

Plan

- 12 days riding trip, starting on 1st June from Ghaziabad

Day	Date	From	To	Dist.	Alt.	Stay	Fuel	Route
1	1-Jun-19	Ghaziabad	Udhampur	638	980	Samba, Udhampur	Ample	Ghaziabad - Panipat - Karnal - Pipli - Ambala - Khanna - Ludhiana - Jalandhar - Mukerian - Kathua - Samba - Udhampur
2	2-Jun-19	Udhampur	Srinagar	202	6640	Srinagar	Ample	Udhampur - Patnitop - Batote - Ramban - Banihal - Qazigund - Khanabal - Srinagar
3	3-Jun-19	Srinagar	Kargil	211	9079	Kargil	Nagbal, Gund, Sonamarg	Srinagar - Wayul - Manigam - Gund - Sonamarg - Zozi La - Drass - Kargil (from sonamarg traffic is allowed between 1 to 5 pm only)
4	4-Jun-19	Kargil	Leh	227	14136	Leh	Mulbekh, Khalsi	Kargil - Mulbekh - Haniskot - Lamayuru - Khalsi - Saspul - Basgo - Magnetic Hill - Hall of fame- Leh
5	5-Jun-19	Leh	Leh local	20	14136	Leh	Ample	Leh Permit - Leh Palace - Shanti stupa - Market
6	6-Jun-19	Leh	Turtuk	250	14271	Turtuk	Leh, Diskit	Leh - South Pullu - North Pullu - Khardung La - Khalsar - Diskit - Hunder - Turtuk - Thang - Turtuk
7	7-Jun-19	Turtuk	Upshi	225	17582	Karu, Upshi	Diskit, Karu	Turtuk - Hunder - Diskit - Khalsar - Agham - Tangyar - Wari La - Tathok - Sakti - Karu - Upshi (If Wari-la not open, use Khardungla route)
8	8-Jun-19	Upshi	Tsomoriri	202	14,836	Karzok	No fuel	Upshi - Kumdok - Kere - Chumthang - Mahe - Sumdo - Tso Kiagar - Karzok - Tsomoriri Lake
9	9-Jun-19	Tsomoriri	Pang	156	15600	Pang, Sarchu	No fuel	Karzok - Tso Kiagar - Sumdo - Tso Kar - Leh - Manali Highway - Pang
10	10-Jun-19	Pang	Keylong	186	10140	Jispa, Keylong	No fuel	Pang - Lachung La - Sarchu - Antrk Camps - Killing Sarai - Jispa - Satingiri Halipad - Keylong
11	11-Jun-19	Keylong	Mandi	225	10100	Kullu, Mandi	Tandi, Manali	Keylong - Biling - Tandi - Sissu - Koksar - Gramphu - Rohtang pass - Marhi - Gulaba - Manali - Kullu - Mandi
12	12-Jun-19	Mandi	Ghaziabad	460	2,474	NA	Ample	Mandi - Bilaspur - Rupnagar - Ambala - Kurukshetra - Karnal - Panipat - Rai - Ghaziabad
Total Distance				3002	https://inbravo.github.io/travel/june-2019			

Riding Essentials

- List of items to carry for a motorcycle rider
- Motorcycle checks before starting the trip

Route

- Complete route map: contains the high resolution map of route
- Ghaziabad-Srinagar-Leh: 1270 kms and 5 nights stay (including 1 night at Leh)
- Leh-Khardungla-Diskit-Turtuk: 245 kms and 1 night stay
- Turtuk-Tsomoriri-Sarchu: 630 kms and 2 night stay
- Sarchu-Manali-Ghaziabad: 780 kms and 3 nights stay

Fuel

- Srinagar-Leh: Srinagar-70kms->Kangan-10kms->Sonamarg-120kms->Kargil-40kms->Mulbekh-85kms->Khalsi-95->Leh
- Leh-Khardungla-Diskit-Turtuk: Leh, Diskit (155 kms from Leh), Karu (13 kms before Upshi)
- Sarchu-Manali-Ghaziabad: Tandi (114 kms from Sarchu), Manali, Kullu, Mandi

Passes

- Srinagar-Leh route has 3 key passes
 - Zoji La (@11,575ft), 100kms after Srinagar and 15kms before Sonmarg
 - Fotu La (@13,478ft), start descending towards the Lamayuru after it

- Namika La (@12,139ft), between Kargil and Leh
- Leh-Manali route has 5 key passes
 - Tanglang La (@17,480ft): after crossing 'More plains'. Start descending from here
 - Lungalacha La (@16,600ft): located some 54kms from Sarchu and 24kms from Pang
 - Nakee La (@15,647ft): located between Sarchu and Pang
 - Baralacha La (@16,040ft): in Zaskar range, connecting Lahaul in HP to Ladakh in J&K
 - Rohtang La (@13,050ft): between the stretch of Marhi and Sissu
- Leh-Nubra route has Khardung La (@17,582ft): highest motorable pass
- Pangong-Leh route has Chang La (@17,590ft): second highest motorable pass

Tunnels

- Jammu-Srinagar-Leh route has 5 key tunnels (open and some under construction)
 - Chenani-Nashri: length of 9.28kms
 - Jawahar: length of 2.85kms
 - Nandni: series of 4 tunnels with length of 1.4kms
 - Banihal Qazigund Road: work in progress
 - Zoji-la: work in progress
 - Z-Morh: work in progress
- Leh-Manali route has 1 tunnel (under construction)
 - Rohtang: work in progress

Permits

- Passing Rohtang pass, while coming from Manali requires a permit, can be obtained online
 - Permit can be obtained two days in advance
 - Private vehicles can cross Rohtang pass before 12 o'clock
 - There is no need of permit while coming back from Leh to Manali
- Leh inner line permit to visit further in Ladakh region, can be obtained online
 - Leh DC office (near polo ground) J&K Tourist Information Center (near car parking) provides permits
 - Permit office works 9-5PM but applications are accepted up to 3PM only
 - Pay the inner line permit fees as mentioned in the form.
 - Self attested photocopies of identity, is necessary
 - Besides permit application form, you need to write an application addressing Leh DC
 - In the application, you need to mention the places along with the visiting dates
 - Validity of the inner line permit, is 1 week for Indians and 1 week for foreigners
 - You need to mention all places enroute so that you are not sent back from any post

Pieces of wisdom

- Always pack before sleeping
- From Srinagar wear your warm liners
- No puncture repair in Leh on Sunday
- Try to avoid a pillion on this ride
- Carry only the most essential items
- Always give way to climbing vehicles
- Control your ego while riding in groups
- Carry ample cash, while riding at hills
- Tighten your spare fuel can with carrier
- Avoid accelerating with half clutch for long
- Take small pauses every 1-2 hours to cool down
- Honk on every turn and never drive in wrong lane
- Never skip any checkpoint, always register with them
- Fog light at fronts and reflecting tapes at the back
- Stay friendly with everyone, you encounter while riding
- In high altitude regions, avoid staying long or sleeping
- Remember the cold starting your motorcycle every morning
- Water and food is the key to health, drink and eat wisely
- Switch off your lights to let climbing vehicles see clearly
- Prepaid connections don't work in J&K. Best is BSNL postpaid
- Fill up your tanks every night, to avoid any delay in morning

- Do not ride in the outer most lane, its where the animal roams
- Keep glucose biscuits and ORS liquid at easily accessible place
- Early start is best to avoid any traffic. Avoid riding late hours
- Avoid making pre-bookings; planing don't works mostly on this trip
- In case of any medical emergency, contact the local military camps
- Avoid any bravery while crossing the water streams (nala), take help
- Avoid starting your motorcycle while crossing the water streams (nala)
- Avoid crossing Manali-Rohtang-Koksar on Tuesday, its closed for maintenance
- Keep all necessary documents at an easily traceable place e.g. tank bag etc
- Water streams (nala) are easier to cross in morning, owing to less water flow
- From Sonamarg to Kargil traffic is allowed during noon hours (1 to 5 PM) only
- Don't stay long at any high altitude point. Mountain sickness can kill your joy
- Acute Mountain Sickness (AMS) symptoms are headache, dizziness, fever or vomiting
- Avoid following any vehicle for long, try to overtake and avoid any pothole/obstacle
- Avoid full tank, keep little bit of air in it. Also keep opening your spare/jerry fuel can
- Remember that civilian traffic is stopped on J&K highways on certain days for armed forces movement

Downloads

- Complete [plan](#)
- Route maps
 - [Ghaziabad-Srinagar-Leh](#)
 - [Leh-Khardungla-Diskit-Turtuk](#)
 - [Turtuk-Tsomoriri-Sarchu](#)
 - [Sarchu-Manali-Ghaziabad](#)

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