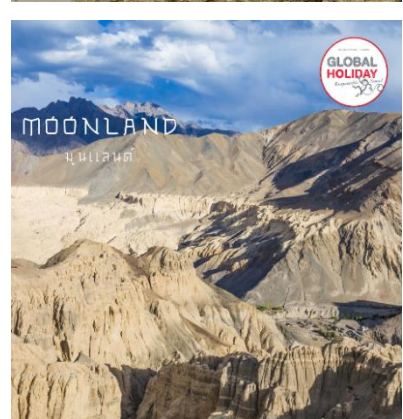
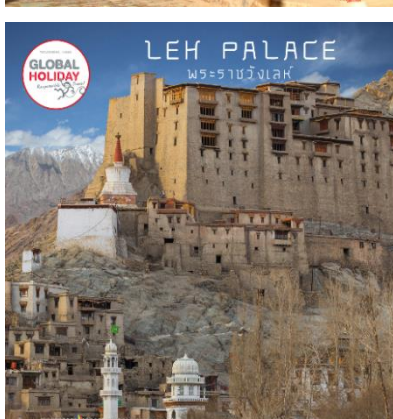
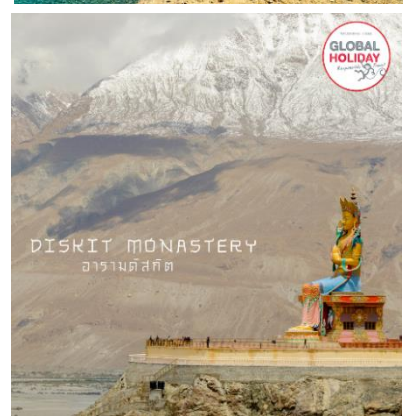
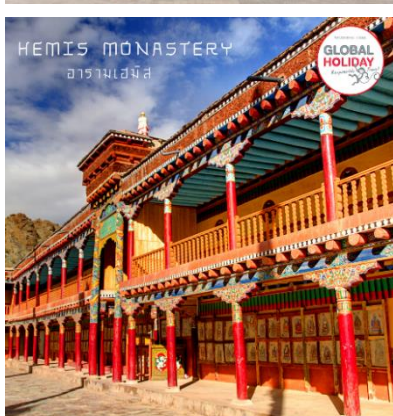
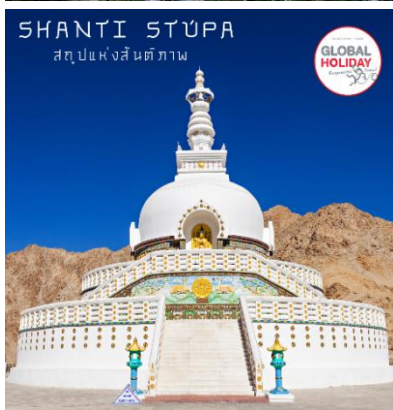
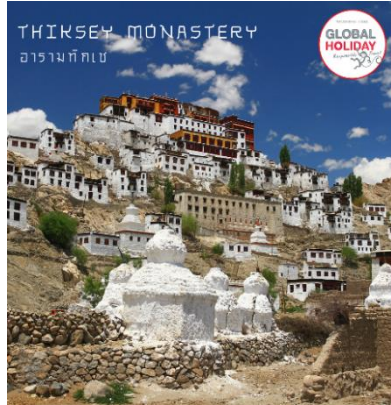


# LEH - LADAKH

## “The Little Tibet on Paradise”



## DAY 1 : BANGKOK - DELHI - LEH (L/D)

01.00 hrs. : Check-in at Suvarnabhumi Int'l Airport

**SG088 BKK-DEL 0350-0625 & SG123 DEL-IXL 1015-1140**

Arrival **Leh** by SpiceJet Airline, then Meet and Greet on arrival at Leh Airport by our Company Representative.

[Transfer to local restaurant for lunch.](#) Check-in at hotel for some 3 hours to acclimatization.

Late Afternoon, Visit **Shanti Stupa** is a white-dome structure dedicated to Buddhism. Located on the hilltop of Chamspa in Leh, It was constructed in year 1991 by Japanese Buddhist, set as an example of the ties between Japan and India to promote peace through the preaching of Buddha. The stupa has various relics of old Buddhism culture including the huge idol of Buddha placed at the base and it was enshrined by the 14th Dalai Lama.

Later, Visit **Sankar Gompa** is well known for its excellent architecture and is an official residence of Head lama of one of the Buddhists sect, Gelug-pa sect. Wall paintings in the Gompa depict various Buddhist deities. Most remarkable of them is the figures of Buddhist deity ; Avalokiteshwara Padmahari or Chenresig which curiously has 1,000 arms and matching number of 500 heads. The Gompa also has Wheel of existence held through Yama and a Throne reserved for the Head lama. The Gompa has a main prayer Hall with a portrait of Kushok Bakula Rinpoche, the former Head Lama who died in 2004.

[Dinner at local restaurant.](#)

Overnight at **The Grand Dragon Ladakh 5\*, Leh** or similar

## DAY 2 : LEH SIGHTSEEING (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel.

Proceed for the Sight-seeing in Leh ; Visit **Leh Palace** ; known as the 'Lhachen Palkhar' is a former royal palace of the Leh Kingdom. It was built in 17th century with stones, wood, mud and one of the tallest buildings of its time with nine stories. The palace offers spectacular views of mountain range as well as town and surroundings. It house statue of Lord Buddha, old pictures, Tibetan thangka and artistic paintings which are displayed in the exhibition halls of the palace.

Visit **Shey palace** - They used to be the capital of ancient Ladakh built in 1665 by the King of Ladakh as his summer retreat house. The main attraction in the Monastery is a two storied Statue of Sakyamuni Buddha made with Copper and Gold also the largest Statue in the Region. Beautiful stone carvings and number of chortens containing the ashes of Lamas and royal dignitaries are scattered around the Dresthang Gompa. Shey Monastery boasts two famous seasonal festivals of Ladakh ; Shey Rul-Lo falling on the 30th day of the 1st Tibetan month , Shey Surb-Lo on the 10th day of the 7th Tibetan month.

Visit **Stok Palace Museum** Located close to the Indus River, it was built in 1825 AD by King Tsespal Tondup Namgyal. Well known for its architecture and design, beautiful gardens and amazing views, the palace presents a collection of royal attires, crown and other royal materials.

[Lunch at local restaurant.](#)

Continue to visit **Thiksey Monastery** - is the finest example of Tibetan Architecture. It is located on the hilltop, 20 km away from Leh. It has a towering structure of 12 storeys, which consists of stupas, monastic residences, prayer halls and small shrines. It also has a large engraved pillar, which features teachings of Lord Buddha. Lakang Nyerma - a temple dedicated to Goddess Dorje Chenmo is an important part of the gompa. A 15 m seated statue of Buddha is enshrined in the main prayer hall of the monastery. The interiors of this monastery are decorated with colourful thangkas and wall paintings.

Later, last visit at **Hemis Monastery** - Hemis Monastery is the biggest and the most important monastery in Ladakh. Hemis Gompa was built in the 17th Century and served as a patronage of the royal family of Ladakh. Hemis has few Gold Statues and Stupas decorated with precious stone. It has a superb collection of Thangkas, including one which is supposed to be the largest in the existence and is exhibited only once in every 11 years. Hemis Festival takes place here dedicated to Padmasambhava in the form of Dance representing the reincarnation of Lord Buddha.

[Dinner at local restaurant.](#)

Overnight at **The Grand Dragon Ladakh 5\*, Leh** or similar



### DAY 3 : LEH – LAMAYURU – ALCHI (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel.

The sightseeing tour by paying a visit at **Hall of Fame** - located near the Leh Airfield, is a museum constructed by the Indian Army in the memory of the soldiers who had lost their lives during the Indo-Pak wars. It is also termed as a memorial for the war heroes. This building consists of two floors. While on the ground floor, there is information about the brave soldiers as and a souvenir shop but on the first floor, there are artefacts of various wars (mainly Kargil war) such as the weapons used during the war and some important documents, related to the same.

Visit **Gurdwara Pathar Sahib** - It is a shrine of immense religious significance for the followers of Sikhism. This Gurdwara was built in 1517 to commemorate Guru Nanak's visit to **the valley of Ladakh**. It is said that while Guru Nanak was lost in meditation at this spot, a demon tried to fatally attack him by throwing a massive boulder from the hilltop. Instead of causing an injury, the boulder turned soft after touching his body, which surprised the demon. It is a tradition for vehicles to stop any pay respects at the temple before continuing with the journey.

Visit another attraction called as **Magnetic Point** - Located on the Leh-Kargil-Batalik national highway, and bordered by the Sindhu River, the magnetic hill is a gravity hill. The hill is alleged to have magnetic properties strong enough to pull cars uphill and force passing aircraft to increase their altitude in order to escape magnetic interference; in reality, the effect is an optical illusion created by the gravity hill.

Thereafter, visit **Sangam** - the breath-taking sight of two diverse Rivers meeting-Indus and Zaskar. Sangam is a Hindi word that means confluence. The colours of the two rivers can be distinctly seen at the confluence.

[Lunch at local restaurant.](#)

After a sumptuous lunch, visit your journey to witness magnificent Moonland in **Lamayuru Village**. Lamayuru is known for its monastery, & for its "lunar" landscape - quaintly promoted as "Moonland" which is a moon like landscape area around Lamayuru village located midway between Kargil & Leh. The landscape is certainly incredible with its spectacularly odd geological formations.

The main attraction of this region is the sprawling **Lamayuru Monastery**, lies at a distance of about 127 km from Leh. Murals, frescoes and column paintings exemplifying the Kashmiri style of Buddhist iconography are what stand out in this monastery. The Monastery also has a small temple dedicated to Avalokiteshwara, the manifestation of the compassion of all Buddhas.

Visiting **Alchi Monastery** - Built in 11th Century, Alchi Monastery is the one of oldest Monastery and the most valuable heritage in the Ladakh region. It is situated in Alchi village on the banks of Indus River. It is a Buddhist worshipping place and study centre and is managed by the monks of Likir. Alchi gompa has temples of Buddhist deities. It houses number of Buddhist images, wood carving arts, and Statues. There are 5 shrines in the Choskor temple complex which has some splendid wall paintings. One of its walls features thousands of miniature sized pictures of the Buddha.

[Dinner at hotel's restaurant.](#)

Overnight at **Ule Ethnic Resort 3\***, **Alchi** or similar

### DAY 4 : ALCHI – LEH – SAMSTANLING MONASTERY – NUBRA VALLEY (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel.

Today visit **Samstanling Monastery** - is located in picturesque Sumtur village and was founded by Lama Tsultrim Nima, 140 years ago. The monastery houses 50 monks and is the main monastery of the region. The monastery has two assembly, both of which have spectacular murals and paintings of Buddha, Dharma chakra, the four heavenly kings, guardians and lots of other aspects of Buddhism. The guest house in the monastery is the resident of the 7 year old young boy, believed to be an incarnation of Lama Bakula Rinpoche, who is a great visionary. The tourists are welcomed by this boy who blesses all the followers with great solemnity and also tie threads on their wrist.

Enjoy a **short Camel Safari** on the double humped. [Lunch at local restaurant.](#)

After lunch, head north on a scenic road trip along the world's highest motorable road over the Khardung La pass (5,602 metres). From the top, there is an amazing view of the K2 mountain range (the Karakoram). The stunning **Nubra valley**, also called the "valley of flowers", is situated at 3,100 metres altitude between the Karakoram and the Ladakh mountain ranges. [Dinner at local restaurant.](#)

Overnight at **Stone Hedge Hotel Ladakh 5\***, **Nubra Valley** or similar

### DAY 5 : NUBRA VALLEY – DISKIT – HUNDER – SUMUR – PANGONG LAKE (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel.

After a warm Breakfast, visit **Diskit Monastery** - the largest and the oldest monastery in the Nubra Valley region, situated on a hill above the flood plains of Shyok River. The prayer hall of the Monastery consist of 106 ft. tall Statue of Maitreya Buddha, various images of other guardian Deities and huge Drum. Explore the **Hunder sand dunes** and enjoy a camel safari in this extraordinary landscape.

The double-humped Bactrian camels living here are a reminder that the Nubra valley lies along the old Silk Road connecting Xinjiang to India. Next, drive to the charming **village of Sumur** which overlooks the Nubra river. Visit Confluence of Shyok and Nubra River. [Lunch at local restaurant.](#)

Drive to Pangong. [Dinner at hotel's restaurant.](#)

Overnight at **Misty Hills Cabins 3\***, **Pangong** or similar

### DAY 6 : PANGONG LAKE – LEH (B/L/D)

Breakfast at hotel.

Start your half day Excursion to **Pangong lake** - The famous and sparkling blue Pangong Lake is situated in the Himalayas, approximately at the height of 4,350 mt. It is 124 km long and extend from India to Tibet where 60% of the Lake lies. The name of the Lake is derived from a Tibetan word Banggong Co that means a narrow and enchanting Lake. The one factor that makes this lake a most popular tourist attraction is the fact that it keeps changing colours. [Lunch at local restaurant on the way.](#)

After finish at Pangong Lake. Drive back to Leh.

Evening, **Leh Market** is a flamboyant marketplace located at the center of Leh, serves as a perfect destination for tourists to get their hands on well crafted woolen clothes and Kashmiri rugs & carpets along with multiple other things. You will get to explore the culture of Leh, which is just as vibrant as marketplace itself, at Leh market from a local's perspective. [Dinner at local restaurant.](#)

Overnight at **The Grand Dragon Ladakh 5\***, **Leh** or similar

### DAY 7 : LEH – DELHI // DELHI – BANGKOK (B)

Breakfast at hotel. Transfer to Leh airport for domestic flight.

**SG124 IXL-DEL 1220-1345 & SG087 DEL-BKK 2120-0300+1**

Once arrival to Delhi, Pass thru immigration formality then take the connecting flight back to Bangkok.

## Travel Period : May - September 2024

HOTEL	2-3 PAX	4-6 PAX	7-9 PAX	Single Sup
3* + 5*as mentioned above or similar	1,625 USD per pax	1,515 USD per pax	1,415 USD per pax	670 USD

**Cost Include** : Hotel Accommodation / Transportation with driver / Full Board Meals /All Entrance Fees / 1 bottle of Mineral water per day / Inner line permit fee / English speaking accompanying guide

**Cost Exclude** : Air tickets / Indian Tourist Visa / Travel Insurance / Porterage / Tip for driver and guide / Change in plan due to unforeseen circumstances