



# ***SPITI WINTER SNOW LEOPARD TOUR***

To brave the biting cold of Spiti in a winter to catch a glimpse of this elusive feline is absolutely worthwhile. Spiti is a natural haven for the elusive Snow Leopard - the foremost Himalayan predator. As the landscape transforms during winter, this feline follows its prey down to lower altitudes, making the harsh Himalayan winter the best time to spot this majestic creature. Kibber Wildlife Sanctuary, situated between the quaint villages of Kibber and Chicham in Spiti, will be our base while we go out scouring ridges, valleys, and streams. You will be accompanied by an experienced local wildlife guide and spotters/scanners for support.

**Please Note:** This expedition does not require you to have the fitness levels of an athlete or those required for some other Himalayan treks.

## **DETAILED ITINERARY**

### **DAY 1: CHANDIGARH ARRIVAL - THANEDAR**

**Driving Distance:** 175 km in approx 5 hours

**Resting altitude:** 2400 m

**Highest altitude:** 2800 m

We start our journey from Chandigarh and quickly hit the Himalayan foothills eventually reaching the busy city of Shimla, capital of the Indian state of Himachal Pradesh. After tackling the traffic of and hustle of Shimla we drive 75 km further to our final destination for the day at Thanedar.



### **DAY 2: THANEDAR – KALPA**

**Driving Distance:** 160 km in approx 8 hours

**Resting altitude:** 2400 m above sea

**Highest altitude:** 3000 m

We drive further up and enter the steep mountains of Kinnaur, driving along the Sutlej River and past the numerous hydel power stations that have been built over it. The day's journey comes to a stop in Kalpa, a high point with uninterrupted views of the Kinner Kailash Massif. For non-Indians, this is also where we'll get an ILP (Inner Line Permit) processed.

### DAY 3: KALPA – NAKO – TABO – KAZA

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**Driving Distance: 250 km in approx 10 hours**

**Highest altitude: 4200 m**

Today's drive will take you through dramatically changing landscapes. More so, once you start climbing from the confluence of Spiti and Sutlej rivers at Khab. The highest point of the day will be Mallin Nallah from where we'll descend to the check post at Sumdo, marking our arrival in Spiti. We stop at Kaza; 500 m lower than Chicham & Kibber, an ideal place to acclimatise before going further.



### DAY 4: KAZA – CHICHAM

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**Highest altitude: 4200 m**

An hour's drive from Kaza will take us to our final destination in Spiti, Chicham. This will be our base over the next few days to go out into the Kibber Wildlife Sanctuary to find Snow Leopards and more. The road will take you past Key Monastery and over Chicham Bridge before finally arriving in Chicham.



### DAY 5 - 9: CHICHAM / KIBBER NEXT 5 DAY

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**Highest altitude: 4300 m**

Located at 4200 metres above sea level, Chicham is a part of Kibber Wildlife Sanctuary which has a thriving population of Snow Leopards. Chicham will act as our base for the coming week, as we venture out seeking the elusive Snow Leopard, and more.







## DAY 10: CHICHAM / KIBBER – RAMPUR

**Driving Distance: 330km in approx 11 hours**

**Starting altitude: 4200 m above sea**

**Highest altitude: 4300 m**

**Resting Altitude: 950 m**

Time to make our way home. The drive back to Chandigarh will be made in two days with an overnight halt at Rampur. The return to the more habitable temperatures will soon become apparent as we continue to lose altitude on our way back.

## DAY 11: RAMPUR – CHANDIGARH

**Driving Distance: 230km in approx 7 hours**

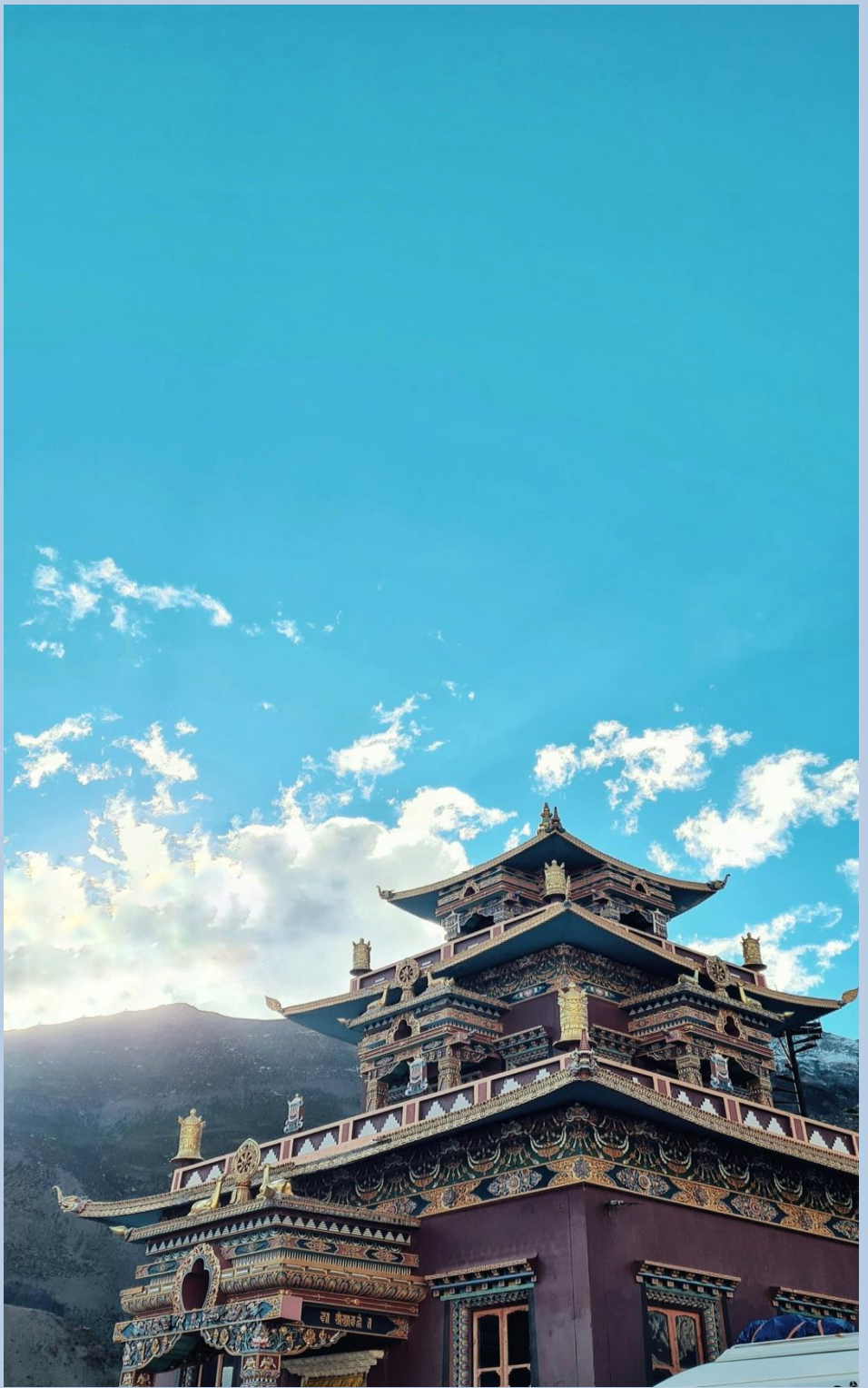
Today, after breakfast, checkout from the hotel and drive to Chandigarh. We will drop you at the Chandigarh Railway Station/ Airport. Return home while recalling all the memorable moments of your exotic trip...











## **What is included?**

- Accommodation for 10 nights on Double / Triple Sharing
- Ex-Chandigarh transportation in an MUV with snow-tyre-chains & a local 4 x 4 Jeep for movement within the Kibber WLS on spotting days
- Stay , Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner – from dinner on Day 01 to breakfast on Day 11.
- Refreshments when out spotting.
- Wildlife permits and sanctuary entry fees
- Local wildlife guide & team of spotters Private porter for each client on safari
- Drinking water
- Comprehensive First-aid.

## **What is NOT included?**

- Cost involved in changing of itinerary due to natural calamity or unfavourable weather conditions, medical emergency, political unrest or any other unintentional and unforeseen situation
- Any airfare
- Hotels in Chandigarh before and after the trip if any
- Any kind of personal expenses or optional tours, extra meals, alcoholic drinks and beverages ordered
- Guest insurance, laundry and phone calls
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- Camera and lens fees if any
- Tips and gratuities
- Anything that is not included in the inclusions list
- All applicable taxes

## **Payment Terms**

- 100% of the Tour fee as advance for confirmation of participation for the Tour.

## **Cancellation Terms**

- 50% of the Tour fee on or before 90 days to the day of the Tour
- 100% of the Tour fee between 89 days to the day of the Tour

**Kindly Note: Cancellation requests are not taken over phone. Please e-mail us.**

**Per Person Price: INR 1, 38,000 + 5% GST Extra**  
**Group size: 4 to 8 PAX**

## Payment Option

**Beneficiary Name:** UNEXPLORED HIMACHAL  
**Bank Name:** STATE BANK OF INDIA  
**Account Type:** Current  
**Account Number:** 39012900760  
**IFSC Code:** SBIN0017803

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