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UTTARAKHAND · HIMALAYAN EXPEDITION

# Great Himalayan Exploration Ride

*Sacred peaks, hidden valleys, one great loop*

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| DURATION<br>**13 days / 12 nights** | DISTANCE<br>**1,300 km** | START – FINISH<br>**Haldwani** |
| DIFFICULTY<br>**Challenging** | HIGHEST ALTITUDE<br>**~4,500 m** | RIDING STYLE<br>**Kumaon mountain roads, remote border-valley roads…** |

STARTING FROM

**₹1,25,000**

per person + 5% GST

**Reserve with 30% advance**

NEXT DEPARTURE

**18 Apr – 30 Apr 2027**

**Open for booking · 1 seat left**

+ 1 more date listed inside

*Thirteen days from Haldwani through Kumaon's remote border country — Adi Kailash, Om Parvat, the Darma valley and Zero Point, Munsiyari, Milam village and Kausani — and back to Haldwani.*

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ABOUT THE RIDE

# Overview

Thirteen days through Kumaon’s remote border country — from the sacred heights of Adi Kailash and Om Parvat to the hidden Darma and Johar valleys, Milam village and the tea gardens of Kausani — before riding back to where it all began, Haldwani.

Route: Haldwani → Dharchula → Darma valley → Nabi → Adi Kailash → Om Parvat → Dharchula → Munsiyari → Milam → Munsiyari → Kausani → Haldwani. A full loop of about 1,300 km, with a trek to Zero Point in the Darma valley and a night with a local family in Milam.

Important: this trip includes a few long stages. First aid and transfer to the nearest medical centre are provided by our support vehicle, as helicopters and ambulances are rarely available. Phone coverage is limited and satellite phones are restricted, so contacting emergency services can be difficult. As on any mountain route, road quality and difficulty depend heavily on current and recent weather.

Expedition notes

- Distances are approximate planning estimates.
- Access to Adi Kailash, Om Parvat and Milam village is subject to official authorisation (Inner Line Permits) and road conditions.
- The itinerary may change due to weather, landslides or local restrictions.

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

**01 Adi Kailash & Parvati Sarovar**
Jolingkong, Parvati Sarovar and Gauri Kund, subject to access.

**02 Om Parvat**
The viewpoint for the naturally formed “Om” in the snow on its face.

**03 Darma valley & Zero Point**
Two nights in the remote Darma valley with a trek to Zero Point.

**04 Milam village**
Ride up the Johar valley along the Gori Ganga to the old trade post on the route to Tibet, and stay with a local family.

**05 Panchachuli from Munsiyari**
Views of the Panchachuli peaks glowing at sunset.

**06 Kausani**
Tea gardens and a panorama of the Trishul and Nanda Devi range.

GOOD TO KNOW

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| **Who it is for** | Experienced riders, fit for long riding days, remote border roads and high altitude. |

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| **Stays** | Hotels, cottages and homestays for 12 nights on double/triple sharing: Hotel Blue Saphire Countryside (Haldwani), Hotel Kailash Mansarovar (Dharchula), Bluesheep Cottage or similar (Darma valley), Mount Nabi Homestay / Sky and Stone Stays (Nabi), Hotel Parth Inn (Munsiyari), a local homestay in Milam and Heritage Kausani. Hotels may change with availability, to the same standard. |
| **Luggage & support** | A luggage van supports the group throughout the ride. |

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13 DAYS · HALDWANI

# Day-by-day itinerary

DAY 01

## Arrival in Haldwani

**Haldwani**

Arrive in Haldwani, check into your hotel, meet the expedition team and attend the motorcycle and safety briefing.

- **Stay:** Hotel Blue Saphire Countryside, Haldwani
- **Meals:** Dinner
- **Sightseeing:** Rider briefing, motorcycle inspection and expedition preparation

DAY 02

## Haldwani to Dharchula

**Haldwani → Dharchula** **300 km**

Ride through the Kumaon Himalayas via Almora and Pithoragarh to reach Dharchula, a scenic border town along the Kali river.

- **Stay:** Hotel Kailash Mansarovar, Dharchula
- **Meals:** Breakfast, dinner
- **Sightseeing:** Kumaon mountain roads, Pithoragarh, Kali river
- **Note:** *Approx. 280–320 km.*

DAY 03

## Dharchula to Darma valley

**Dharchula → Darma valley** **70 km**

Ride through Tawaghat and Sobla into the remote Darma valley, surrounded by dramatic mountains and traditional Himalayan villages.

- **Stay:** Bluesheep Cottage or similar, Darma valley
- **Meals:** Breakfast, dinner
- **Sightseeing:** Tawaghat, Sobla, Panchachuli views, local villages
- **Note:** *Approx. 65–75 km.*

DAY 04

## Trek to Zero Point, Darma valley

**Darma valley**

Trek to the designated Zero Point in the upper Darma valley and enjoy the region’s untouched mountain landscapes before returning to the Darma valley for the night.

- **Stay:** Bluesheep Cottage or similar, Darma valley
- **Meals:** Breakfast, dinner
- **Sightseeing:** Zero Point trek, Himalayan views, remote village life

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DAY 05

## Darma valley to Nabi village

**Darma valley → Nabi** **135 km**

Ride back towards Dharchula and continue to Nabi village, a traditional Himalayan settlement and the base for exploring Adi Kailash and Om Parvat.

**Stay:** Mount Nabi Homestay / Sky and Stone Stays, Nabi
**Meals:** Breakfast, dinner
**Sightseeing:** Mountain roads, Byans valley, local culture
**Note:** *Approx. 120–150 km.*



DAY 06

## Nabi to Adi Kailash and back

**Nabi** **85 km**

Ride towards the sacred Adi Kailash region and explore the designated viewpoints and pilgrimage sites, subject to local access. Return to Nabi for the night.

**Stay:** Mount Nabi Homestay / Sky and Stone Stays, Nabi
**Meals:** Breakfast, dinner
**Sightseeing:** Adi Kailash, Jolingkong, Parvati Sarovar, Gauri Kund (subject to access)
**Note:** *Approx. 70–100 km round trip.*



DAY 07

## Nabi to Om Parvat and Dharchula

**Nabi → Dharchula** **170 km**

Visit the Om Parvat viewpoint, famous for the naturally formed Om-shaped pattern on its snowy mountain face, then ride back to Dharchula.

**Stay:** Hotel Kailash Mansarovar, Dharchula
**Meals:** Breakfast, dinner
**Sightseeing:** Om Parvat viewpoint, Himalayan landscapes, remote border villages
**Note:** *Approx. 150–190 km.*



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DAY 08

## Dharchula to Munsiyari

**Dharchula → Munsiyari** **108 km**

Ride beautiful Kumaon mountain roads towards Munsiyari, known for its spectacular views of the Panchachuli peaks.



- **Stay:** Hotel Parth Inn, Munsiyari
- **Meals:** Breakfast, dinner
- **Sightseeing:** Madkot, Birthi Falls, Panchachuli views
- **Note:** *Approx. 95–120 km.*

DAY 09

## Munsiyari to Milam village

**Munsiyari → Milam** **60 km**

Ride into the remote Johar valley along the Gori Ganga to the historic Milam village, once a thriving trade post on the old route to Tibet. Stay with a local family.

- **Stay:** Local homestay, Milam
- **Meals:** Breakfast, dinner
- **Sightseeing:** Lilam, Gori Ganga valley, remote Himalayan settlements
- **Note:** *Approx. 60 km.*

DAY 10

## Milam village to Munsiyari

**Milam → Munsiyari** **60 km**

Ride back down the Johar valley to Munsiyari and spend a relaxed evening with views of the Panchachuli peaks glowing at sunset.

- **Stay:** Hotel Parth Inn, Munsiyari
- **Meals:** Breakfast, dinner
- **Sightseeing:** Gori Ganga valley, Johar valley, Panchachuli sunset
- **Note:** *Approx. 60 km.*

DAY 11

## Munsiyari to Kausani

**Munsiyari → Kausani** **160 km**

Ride through Thal and Bageshwar to Kausani, known for its peaceful mountain setting, tea gardens and panoramic views of the Trishul and Nanda Devi range.

- **Stay:** Heritage Kausani
- **Meals:** Breakfast, dinner
- **Sightseeing:** Kumaon mountain roads, Bageshwar, tea gardens, Himalayan panorama
- **Note:** *Approx. 150–170 km.*

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DAY 12

## Kausani to Haldwani

**Kausani → Haldwani** **140 km**

Descend from the hills via Almora and the lakes region towards Haldwani, completing the full Kumaon loop. Celebrate the ride with the team at the final dinner.

**Stay:** Hotel Blue Saphire Countryside, Haldwani
**Meals:** Breakfast, dinner
**Sightseeing:** Almora, Kumaon foothills, final group dinner
**Note:** *Approx. 130–150 km.*

DAY 13

## Check out and departure

**Haldwani**

Enjoy breakfast, check out and depart with unforgettable memories of your Himalayan motorcycle expedition.

**Meals:** Breakfast

PRICING

# Prices & packages

All prices are per person, plus 5% GST. An advance of 30% secures your place. per rider, double sharing

RIDER WITH OWN MOTORCYCLE — STARTING PRICE

### Solo Rider with Own Motorcycle

**₹1,25,000** per person

Price is based on minimum group size of 8 members.

RIDER WITH COMPANY MOTORCYCLE

### Solo Rider with Company Motorcycle

**₹1,65,000** per person

Company Himalayan 450cc motorcycle with Fuel

SINGLE-ROOM SUPPLEMENT

### Single occupancy room supplement

**₹40,000** add-on

A room to yourself (not possible in the Milam homestay).

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PLAN YOUR RIDE

# Upcoming departures

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| APR 18 | **18 Apr – 30 Apr 2027**<br>13 days · book by 4 Mar 2027 | Open for booking<br>1 of 8 seats left | from **₹1,25,000** |
| MAY 15 | **15 May – 27 May 2027**<br>13 days · book by 15 Apr 2027 | Open for booking<br>8 of 8 seats left | from **₹1,25,000** |

Seats and dates change quickly — the website always shows live availability.

WHAT YOU GET

# Inclusions & exclusions

### ✓ Included

- Ride marshal
- Mechanic support
- Luggage van
- Accommodation on double/triple sharing
- Breakfast and dinner
- All permits and permissions

### ✕ Not included

- Lunch
- Anything not mentioned in the inclusions

BEFORE YOU BOOK

# Cancellation policy & terms

## Cancellation & Refund Policy

**Advance payment**
The advance amount is non-refundable.

**Cancellations by riders**
Once 100% of the trip cost has been paid:

- Cancellations made more than 30 days before the start date: we return 50% of the remaining amount.
- Cancellations made more than 15 days before the start date: we return 25% of the remaining amount.
- Cancellations made 0–15 days before the start date: no refund.

The advance amount is non-refundable in every case.

**Weather and government restrictions**
If unforeseen weather conditions or government restrictions cancel certain activities, we will do our best to provide a feasible alternative. No refund is given for activities cancelled for these reasons.

**Cancellation by us**
In the unlikely event that we cancel a trip due to unforeseen circumstances, you will receive a full refund of the amount paid, or the option to reschedule.

## Terms & Conditions

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### 1. Booking and payment

A non-refundable deposit confirms your booking, and the remaining balance must be paid before the departure date. The deposit amount and the balance due date for each tour are shown on the tour page and confirmed in your booking.

### 2. Cancellation by the organiser

In the unlikely event of trip cancellation by us due to unforeseen circumstances, participants receive a full refund of the amount paid or the option to reschedule. See also our Cancellation & Refund Policy.

### 3. Liability and safety

- The organiser is not responsible for any accidents, injuries or loss of personal property during the trip. Travel insurance is highly recommended.
- Participants are responsible for their own safety and must follow all instructions given by the guides and the organising team.
- Please tell us about any medical conditions or dietary restrictions before departure.

### 4. Changes to the itinerary

- Weather and road conditions in the mountains can be unpredictable, so the itinerary may change.
- We reserve the right to change the schedule, accommodation or activities when necessary for the safety and well-being of participants.
- If weather, road blocks or flight cancellations mean we cannot reach a hotel and extra nights are needed, the extra cost is charged separately.

### 5. Travel insurance

We strongly recommend that every participant buys travel insurance covering trip cancellation, medical expenses, accidents and emergency evacuation. The organiser is not liable for any financial loss due to lack of insurance.

### 6. Responsibilities of participants

Participants must be physically fit for mountain conditions, where temperatures can be extreme, and must bring adequate warm clothing and gear as listed in the packing list. Please be punctual and respectful to guides, local people and fellow travellers.

### 7. Code of conduct

Respect local customs, culture and the environment. Misconduct, harassment or disruptive behaviour towards other participants, guides or local people leads to immediate removal from the trip without a refund.

### 8. Force majeure

The organiser is not liable for cancellations, delays or changes to the itinerary caused by factors beyond our control, including natural disasters, political unrest or government restrictions.

### 9. Assumption of risk

Motorcycle travel in the mountains involves risks, including cold weather, slippery surfaces and high-altitude riding. Participation is at your own risk.

# Ready to ride?

*Talk to us about Great Himalayan Exploration Ride.*

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