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- **Kashmir Tour Package:** Discover the scenic splendor of Srinagar, Dal Lake, and more.
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- **Sonamarg Tour Package:** Explore the 'Meadow of Gold' with its stunning glaciers and lush meadows.
- **Gulmarg Tour Package:** Enjoy the thrill of skiing and the charm of Gulmarg Gondola.
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Cab Booking: Convenient transportation for hassle-free travel.		

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How to Reach Srinagar

By Air

- **Sheikh Ul-Alam International Airport (Srinagar Airport):**
 - Located about 15 km from the city center.
 - Well-connected with major cities in India such as Delhi, Mumbai, Bengaluru, and Chandigarh.
 - Several airlines operate daily flights to and from Srinagar.
 - From the airport, you can hire a taxi or take a pre-booked transfer to reach your destination in Srinagar.

By Rail

- **Nearest Railway Station - Jammu Tawi:**
 - Located approximately 300 km from Srinagar.
 - Jammu Tawi is well-connected to major cities in India, including Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, and Kolkata.
 - From Jammu Tawi, you can hire a taxi, take a bus, or use shared cabs to reach Srinagar. The journey by road from Jammu to Srinagar takes about 8-10 hours.
- **Upcoming Railway Station - Udhampur:**
 - Located about 230 km from Srinagar.
 - Once fully operational, Udhampur railway station will offer a more convenient rail option for reaching Srinagar.
 - Similar to Jammu Tawi, you can hire a taxi or take a bus from Udhampur to Srinagar.

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By Bus

- **Jammu & Kashmir State Road Transport Corporation (JKSRTC):**
 - Provides regular bus services from Jammu to Srinagar.
 - Both luxury and standard buses are available.
 - The bus journey from Jammu to Srinagar takes around 8-10 hours, depending on the road and weather conditions.
- **Private Buses:**
 - Numerous private operators run buses from cities like Delhi, Chandigarh, and Jammu to Srinagar.
 - Options range from semi-sleeper to sleeper and luxury coaches.
- **Local Transport within Srinagar:**
 - Once in Srinagar, you can use local transport such as auto-rickshaws, taxis, and buses to get around the city and visit nearby attractions.

Package Duration & Name

Package Duration	Location & Night	Location & Night	Location & Night	Location & Night
3 Nights Srinagar Tour Package	3N Srinagar			
3 Nights Gulmarg Tour Package	3N Gulmarg			
3 Nights Sonamarg Tour Package	3N Sonamarg			
3 Nights Pahalgam Tour Package	3N Pahalgam			
2 Nights Srinagar, 1 Night Gulmarg Tour Package	2N Srinagar	1N Gulmarg		
2 Nights Gulmarg, 1 Night Srinagar Tour Package	2N Gulmarg	1N Srinagar		
2 Nights Srinagar, 1 Night Pahalgam Tour Package	2N Srinagar	1N Pahalgam		
2 Nights Pahalgam, 1 Night Srinagar Tour Package	2N Pahalgam	1N Srinagar		
2 Nights Srinagar, 1 Night Sonamarg Tour Package	1N Srinagar	1N Sonamarg		
2 Nights Sonamarg, 1 Night Srinagar Tour Package	2N Sonamarg	1N Srinagar		
2 Nights Gulmarg, 1 Night	2N Gulmarg	1N Sonamarg		

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Package Duration	Location & Night	Location & Night	Location & Night	Location & Night
Sonamarg Tour Package				
2 Nights Sonamarg, 1 Night Gulmarg Tour Package	2N Sonamarg	1N Gulmarg		
2 Nights Gulmarg, 1 Night Pahalgam Tour Package	2N Gulmarg	1N Pahalgam		
2 Nights Pahalgam, 1 Night Gulmarg Tour Package	2N Pahalgam	1N Gulmarg		
2 Nights Sonamarg, 1 Night Pahalgam Tour Package	2N Sonamarg	1N Pahalgam		
2 Nights Pahalgam, 1 Night Sonamarg Tour Package	2N Pahalgam	1N Sonamarg		
1 Night Sonamarg, 1 Night Pahalgam, 1 Night Gulmarg Tour Package	1N Sonamarg	1 Night Pahalgam	1N Gulmarg	

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Packages Cost Per Person

Name of	Package	TYPE 1	TYPE 2	TYPE 3	TYPE 3	TYPE 4	TYPE 5	TYPE 5	TYPE 6
Package Duration	No of Persons	Package cost for Selection of Hotel Upto Rs 1000	Package cost for Selection of Hotel From Rs 1000-2000	Package cost for Selection of Hotel From Rs 2000-3000	Package cost for Selection of Hotel From Rs 3000-5000	Package cost for Selection of Hotel From Rs 5000-10000	Package cost for Selection of Hotel From Rs 10000-15000	Package cost for Selection of Hotel From Rs 15000-25000	Package cost for Selection of Hotel From Rs 25000-60000
3 Nights / 4 Days	Single Person	On Request	On Request	On Request	On Request	On Request	On Request	On Request	On Request
	2-3 Persons	Rs 9000	Rs 10800	Rs 12600	Rs 16200	Rs 25200	Rs 34200	Rs 52200	Rs 115200
	4 & above Persons	Rs 5400	Rs 7200	Rs 9000	Rs 12600	Rs 21600	Rs 30600	Rs 48600	Rs 111600

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Itinerary

1. 3 Nights Srinagar Tour Package

Day 1: Arrival in Srinagar

- Arrival at Srinagar Airport.
- Transfer to hotel/houseboat.
- Afternoon Shikara ride on Dal Lake.
- Overnight stay at the hotel/houseboat.

Day 2: Srinagar Sightseeing

- Visit Mughal Gardens: Shalimar Bagh, Nishat Bagh, and Chashme Shahi.
- Visit Shankaracharya Temple.
- Explore local markets in the evening.
- Overnight stay at the hotel/houseboat.

Day 3: Excursion to Gulmarg

- Full-day excursion to Gulmarg.

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- Enjoy a cable car ride (Gondola) up to Khilanmarg.
- Return to Srinagar in the evening.
- Overnight stay at the hotel/houseboat.

Day 4: Departure from Srinagar

- Transfer to Srinagar Airport for departure.

2. 3 Nights Gulmarg Tour Package

Day 1: Arrival in Srinagar - Gulmarg

- Arrival at Srinagar Airport.
- Transfer to Gulmarg.
- Check-in at the hotel.
- Evening at leisure.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 2: Gulmarg Exploration

- Full-day tour of Gulmarg.
- Activities: Gondola ride, skiing, trekking.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

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Day 3: Gulmarg Leisure Day

- Free day to explore and enjoy Gulmarg at your own pace.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 4: Gulmarg - Srinagar Departure

- Transfer to Srinagar Airport for departure.

3. 3 Nights Sonamarg Tour Package

Day 1: Arrival in Srinagar - Sonamarg

- Arrival at Srinagar Airport.
- Transfer to Sonamarg.
- Check-in at the hotel.
- Evening at leisure.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 2: Sonamarg Exploration

- Full-day tour of Sonamarg.
- Activities: Thajiwas Glacier visit, pony rides.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

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Day 3: Sonamarg Leisure Day

- Free day to explore and enjoy Sonamarg at your own pace.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 4: Sonamarg - Srinagar Departure

- Transfer to Srinagar Airport for departure.

4. 3 Nights Pahalgam Tour Package

Day 1: Arrival in Srinagar - Pahalgam

- Arrival at Srinagar Airport.
- Transfer to Pahalgam.
- Check-in at the hotel.
- Evening at leisure.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 2: Pahalgam Exploration

- Full-day tour of Pahalgam.
- Activities: Betaab Valley, Aru Valley, Baisaran.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

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Day 3: Pahalgam Leisure Day

- Free day to explore and enjoy Pahalgam at your own pace.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 4: Pahalgam - Srinagar Departure

- Transfer to Srinagar Airport for departure.

5. 2 Nights Srinagar, 1 Night Gulmarg Tour Package

Day 1: Arrival in Srinagar

- Arrival at Srinagar Airport.
- Transfer to hotel/houseboat.
- Afternoon Shikara ride on Dal Lake.
- Overnight stay at the hotel/houseboat.

Day 2: Srinagar Sightseeing

- Visit Mughal Gardens: Shalimar Bagh, Nishat Bagh, and Chashme Shahi.
- Visit Shankaracharya Temple.
- Explore local markets in the evening.
- Overnight stay at the hotel/houseboat.

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Day 3: Srinagar - Gulmarg

- Transfer to Gulmarg.
- Enjoy a Gondola ride.
- Overnight stay at the hotel in Gulmarg.

Day 4: Gulmarg - Srinagar Departure

- Transfer to Srinagar Airport for departure.

6. 2 Nights Gulmarg, 1 Night Srinagar Tour Package

Day 1: Arrival in Srinagar - Gulmarg

- Arrival at Srinagar Airport.
- Transfer to Gulmarg.
- Check-in at the hotel.
- Evening at leisure.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 2: Gulmarg Exploration

- Full-day tour of Gulmarg.
- Activities: Gondola ride, skiing, trekking.

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- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 3: Gulmarg - Srinagar

- Transfer to Srinagar.
- Visit Mughal Gardens and Shankaracharya Temple.
- Overnight stay at the hotel/houseboat in Srinagar.

Day 4: Srinagar Departure

- Transfer to Srinagar Airport for departure.

7. 2 Nights Srinagar, 1 Night Pahalgam Tour Package

Day 1: Arrival in Srinagar

- Arrival at Srinagar Airport.
- Transfer to hotel/houseboat.
- Afternoon Shikara ride on Dal Lake.
- Overnight stay at the hotel/houseboat.

Day 2: Srinagar Sightseeing

- Visit Mughal Gardens: Shalimar Bagh, Nishat Bagh, and Chashme Shahi.

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- Visit Shankaracharya Temple.
- Overnight stay at the hotel/houseboat.

Day 3: Srinagar - Pahalgam

- Transfer to Pahalgam.
- Visit Betaab Valley and Aru Valley.
- Overnight stay at the hotel in Pahalgam.

Day 4: Pahalgam - Srinagar Departure

- Transfer to Srinagar Airport for departure.

8. 2 Nights Pahalgam, 1 Night Srinagar Tour Package

Day 1: Arrival in Srinagar - Pahalgam

- Arrival at Srinagar Airport.
- Transfer to Pahalgam.
- Check-in at the hotel.
- Evening at leisure.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 2: Pahalgam Exploration

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- Full-day tour of Pahalgam.
- Activities: Betaab Valley, Aru Valley, Baisaran.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 3: Pahalgam - Srinagar

- Transfer to Srinagar.
- Visit Mughal Gardens and Shankaracharya Temple.
- Overnight stay at the hotel/houseboat in Srinagar.

Day 4: Srinagar Departure

- Transfer to Srinagar Airport for departure.

9. 2 Nights Srinagar, 1 Night Sonamarg Tour Package

Day 1: Arrival in Srinagar

- Arrival at Srinagar Airport.
- Transfer to hotel/houseboat.
- Afternoon Shikara ride on Dal Lake.
- Overnight stay at the hotel/houseboat.

Day 2: Srinagar Sightseeing

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- Visit Mughal Gardens: Shalimar Bagh, Nishat Bagh, and Chashme Shahi.
- Visit Shankaracharya Temple.
- Overnight stay at the hotel/houseboat.

Day 3: Srinagar - Sonamarg

- Transfer to Sonamarg.
- Visit Thajiwas Glacier.
- Overnight stay at the hotel in Sonamarg.

Day 4: Sonamarg - Srinagar Departure

- Transfer to Srinagar Airport for departure.

10. 2 Nights Sonamarg, 1 Night Srinagar Tour Package

Day 1: Arrival in Srinagar - Sonamarg

- Arrival at Srinagar Airport.
- Transfer to Sonamarg.
- Check-in at the hotel.
- Evening at leisure.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

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Day 2: Sonamarg Exploration

- Full-day tour of Sonamarg.
- Activities: Thajiwas Glacier visit, pony rides.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 3: Sonamarg - Srinagar

- Transfer to Srinagar.
- Visit Mughal Gardens and Shankaracharya Temple.
- Overnight stay at the hotel/houseboat in Srinagar.

Day 4: Srinagar Departure

- Transfer to Srinagar Airport for departure.

11. 2 Nights Gulmarg, 1 Night Sonamarg Tour Package

Day 1: Arrival in Srinagar - Gulmarg

- Arrival at Srinagar Airport.
- Transfer to Gulmarg.
- Check-in at the hotel.
- Evening at leisure.

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- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 2: Gulmarg Exploration

- Full-day tour of Gulmarg.
- Activities: Gondola ride, skiing, trekking.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 3: Gulmarg - Sonamarg

- Transfer to Sonamarg.
- Visit Thajiwas Glacier.
- Overnight stay at the hotel in Sonamarg.

Day 4: Sonamarg - Srinagar Departure

- Transfer to Srinagar Airport for departure.

12. 2 Nights Sonamarg, 1 Night Gulmarg Tour Package

Day 1: Arrival in Srinagar - Sonamarg

- Arrival at Srinagar Airport.
- Transfer to Sonamarg.

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- Check-in at the hotel.
- Evening at leisure.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 2: Sonamarg Exploration

- Full-day tour of Sonamarg.
- Activities: Thajiwas Glacier visit, pony rides.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 3: Sonamarg - Gulmarg

- Transfer to Gulmarg.
- Enjoy a Gondola ride.
- Overnight stay at the hotel in Gulmarg.

Day 4: Gulmarg - Srinagar Departure

- Transfer to Srinagar Airport for departure.

13. 2 Nights Gulmarg, 1 Night Pahalgam Tour Package

Day 1: Arrival in Srinagar - Gulmarg

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- Arrival at Srinagar Airport.
- Transfer to Gulmarg.
- Check-in at the hotel.
- Evening at leisure.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 2: Gulmarg Exploration

- Full-day tour of Gulmarg.
- Activities: Gondola ride, skiing, trekking.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 3: Gulmarg - Pahalgam

- Transfer to Pahalgam.
- Visit Betaab Valley and Aru Valley.
- Overnight stay at the hotel in Pahalgam.

Day 4: Pahalgam - Srinagar Departure

- Transfer to Srinagar Airport for departure.

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14. 2 Nights Pahalgam, 1 Night Gulmarg Tour Package

Day 1: Arrival in Srinagar - Pahalgam

- Arrival at Srinagar Airport.
- Transfer to Pahalgam.
- Check-in at the hotel.
- Evening at leisure.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 2: Pahalgam Exploration

- Full-day tour of Pahalgam.
- Activities: Betaab Valley, Aru Valley, Baisaran.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 3: Pahalgam - Gulmarg

- Transfer to Gulmarg.
- Enjoy a Gondola ride.
- Overnight stay at the hotel in Gulmarg.

Day 4: Gulmarg - Srinagar Departure

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- Transfer to Srinagar Airport for departure.

15. 2 Nights Sonamarg, 1 Night Pahalgam Tour Package

Day 1: Arrival in Srinagar - Sonamarg

- Arrival at Srinagar Airport.
- Transfer to Sonamarg.
- Check-in at the hotel.
- Evening at leisure.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 2: Sonamarg Exploration

- Full-day tour of Sonamarg.
- Activities: Thajiwas Glacier visit, pony rides.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 3: Sonamarg - Pahalgam

- Transfer to Pahalgam.
- Visit Betaab Valley and Aru Valley.
- Overnight stay at the hotel in Pahalgam.

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Day 4: Pahalgam - Srinagar Departure

- Transfer to Srinagar Airport for departure.

16. 2 Nights Pahalgam, 1 Night Sonamarg Tour Package

Day 1: Arrival in Srinagar - Pahalgam

- Arrival at Srinagar Airport.
- Transfer to Pahalgam.
- Check-in at the hotel.
- Evening at leisure.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 2: Pahalgam Exploration

- Full-day tour of Pahalgam.
- Activities: Betaab Valley, Aru Valley, Baisaran.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 3: Pahalgam - Sonamarg

- Transfer to Sonamarg.
- Visit Thajiwass Glacier.

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- Overnight stay at the hotel in Sonamarg.

Day 4: Sonamarg - Srinagar Departure

- Transfer to Srinagar Airport for departure.

17. 1 Night Sonamarg, 1 Night Pahalgam, 1 Night Gulmarg Tour Package

Day 1: Arrival in Srinagar - Sonamarg

- Arrival at Srinagar Airport.
- Transfer to Sonamarg.
- Check-in at the hotel.
- Evening at leisure.
- Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 2: Sonamarg - Pahalgam

- Transfer to Pahalgam.
- Visit Betaab Valley and Aru Valley.
- Overnight stay at the hotel in Pahalgam.

Day 3: Pahalgam - Gulmarg

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- Transfer to Gulmarg.
- Enjoy a Gondola ride.
- Overnight stay at the hotel in Gulmarg.

Day 4: Gulmarg - Srinagar Departure

- Transfer to Srinagar Airport for departure.

Inclusions

- Hotel as per package type on double/triple sharing
- Non-AC Transport
- Srinagar Airport pickup & drop
- Meals as Per Package type (See Details in Meal Plan Below)
- Sightseeing as per itinerary (See Details in Sightseeing Plan & rule Below)
- Toll taxes and parking
- Driver allowance

Exclusions

- Travel & Medical Insurance
- Pony or trek charges

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- Local union vehicle Charges
- Shikara ride
- Monuments entry charges
- GST 5%
- Personal Nature expenses like Phone, Laundry, Tips, etc.
- Any Other expenses which is not mentioned in Inclusion

Meals Plan

Type 1	Type 2	Type 3	Type 4	Type 5	Type 6	Type 7	Type 8
Hotel Upto Rs 1000	Hotel From Rs 1000-2000	Hotel From Rs 2000-3000	Hotel From Rs 3000-5000	Hotel From Rs 5000-10000	Hotel From Rs 10000-15000	Hotel From Rs 15000-25000	Hotel From Rs 25000-60000
No Meals in package cost	No Meals in package cost	No Meals in Package Cost	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast

Where meals are not mentioned charges will be additional and can be added at reception while checkin on direct payment basis.

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Sightseeing Plan & Rule

Location	Places	Inclusion & Exclusion
Srinagar	Dal Lake, Shalimar Bagh, Nishat Bagh, Shankaracharya Temple, Pari Mahal, Hazratbal Shrine, Nigeen Lake, Chashme Shahi, Badamwari Garden, Tulip Garden	Can covered as per duration and if time permits
Gulmarg	Gulmarg Gondola, Apharwat Peak, St. Mary's Church, Maharani Temple, Gulmarg Biosphere Reserve, Golf Course, Khilanmarg, Alpather Lake	Vehicles will go to the parking of Gulmarg only due to union restrictions. From there you will have to hire ponny/sledge vehicle or can go by walk
Sonamarg	Thajiwas Glacier, Vishansar Lake, Krishansar Lake, Zoji La Pass, Baltal Valley, Nilagrad River, Gangbal Lake, Gadsar Lake, Zero Point	Neelgrath & Baltal included. For other places either you have to go by Ponny or by local union vehicle on additional charges.
Pahalgam	Betaab Valley, Aru Valley, Baisaran, Chandanwari, Kolhoi Glacier, Sheshnag Lake, Tulian Lake, Lidder River	Pahalgam city Sightseeing included, For other places you will have to hire either Ponny or can be done by local union vehicle on additional charges due to union restrictions.
Gurez Valley	Habba Khatoon Peak, Kishanganga River, Dawar, Tulail Valley, Razdan Pass, Chakwali, Peer Baba Shrine, Khandiyal Top	Till Gurez valley parking only due to union restrictions, For other places you will have to hire either Ponny or can be done by local union vehicle on additional charges.

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Doodhpathri	Tangnar, Mujpathri, Palmaidan, Diskhal, Shaliganga River, Yusmarg, Tosa Maidan, Liddermar Meadows	Till Doodh Pathri parking only due to union restrictions, For other places you will have to hire either Ponny or can be done by local union vehicle on additional charges.
Yousmarg	Doodh Ganga River, Sang-e-Safed Valley, Nilnag Lake, Charar-e-Sharief, Tosa Maidan, Yusmarg Meadows, Diskhal, Haigin Valley	Till Yousmarg parking & city only due to union restrictions, For other places you will have to hire either Ponny or can be done by local union vehicle on additional charges.

Note: Except for Srinagar, most places in Kashmir require vehicles to stop at designated parking areas due to strict union rules. To explore these locations, you will need to hire a pony or use local union vehicles. This rule is set by the local transport union. Wherever vehicles are allowed, we will cover those areas. Otherwise, you will need to hire additional transport. We will assist you in hiring these additional vehicles, with charges fixed by the union, typically ranging from Rs 1000 to Rs 5000 per non-AC vehicle for up to 6-7 tourists.

Sightseeing Places of Kashmir.

Following are the sightseeing Places where tourist can visit, charges may be additional for out locations and for those places where only local union vehicles are allowed. There are some of the places in Srinagar, Sonamarg, Gulmarg, Pahalgam where only union vehicles are allowed. You can check the prices with us for that additional Location . Wular Lake, Aru valley, Betaab Valley, Cahndanwari, Zero Point, Druk Fall, Gurez Valley etc are some names.

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Sightseeing Places base Point Srinagar

Srinagar

- Srinagar is often called the "Venice of the East".
- Lakes around the city include Dal Lake, noted for its houseboats, and Nigeen Lake.
- Wular Lake (72 kms towards Sopore) and Manasbal Lake (32 kms towards Ganderbal) lie to the north of Srinagar.
- Wular Lake is one of the largest freshwater lakes in Asia.

Dal Lake

- Dal is a lake in Srinagar (Dal in Kashmiri means Lake).
- The urban lake is integral to tourism and recreation in Kashmir, known as the “Jewel in the crown of Kashmir” or “Srinagar’s Jewel”.
- The shoreline of the lake, about 15.5 kilometres (9.6 mi), is lined with Mughal era gardens, parks, houseboats, and hotels.
- Scenic views of the lake can be witnessed from shoreline Mughal gardens like Shalimar Bagh and Nishat Bagh, built during the reign of Mughal Emperor Jahangir.
- Houseboats cruising along the lake in colorful shikaras offer picturesque views.
- During winter, the temperature sometimes reaches $-11\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ($12\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}$), freezing the lake.

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- The lake covers an area of 18 square kilometres (6.9 sq mi) and is part of a natural wetland covering 21.1 square kilometres (8.1 sq mi), including its floating gardens.
- The floating gardens, known as “Raad” in Kashmiri, blossom with lotus flowers during July and August.

Shikara Ride

- The shikara is a type of wooden boat found on Dal Lake and other water bodies in Srinagar, Jammu and Kashmir.
- Shikaras vary in size and are used for multiple purposes, including transportation.
- A usual shikara seats six people, with the driver paddling at the rear.
- Like the Venetian gondolas, they are a cultural symbol of Kashmir.
- Some shikaras are still used for fishing, harvesting aquatic vegetation (usually for fodder), and transport, while most are covered with tarpaulins and used by tourists.
- Some are used as floating homes.
- The craft relies on deodar wood (which does not decompose in water) and ranges from 25 to 41 feet in length.
- The pointed front end is followed by a central section made of 8 planks of wood, and the boat eventually ends in a flat rear segment.
- Two planks of wood lend each side elevation a vertical height of 1.5 feet.
- It has a conspicuous spade-shaped base.

Hari Parbat Fort

- Hari Parbat, also called Koh-i-Maran, is a hill overlooking Srinagar, the largest city and capital of Jammu and Kashmir, India.
- The site includes a fort built by the Durrani Empire, a Hindu temple, mosques, and a gurdwara.

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- The first fortifications were constructed by Mughal emperor Akbar in 1590, who built an outer wall for the fort as part of his plans for a new capital at the site of modern-day Srinagar.
- The project was never completed.
- The present fort was built in 1808 under the reign of the Governor of Kashmir Province of the Durrani Empire, Atta Mohammed Khan.
- The fort can be reached via two routes: Rainawari through Kathi Darwaza Gate and Hawal through the Sangin Darwaza Gate.
- The fort was closed for almost two decades and reopened to the public in 2007.

Shankaracharya Temple

- The Shankaracharya Temple, also known as the Jyeshtheshwara Temple, is located on top of the Shankaracharya Hill on the Zabarwan Range in Srinagar, Jammu and Kashmir, India.
- It is dedicated to Lord Shiva.
- The temple is at a height of 1,000 feet (300 m) above the valley floor and overlooks the city of Srinagar.
- The temple dates back to 220 BCE, although the present structure likely dates to the 9th century CE.
- It was visited by Adi Shankara and has since been associated with him, thus gaining the name Shankaracharya.
- It is also regarded as sacred by Buddhists.
- Some historians believe the temple was originally a Buddhist site that was later converted into a Hindu place of worship by Adi Shankaracharya.

Badamwari

- Badamwari Garden is known for the early bloom of flowers on almond trees, attracting nature lovers and tourists alike.

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- Situated at the foothills of Hari Parbat, the 300-kanal garden is dotted with trees, flowers, and cascades, providing a soothing experience.
- The garden is in full bloom during the spring season, with fragrant air and beautiful white flowers.
- Visitors can enjoy a stroll along the walkways, watching the beautiful flowers, especially in the evening.
- The garden is a popular spot for tourists who come to witness its splendid beauty.

Tulip Garden

- Indira Gandhi Memorial Tulip Garden, previously Model Floriculture Center, is a tulip garden in Srinagar.
- It is the largest tulip garden in Asia, spread over an area of about 30 hectares.
- Situated on the foothills of the Zabarwan Range with an overview of Dal Lake.
- Opened in 2007 to boost floriculture and tourism in Kashmir Valley.
- Built on sloping ground in a terraced fashion, consisting of seven terraces.
- Apart from tulips, it features many other species of flowers such as hyacinths, daffodils, and ranunculus.
- Hosts an annual Tulip Festival to showcase the range of flowers in the garden, promoting tourism.
- The festival is organized during the onset of the spring season in Kashmir Valley.
- Tulip plantation begins in September before the start of the winter season.
- It is the most spacious garden in Srinagar compared to other Mughal Gardens.
- Major attraction: large variety of tulips found in thousands, creating a heavenly sight during the full bloom season with all shades of the rainbow scattered on the fields.

Botanical Garden

- Set up in 1969, situated around the base of a hill overlooking Dal Lake.

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- Contains many types of plants and vegetation, with a collection of about 150,000 ornamental plants and a huge collection of oak varieties.
- Also houses a rare collection of Kashmiri tropical plants.
- Attracts visitors from various parts of the world.
- Divided into four main sections: the Plant Introduction Centre, the Research Section, the Recreational Garden, and the Botanical Garden.
- The Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial Botanical Garden is open from 9:00 am to 7:00 pm.

Pari Mahal

- Pari Mahal, or The Angels' Abode, is a seven-terraced garden located at the top of the Zabarwan mountain range overlooking Srinagar and south-west of Dal Lake.
- Depicts Islamic architecture and patronage of art during the reign of Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan.
- Built by Mughal Prince Dara Shikoh in the mid-1600s, it served as a library and an abode for him.
- Used as an observatory for teaching astrology and astronomy.
- A five-minute drive from Cheshmashahi Garden.

Chashma Shahi

- Chashma Shahi or Chashma i Shahi (translation: the royal spring), is one of the Mughal gardens built in 1632 AD around a spring by Ali Mardan Khan, a governor of Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan.
- Built as a gift for his elder son Prince Dara Shikoh.
- Located in the Zabarwan Range, near Raj Bhawan (Governor's house), overlooking Dal Lake in Srinagar.
- Open for tourists from March to November, with full bloom during May and June.

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Nishat Bagh

- Nishat Bagh is a terraced Mughal garden built on the eastern side of Dal Lake.
- Located on the bank of Dal Lake, with the Zabarwan Mountains as its backdrop.
- Commands a magnificent view of the lake beneath the snow-capped Pir Panjal mountain range to the west of the valley.
- Designed and built in 1633 by Asif Khan, elder brother of Nur Jehan.

Shalimar Bagh

- Shalimar Bagh is a Mughal garden in Srinagar, linked through a channel to the northeast of Dal Lake.
- Emperor Jahangir built Shalimar Bagh in 1619 to please his queen, Nur Jahan.
- Originally called 'Farah Baksh' ('the delightful'), later extended by Emperor Shah Jahan's orders in 1630 and renamed 'Faiz Baksh' ('the bountiful').
- Became a pleasure place for the Pathan and Sikh governors who followed Zafar Khan.

Lal Chowk

- Named by left-wing activists inspired by the Russian Revolution, as they fought the princely state's Maharaja, Hari Singh.
- Traditionally a place for political meetings, with addresses from leaders like Jawaharlal Nehru and Sheikh Abdullah.
- The clock tower at Lal Chowk was built in 1980.
- In 1990, separatists dared anyone to raise the flag of India at Lal Chowk. The National Security Guards took up the challenge and raised the flag.

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Nigeen Lake

- **Name Origin:** The lake is surrounded by a large number of willow and poplar trees, leading to its name "Nigeen," which means "the jewel in the ring." It is a local variant of "nageena."
- **Location:** Adjacent to the Hari Parbat hillock, west of Dal Lake. The locality of Hazratbal, known for its famous shrine, lies to its northeast.
- **Tourist Attraction:** Known for its relatively pristine waters compared to Dal Lake. Houseboats and Shikaras are common sights.
- **Activities:** Ideal for swimming due to being deeper and less crowded than Dal Lake.
- **Characteristics:** Nigeen Lake is mildly eutrophic and sometimes considered part of Dal Lake, connected by a narrow strait. It is also linked to Khushal Sar and Gil Sar lakes via Nallah Amir Khan.

Harwan Garden

- **Location:** Situated in Harwan Village, 19 km from Srinagar.
- **Features:** A large and admired tourist spot with a canal bordered by Chinar trees and blossoming flower beds, originating from a lake behind the garden.
- **Attractions:** Known for its natural beauty and charm, with big green grass lawns and snowy backdrops.
- **Activities:** Perfect for picnics, excursions, and nature walks. The garden is also the gateway to Dachigam Wildlife Sanctuary.
- **Accessibility:** Reachable by taxis within half an hour from Srinagar.

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Dachigam National Park

- **Location:** 22 km from Srinagar in Jammu and Kashmir, covering an area of 141 sq km.
- **Name Origin:** The name "Dachigam" means "ten villages," in memory of the ten villages relocated to create the park.
- **Best Time to Visit:** Open throughout the year, but the best time is between April and August.
- **Wildlife:** Contains the last viable population of the Hangul or Kashmir Stag. Home to over 150 species of birds, including Crimson Tragopan, Monal Pheasant, Blood Pheasant, Koklas Pheasant, Golden Eagle, and Lammergeier.
- **Park Sectors:** Upper and Lower Dachigam, with altitudes ranging from 1,700 to 4,300 meters.

Zeashta Devi Shrine, Zaethyar

- Origin relates to an important event during the churning of the great ocean, Kshirasagra.
- Goddess Lakshmi was bestowed to Lord Vishnu by the Devas, which angered the Asuras.
- Asuras snatched Goddess Lakshmi from Lord Vishnu and kept her in captivity in a cave called "Guptagara" (now Gupkar).
- Lord Shiva created Goddess Zeashta and Vira Vaitala to annihilate the Asuras and free Goddess Lakshmi.
- After the task, Lord Shiva bestowed them with the power of protection and upliftment of mankind.
- Located near Gupkar in Srinagar.
- Devotees worship Goddess Zeashta for protection and grace.
- Tradition of offering 'cooked yellowish rice' (tehar) on Thursdays during the month of Zyesth.

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- Annual Mahayagya is held on Zyesht Krishnapaksh Panchami, with free boarding and lodging for devotees for three days.

Durga Nag Temple

- Known for its holy spring, built above and around it.
- Visitors seek peace and perform traditional Vedic rituals at the sanctuary.
- Features a wish well where devotees believe their wishes are fulfilled by Durga Maa and Siddha Peeta.

Meruvarddhanaswami Temple (Pandrethan Temple)

- Located 5 km from Srinagar, near the north of the Jhelum River.
- Features a shrine dedicated to Lord Shiva, enclosed by a waterhole.
- Impeccable ancient architecture with perfect geometry and symmetry.
- Unique ceiling design carved from a single piece of rock, pyramidal in shape and segregated into two parts.

Maa Jwala Temple, Khrew Pulwama

- Located on the Zabarwan Mountain range, 20 km from Srinagar.
- Reachable by 350 long devri stone steps.
- Architecture signifies fine Kashmiri culture.
- Dedicated to Goddess Jwala (Fire), Ishta Devi for many Kashmiri Pandits.
- Annual fair held in June or July where devotees offer Yellow Rice and Shooshnor to Goddess Jwala.

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Kheer Bhawani Temple

- Dedicated to the worship of Goddess Kheer Bhawani, situated near the village of Tula Mula, 14 miles east of Srinagar.
- Worship is universal among Hindus of Kashmir.
- Term "kheer" refers to the rice and milk pudding offered to the goddess.
- Goddess has many names: Maharagya Devi, Ragnya Devi, Rajni, Ragnya Bhagwati, etc.
- Built over a sacred spring with a marvelous marble temple and splendid architecture.
- Annual festival on the eighth day of the full moon in May or June.
- Belief that the color of the water in the lake changes according to the avatars of Goddess Kheer Bhawani.

Maa Sharda Devi Temple

- **Location and Accessibility:** Sharda Devi Temple is situated along the Line of Control (LoC) in the Teetwal area of north Kashmir's frontier Kupwara district. This newly constructed temple offers stunning views of the surrounding landscape and provides a serene atmosphere for visitors.
- **Historical Significance:** Sharda Devi Temple is dedicated to Goddess Sharda, also known as Saraswati, the goddess of knowledge and learning. Historically, this site was a significant center of learning and pilgrimage, attracting scholars and devotees from all over the region.
- **Architectural Marvel:** The architecture and construction of this temple have been meticulously done according to mythological scriptures under the aegis of Sharda Peeth. The temple's design reflects ancient architectural styles, providing visitors with a glimpse into the rich cultural heritage of the region.

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- **The Idol of Sharda Maa:** On the auspicious occasion of the first day of the Chaitra Navratri festival, the idol of Goddess Sharda was placed in the sanctum sanctorum of the newly constructed temple. The idol, donated by the Sringeri Math, adds to the spiritual ambiance of the temple.
- **Sharda Peeth Association:** The temple is associated with Sharda Peeth, one of the foremost ancient universities in the Indian subcontinent, akin to Nalanda and Taxila. This connection enhances the temple's importance as a center of knowledge and spirituality.
- **Main Sharda Peeth Temple:** The ancient temple of Sharda, one of the 18 Maha Shakti Peethas, lies in ruins in the Neelam Valley of Pak-occupied Kashmir. Believed to have been constructed during ancient times, this temple was a significant site for devotees and scholars.
- **Scenic Beauty:** Nestled amidst picturesque surroundings on the banks of the Kishanganga River, the temple offers breathtaking views and a tranquil environment. The serene location is perfect for meditation and reflection.
- **Spiritual Journey:** The journey to Sharda Devi Temple involves a challenging trek, making it a spiritually enriching experience for pilgrims. The trek through the lush green landscapes of north Kashmir adds to the adventure and allure of the visit.
- **Festivals and Rituals:** The temple hosts various festivals and rituals dedicated to Goddess Sharda. One of the most significant events is the annual Chaitra Navratri festival, attracting numerous devotees seeking blessings for knowledge and wisdom.
- **Cultural Heritage:** The temple holds a special place in the hearts of Kashmiri Pandits, many of whom have ancestral connections to the area. Visiting Sharda Devi Temple offers a unique opportunity to connect with the cultural and spiritual heritage of Kashmir.
- **Tourist Attraction:** Sharda Devi Temple is not only a place of worship but also a tourist attraction due to its historical significance, architectural beauty, and natural surroundings. Visitors can explore the ancient ruins, enjoy the scenic beauty, and experience the spiritual vibe of the temple.

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Whether you are a devotee, a history enthusiast, or a nature lover, Sharda Devi Temple offers a unique and enriching experience. The combination of spirituality, culture, and natural beauty makes it a must-visit destination in north Kashmir.

Sightseeing Places Basepoint Pahalgam

Pahalgam

- **Location:** Pahalgam, known as “The Valley of Shepherds”, is a town and a notified area committee in Anantnag district of Jammu & Kashmir.
- **Altitude:** Situated at an altitude of 7,200 feet (2,200 m) on the banks of the Lidder River.
- **Distance:** Located 45 kilometers (28 miles) from Anantnag.
- **Tourist Destination:** Popular for its scenic beauty and status as a hill station.
- **Amarnath Yatra:** Headquarters of one of the five tehsils of Anantnag district, Pahalgam is associated with the annual Amarnath Yatra. Chandanwari, 16 kilometers (9.9 miles) from Pahalgam, is the starting point of the yatra held every year in July-August.

Fruits Garden / Zawoora Village

- **Location:** On the way to Pahalgam, you'll find numerous apple orchards.
- **Spring Blossom Festival:** Held annually during the last week of March to the second week of April in Zawoora Village.

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- **Highlights:** Features a spring blossom of various fruits like cherry, almond, apricot, and peach. Includes exhibitions of local and exotic fruit varieties, high-density plantation technology, latest horticultural machinery, post-harvest products, and new varieties of fruit plants.
- **Apple Harvesting:** August is the harvesting season for apples, showcasing the region's rich fruit production.

Saffron Garden / Ladhoo Village / Pampore

- **Location:** Pampore, a major stopover for tourists, is about 13 kilometers from Srinagar.
- **Saffron Fields:** Known for its saffron fields, Pampore is one of the few places in the world where saffron is grown.
- **Saffron Facts:** One of the world's most costly spices by weight, with around 75,000 saffron blossoms needed to produce a single pound of saffron spice.
- **Visiting Time:** Best visited during autumn months when the flowers bloom, showcasing rows of purple flowers. A full moon night visit in autumn offers a breathtaking sight with the moonlight shining upon the purple blooms.

Bat Factory / Sethar Sangam

- **Location:** South Kashmir villages including Bijbehara, Charsoo, Hallamullaha, Sangam, Pujteng, Mirzapor, and Sethar.
- **Cricket Bat Manufacturing:** Known for cricket bat manufacturing, providing livelihood to hundreds of villagers.
- **Industrial Cluster:** Sethar Sangam in Anantnag is a notified industrial cluster for cricket bat manufacturing, with over 100 factories producing bats sold across the country and abroad.

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Avantipora Temple

- **History:** Founded by Avantivarman, the first king of the Utpala dynasty, who ruled Kashmir from 855 to 883 AD.
- **Temples:** Avantivarman built two Hindu temples in Awantipora – "Avantisvamin" dedicated to Vishnu and "Avantisvara" dedicated to Shiva.
- **Architecture:** Both temples were built in spacious rectangular paved courtyards and were later destroyed in the middle ages.
- **Excavation:** Excavated by archaeologist Daya Ram Sahni in the early 20th century.
- **Location:** Awantipora is opposite Pulwama city, on the banks of the river Jhelum, on the Jammu-Srinagar National Highway (NH 44).

Martand Sun Temple

- **Dedication:** A Hindu temple dedicated to Surya, the chief solar deity in Hinduism, built during the 8th century CE.
- **Historical Importance:** Built by Lalitaditya Muktapida, the third ruler of the Karkota Dynasty.
- **Ruins:** Now in ruins, the temple is located five miles from Anantnag.
- **Architecture:** Features a colonnaded courtyard with the primary shrine in the center, surrounded by 84 smaller shrines. The temple complex stretches 220 feet long and 142 feet broad.

Aru Valley

- **Location:** Aru Valley is located about 12 km from Pahalgam, upstream from the Lidder River.
- **Access:** Can be reached by walking or taxis along a mountain path.

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- **Scenic Beauty:** Noted for its meadows, lakes, and mountains. It is a picturesque village on the left bank of the Aru river, a tributary of the Lidder river.
- **Trekking Base:** Base camp for trekking to the Kolhoi Glacier, Tarsar Lake, Marsar Lake, and Herbaghwan Lake. Also, a base for treks to Lidderwat, Vishansar-Kishansar lakes, and Kangan.
- **Activities:** Popular for skiing, heliskiing, fishing, trekking, hiking, horse riding, sightseeing, and photography.
- **Special Feature:** Home to Jammu & Kashmir's biggest Fodder Seed Product Station.

Betaab Valley

- **Alternate Names:** Known locally as Hagoon or Hagan Valley.
- **Cinematic Fame:** Named after the Bollywood film "Betaab" starring Sunny Deol and Amrita Singh.
- **Location:** Northeast of Pahalgam, between Pahalgam and Chandanwari, en route to the Amarnath Yatra.
- **Scenic Landscape:** Surrounded by lush green meadows, snow-clad mountains, and dense vegetation.
- **Nearby Attractions:** Baisaran and Tulian Lake.
- **Camping and Trekking:** A favorite campsite for travelers and a base camp for trekking and mountain exploration.

Baisaran

- **Scenic Splendor:** Known as "mini-Switzerland" due to its scenic beauty.
- **Location:** About 5 kilometers from Pahalgam in Anantnag district.
- **Features:** A verdant meadow on a mountaintop flanked by snowcapped mountains and studded with thick pine woods.
- **Best Time to Visit:** January through March for snow experiences; April to June for foliage and pleasant weather.

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Lidderwat

- **Camping Site:** A beautiful campsite set among dense forests.
- **Trekking:** Starting point of the trek to the Sindh Valley. Aru Valley is the base point.

Kolohi

- **Trekking Base:** Base for a three-day return trek to the Kolhoi Glacier.
- **Largest Glacier:** Kolahoi is the largest glacier in the Kashmir Valley, located near Mt. Kolahoi (5425m), the highest peak in the Valley.
- **Hanging Glacier:** Situated up the Lidder Valley, just below Kolhoi Peak.
- **Access:** Reachable from Pahalgam via Aru.

Tarsar Lake

- **Location:** Accessible from Lidderwat.
- **Camping Sites:** Delightful camping sites and flower meadows at Sikiwas, 24 km from Pahalgam.
- **Nearby Marsar Lake:** Requires crossing a 243-meter high bridge to reach.

Tulian Lake

- **Altitude:** Situated at an altitude of 3353 meters.
- **Distance:** 11 kilometers from Baisaran.

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- **Features:** Snow-covered lake offering breathtaking views.

Chandanwari

- **Famous For:** Known for its snow bridge and as the base camp for the annual Amarnath Ji Yatra.
- **Mythological Significance:** Said to be where Lord Shiva released the Moon from his hairs (Jataon).
- **Location:** 16 km from Pahalgam.
- **Scenic Beauty:** Offers stunning scenic views.

Verinag

- **Location:** Situated at the foothill of the picturesque Pir Panjal mountain range in Anantnag district, south Kashmir.
- **Proximity:** Lies just below the entry point of Kashmir Valley after crossing Jawahar Tunnel.
- **Elevation:** Verinag is at an average elevation of 1,851 meters (6,076 feet).
- **Famous For:** Known for its beautiful spring and garden.
- **Historical Significance:** On the road to Jammu, Verinag is home to a spring of great importance and beauty, with deep blue water emerging from the base of a high mountain spur.
- **Mughal Architecture:** Emperor Jehangir built a pleasure garden and a summer house around the spring. An octagonal pavement surrounds the spring, showcasing Mughal architectural prowess.
- **Jehangir's Affection:** The Emperor was so captivated by Verinag's beauty that he wished to be buried there. He expressed that no other place could match the beauty of Verinag.
- **Gardens:** The gardens designed by Jehangir enhance the natural beauty of the spring, making it a must-visit for travelers.

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River Rafting in Lidder River

- **Ideal Locale:** The Lidder River in Pahalgam flows through rocky gorges, forests, flower-filled meadows, and high mountain villages, making it perfect for water adventures.
- **White Water Rafting:** Offers the thrill of conquering swift, swirling rapids as the river gushes past spectacular mountain scenery.
- **Upper Reaches:** Rafting is mainly practiced in the upper reaches where the water is wild and white, frothing and foaming as it crashes against narrow gorges and rocky outcrops.
- **Adventure:** The deep gradients and fast currents provide an exhilarating experience for adventure seekers.

Achabal Garden

- **Location:** Achabal Garden, also known as "the place of the princess," is located at the southeastern end of the Kashmir Valley in Achabal, Anantnag district, about 8 kilometers from Anantnag and around 60 kilometers from Srinagar city.
- **Mughal Masterpiece:** Achabal is one of the finest examples of Mughal style gardens, perfected in Kashmir.
- **Historical Significance:** Famous for its ancient spring surrounded by a terrace garden developed by the Mughals.
- **Royal Retreat:** Once the pleasure retreat of Mughal Empress Noor Jahan, it has its own special allure and character.
- **Beauty:** The garden's picturesque beauty makes it one of the best Mughal gardens in the Indian subcontinent.
- **Upper Portion:** Known as 'Bag-e-Begum Abad', developed by Malika Noor Jehan Begum in 1620 A.D.

Kokernag

- **Famous Spring:** Kokernag is renowned for its spring, which gushes out from the foot of a hill covered with evergreen pine trees.

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- **Terraced and Botanical Garden:** Features delicately maintained flower beds, pruned evergreen shrubs, and majestic Chinar trees.
- **Enchantment:** The music of the refreshing and appetizing running waters of the stream adds to the enchanting and mesmerizing ambiance.
- **Development:** The beautiful garden was developed during the rule of Bakhshi Ghulam Mohammad.
- **Tourism Infrastructure:** Tourist Development Corporation has constructed rest houses, tourist huts, and expanded other facilities to cater to visitors.

Shopping

- **Local Shopping:** After returning from sightseeing, indulge in some local shopping.
- **Items to Buy:**
 - **From Pahalgam:** Cricket bats, saffron, dry fruits (available at shops on the way).
 - **In Srinagar:** Handicrafts, shawls, carpets, clothes, fruits, and more unique local items.
- **Shopping Experience:** Enjoy the vibrant markets and take home some authentic Kashmiri products, which are perfect souvenirs of your trip.

These sightseeing places around Pahalgam offer a blend of natural beauty, historical significance, natural beauty, adventure, spiritual experiences and cultural heritage, making it a must-visit destination for tourists exploring Jammu & Kashmir.

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Sightseeing Places Basepoint Gulmarg

Gulmarg

- **Overview:** Gulmarg, meaning 'the meadow of flowers', is located 56 kilometers southwest of Srinagar. Known for its picturesque landscapes, it is a favorite destination for tourists.
- **Skiing and Snowboarding:** The slopes of Apharwat hills are among the highest ski slopes in Asia. The skiing season starts on December 25th and runs through March.
- **Heavy Snowfall:** Gulmarg receives some of the heaviest snowfall in the Himalayan region, making it a prime location for winter sports.
- **Gondola:** The Gulmarg Gondola is the highest cable car in the world, reaching an altitude of 13,400 feet at Apharwat peak.
- **Meadow and Activities:** Gulmarg is a small town with a large meadow in the center, surrounded by hotels, government residences, gondola, and shops. Popular tourist spots like Rani's temple, St. Mary's Church, Golf course, and Children's park are located in the meadow.
- **Infrastructure:** While Gulmarg boasts excellent snow quality, its infrastructure is not comparable to European ski resorts.

Gondola Ride

- **Primary Attraction:** The Gulmarg Gondola is the second-largest and tallest cable car installation in the world.
- **Family-Friendly:** Ideal for families, couples, and adventurers looking for the best skiing in winter.
- **Scenic Views:** Offers breathtaking views of the valley and mountains.

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- **Capacity:** Can carry six passengers at once and 600 passengers each hour.
- **Ride Details:**
 - **Phase I:** Takes 9 minutes from Gulmarg resort to Kongdori Station (2600 m) in the Kongdori Valley.
 - **Phase II:** Takes 12 minutes from Kongdori Station to Kongdori Mountain (3747 m), the shoulder of Apharwat Peak.
- **Operating Hours:** Open from 10 AM to 5 PM, depending on weather conditions.

St. Mary's Church

- **Historical Significance:** Constructed in the early 20th century during British rule, following British architectural style.
- **Architecture:** Reminiscent of Victorian Architecture with thick grey stone walls.
- **Location:** Situated in the middle of the meadow near the 18th hole of Gulmarg Golf Club.
- **Seasonal Beauty:** The church looks captivating both in winter with snow and in summer with lush green meadows.

Maharani Temple

- **Common Name:** Also known as the Shiv Temple of Gulmarg.
- **Historical Background:** Built by Hindu ruler Maharaja Hari Singh for his wife Maharani Mohini Bai Sisodia.
- **Dedication:** Dedicated to Lord Shiva and Parvati.
- **Location:** Situated on a slight hilltop, visible from all corners of Gulmarg, surrounded by greenery.

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Gulmarg Golf Course

- **Details:** One of the highest golf courses in the world.
- **Experience:** Offers a unique golfing experience with stunning views of the surrounding mountains.

Children's Park

- **Family-Friendly:** A popular spot for families with children.
- **Activities:** Offers various recreational activities and play areas for kids.

Rani Temple (Maharani Temple)

- **Location:** Located in the heart of Gulmarg.
- **Historical Significance:** Another historical site dedicated to the local rulers.

Gulmarg Biosphere Reserve

- **Location:** Situated around 48 km from Srinagar.
- **Flora and Fauna:** Known for its rich biodiversity, including species like the musk deer, snow leopard, red fox, and various birds.
- **Activities:** Ideal for nature walks, bird watching, and wildlife photography.

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Khilanmarg

- **Location:** About 6 km from Gulmarg.
- **Attractions:** Offers stunning views of the Himalayan ranges. In winter, it turns into a skiing field.
- **Activities:** Skiing in winter, picnicking, and enjoying the panoramic views.

Alpather Lake

- **Location:** Located 13 km from Gulmarg, at the foot of the Apharwat peaks.
- **Features:** A picturesque lake that remains frozen until late June.
- **Activities:** Popular trekking destination, especially for those who enjoy serene natural landscapes.

Tangmarg

- **Location:** About 13 km from Gulmarg.
- **Features:** A small town known for its lush green meadows and scenic beauty.
- **Activities:** Gateway to Gulmarg, offering local shopping and a tranquil environment.

Ferozpur Nallah

- **Location:** Between Gulmarg and Chinamarg.
- **Features:** A mountain stream known for its serene and beautiful surroundings.
- **Activities:** Popular spot for trout fishing and picnicking.

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Gulmarg Winter Festival

- **Event:** An annual event held during the winter season.
- **Activities:** Showcases local culture, music, and dance. Includes various winter sports like skiing, snowboarding, and ice skating.

Baba Reshi Shrine

- **Location:** About 5 km from Gulmarg.
- **Historical Significance:** A revered shrine dedicated to Baba Payamuddin, a Muslim saint.
- **Architecture:** Famous for its wooden architecture and peaceful surroundings.

Summary

Gulmarg offers a diverse range of attractions for visitors. Whether you're looking for adventure, natural beauty, or historical sites, this hill station has something for everyone. Enjoy activities like skiing, trekking, golf, and wildlife spotting, and make sure to visit the local temples and shrines to experience the cultural heritage of the region.

Sightseeing Places Basepoint Sonamarg

Thajiwas Glacier

- **Location:** Approximately 3 km from Sonamarg.

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- **Attractions:** A stunning glacier offering picturesque views of the snow-covered landscape.
- **Activities:** Trekking, sledging, and photography. Popular for pony rides to the glacier.

Vishansar Lake

- **Location:** About 20 km from Sonamarg.
- **Features:** An alpine lake surrounded by lush green meadows and snow-capped peaks.
- **Activities:** Trekking, fishing, and camping.

Krishansar Lake

- **Location:** Near Vishansar Lake, around 20 km from Sonamarg.
- **Features:** Another beautiful alpine lake, known for its clear blue waters.
- **Activities:** Trekking, fishing, and photography.

Zoji La Pass

- **Location:** About 9 km from Sonamarg.
- **Features:** A high mountain pass that connects Kashmir Valley to Ladakh.
- **Activities:** Adventure drives, snow biking, and enjoying panoramic views.

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Baltal Valley

- **Location:** Approximately 15 km from Sonamarg.
- **Features:** Base camp for the Amarnath Yatra.
- **Activities:** Camping and as a starting point for the trek to the Amarnath Cave.

Nilgrad River

- **Location:** Around 6 km from Sonamarg.
- **Features:** Known for its reddish-brown waters, believed to have medicinal properties.
- **Activities:** Picnicking, nature walks, and photography.

Gangbal Lake

- **Location:** Situated at the foot of Mount Harmukh.
- **Features:** A high-altitude lake with crystal clear waters, surrounded by meadows.
- **Activities:** Trekking, fishing, and camping.

Gadsar Lake

- **Location:** On the route from Sonamarg to the Great Lakes of Kashmir.
- **Features:** Known as the lake of flowers, surrounded by alpine flowers.
- **Activities:** Trekking and photography.

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Satsar Lake

- **Location:** Part of the Great Lakes trek.
- **Features:** A collection of seven small alpine lakes.
- **Activities:** Trekking and camping.

Yusmarg

- **Location:** Around 47 km from Sonamarg.
- **Features:** A scenic meadow surrounded by pine forests and snow-capped mountains.
- **Activities:** Trekking, pony rides, and nature walks.

Sarbal Village

- **Location:** Near Sonamarg.
- **Features:** A quaint village offering a glimpse of local culture and lifestyle.
- **Activities:** Cultural exploration, photography, and nature walks.

White River Rafting

- **Location:** On the Sindh River.
- **Features:** Offers thrilling white-water rafting experiences.
- **Activities:** Adventure rafting with varying levels of difficulty.

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Nichnai Pass

- **Location:** On the route to the Great Lakes of Kashmir trek.
- **Features:** A high mountain pass offering spectacular views.
- **Activities:** Trekking and photography.

Tabletop Mountain

- **Location:** Near Sonamarg.
- **Features:** A flat meadow on top of a hill, offering panoramic views of the surrounding peaks.
- **Activities:** Hiking, picnicking, and photography.

Sarbal Village

- **Location:** Near Sonamarg.
- **Features:** Traditional village showcasing the local culture and lifestyle.
- **Activities:** Cultural exploration and photography.

Thajwas Wildlife Sanctuary

- **Location:** Near Thajiwas Glacier.
- **Features:** Home to various species of flora and fauna.
- **Activities:** Wildlife spotting, trekking, and nature walks.

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Glacier View Point

- **Location:** Accessible from the main road in Sonamarg.
- **Features:** Offers stunning views of the surrounding glaciers and mountains.
- **Activities:** Sightseeing, photography, and enjoying the scenic beauty.

Baltal Cave

- **Location:** Near Baltal Valley.
- **Features:** A natural cave that serves as a resting point for trekkers.
- **Activities:** Trekking and exploration.

Summary

Sonamarg is rich in natural beauty and offers a wide range of activities for tourists. Whether you are interested in adventure sports like white-water rafting, trekking through high mountain passes, or simply enjoying the serene beauty of alpine lakes and meadows, Sonamarg has something to offer for everyone. With additional spots like White River Rafting, Nichnai Pass, Tabletop Mountain, and more, visitors can truly immerse themselves in the breathtaking landscapes and vibrant culture of this region.

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Sightseeing Places Basepoint Doodh Pathri

Tangnar

- **Location:** Near the entry point of Doodhpathri.
- **Features:** Beautiful spot surrounded by dense forests and rolling meadows.
- **Activities:** Photography, nature walks, and picnicking.

Mujpathri

- **Location:** A few kilometers from Doodhpathri.
- **Features:** A picturesque meadow by the banks of the Shaliganga River.
- **Activities:** Horse riding, picnicking, and enjoying the scenic beauty.

Palmaidan

- **Location:** Approximately 5 km from Doodhpathri.
- **Features:** A vast meadow with a beautiful view of the surrounding hills and dense pine forests.
- **Activities:** Picnicking, trekking, and photography.

Diskhal

- **Location:** Around 10 km from Doodhpathri.

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- **Features:** A tranquil spot with lush greenery and a pristine environment.
- **Activities:** Trekking, nature walks, and relaxing in nature.

Shaliganga River

- **Location:** Flows through Doodhpathri.
- **Features:** A clear, gurgling river that adds to the charm of Doodhpathri.
- **Activities:** Fishing, photography, and enjoying the natural surroundings.

Doodhpathri Meadow

- **Location:** The main attraction of Doodhpathri.
- **Features:** Expansive meadow known for its lush green grass and the milky-white water of the streams (hence the name "Doodhpathri" which means "Valley of Milk").
- **Activities:** Picnicking, horse riding, trekking, and photography.

Yusmarg

- **Location:** Approximately 47 km from Doodhpathri.
- **Features:** A serene meadow surrounded by pine forests and snow-capped mountains.
- **Activities:** Trekking, horse riding, and nature walks.

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Tosa Maidan

- **Location:** Around 16 km from Doodhpathri.
- **Features:** A large meadow used historically as a pasture and training ground by the armed forces.
- **Activities:** Trekking, camping, and photography.

Parhaimulla

- **Location:** Near Doodhpathri.
- **Features:** Known for its scenic beauty and calm environment.
- **Activities:** Nature walks, horse riding, and relaxation.

Liddermar Meadows

- **Location:** About 10 km from Doodhpathri.
- **Features:** Beautiful meadows with stunning views of the surrounding hills and forests.
- **Activities:** Trekking, nature walks, and picnicking.

Ahlan Gadhud

- **Location:** Around 8 km from Doodhpathri.
- **Features:** Known for its dense pine forests and scenic beauty.
- **Activities:** Hiking, nature walks, and bird watching.

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Panchari

- **Location:** Near Doodhpathri.
- **Features:** A small village known for its traditional Kashmiri culture and scenic surroundings.
- **Activities:** Cultural exploration, photography, and nature walks.

Sunset Point

- **Location:** Within Doodhpathri.
- **Features:** Offers a stunning view of the sunset over the meadows and mountains.
- **Activities:** Photography, relaxing, and enjoying the scenic beauty.

Handwara Meadows

- **Location:** Around 20 km from Doodhpathri.
- **Features:** Expansive meadows with breathtaking views of the surrounding landscapes.
- **Activities:** Horse riding, picnicking, and nature walks.

Summary

Doodhpathri is surrounded by several additional beautiful spots that enhance its appeal as a tourist destination. Places like Liddermar Meadows, Yusmarg, Ahlan Gadhud, and Panchari offer various activities such as trekking, nature walks, and

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cultural exploration. Whether you're looking for serene meadows, dense forests, or historical sites, the area around Doodhpathri provides a diverse range of attractions for visitors to enjoy.

Sightseeing Places Basepoint Gurez Valley

Habba Khatoon Peak

- **Location:** Near Dawar village.
- **Features:** Named after the famous Kashmiri poetess Habba Khatoon, the peak offers breathtaking views of the valley.
- **Activities:** Trekking, photography, and enjoying the scenic beauty.

Kishanganga River

- **Location:** Flows through the Gurez Valley.
- **Features:** A pristine river that adds to the valley's beauty.
- **Activities:** Fishing, riverside picnics, and nature walks.

Dawar

- **Location:** Main town in Gurez Valley.
- **Features:** Known for its charming wooden houses and serene environment.
- **Activities:** Exploring local culture, photography, and shopping for local handicrafts.

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Tulail Valley

- **Location:** Upstream from Dawar.
- **Features:** A remote and beautiful valley with lush green meadows and traditional wooden houses.
- **Activities:** Trekking, nature walks, and experiencing traditional Kashmiri lifestyle.

Razdan Pass

- **Location:** Entry point to Gurez Valley, approximately 3,300 meters above sea level.
- **Features:** Offers panoramic views of the surrounding mountains and valleys.
- **Activities:** Photography and enjoying the scenic drive.

Chakwali

- **Location:** A picturesque village in Tulail Valley.
- **Features:** Known for its traditional wooden architecture and stunning landscapes.
- **Activities:** Cultural exploration, photography, and trekking.

Sheikhpora

- **Location:** Near Dawar.
- **Features:** A charming village surrounded by beautiful landscapes.
- **Activities:** Nature walks and cultural exploration.

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Peer Baba Shrine

- **Location:** Near Dawar.
- **Features:** A revered religious site attracting devotees from the region.
- **Activities:** Pilgrimage and photography.

Army War Memorial

- **Location:** Near Dawar.
- **Features:** A memorial dedicated to the soldiers who lost their lives in the region.
- **Activities:** Paying respects and learning about the history of the area.

Khandiyal Top

- **Location:** Near Dawar.
- **Features:** Offers panoramic views of the entire Gurez Valley and surrounding mountains.
- **Activities:** Hiking, photography, and enjoying the scenic views.

Bagtore

- **Location:** In the upper reaches of the valley.
- **Features:** A remote village known for its untouched natural beauty.
- **Activities:** Trekking, nature walks, and exploring the traditional lifestyle.

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Izmarg

- **Location:** On the way to Gurez.
- **Features:** A small village with stunning views and serene surroundings.
- **Activities:** Picnicking, photography, and enjoying the natural beauty.

Fishing Points

- **Location:** Along the Kishanganga River.
- **Features:** Popular spots for trout fishing.
- **Activities:** Fishing, picnicking, and enjoying the riverside scenery.

Niru

- **Location:** A village in the upper reaches of the Gurez Valley.
- **Features:** Known for its traditional wooden houses and stunning natural beauty.
- **Activities:** Trekking, cultural exploration, and photography.

Kanzalwan

- **Location:** On the way to Tulail Valley.
- **Features:** A small village with breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains.
- **Activities:** Nature walks, photography, and exploring the local culture.

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Angaikoot

- **Location:** Near Dawar.
- **Features:** A picturesque village surrounded by lush green fields and mountains.
- **Activities:** Hiking, picnicking, and cultural exploration.

Wampora

- **Location:** Near Dawar.
- **Features:** A charming village known for its scenic beauty and traditional Kashmiri culture.
- **Activities:** Cultural exploration, nature walks, and photography.

Kilshey Village

- **Location:** In the upper reaches of Gurez Valley.
- **Features:** Offers stunning views of the valley and surrounding peaks.
- **Activities:** Trekking, picnicking, and experiencing the traditional lifestyle.

Sheikhpora Ridge

- **Location:** Above Sheikhpora village.
- **Features:** Provides panoramic views of the Gurez Valley and Habba Khatoon Peak.
- **Activities:** Hiking, photography, and bird watching.

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Markoot

- **Location:** Near the Razdan Pass.
- **Features:** A quaint village known for its picturesque landscapes and tranquility.
- **Activities:** Nature walks, photography, and exploring local culture.

Baduab

- **Location:** In the Tulail Valley.
- **Features:** A serene village surrounded by lush green meadows and high mountains.
- **Activities:** Trekking, horse riding, and enjoying the natural beauty.

Barnai

- **Location:** Near Dawar.
- **Features:** Known for its traditional wooden houses and beautiful surroundings.
- **Activities:** Cultural exploration, nature walks, and photography.

Baktore Village

- **Location:** Near the Line of Control.
- **Features:** Offers stunning views of the valley and is known for its serene environment.
- **Activities:** Trekking, exploring traditional Kashmiri lifestyle, and photography.

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Chorwan Village

- **Location:** Near the Kishanganga River.
- **Features:** A picturesque village with beautiful views of the river and mountains.
- **Activities:** Fishing, nature walks, and exploring local culture.

Dawar Wildlife Sanctuary

- **Location:** Near Dawar.
- **Features:** Home to various species of flora and fauna unique to the region.
- **Activities:** Wildlife spotting, trekking, and nature walks.

Gujran Village

- **Location:** Near Tulail Valley.
- **Features:** Known for its scenic beauty and traditional culture.
- **Activities:** Trekking, cultural exploration, and photography.

Summary

Gurez Valley offers a rich array of additional sightseeing spots for visitors. From the serene villages of Wampora and Kilshey to the panoramic views from Sheikhpura Ridge and Dawar Wildlife Sanctuary, there are numerous opportunities for cultural

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exploration, trekking, and nature walks. Each location provides a unique glimpse into the traditional Kashmiri lifestyle and the breathtaking natural beauty of the region.

Sightseeing Places Basepoint Yusmarg

Doodh Ganga River

- **Location:** Flows through Yusmarg.
- **Features:** Known for its milky white water, hence the name "Doodh Ganga" (Milk River).
- **Activities:** Fishing, picnicking by the riverbank, and nature walks.

Sang-e-Safed Valley

- **Location:** Near Yusmarg.
- **Features:** A beautiful meadow surrounded by dense forests and snow-capped peaks.
- **Activities:** Trekking, camping, and enjoying the scenic beauty.

Nilnag Lake

- **Location:** Approximately 4 km from Yusmarg.
- **Features:** A serene alpine lake surrounded by pine forests and meadows.

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- **Activities:** Trekking, fishing, and picnicking.

Charar-e-Sharief

- **Location:** About 13 km from Yusmarg.
- **Features:** A historic and religious town known for the shrine of Sheikh Noor-ud-din Noorani.
- **Activities:** Pilgrimage, exploring local culture, and photography.

Tosa Maidan

- **Location:** Approximately 20 km from Yusmarg.
- **Features:** A vast meadow used historically as a pasture and training ground by the armed forces.
- **Activities:** Trekking, camping, and photography.

Yusmarg Meadows

- **Location:** Within Yusmarg.
- **Features:** Expansive meadows surrounded by pine forests and mountains.
- **Activities:** Horse riding, picnicking, and nature walks.

Diskhal

- **Location:** Near Yusmarg.

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- **Features:** A tranquil spot with lush greenery and pristine surroundings.
- **Activities:** Trekking, nature walks, and relaxation.

Haigin Valley

- **Location:** Near Yusmarg.
- **Features:** Known for its beautiful landscapes and serene environment.
- **Activities:** Hiking, picnicking, and photography.

Drung Valley

- **Location:** Close to Yusmarg.
- **Features:** Offers stunning views of the surrounding mountains and forests.
- **Activities:** Nature walks, bird watching, and exploring the local flora and fauna.

Sunset Point

- **Location:** Within Yusmarg.
- **Features:** Provides a stunning view of the sunset over the meadows and mountains.
- **Activities:** Photography, relaxing, and enjoying the scenic beauty.

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Pakherpora Shrine

- **Location:** About 10 km from Yusmarg.
- **Features:** A revered shrine attracting devotees from the region.
- **Activities:** Pilgrimage and photography.

Padder Valley

- **Location:** Near Yusmarg.
- **Features:** Known for its serene landscapes and traditional Kashmiri culture.
- **Activities:** Trekking, cultural exploration, and photography.

Sand-e-Narayan Nag

- **Location:** Close to Yusmarg.
- **Features:** A beautiful spot with a small lake and lush greenery.
- **Activities:** Hiking, picnicking, and enjoying the natural beauty.

Lidu Village

- **Location:** Near Yusmarg.
- **Features:** A quaint village surrounded by meadows and forests.
- **Activities:** Exploring traditional Kashmiri lifestyle, nature walks, and photography.

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Yusmarg Waterfalls

- **Location:** Within Yusmarg.
- **Features:** Scenic waterfalls adding to the natural beauty of the region.
- **Activities:** Trekking, picnicking, and photography.

Magam Valley

- **Location:** Near Yusmarg.
- **Features:** Known for its picturesque landscapes and serene environment.
- **Activities:** Trekking, nature walks, and bird watching.

Summary

Yusmarg, often referred to as the "Meadow of Jesus," is a tranquil and picturesque destination in Kashmir. With its lush meadows, serene rivers, and beautiful valleys, it offers a perfect escape for nature lovers and adventure enthusiasts. Visitors can enjoy activities like trekking, fishing, horse riding, and picnicking while exploring the scenic beauty and cultural heritage of the region.

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Hotels to be used in Srinagar

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Type 6	Hotel From Rs 10000-15000	Hotel Downtown, Namrose Resort & Spa, Snowland Srinagar,
Type 7	Hotel From Rs 15000-25000	Radisson, Vintage, Sarovar Portico, Rah Bagh 4 Points by Sheraton, Fortune Resort, Heevan Srinagar, Orchard Retreat & Spas, Lemon Tree
Type 8	Hotel From Rs 25000-60000	The Lalit, Taj Vivanta Dal View

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Type	Category	Hotels
Type 1	Hotel Upto Rs 1000	On Request- Oyo Type Hotels/Guest House/Lodge/Dharmshalas/Dormitory/Camping/
Type 2	Hotel From Rs 1000-2000	On Request- Oyo Type Hotels/Guest House/Lodge/Dharmshalas/Dormitory/Camping/
Type 3	Hotel From Rs 2000-3000	On Request- Oyo Type Hotels/Guest House/Lodge/Dharmshalas/Dormitory/Camping/

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Type	Category	Hotels
Type 4	Hotel From Rs 3000-5000	Little Silver Pahalgam, Green Orchid, Pahalgam Resort & Cottages, Green Top Resort, Oswal Cottage, Hotel Tulyan & Nathu Rasoi, Kashmir House Pahalgam
Type 5	Hotel From Rs 5000-10000	Pahalgam Retreat, Paristaan, Sun & Snow, Hotel Outlook, Hotel Fifth Season, Hotel Wood Stock, Alpine K2, Fresh Water Resort, Hotel Baisaran
Type 6	Hotel From Rs 10000-15000	Hotel Heevan, , Mount View, Hotel Lidder Spring Resort, Chinar Resort & Spa
Type 7	Hotel From Rs 15000-25000	Kolahoi, Hermitage by Grand, Pine Spring , Royal Hilton
Type 8	Hotel From Rs 25000-60000	Radisson Golf Resort, ITC Pine & Peak, Pahalgam Hotel

Hotels to be used in Gulmarg

Type	Category	Hotels
Type 1	Hotel Upto Rs 1000	On Request- Oyo Type Hotels/Guest House/Lodge/Dharmshalas/Dormitory/Camping/
Type 2	Hotel From Rs 1000-2000	On Request- Oyo Type Hotels/Guest House/Lodge/Dharmshalas/Dormitory/Camping/

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Type	Category	Hotels
Type 3	Hotel From Rs 2000-3000	On Request- Oyo Type Hotels/Guest House/Lodge/Dharmshalas/Dormitory/Camping/
Type 4	Hotel From Rs 3000-5000	Apple Tree Resort, Green Park Hotel, The Villagio, Shabnam Resorts, Himalaya Discover Resort
Type 5	Hotel From Rs 5000-10000	Royal Park, Gulmarg Meadows, Pine View, Hotel Signature
Type 6	Hotel From Rs 10000-15000	Royal Castle, Alpine Ridge, Rosewood Hut, Roseland Cottage, Welcome Hotel Gulmarg, Maharaja Hari Singh Palace, Pine Palace, Hotel Nedou's
Type 7	Hotel From Rs 15000-25000	Kolahoi, Grand Mumtaz, Pine Spring, Hill Top, Shaw Inn, Heevan Retreat, Hotel Highland Park, Afarwat, The Vintage Gulmarg
Type 8	Hotel From Rs 25000-60000	The Khyber Himalayan Resort & Spa

Hotels to be used in Sonamarg

Type	Category	Hotels
Type 1	Hotel Upto Rs 1000	On Request- Oyo Type Hotels/Guest House/Lodge/Dharmshalas/Dormitory/Camping/
Type 2	Hotel From Rs	On Request- Oyo Type Hotels/Guest House/Lodge/Dharmshalas/Dormitory/Camping/

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Type	Category	Hotels
	1000-2000	
Type 3	Hotel From Rs 2000-3000	On Request- Oyo Type Hotels/Guest House/Lodge/Dharmshalas/Dormitory/Camping/
Type 4	Hotel From Rs 3000-5000	Sonamarg Palace, Villa Himalaya Boutique Resort, Thajwass Glacier
Type 5	Hotel From Rs 5000-10000	Glacier Heights, Snow Land, Imperial Resort, Sonmarg Glacier, Divine inn ,The Villa Himalaya, Namrose Resort
Type 6	Hotel From Rs 10000-15000	Rah Villas, Pine Spring, Arco Hotels
Type 7	Hotel From Rs 15000-25000	Village Walk, Country Inn Suites, Tranquil Retreat, Sindh Resort
Type 8	Hotel From Rs 25000-60000	Sultan Resort or Similar

Houseboats to be used in Srinagar

Category	Houseboats
Standard	Mother India Super Deluxe Houseboat or Similar

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Category	Houseboats
Deluxe	Mother India Super Deluxe Houseboat or Similar
Premium	Mother India Super Deluxe Houseboat or Similar
Luxury	Mughal Sheraton Group of Houseboats Dal Lake / ITC Gurkha Houseboat Nageen Lake
Ultra Luxury	Sukoon/ Mughal Sheraton Group of Houseboats Dal Lake / ITC Gurkha Houseboat Nageen Lake

Activities in Kashmir

Sightseeing

- Explore scenic spots like Dal Lake, Shalimar Bagh, Nishat Bagh, and Mughal Gardens.
- Visit historical sites such as Shankaracharya Temple and Pari Mahal.

Trekking

- Popular trekking routes include the Great Lakes Trek, Kolhoi Glacier Trek, and Aru Valley Trek.

Skiing and Snowboarding

- Gulmarg is renowned for its skiing and snowboarding opportunities, with slopes suitable for all levels.

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Houseboat Stay

- Experience staying in traditional houseboats on Dal Lake and Nigeen Lake.

Shikara Rides

- Enjoy peaceful Shikara rides on Dal Lake, offering views of floating gardens and houseboats.

Gondola Ride

- Ride the Gulmarg Gondola, the highest cable car in the world, offering stunning views of the Himalayas.

River Rafting

- Adventure rafting on the Lidder River in Pahalgam and the Sindh River in Sonamarg.

Fishing

- Trout fishing in the rivers and lakes of Pahalgam and Sonamarg.

Golfing

- Play golf at the highest golf course in the world, the Gulmarg Golf Course.

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Camping

- Camp in picturesque locations like Yusmarg, Sonamarg, and Pahalgam.

Wildlife Safaris

- Explore Dachigam National Park, home to the endangered Hangul deer and a variety of bird species.

Horse Riding

- Popular in locations like Pahalgam, Gulmarg, and Sonamarg.

Shopping

- Shop for traditional Kashmiri handicrafts, pashmina shawls, saffron, and dry fruits in local markets.

Paragliding

- Experience paragliding in locations like Sonamarg and Gulmarg, offering aerial views of the stunning landscapes.

Pilgrimage

- Visit religious sites like Amarnath Cave, Kheer Bhawani Temple, and Hazratbal Shrine.

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Photography

- Capture the breathtaking landscapes, vibrant culture, and serene beauty of Kashmir.

Summary

Kashmir offers a diverse range of activities for tourists, from adventure sports like skiing and river rafting to serene experiences like Shikara rides and houseboat stays. Visitors can explore historical sites, enjoy nature treks, indulge in local shopping, and immerse themselves in the region's rich cultural and natural beauty.

Distance Chart- Note Actual distance may vary, excuse for any error.

Distances from Srinagar

Distance (km)	Sightseeing Places	Description
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Distance (km)	Sightseeing Places	Description
0	Srinagar	Main city
0	Dal Lake	Famous lake with houseboats and Shikara rides
0	Shikara Ride	Popular boat rides on Dal Lake
6	Hari Parbat Fort	Historic fort with panoramic views
14	Shankaracharya Temple	Hilltop temple dedicated to Lord Shiva
8	Badamwari	Garden famous for almond blossoms
5.5	Tulip Garden	Largest tulip garden in Asia
5	Botanical Garden	Garden with a vast collection of plants
9	Pari Mahal	Seven-terraced garden with historic significance
7	Chashma Shahi	Mughal garden with natural spring
9	Nishat Bagh	Mughal garden on the eastern side of Dal Lake
12	Shalimar Bagh	Mughal garden built by Emperor Jahangir
4	Lal Chowk	Historic square known for political events
7	Nigeen Lake	Lake known for its pristine waters
19	Harwan Garden	Garden with a canal and Chinar trees
22	Dachigam National Park	National park with diverse wildlife
5	Zeashta Devi Shrine, Zaethyar	Temple with mythological significance
1	Durga Nag Temple	Temple known for its holy spring

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Distance (km)	Sightseeing Places	Description
5	Meruvarddhanaswami Temple (Pandrethan Temple)	Ancient temple dedicated to Lord Shiva
20	Maa Jwala Temple, Khrew Pulwama	Temple dedicated to Goddess Jwala
30	Kheer Bhawani Temple	Temple dedicated to Goddess Kheer Bhawani
95	Pahalgam	Hill station and base for Amarnath Yatra
12	Fruits Garden / Zawoora Village	Known for exotic fruit blossoms
17	Saffron Garden / Ladhoo Village / Pampore	Famous for saffron fields
15	Bat Factory / Sethar Sangam	Known for cricket bat manufacturing
30	Avantipora Temple	Ancient temple ruins
65	Martand Sun Temple	Ruins of a temple dedicated to Surya (Sun God)
68	Verinag	Spring and garden built by Emperor Jehangir

Distances from Pahalgam

Distance (km)	Sightseeing Places	Description
0	Pahalgam	Main town
12	Aru Valley	Scenic meadow and trekking base
8	Betaab Valley	Lush green valley named after Bollywood film
5	Baisaran	Meadow known as "mini-Switzerland"
12	Lidderwat	Beautiful camping site

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Distance (km)	Sightseeing Places	Description
12	Kolohi	Base for trek to Kolohi Glacier
12	Tarsar Lake	Alpine lake with camping sites
16	Tulian Lake	Snow-covered lake at high altitude
16	Chandanwari	Starting point for Amarnath Yatra
2	River Rafting in Lidder River	Adventure activity on the Lidder River
46	Achabal	Mughal garden with water features
65	Kokernag	Famous for gardens and springs

Distances from Gulmarg

Distance (km)	Sightseeing Places	Description
0	Gulmarg	Main town
1.5	Gondola Ride	Cable car ride offering scenic views
0	Golf Course	Highest golf course in the world
0	Skiing Area	Popular destination for skiing
0	St. Mary's Church	Historic church in Gulmarg
0	Maharani Temple	Temple with beautiful views of the valley

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Distances from Sonamarg

Distance (km)	Sightseeing Places	Description
0	Sonamarg	Main town
0	Thajiwas Glacier	Popular trekking destination
0	Vishansar Lake	Alpine lake with stunning views
0	Krishnasar Lake	Another beautiful alpine lake
0	Zoji La Pass	High mountain pass
0	Baltal	Base camp for Amarnath Yatra

Main Destinations from Srinagar

Distance (km)	Destination
95	Pahalgam
45	Doodhpathri
80	Sonamarg
50	Gulmarg
266	Jammu

This table provides an overview of key distances from Srinagar, Pahalgam, Gulmarg, and Sonamarg to various sightseeing places and main destinations.

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- 50% of the package cost is required at the time of booking.
- The remaining balance is due 30 days before arrival.

Bank Details

- **Account Name:** Ambraoleia Hospitality Pvt Ltd
- **Bank:** ICICI Bank
- **Account Number:** 072005000765
- **IFSC Code:** ICIC0000720

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- **Cancellation Policy:**
 - Booking amount is 50 % and is nonrefundable irrespective of the circumstances. Remaining balance due payment 30 days before arrival.
 - Before 60 days: Full refund except Booking amount of 50%.
 - GST, monument/garden entry charges, non-refundable air tickets (if any), and Gondola charges are non refundable.
 - 0-60 days: No refund.

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- No credit.
- All payments must be made in advance.
- All cancellation to be accepted by written mail through the booked email id only. On phone /whatsapp /Oral no cancellation shall be accepted.

Useful Points

- **Luggage:** Please carry limited luggage for your trip. Hotels/houseboats may deny storing your luggage in their cloakroom due to limited space or you may keep on additional charges Rs 500 per luggage Per day upto 20 kg.
- **Room Sharing:** Rooms are on double /triple sharing. One person can be added in a double room as triple occupancy. An extra person will get a mattress or roll-away bed in their room or in some places extra bed or rollaway bed may not be available.
- **Shikara Ride:** Four people can sit in a Shikara at a time charges are additional per hour basis as fixed by J&k govt..
- **Cameras & Mobiles:** Not allowed inside temples. It is advisable not to carry them during temple visits.
- **Hand Baggage:** Hand baggage might not be allowed inside the aircraft (Srinagar Airport) due to security reasons. Only jewelry and laptops are allowed as cabin baggage, and rules may change from time to time.
- **Airport Arrival:** Guests need to reach the airport 3 to 4 hours prior to departure due to security checks, long queues, and multiple checkpoints at Srinagar airport.
- **Hotel Check-In:** Hotels may ask for an advance/security deposit at check-in. This amount is refunded at check-out, minus any charges (e.g., mini-bar items, late check-out, or damages).
- **Check-In/Check-Out:** Early check-in and late check-out depend on the hotel's policy. Confirm with the reception upon arrival. Extra charges may apply if not adhered to.
- **Mobile Connectivity:** Only postpaid connections work in Jammu & Kashmir.

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- **Gulmarg Transportation:** Our cab will drop you at the Gulmarg parking area. From there, the Gondola is 1.5 km away, reachable by pony (direct payment) or by walking.
- **Gulmarg Sightseeing:** No vehicles are allowed for sightseeing in Gulmarg. Guests need to hire ponies, sledges, or snow bikes on extra payment directly.
- **Cable Car Ride:** Chargeable for children 2 years and above. Seats are allotted by local authorities, and we cannot guarantee all seats in a single car.
- **Winter Travel:** Due to Heavy Snow fall during winters (Dec to Feb)) the guest needs to hire chained vehicle (max capacity is 5 to 7 pax each vehicle) from Tangmarg to Gulmarg (12Kms)and the charges may vary from Rs 2000 to Rs 3000 each vehicle(to be paid directly by the guest).
- **Pony Rides:** Pony rides in Pahalgam (Baisaran, Aru Valley, Betaab Valley, Dabyan, Kolahoi Lake), Sonamarg (Thajwas Glacier, lake), and Gulmarg (Kongdoori) cost ₹1,000 to ₹5,000 per pony (to be paid directly).
- **Saffron Fields:** Visible from October 15 to November 15. Dates may vary by 1-2 weeks.
- **Tulip Garden:** Visible from March 25 to April 15. Dates may vary by 1-2 weeks.
- **Pahalgam Local Transport:** Guests need to hire local taxis for Chandanwari, Baisaran, Aru Valley, and Betaab Valley, costing ₹2,000 to ₹2,500 per vehicle (6-7 pax capacity).
- **AC in Hill Areas:** AC will not work in hill areas even if included in the tour. AC will also not work from September 15 to March 15 due to the winter season.
- **Heater-** Room Heater charges are additional during winter season and can be paid directly to the hotel
- **Room Decoration for Honeymoon- Some hotels don't do room decoration due to their policy and some allow.** For Honeymoon couples room decoration charges, candle lit dinner, or any additional services are chargeable and can be paid directly to the hotel upon putting advance request to the hotel.
- **Force Majeure:** No refund will be provided in case of curfew, landslides, war, terror attacks, or any force majeure situations causing trip cancellation.
- **Weather-Related Route Changes:** Alternate sightseeing arrangements may be made depending on feasibility.

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- **Hotel Meals:** Meals are buffet-style. À la carte menu options are not available.
- **Meal Inclusions:** Most packages include breakfast only, Dinner & Lunch not included until mentioned. Generally guests prefer lunch to arrange it during sightseeing and for Dinner you can ask us or to the hotel on additional charges.
- **Queries:** Please contact us for any queries before booking your trip.
- **Compensation:** If we compensate for any unused services, it will be in the form of a credit note, not cash or bank transfer.
- **Extra Payment:** If you pay extra by mistake, a credit note will be provided for the extra amount. No cash or transfer will be made under any circumstances.
- **Credit Note Validity:** Credit notes are valid for 365 days from the date of issue. They can be used for similar trips or as decided by us.
- **Agreement:** Booking the tour means you and all your group members agree to our Terms & Conditions.

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