmachan / Villa Adhya Buransh Heli Resort (Dlx)	Kedar River Retreat / Village Retreat/Nirwana Cottage/Buransh Resort	Camp Nirwana/ Adhvanta Resorts/Kedar Valley Nanda/Shri Narayan
<b>KEDARNATH</b>	1 N	Punjab Sindh Awas New Himachal House Bikane/Agra Bhawan	Punjab Sindh Awas New Himachal House Bikaner/Agra Bhawan	Punjab Sindh Awas New Himachal House Bikaner /Agra Bhawan
<b>BADRINATH</b>	1 N	Sarovar Portico/Snow Crest	Hotel Lord Palace	Hotel Narayana Palace
<b>RUDRAPRAYAG</b>	1 N	Monal Resort	Tapovan resort (A/C) Riverside Resort	Tapovan Resort (Non A/C) Birahi Samrat

#### COST INCLUDES:

- ✚ Accommodation on twin sharing (Double Bed Room) on MAP Basis.
- ✚ Transportation by Non A/C Vehicle (Delhi-Haridwar & Rishikesh-Delhi by A/C Vehicle Services) with all road, state taxes, driver allowance, permit & night halt.
- ✚ Daily Mineral Water x 02 Bottles (1Ltr).

#### COST EXCLUDES:

- ✚ 5% GST, Rest All Meals, Table drinks, laundry, porter, pony, tips, camera fee, ropeway charges, entrance charges, travel insurance, personal expenses of the clients or any other expenses incurred due to bad weather, road closure, landslides etc. and anything not specified in cost include.
- ✚ Pony ride will cost you around INR 2500 per way per person for every scared location.
- ✚ Helicopter ride will cost you around INR 7000 both way per person for Sonprayag to Kedarnath.

#### SPECIAL NOTE:

- ✚ Due to high demand, heavy rush and limited availability of hotels, it's advisable to confirm the tour at earliest.
- ✚ Kindly consult your family doctor and carry all the essential medicines.

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