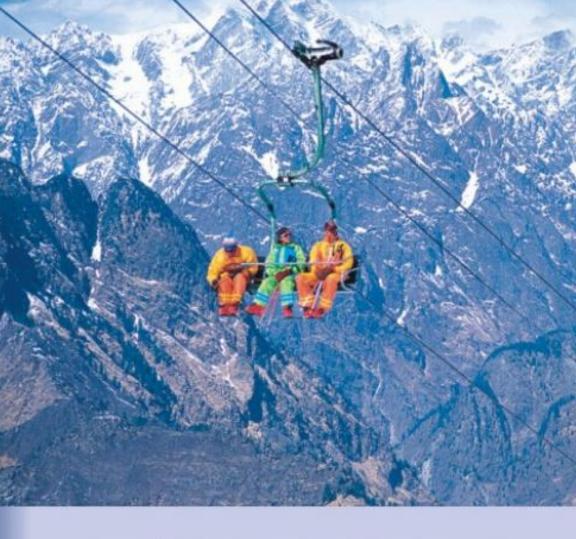




Skier's Paradise



Uttarakhand...Simply Heaven!



Auli has one of the best slopes in the world facilitating snow skiing during winters from beginning of January to the end of March. The 3 km long slope ranges from 2519 mt to 3049 mt offers a magnificent panoramic view of central Himalayan peaks like the Nanda Devi (7817 mt), Kamet (7756 mt), Mana Parvat (7273 mt) and Dronagiri (7066 mt) etc.

The skiing centre was set up in Auli in 1984. Professionally trained staff have been employed for skiing. The Deodar and Oak forests cover the slopes and reduce the velocity of the chilling winds to the minimum thus helping the skiers. The slopes of Auli and surrounding areas seem to beckon all adventure seekers for winter sports enthusiast during the winters and trekkers during the summers.



Auli is connected to Joshimath with a 3.92 km long cable car, besides the 14 km long motorable road. One can also enjoy a 500 mt long chair lift linking the lower and upper slopes.

At Auli, Uttarakhand Tourism / GMVN Ltd. conducts skiing training courses of 7 and 14 days duration.

How To Reach

Air: The closest airport for Auli is at Jolly Grant, Dehradun. The airport is at a distance of 298 km

Rail: The nearest railhead is at Rishikesh, about 276 km from Auli.

Road: Frequent buses run for Joshimath from Dehradun, Rishikesh and Haridwar.

One can also get to Auli by hired jeeps or taxis from above mentioned places.

Where to Stay (STD Code: 01389)

Tourist Rest House-GMVN, Auli

223208, 223305

Tourist Rest House-GMVN, Joshimath

Private Hotel Accommodations are also available in Joshimath.



What To See

Chattrakund: 1 km from Gorson Bugyal, in the middle of the jungle is a small lake of sweet water called Chattrakund.

Gorson Bugyal: 3 km from Auli, Gorson Bugyal is a huge meadow spread amidst a mixed forest of oaks and conifers. Gorson Bugyal is at 3056 mt above sea level.

Beyond Auli

Vanshinarayan Kalpeshwar: 12 km from Joshimath and 10 km from a village called Helong, this is a beautiful valley where there is a cave called Kalpeshwar. 10 km further down the road is a spot called Vanshinarayan, which is unmatched in its beauty.

Kunwari Pass: 12 km from Gorson Bugyal is a fascinating place for trekkers at a elevation of 3350 mt above sea level.

Joshimath: 14 km from Auli, Joshimath Town has many temples and memorials. It's the gateway to Badrinath and the Valley of Flowers / Hemkund Lokpal.

Tapovan (Hot Spring): At a distance of 30 km from Auli (by road) Tapovan is situated at a height of 1829 mt on the banks of Dhauli Ganga. It is known for its thermal springs which are believed to posses miraculous healing power. It is a quite popular picnic spot and trekking route to Kunwari Pass also begins from here.



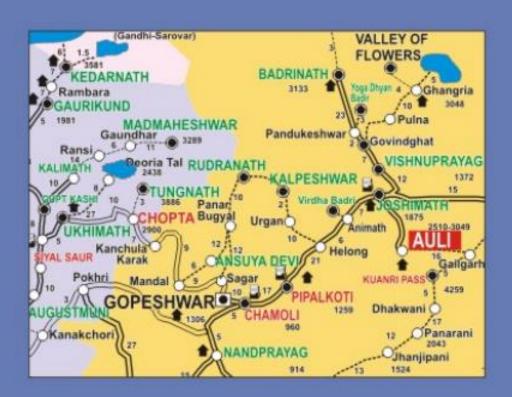




Valley of Flowers: Stretching over an expanse of 87.50 sq. kms. the valley is surrounded by snow-capped mountains and carpeted with some 500 rare species of flowers. Frank S. Smythe - mountaineer, explorer, botanist who camped here for several weeks in the monsoon of 1937 and did valuable exploratory work, introduced the Valley to the world as the Valley of Flowers.

Bridha Badri: The temple of the Bridha (old) Badri is located at Animath, 7 km before Joshimath near Helong Chatti.







www.ua.nic.in/uttaranchaltourism

UTTARAKHAND TOURISM DEVELOPMENT BOARD

3/3, Industrial Area, Patel Nagar, Saharanpur Road, Dehradun - 248001 (Uttarakhand), India.
Tel: 91-135-2624147, 2722323 Fax: 91-135-2627405.

E-mail: ddtourism@ua.nic.in

Online reservations available: www.kmvn.org/www.gmvnl.com