

<u> Amritsar Travel Itinerary</u>

Amritsar, colloquially known as Ambarsar, is a city steeped in history and spirituality. It stands as a prominent cultural and religious hub in the heart of Punjab, and is the second-largest city in India. The city is most renowned for the Golden Temple, the holiest shrine in Sikhism. The resplendent temple, surrounded by the sacred Amrit Sarovar (pool of nectar), is a testament to Sikh architecture and welcomes people from all walks of life with open arms.

Budget-Friendly Stays

Hotels:

- Ramada Encore
- Royal Vitana
- ▶ Holiday Inn
- CJ Internationa

• Hostels/Homestays:

- > The Hosteller Amritsar
- Madpackers Amritsar
- HK Backpackers
- ▶ Blue Eye Backpackers
- Nutz Backpackers

Day-to-Day Schedule

- Day 1:
- 1. Arrive in Amritsar and check-in to your hotel.
- 2. Visit the Golden Temple and enjoy the Langar (community meal).
- 3. Head to the Attari-Wagah Border for the Retreat Ceremony.
- 4. Return and shop in the golden lanes of Amritsar—don't forget to buy jooti (traditional shoes) and phulkari (embroidered textiles).

• Day 2:

- 1. Wake up early and visit the Golden Temple at 3 AM to avoid the rush (this will take around 3-4 hours).
- 2. Visit Jallianwala Bagh, the Partition Museum, Heritage Street, Maharaja Ranjit Singh Museum, and Khalsa College.

Tourist Places

- Sadda Punjab
- ▶ Golden Temple
- Partition Museum
- ▶ Heritage Street
- > Jallianwala Bagh
- ▶ Wagah Border
- ▶ Valmiki Mandir

Local & Instagram-Famous Cafés

- > TBrothers Kulcha
- Kesar Da Dhaba
- Gian Di Lassi
- Bharwan Da Dhaba
- Beera Chicken Corner
- ▶ Bhanja Meat at 100ft Road (best mutton you'll ever have)

Secret Tips

- Amritsar is home to one of the most iconic shawl industries in the world.
- You can get a free bus service from the railway station to the Golden Temple.
- Budget stays are available near the Partition Museum.
- Wagah Border is 35 km from Amritsar.
- You can book a hop-on hop-off bus for a tour of Amritsar.
- When going to the Wagah Border, do not carry a power bank, charger, or any other items
 —just your wallet. No food is allowed inside.

- For late-night cravings, visit Crystal Market.
- Visit 100ft Road for great food.
- Vadiyaan and papad are very famous; you should definitely buy them.
- Valmiki Mandir is the place where Mata Sita gave birth to Luv and Kush.

Best Time to Visit

1.October to March offers pleasant weather. Avoid peak summer due to the extreme heat.

Must-Pack Essentials

- 1. Gloves, woolen socks, windcheaters, scarves, sunscreen
- 2. Medicines and toiletries

Phone Connectivity

- Airtel, Vodafone & Jio work well in this area.
- Connectivity can be patchy in remote areas.

Roadmap

