



11 Days

24th January to 3rd February 2025



Snow Leopards of Ladakh

Something interesting happens in India's Himalayan foothills in January and February. Heavy snowfall in the high Himalayas forces Ibex, Bharal and other wildlife into the low country...and the Snow Leopards follow!

This is a unique opportunity to view this most remote and rarest of the big feline carnivores.

Day 14 of our Essential India includes a night in Delhi and day 15 is day 1 below. If your not doing Essential India you will need to arrive in India a day early.

Day 1 – Delhi to Chandigarh

After our breakfast, we drive to Chandigarh.

Upon arrival check-in to our hotel,
followed by some sightseeing later after lunch.

Overnight at : Park Plaza or similar

Day 2: Chandigarh–Narkanda

After our breakfast, we drive to Narkanda and we cover about 6 hours on the road with a couple of stops for photos.

Overnight at : Hotel Little Panda or similar

Day 3: Narkanda–Ralli, Kinnaur

After our breakfast, we drive to Ralli. You will only get couple of stops on this scenic journey.

Overnight at : Homestay

Day 4: Ralli–Kibber

After breakfast in Ralli, we depart for Kibber. We will visit the Kee Monastery on route, then reach our destination, KIBBER Village. Upon arrival we check-in and get a brief orientation of the team who will be with us in the field. This is a day to rest and adjust to the altitude, as the next days involve exploring the snowy region for its unique wildlife.

Overnight at : Homestay





Day 5,6,7, and 8: Kibber and looking for Elusive Himalayan Ghost The Snow Leopard

These 4 days, we will be seeking the elusive snow leopard around Kibber Wildlife Sanctuary. We will arrive early at spotting places like Rong Nala in Kibber Wildlife Sanctuary. Snow Leopard tracking guides and porters will lead you to the spot. In this formidable landscape, we will also come across wildlife such as Bharals, Ibex, Red Fox, Golden Eagle, Himalayan Griffons, and more.

We will need to move quickly to the sightings as soon as we hear from our spotting guides.

Every day, warm lunch will be served in field.

Overnight at : Homestay

Day 9: Kibber–Rampur Bushahr

An early morning start from Kibber, to reach
Rampur the evening.
(10 hours drive and covering about 320 km.)

Overnight at : Nau Nabh Heritage Hotel.

Day 10: Rampur Bushahr–Chandigarh

After our breakfast we drive to Chandigarh
(Aprox 7 hours) and to the
airport to catch our flight to Delhi
19:00/20:00.

Day 11: End of tour, transfers to airport to
catch your flights home.





RATES

US\$5370.00 per person sharing
Single Supplement USD 1100

Inclusions:

Private guide, Pierre Duval, and professional photographer Andrew Goodall. All road transfers and vehicles. Twin sharing accommodation. All meals. All wildlife permits. Exclusive porter per participant to carry camera equipment and bags.

Exclusive, expert team of trackers for snow leopard tracking. Entry permit for Spiti + Village fees/Community fees/Kibber National Park entry fees. 4x4 vehicle backup. Inner line permit required for Foreigners. Oxygen Cylinder availability for emergencies. Hot water bottles in the beds at Kibber. Camera Fees at Kibber.

Exclusions:

Bar and curio purchases, Excursions, meals and activities not mentioned in the itinerary, flights and airport taxes, items of a personal nature, gratuities. Unexpected increase in cost of permits.

WHAT TO PACK

Winter clothing is needed, and a warm hat, jacket and gloves.

Other essentials include comfortable, durable walking shoes, hat and sunscreen, camera and binoculars, toiletries, insect repellent, hand sanitizer, etc.

Thermal layers, thick socks, heavy jackets and scarves and beanies will be a necessity through the snowy landscapes you will be exploring.

Sunglasses also a must for the glare.

If you are also joining our Essential India Safari, you will need lighter clothes for the change in climate.

Important: don't forget to bring any prescription medication along with a broad-spectrum antibiotic, medication for nausea and stomach problems and anti-histamine cream for insect bites and scratches.

Please provide details of any allergies and specific dietary requirements or preferences, e.g. vegetarian.

