



SHIMLA

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ABOUT SHIMLA



One of the most stunning hill resorts, Shimla is one of the most popular hill stations in northern India. Situated at an altitude of 2,205 meters, it used to be the summer capital of British India with a well-planned architecture. The town is famous for pleasant walking experiences on hillsides surrounded by pine and oak forests. This capital city of Himachal Pradesh is famous for The Mall, ridge, and toy train. With colonial style buildings, the town has relics of ancient past that lend it a distinct look. Along a ridge of 12 km, its steep hillsides converge into all directions. The connecting road of the town, The Mall, bustles with locals and vacationers during morning and evening hours. South Shimla has a market cascading steeply down to the cart road. From mid-July to mid-September, it is covered with a snow blanket making it a muse for all nature lovers.

VICEREGAL LODGE AND BOTANICAL GARDENS



On the Observatory Hills is located Viceregal Lodge, which is also known as Rashtrapati Niwas. This magnificent building was the residence of the British Viceroy Lord Dufferin. This lodge was completed in 1888 and it is said that every brick for the building was carried by mules. This is a six-story building and is surrounded by well-maintained gardens and lawns. The lodge has now been converted into Institute of Advanced Study and is further 2 Km from State Museum.

THE RIDGE



A wide road in the heart of town, the shops at the Ridge sell exclusive artefacts, while the backdrop sets a view of snow clad mountain peaks. Simla's landmarks - the Neo-Gothic structure of Christ Church and the new Tudor Library building located nearby is also worth seeing. About 4 km walk from the Ridge through dense Forests, a sprightly stream flows through the Glen forests at an altitude of 1830 meters. It is a secluded picnic spot.

THE MALL



Most of Shimla's landmarks are located here. The Mall further joins the Ridge at the "Scandal Point" of Kipling's Shimla, where a statue of the nationalist leader Lala Lajpat Rai has been erected. This is the main shopping centre of Shimla with restaurants. This is especially pleasant in the evenings when the views and lights are wonderful. The Gaiety Theatre, which is a reproduction of an old British theatre, is a center of cultural activities. A passenger lift of HPTDC can be taken from the Cart Road and the Mall. Lakkar Bazaar adjacent to the Ridge is popular for its wood-crafts and souvenirs.

ITINERARY

Day 1 - Arrival at Shimla:-

Reaching Shimla and check-in to your pre-booked hotel and settle down.

Head out to enjoy some Shimla Sightseeing.

Enjoy visiting places such as The Ridge and The Mall, also visit the second oldest church of North India, the Christ Church.

Return back to your hotel room and take rest for the next day.

Day 2 - Sightseeing at Shimla:-

Wake up to a bright morning in Shimla, and get ready for the sightseeing tour.

Enjoy your visit to the famous Kufri Ski Resort in Shimla.

Further, you get to visit ViceRegal Lodge which is also called as the Indian Institute of Advanced Study. The place is called ViceRegal Lodge the Viceroy of India used to stay here.

Later, also enjoy your visit to the Himachal State Museum, which displays ancient artefacts in a Victorian mansion.

The tour also gives you an opportunity to visit the Jakhu Temple / Jakhu Hill.

After a tiresome day return back to your hotel room and enjoy a sound sleep during your overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 3 - Departure:-

Wake up and enjoy the wonderful morning in this beautiful town.

Pack up your luggage and check-out from your hotel.

Enjoy visiting famous temples like Kali Bari Temple and Tara Devi Temple. It will bring you peace.

You can also enjoy your visit to Annandale, an army area which will definitely make you feel proud of being an Indian.

After spending some good time at the sites return your journey home.

FEES

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