

## The Grand Dragon Ladakh Package for Maharaja Club members

**Cost of Package for TWO adults [double occupancy] -  
Valid from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2024 – 30<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

The package includes accommodation for 4 Nights / 5 days in a selected room with breakfast and dinner, sightseeing in Leh, an excursion to Khardung La and a picnic by the river Indus.

**PREMIER HERITAGE Room INR 1,39,750/- (Inclusive of GST)**

- \* Mountain View room with floor heating in both the room and washroom.
- \* 42" LED TV.
- \* Air Conditioning.
- \* Tea & Coffee maker.
- \* Hotel made cookies in the room upon arrival.
- \* Daily turndown service in the evening with chocolates.

**LUXURY Room INR 1,59,750/- (Inclusive of GST)**

- \* Newly renovated rooms with floor heating in both the room and washroom.
- \* Stok Kangri & Khardung La snow peak view.
- \* 55" LED TV.
- \* Large 3 Fixture bathroom.
- \* Parquet Wooden Flooring.
- \* Air Conditioning.
- \* Nespresso Coffee Machine.
- \* Hotel made cookies, dry fruits and fresh fruits in the room upon arrival.
- \* Daily turndown service in the evening with chocolates.
- \* Pillow menu & mist upon request.
- \* Humidifier in room upon request.

**Extra Person sharing with same room charge will INR 21,100.00 (Inclusive of GST)**

### Day wise Itinerary, Inclusions, Exclusions and Policy:

**Duration:** 04 Nights / 05 Days with Breakfast and Dinner

## ITINERARY

### Day 01: Arrival Leh

Arrival at Leh airport. Collect baggage and meet up with The Grand Dragon Ladakh airport representative. Transfer to the hotel which is just a 5-10 minute drive from the airport. Enjoy a traditional welcome.

Check-in and savour a hot breakfast, after which you will be escorted to your room.

Relax and enjoy the glorious view of the snow-capped Khardung La or the Stok Kangri mountain range. Spend the rest of the day in the hotel as it is important to get acclimatised, after all you are at 3500 m above mean sea level! In the evening take a short drive to the local bazaar in Leh. Overnight at The Grand Dragon hotel in Leh.

### Day 02: Leh – Sham region – Leh

After breakfast, drive towards the Hall of Fame Museum (it was established as a homage for the martyrs of Kargil war), Sangam (Confluence of Zaskar & Indus Rivers) and Patthar Sahib Gurudwara. Later, in the evening visit the Shanti Stupa, Leh Market, Leh Palace, known as 'Lachen Palkhar'. Overnight at The Grand Dragon Ladakh.

**Ladakh Hall of Fame:** The Hall of Fame is a glorious museum built and maintained by the Indian Army in honour of India's brave soldiers who sacrificed their lives defending the nation during the Indo-Pak wars. You can see memorabilia, including images of eminent defence personalities with biographies and weapons used during the Kargil and other key strategic battles fought in Ladakh along with belongings and weaponry of the enemy soldiers found at the war site. It instils a sense of pride and is a must visit for all who visit Ladakh.

**Magnetic Hill:** Defying the Law of gravity. This place is close to the Gurudwara Shri Patthar Sahib. It has been noticed that when a vehicle is parked on neutral gear on this metallic road the vehicle slides up-hill that's the *Believe it or Not* of Ladakh!

**Confluence of The Zaskar & Indus:** On the way to Sham Valley before Nimu village one can enjoy a spectacular view of two rivers- the Indus and the Zaskar in wed-lock! They change colours through the seasons and in the winter they are at their brightest cerulean blue. Experience the scenic beauty whilst sipping a hot cuppa tea/coffee.

### Day 03: Monastery tour and Picnic near Indus River

After a hearty breakfast, get set for the day to explore Ladakh's unique monasteries [Gompas] and a picnic lunch by the river Indus. Overnight at The Grand Dragon Ladakh.

**Hemis Gompa:** The largest and the most important of all monasteries in Ladakh, this Tibetan Buddhist monastery of Drukpa lineage of Buddhism [also known as Dragon Order of Mahayana Buddhism] was re-established in 1672 by the Ladakhi King Sengge Namgyal. Located on the bank of the river Indus, Hemis Monastery has beautiful architecture and one can pay homage to the two large statues of Lord Buddha and Guru Rimpoche. There's also a museum that exhibits a large collection of Tibetan books, thankas, gold statues, chortens embedded with valuable stones, carriers, weapons, and several ancient Buddhist relics, reflective of the region's rich culture. According to a legend, and even the Russian journalist Nicolas Notovitch (1894), this was where Christianity met with Buddhism as Jesus had travelled to the Hemis monastery during his Lost Years. The annual Hemis festival in early June/July and a vibrant celebration in honour of Lord Padmasambhava is a landmark event in the Ladakhi calendar and a draw for the spiritual and travellers alike.

**Thiksey Gompa:** 19 Kms from Leh, spectacularly sited, Thiksey is one of the largest and architecturally most impressive gompas. This 12-storey Tibetan-style structure resembles the Potala Palace of Tibet and is situated atop a hill that overlooks the Indus valley set against the magnificent backdrop of the Stok mountains. There are several temples in this gompa, containing exquisite images, stupas, thangkas and wall paintings of Buddha. One of the most popular attractions in the monastery is the Maitreya Temple with its 15 metre (49 ft) tall statue of Maitreya Buddha in a Lotus position and one of the largest statues in Ladakh covering two floors of the building. The monastery is also known for the Thiksey Gustor Festival that is held on 17th, 18th and 19th day of the 9th month of the Tibetan lunar calendar every year.

**Shey Palace and Gompa:** Situated on a hillock 15 Kms upstream from Leh, it was once the residence of the royal family. Shey was once the summer capital of Ladakh. According to tradition, it was the seat of power of the pre-Tibetan era. A 7.5 mts high copper statue of the seated Shakyamuni Buddha, plated with gold and the largest of its kind, is installed here.

### Day 04: Excursion to Khardung-la Pass

**Khardung-la Pass:** The Khardung La pass (one of the highest motorable roads in the world) 18,390 ft. around 39 Kms. from Leh is the gateway to Nubra valley and the Siachen Glacier. There are two check points on both sides of the pass. Khardung is the first village of Nubra valley at higher altitude than Diskit and other villages. The excursion makes for a thrilling and fascinating drive with panoramic views of Leh and mountainscapes.

Return to Leh in the afternoon and feel free to explore the local market. Back at the hotel, set yourself for an evening with bonfire and BBQ on the hotel terrace.

## Day 05: Airport Departure

It's time to say farewell to Ladakh. The hotel team will arrange your transfer to the airport to fly back, carrying memories of 4 days in Ladakh that will live with you for a lifetime. Bon voyage. Julley!

### Terms & Condition (with general information):

- If you have been confirmed an airport pick-up, please look for The Grand Dragon Ladakh paging board on your arrival at the airport.
- In keeping with the heightened security procedures, all guests MUST carry a Government Approved photo-identity with address proof to present at Check In and for foreign nationals required to present Passport and valid visa. India nationals can present any one of the following: Passport, Driving licence, Voter Id card, Aadhar Card or Bank Passbook with Photograph.
- Our Standard Check-In time is 12:00 pm and Check Out time is 10:00 Hrs Local Time.
- To avoid high altitude sickness Diamox tablets can be taken prior to coming to Leh but only after consulting with your doctor.
- Once you land in Leh Kindly wear a jacket to avoid high altitude sickness.
- Only Airtel, JIO and BSNL postpaid connectivity will work in Leh.
- Please note we don't recommend a child below 5 years old to travel to Leh Ladakh.

### Package Excludes:

- Price does not Include Airfare.
- Other personal expenses like Laundry, telephone and soft/hard drinks.

### Package Inclusions:

- Traditional Welcome Tea / Coffee and breakfast will be served on arrival.
- Dry Fruits and Hotel made cookies in the room on arrival.
- Daily Buffet Breakfast and Dinner.
- Accommodation on double occupancy in a room as per selection.
- All 04 Nights at The Grand Dragon Ladakh.
- Free broadband Wi-Fi.
- Transportation for all sightseeing places as per the itinerary by Crysta Innova.
- While sightseeing Oxygen Cylinder, Tea/Kehwa and mineral water in the car.

Note: Visit to Khardungla Pass is subject to weather conditions. Please carry your valid ID proof for permit. PAN Cards are not acceptable.