

Exotic Darjeeling & Sikkim

10 Nights | 11 Days

Darjeeling – Pelling – Gangtok – Lachung – Lachen – Gangtok

DAY 01: Bagdogra – Darjeeling (Approx 4 hrs)

Today enter the world of Vacations Exotica as you begin your journey to Darjeeling and Sikkim. Arrive into Bagdogra and drive to Darjeeling.

Standing high in the Himalayas at an altitude of 2134 metres, 'Dorje Ling' – Place of the Thunderbolt. With its tiny waterfalls, little villages, a narrow gauge railway track, world famous Tea Gardens and snow capped mountains, Darjeeling remains one of the most

Tibetan Refugee Centre, Tenzing Rock, Gombu Rock and see the Tea Estate. Overnight in Darjeeling.

DAY 03: Darjeeling – Pelling (Approx 4 hrs)

After breakfast drive to Pelling – a serene mountain village in the western districts of Sikkim. This village is situated at an altitude of around 2000 metres and commands a spectacular view of Mt. Kanchenjunga. Arrive into Pelling and check into the hotel Overnight in Pelling.

– seat of the Karmappa, also see the Nalanda Centre for higher Buddhist Studies, the Enchey Monastery, the Do Drul Chorten – one of the most important stupas in Sikkim, and the Namgyal Institute of Tibetology etc. Overnight in Gangtok.

DAY 06: Gangtok

After breakfast proceed on a full day excursion to Changu Lake - at an altitude of 12,400 feet. The lake derives its waters from melting snow of the surrounding mountains. Legends say that lamas could forecast the future by studying the colour of the lake's waters. Today, you can opt to visit the Natula pass – at 4310 mtrs above sea level, this Indo China trading post is an amazing experience. Overnight in Gangtok.

DAY 08: Lachung – Yumthang (Approx 1 Hr)

After breakfast proceed for an unbelievable excursion to Yumthang - the Valley of Flowers. The journey to Yumthang has a very picturesque landscape and is lined with Rhododendrons & 108 other types of Orchids which bloom in different colours from April to May. Yumthang valley is a mesmerizing scene with

DAY 10: Lachen – Gangtok (Approx 6 Hrs)

After breakfast depart for Gangtok. On arrival check into the hotel. The evening is at leisure. Overnight in Gangtok.

DAY 11: Gangtok – Bagdogra

After breakfast depart for Bagdogra and proceed to the airport /station and return home with wonderful memories of your holiday with Vacations Exotica.

DAY 07: Gangtok - Lachung (Approx 6 hrs.)

After breakfast drive to Lachung - a divine abode situated in the northern district of Sikkim. Perched at an elevation of 8,800 ft, Lachung is Shangri-La on earth. The scenic drive passes through quaint villages, scenic spots, and waterfalls. Arrive into Lachung and check into the hotel. Overnight in Lachung.

DAY 09: Lachung – Lachen (Approx 3 Hrs)

After breakfast proceed to Lachen – a pristine untouched area made accessible to the tourists just a few years back. Situated at an altitude of 8,838 ft - this small hamlet rests on a verdant plain land that is segregated by cavernous ravines of Lachen. The multi-hued mountains, along with snowy peaks and black cliffs, appear to rise from Lachen. Arrive into Lachen and check into the hotel. Overnight in Lachen.

DAY 04: Pelling

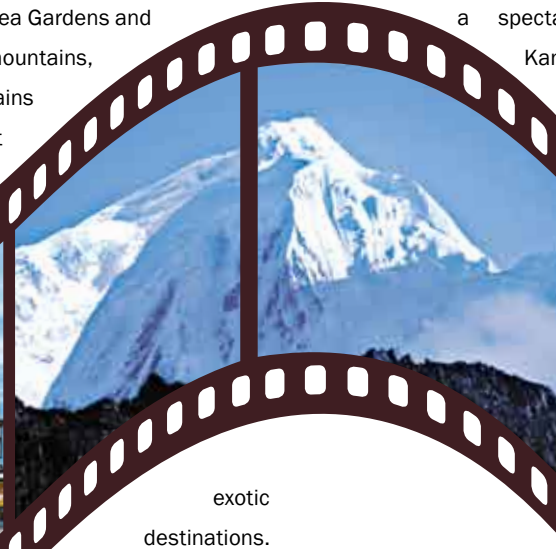
After breakfast proceed on a sightseeing tour of Pelling. Visit the Khecheopalri Lake - meaning "The heaven of Padmasambhava" – a sacred Lake for both Buddhists and Hindus, the Rambi Falls and the Kanchenjunga Falls. Also visit the Pemayangste Monastery – at an elevation of 2085 mtrs and flanked by snow capped peaks this beautiful monastery controls all the monasteries of Sikkim. Overnight in Pelling.

DAY 05: Pelling – Gangtok (Approx 5 hrs)

After breakfast drive to Gangtok. On arrival check into your hotel. Later proceed on a sightseeing tour. Visit the Rumtek Monastery

DAY 02: Darjeeling

Today, early in the morning visit Tiger Hill to see the beautiful sunrise and spectacular peaks like the Kanchenjunga, Mount Everest etc. See the horizon changing colours just before sunrise and then the entire Himalayan range turns golden. It is truly a majestic sight. Later visit the Ghoom Monastery - the oldest Monastery in the area, built in 1875 it houses the image of Mythey Buddha. Today, also visit Batasia Loop. Later, return to the hotel for breakfast. After breakfast visit the Himalayan Mountaineering Institute, Zoological Park,

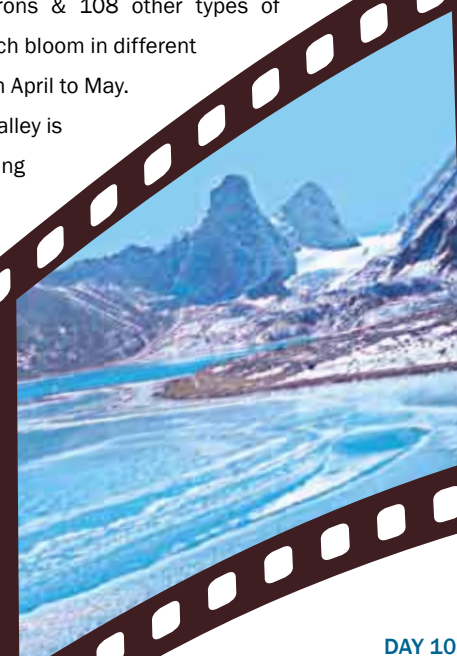


exotic destinations.

Arrive into Darjeeling and check into the hotel. Overnight in Darjeeling.



yaks grazing on flower - carpeted meadows against a backdrop of towering peaks. Later proceed to Zero Point at 14000 ft – an eternal place for ice and snow. Overnight in Lachung.



- INCLUSIONS**
- All transfers and sightseeing as specified in the itinerary by non airconditioned vehicle
 - Daily breakfast
 - Daily dinners
 - Lunches in Lachung & Lachen
 - 02 nights accommodation in Darjeeling
 - 02 nights accommodation in Pelling
 - 03 nights accommodation in Gangtok
 - 02 nights accommodation in Lachung
 - 01 night accommodation in Lachen
 - All sightseeings and entrances as specified in the itinerary