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## EXPLORE THE PAKISTAN

EXPLORE THE PAKISTAN Officially the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, is a country in South Asia. It was established in 1947 following the partition of British India, created as a homeland for Muslims. Pakistan shares borders with India, Afghanistan, Iran, and China, and has a coastline along the Arabian Sea. The country has a rich history, including the Indus Valley, Persian, Greek, and Mughal empires.

Islamabad is the capital, while Karachi is the largest city and economic hub. Urdu and English are the official languages, and Islam is the dominant religion. Pakistan has a diverse landscape, ranging from the mountain's regions of the Himalayas and the Karakoram Range to vast plains and deserts. It has a mixed economy, with agriculture, manufacturing, and services sectors contributing to its GDP. Pakistan also has a significant cultural, historical, and geopolitical importance in the region. Pakistan's political system is a federal parliamentary republic, and its military plays a significant role in the country's governance and security. Pakistan continues to be an important player in global geopolitics, particularly in the South Asian region.



# TOURISTS DESTINATION

## **\* KAGHAN VALLEY:**

Kaghan Valley is a stunning tourist destination located in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Province of Pakistan. Known for its breath-taking natural beauty, it is nestled in the Himalayan Mountain range, offering picturesque landscapes, lush green meadows, crystal-clear rivers, and snow-capped peaks. Kaghan Valley offers activities like, trekking, fishing, camping, boating, and hiking, especially in areas like Siri Payee and Naran.



#### \* SHOGRAN:

**Shogran** is a beautiful hill station located in the Khghan Valley of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan. Situated at an altitude of around 2,362 meters (7,749 feet), Shogran offers breathtaking views of snow-capped mountains, lush green meadows, and dense pine forests. It's a serene and peaceful retreat ,popular among nature lovers, and tourists seeking a gateway. Shogran is a perfect gateway for the natural beauty, and chance to explore the outdoor.





#### \* GILGIT BALTISTAN:



Giligit Baltistan is a region located in the northernmost part of Pakistan, known for its stunning landscapes, rich cultural heritage, and stragetic importance. Balochistan is situated in the karakoram, Hindu kush, and Himalaya mounatin ranges, making it geographically diverse areas in Pakistan.

#### **\* KASHMIR:**

**Kashmir** often referred to as "Paradise on Earth," is a region located in the northern part of the Indian subcontinent, known for its breathtaking natural beauty, rich ciltural heritage, and historical heritage, and historical significance. Kashmir makes it one of the the most captivating regions in South Asia.



## \* SWAT:

Swat is a beautiful valley located in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province of Pakistan. Often referred to as the "Switzerland of Pakistan" due to its stunning landscapes, Swat is known for its lush green valleys, snow-capped mountains, rivers, and rich cultural heritage. It is one of the top tourist destinations in Pakistan.



# HISTORICAL LANDMARKS

Pakistan is home to a rich cultural heritage, with numerous historical landmarks that showcase the country fascinating past "A Glimpse into the Past".

#### **ANCIENT LANDMARKS AND MOSQUES:**

## \* BADSHAHI MOSQUE:



The Badshahi Mosque is one of the most ionic land-marks in Pakistan, known for its stunning Mughal architecture located in Lahore, Punjab. This mosque was built by Mughal Emperor Aurangzeb. It took seven years to complete. It is built with red sandstone with intricate white marble inlays, ornate tilework, and beautiful calligraphy. Constructed in 1673, this majestic mosque is one of the largest mosques in the world with a capacity to accommodate over 100,000 worshipers.

#### FAISAL MOSQUE:

The Faisal Mosque is one of the most iconic landmarks in Pakistan and an architectural marvel. Located in Islamabad, the capital city of Pakistan, it is the largest mosque in Pakistan and one of the largest mosques in the world. It plays a significant role in Pakistan's religious, cultural, and social life. The mosque was completed and opened for prayer in 1986, and it continues to be a central site for prayers, especially during major Islamic events like Eid.



## **COASTAL RETREATS:**

## KARACHI AND BALOCHISTAN



#### **SANDSPIT BEACH:**

Sandspit Beach is one of the most beautiful and serene beaches in Karachi, Pakistan, known for its golden sands, clear blue waters, and peaceful atmosphere. Located along the Arabian Sea, about 22 kilometres southwest of Karachi's city centre, Sandspit is a popular destination for locals and tourists seeking relaxation and natural beauty.



#### **CLIFTON:**

Clifton Beach is one of Karachi's most iconic and popular destinations, offering a stunning view of the Arabian Sea. Located in the upscale Clifton area, it attracts both locals and tourists with its golden sands, refreshing sea breeze, and peaceful atmosphere. The beach is perfect for evening walks, picnics, and enjoying beautiful sunsets. It is also known for activities like camel and horse rides, swimming, and water sports such as jet skiing.



# GWADAR:

Gwadar Beach, located in the coastal city of Gwadar in southwestern Pakistan, is known for its breathtaking natural beauty and tranquility. With its crystal-clear waters, pristine sandy shores, and scenic views of the Arabian Sea, Gwadar Beach has become a popular destination for tourists seeking a peaceful escape. The beach is relatively untouched, offering a serene environment ideal for leisurely walks, beach picnics, and watching stunning sunsets.

# FLAVOURS OF PAKISTAN

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#### BIRYANI:

Biryani is one of the most popular and beloved dishes in Pakistan. It's a flavourful, aromatic rice dish made with basmati rice, meat (such as chicken, beef, or mutton), and a blend of spices like cumin, coriander, turmeric, and garam masala. There are various regional variations, including Karachi Biryani, which is known for its spicy and tangy flavours, and the more subtle and aromatic Lahore-style Biryani.



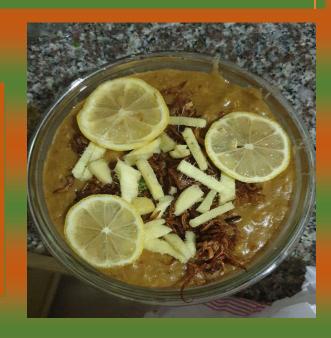
## NIHARI



Nihari is a slow-cooked stew made with beef or mutton, simmered in a rich, spicy gravy with a blend of traditional spices like ginger, garlic, cinnamon, and cardamom. The dish is typically cooked overnight and served for breakfast, making it a favourite among Pakistanis, especially in the winter months. Nihari has Mughal origins but has become a staple of Pakistani cuisine, particularly in Lahore and Karachi.

#### HALEEM

Haleem is a thick, savoury porridge made with wheat, barley, lentils, and meat (typically chicken or mutton), all slow-cooked together into a rich and creamy consistency. The dish is heavily spiced with ingredients such as cumin, garam masala, and dried ginger, and often topped with fried onions, lemon, and fresh coriander. Haleem is especially popular during the month of Ramadan and is often enjoyed during religious and festive gatherings.



## TRAVEL SITES

#### HILLS STATIONS OF PAKISTAN:

#### \* AYUBIA:

Ayubia is a picturesque hill station located in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province of Pakistan, nestled in the Himalayan foothills. Known for its stunning natural beauty, Ayubia is famous for its lush green forests, serene landscapes, and a cool climate, making it a perfect escape from the hustle and bustle of city life. One of the key attractions of Ayubia is the Ayubia National Park, which is home to diverse wildlife, including leopards, bears, and a variety of bird species.



#### MALAM JABBA:

Malam Jabba is a renowned ski resort and hill station located in the Swat Valley of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan. Known for its breath-taking mountain landscapes, Malam Jabba is one of the premier ski destinations in the country. Situated at an altitude of around 2,800 meters (9,186 feet), the resort is surrounded by lush pine forests, making it a popular spot for both winter sports and summer tourism.





## NATURE AND WILDLIFE:

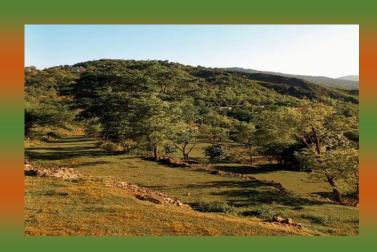
#### NATURE:

Nature is essence of life **encompassing** the vast array of **ecosystems** that forms our planet. From towering mountains and expansive forests to tranquil rivers and serene deserts, nature provides and awe-inspiring backdrop for the diverse species that inhabit it. It offers not just beauty and inspiration but also the **essential resources** that sustain all forms of life.



## **\* WILDLIFE:**

Wildlife is an integral part of nature, represents the incredible biodiversity, found on Earth. Every creature from the smallest insects to the largest mammals, plays a critical role in maintaining ecological balance. Wildlife in Pakistan is incredibly diverse, owing to its varied landscapes, ranging from the towering peaks of the Himalayas to the vast deserts and lush forests. The Indus River Dolphin, found in the waters of the Indus River, is one of the rarest mammals in the world. Pakistan also hosts large populations of tiger, leopard, brown bears, and wolves in its national parks and wildlife reserves.



## ARTS AND CREATIVITY:

From ancient art forms to modern expressions, Pakistan has fostered a vibrant arts scene that includes visual arts, music, literature, theatre, and crafts.

#### **\* VISUAL ARTS:**

Traditional Arts: Pakistan has a long history of traditional crafts such as miniature painting, calligraphy, and carpet weaving. The Mughal miniatures are particularly famous, with intricate designs that depict royal life, landscapes, and religious themes. Pakistani artists like Sadequain, Imtiaz Ahmad, and Jamil Naqsh have gained international recognition for their work, blending traditional influences with modern styles.



#### **\* LITERATURE:**

Pakistan has produced some of the most revered poets and writers in the Urdu language, including Allama Iqbal, Faiz Ahmed Faiz, and Ahmed Faraz. Their poetry reflects national identity, social issues, and a deep connection to spirituality and culture. The literature of these regions is also rich with poetic traditions. Bulleh Shah, a Punjabi Sufi poet, and Shah Abdul Latif Bhittai, a Sindhi mystic poet, have had profound impacts on the cultural and spiritual life of Pakistan.



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