



CHARDHAM YATRA BY HELICOPTER EX-DEHRADUN 05N/06D -2024

<u>Places covered</u>- | Yamunotri | Gangotri | Kedarnath | Badrinath

Yamunotri: The first Chardham (going from left to right, as is traditionally stipulated), is one of the most revered temples in India. Yamunotri is the source of the sacred river Yamuna that originates from the glacial lake of Saptarishi Kund, at an altitude of 4,421 meters. Dedicated to capricious Goddess Yamuna, this ancient temple has been a pilgrimage for centuries. Starting at Rishikesh, the yatra takes the pilgrim through some of the most beautiful panoramas and eventually, on the 14 kilometer arduous trek from Hanuman Chatti that is not merely visually and physically stimulating but spiritually uplifting. **Gangotri:** Ganga, India's most sacred river is inextricably linked to our past, present, and future; it is the very essence of our cycle of life and death. The journey to its source is to reinforce those systems of belief that have been held sacred by our ancestors for centuries. The pilgrimage begins at Rishikesh, an ancient holy town, and leads the traveler through majestic vistas, stunning valleys, and beautiful meadows to eventually end at the holy temple of Gangotri. All through the journey, it is the glimpses of the Ganga in all its moods – playful, placid, and turbulent – that inspire the pilgrim to continue this journey towards spiritual salvation.

Kedarnath: Set in the beautiful Mandakini valley, cupped by lofty peaks, the majestic Kedarnath temple stands on a glacial terrace, remnant of an ancient glacier – long since melted. This is Lord Shiv's territory – and the region is a living testimony to his adventures and exploits. The temple is believed to have been built by the pandavs, protagonists of the Mahabharata, as a tribute to Lord Shiva having forgiven them for fratricide after an exciting chase through the Himalayas. The journey to Kedarnath – The most significant of the 12 Jyotirlingas located in different parts of India -- is to relive these ancient tales and legends, and to become one with God.

Badrinath: The Badrinath Shrine is believed to be as old as time itself. Dedicated to Lord Vishnu, this temple was re-established by Adi Shankaracharya in the 8th century as part of his mission to revitalize Hinduism. Located on the banks of the Rishi Ganga (Alaknanda), the temple, and the numerous ancient sites around it, is indeed a worthy goal to aim for. The last 11 kilometers to Badrinath is a steep ascent. At Devdarshni, the vista of the entire Badrinath valley appears before you – the township, the magnificent façade of the temple and the twin peaks Nar and Narayan as if standing guard on its either side, and the Neelkanth shining like a crown on its head and immediately you feel the spiritual upliftment that such a magnificent site inspires.

DAY WISE ITINERARY

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Passengers are supposed to reach state government helipad on Sahastradhara Road, Dehradun which is the starting and ending point of this yatra. Our pilots and ground staff will brief the passengers about the do's and don'ts during the flying.

DAY 01: Arrival at Dehradun

The tour Commences with pick up from Dehradun airport or Railway station one day prior to the Chardham Yatra departure, followed by drop to the hotel. In the evening, our team will brief the guests about the entire Chardham Yatra which will be conducted at 20:30Hrs. Duffle bag will be provided during the tour briefing in which necessary luggage will have to be packed by the passengers (Maximum 05Kg per person will be permitted). The overnight stay at Dehradun with dinner awaits you.

Note: Our staff will take the body weight of each pilgrim during the tour briefing; hence kindly ensure you attend the same.

<u>(DAY 02: Yamunotri)</u> 06:00 Departure Sahastradhara helipad, Dehradun 06:30 Arrival Kharsali helipad, Yamunotri

Upon arrival at kharsali passengers are welcomed by ground staff and transfer to yamunotri temple by palkis/ Pony. This trek from helipad to temple is 6 kms and return trip by palki takes about 5 hours. After Darshan return back to Helipad. Overnight stay at Kharsali

<u>(DAY 03 : Gangotri)</u> 06:35 Departure Kharsali helipad, Yamunotri 07:00 Arrival Harsil Helipad Harsil is one of the most beautiful and picturesque valleys in Uttarakhand. Some people also call it mini Switzerland. Gangotri temple is about 22 kms from Harsil helipad and the drive by car takes 50 minutes.

It is advisable that passengers leave straight for temple from helipad. Our ground staff will assist the passengers with darshan at Gangotri temple. After return from temple passengers can take lunch in resort and thereafter relax and have campfire in the evening. It is recommended to visit the nearby village for an evening walk and buy pure wool stuff (sweaters, shawls n mufflers) made by local tribal womenfolk.

(DAY 04: Kedarnath)

07:30 Departure Harsil Helipad 08:10 Arrival Kedarnath helipad

The helicopter will land at Kedarnath helipad which is at a distance of 500 meters from the temple. After Darshan return back to hotel. Night halt will be at Guptkashi or Kedarnath.

(DAY 05: Badrinath)

08:30 Departure Kedarnath / Phata helipad 09:00 Arrival Badrinath helipad

After arrival at Badrinath helipad passengers can check-in in Hotel which is Near to the temple. Our ground staff will assist the passengers in taking darshan at the temple.

A visit to Mana village in evening is highly recommended as this is the first village after international border with China.

(DAY 06: Return to Dehradun)

09:05 Departure Badrinath helipad

10:00 Arrival Sahastradhara helipad, Dehradun

Early Morning ready for Special Abhishek Puja (as your own cost) at Badrinath temple is the highlight of this entire yatra. It starts sharp at 4.30 am in the morning and lasts for 2 hours. Passengers will get an opportunity to sit inside the temple and have darshan of the shringar of the deity from very close quarters. After darshan return back to hotel have breakfast and fly for Dehradun. On arrival at Dehradun helipad you will transfer to Airport / Railway station. Here Helicopter tour ends here with happy memories to be cherished forever.

This is the end of Chardham Yatra 05N-06D

| Destination | Hotel |
|-------------|-------------------|
| Dehradun | Hyatt Centric |
| Kharsali | Kalindi Hill Top |
| Harsil | Nine Apple Resort |
| Guptkashi | Snow bell Resort |
| Badrinath | Yoga Premium |

Note: Due to bad weather / or any reason extra accommodation cost will be bear by guest on direct basis.

- * Rooms are booked on double or triple sharing basis only.
- For a separate single occupancy room, it will be extra chargeable @ INR- 30, 000 / -Per person (tax inclusive).

Our Package Includes

- Helicopter Trip from Dehradun to Dehradun
- ✤ All meals in hotels at Dham (Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner).
- Dinner during the stay in Dehradun.
- Palki / Doli Charges service at Yamunotri.
- VIP darshan arrangement at all temples.
- Local Transport for darshan and sightseeing at Gangotri, Badrinath and Kedarnath as per itinenary.
- Hotel accommodation in best Hotels for 04 nights at Yamunotri, Gangotri, Kedarnath (Guptkashi) and Badrinath
- ✤ 5 Nights stay, 1 Night at each Dham in Luxury Hotels
- Dehradun Airport Pickup & drop Facilities

ADD-ON SERVICES

Maha Abhishek Puja at Badrinath ji – INR 5,100/person.

Total amount has to be paid in cash to Royals Services Representative at Dehradun, so that we can arrange and book the Puja in advance on behalf of each passenger.

Note – Maha Abhishek Puja will not be included in our package or billing cost, since the total amount for the same goes directly to Badrinath ji Mandir Samiti.

Rudra Abhishek Puja at Kedarnath ji – INR 6,500 for 06 people. Total amount has to be paid in cash to Royals Services representative at Dehradun, so that we can arrange and book the Puja in advance onbehalf of each passenger.

Arrangement of Rudra Abhishek puja will be done **subject to availability of rooms at Kedarnath-Top,** as passengers will have tostay there overnight for the puja. Therefore, the additional charges towards the hotel stay will be extra chargeable.

Note – Rudra Abhishek Puja will not be included in our package or billing cost, since the total amount for the same goes directly toKedarnath ji Mandir Samiti.

Disclaimer – Accommodation at Kedarnath-top is budget category, and there can be instances of complaints in regards to the hotel services & rooms. Furthermore, temperature at Kedarnath-top maydrop to sub-zero levels at night in Sep/Oct; therefore passengers areadvised to take decision keeping the same in consideration.

Booking of Scheduled/Non-Scheduled Flights or Train Tickets: Price on demand. While our team takes care of your entire Chardham tour, they can also assist you in booking of air/Train tickets to Dehradun.

Haridwar, Rishikesh or Mussoorie day-trip:

INR 9000 for up to 06 passengers on your date of arrival or departure, our team can arrange transportation for Mussoorie, Rishikesh or Haridwar day-trip from Dehradun.

Extra night stay at Dehradun

Price on demand for additional night stay at Dehradun, our team will take care of your hotel bookings. FYI, we arrange hotels at the most attractive rates you can get.

CARRIAGE BY AIR ACT, 1972

The carriage is subject to ROYALS SERVICES Services regulations relating to the conditions of Non-International Carriage (Passenger and Baggage) framed in accordance with The Carriage by Air Act, 1972 and Notification regarding application of the carriage which is non-international. The liability of the company for damage sustained in the event of the death or wounding of a passenger or any other bodily injury suffered by passenger or by his registered baggage during the course of carriage by air will be governed by the provisions of sections 4,5,6 and the rules contained in the second Schedule of Carriage by Air Act 1972 with certain exceptions, adaptations, modifications, etc has notified in the Govt. of India, Ministry of Civil Aviation Notification and as amended from time to time.

COVID TRAVEL GUIDELINES

Passengers and ROYALS SERVICES must strictly follow COVID protocols in accordance with the prevailing government mandates. Non-compliance with Government guidelines may result in the denial of boarding to passengers, and refunds will not be provided in such cases.

GUIDELINES FOR PASSENGERS

- There is very limited space for luggage in the helicopter. Only 5 kg luggage per passenger will be permitted. Helicopter travel does not permit suitcases or other traditional luggage bags.
- All temples in Chardham are located in high altitude areas. Passengers having asthma problems should not undertake this yatra
- All passengers undertaking this yatra should be medically and physically fit.
- Passengers are advised to carry a small oxygen bottle with them as a precaution. It is available locally at all medical shops
- Although day temperatures at these locations are normal it becomes cold in the night and so passengers must carry woolen clothes with them.
- ✤ All passengers are advised to carry their own medication.
- When planning your tour, we strongly advise the guests to keep one additional day at hand at Dehradun, over and above 05N/06D period, so that they do not end up in problem in case the weather gets very bad after the commencement of tour, which may lead to extension of the tour.
- Company shall not be liable for any medical emergency on the ground to the party, thus advised guests to get the fitness certificate from doctor to travel to the high altitude sector.
- If any passenger(s) require ferry flights to be operated for them in emergency, cost for the same will be charged to the party.
- Network connectivity at Harsil & Badrinath is very poor. BSNL & Jio are the main telecom services that work in these regions mostly, but not always. However, our staff shall be with the passengers for assistance at all times.
- Royals Services has its own crew at all the Dhams. For any guidance or assistance,

Passengers are free to reach out to them.

Any palki and porter charges in Kedarnath shall be borne by the passengers.

- Airport transfers will be provided only on the arrival day at Dehradun, and on the last day, i.e., 6th day of the tour.
- AADHAR Card copies are to be shared by all Indian passengers, & passport in case of foreign nationals.
- The remaining or unused amount from the previous booking can be applied towards the fresh booking. Any additional costs incurred will be the responsibility of the passengers.
- Weighing at the time of boarding the helicopter is must since the pilot will not allow boarding in case it exceeds the weight conveyed at the time of booking & we reserve the right to shuffle passengers to manage the right weight of helicopters for safe flying in the hills.
- Passengers are required to accurately provide their weights at the time of booking. In the event of any weight discrepancy discovered during travel that exceeds our aircraft's weight capacity of 450 kg, affected passenger(s) will be de-boarded and the Heli-tour will be canceled for them and without any refund.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- The quality of accommodation available at Yamunotri and Kedarnath upper is just above average and so passengers should not have very high expectations. However, at Harsil, Guptkashi and Badrinath the accommodation standard is 3 stars.
- Only 5 Kg baggage per passenger will be permitted. Passengers are advised not to carry big suitcases as there is very small baggage space inside helicopter. Passengers bringing excess baggage might not be allowed to take the same in the chopper by pilot. To address this, our staff provides duffle bags to all passengers upon arrival. The allowance for baggage weight is based on the total body weight of the group. If the combined body weight of the group exceeds the allowable limit of 450 kg, additional charges will apply for transporting the excess luggage by road, and this cost will be shared among all passengers in that Helicopter.

- Children above the age of 2 years will be considered full ticket. Infant below 02 Yrs. /12 Kg are carried free of charge. In case of verification of age, ID proof (Birth certificate) of the child shall be checked.
- There is no provision of concession to children or senior citizens.
- Total passenger weight should not exceed 450:6 PAX Beyond the said weight limit the flight won't be able to take off and your journey will be cancelled effective immediately (it is vital for you to provide us with the right & exact weight to avoid such situation.

* OVERWEIGHT CHARGES: ON PER SEAT BASIS ONLY -

Overweight charges are applicable @ INR 2000 per Kg. This will be chargeable to passengers weighing above 75 kg (I.e. 5kg X 2000 = 10,000) Passenger should pay amount before departure or pay at helipad. This amount will be charged per body weight not according to helicopter weight and will be charged in group wise.

- The booking has to be done in advance with a deposit of 50% of the charter amount and balance amount has to be deposited 15 days prior to date of journey otherwise booking stand cancelled without any refund.
- In case the journey is not finished within the stipulated time and passengers are not able to visit one or more Dhams due to bad weather conditions/technical reasons then the company will try to visit all places within the stipulated time. Although if this is not possible then the liability of the company will be limited to refund of unutilized sector/s.
- Rescheduling of booking to a next date will be done subject to availability and on payment of 20% of the cost. This will be permitted only if applied 15 days before journey date. In case the rescheduling is requested with less than 15 days to the journey then booking will be treated as cancelled and a fresh booking will be given subject to availability.
- The Company reserves the right, without assigning any reason, to cancel, advance, reschedule, over-fly or delay the commencement or

continuance of the flight. Without incurring any liability in damages or otherwise to the passengers or any other person on any ground whatsoever. The Company reserves the right to refuse to carry any person whom it considers unfit for travel or what in the opinion of the company may constitute risk to the aircraft or to the persons on board. No refund shall be done to such passenger(s).

- In regards to the guests stranded at any Dham, if any group requests to cancel their tour on their own desire & come down before their scheduled return date, the arrangement of vehicle for their return journey by road shall be done by us, however, cost for the same shall be borne by the guest on direct payment basis. No refunds are applicable in case guests wish to cancel & return mid-tour.
- We would like to inform our pilgrims that we do not provide insurance coverage for accidents, sickness, loss due to theft, or any other unforeseen circumstances. Therefore, we strongly recommend that pilgrims make their own arrangements for insurance coverage. Please note that all baggage and personal belongings are solely the responsibility of the client at all times.
- SAD WEATHER SITUATION: If you are stuck in a bad weather situation on any particular day out of the 5 days we will still try to finish the darshan on next day. In case we are completely unable to visit any dham due to bad weather situation then we will refund only flying timing cost approximately INR 20,000/-(Twenty Thousand Rupees) against each Dham per seat.
- Helicopter flights in hilly terrain are contingent upon unpredictable factors such as adverse weather conditions and various Force Majeure events. These include delayed Air Traffic clearances/Permissions, VVIP movements, valley flying by the Indian Air Force (NOTAM), sudden technical issues in the aircraft, illness of the flying crew, or delayed reporting of passengers at the helipads, among other unforeseen circumstances. Passengers are advised to be ready to encounter any unexpected events and inconveniences that may arise in such situations.
- ✤ All disputes are subject to Haridwar Jurisdiction.

Bookings will be taken, considering there is acceptance of the above – mentioned terms & conditions by the party.

PAYMENT TERMS

- Package Confirmation & Booking, please deposit the 50 % amount of the Tour cost to process the booking and the balance amount is to be paid 15 days before from your departure dates.
- Passengers are only allowed to board or initiate the tour after completing the full and final payment for the tour.

CANCELLATION POLICIES:

If passengers wish to cancel their booking, then they will have to pay following cancellation charges

- ✤ Up to 30 days before journey -30% of amount
- ✤ Up to 20 Days before journey -50% of amount
- * Up to 14 Days before journey -No Refund
- * No Show -No Refund

5% Service charge + Utilized Services like Hotel Stay and Transportation will be applicable in Case of cancellation due to any reason / Bad weather.

Note: -

Exact Schedule can be advised before a day of departure. Above mentioned schedule is tentative just for understanding the operational system & timing. Things can be changed last moment due to any operational or weather changes.

We sincerely hope the above information is in order and as per your requirement. In case if you need any further information or clarification. Please feel free to get in touch with us.

Thanks & Regards



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