

## Tour Itinerary

### Day 1:

#### ARRIVE SRINAGAR

Welcome to your 'Kashmir Delight with Air' tour! On arrival airport in Srinagar, you will be escorted to your houseboat in Srinagar. Soak in the vistas of Kashmir as you proceed towards the houseboat.

In the evening, go for a tranquil ride on the Shikara at Dal Lake (On sharing basis).

Overnight in Srinagar.

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### Day 2:

#### SRINAGAR - SONMARG (APPROX 60 KM / APPROX.02 HOURS DRIVE)

After breakfast, proceed to Sonamarg also known as 'Meadow of Gold' en route, visit Rafting point and Wayela point.

The rest of the day is at leisure. One can opt to visit Thajwas glacier, Fish Point & a pony ride (on direct payment basis) to one of the glaciers for some fun in the snow and ice.

Overnight in Sonmarg.

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### Day 3:

#### SONMARG - PAHALGAM (APPROX 171 KM / APPROX 06 HOURS DRIVE)

This morning, after breakfasts proceed to Pahalgam, the 'Valley of Shepherds' which is situated at the confluence of streams flowing from the River Lidder and Sheshnag Lake. En route visit Awantipura ruins.

The ancient township of Awantipura founded by King Awantiwarman (855-883 AD) is renowned for the impressive ruins

of the two temple complexes he built here in the 9th century namely Awantisvamin, dedicated to Lord Vishnu, and Avantisvara, dedicated to Lord Shiva. Both the temples reflect Greek style of architecture.

Located about 30 km southeast of Srinagar, the site is an archaeological and historical wonder.

On arrival, check in to the hotel.

The rest of the day is at leisure for independent activities.

Overnight in Pahalgam.

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### Day 4:

#### PAHALGAM

This morning after breakfast, proceed for an excursion to Chandanwari and Betaab Valley.

Chandanwari - is the starting point of the annual Amarnath Yatra held in the months of July and August.

Located at an elevation of about 9,590 ft. the area is blessed with natural beauty and is renowned for its snow bridge and activities like trekking, hiking, pony and palanquin ride and snow sledging.

Betaab Valley - is named after the Bollywood movie Betaab, which was shot here. The picturesque landscape of snow-clad mountains, lush meadows and splashing streams add to the beauty of the valley. The rest of the evening is at leisure to explore the scenic surroundings.  
Overnight in Pahalgam.  
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## Day 5:

### **PAHALGAM - SRINAGAR (APPROX 80 KM / APPROX. 2 HOURS DRIVE)**

This morning, after breakfast drive to Srinagar, en route visit the Mughal Gardens - Shalimar Garden, Chasmashahi and Nishant Gardens (Closed on Fridays).  
Nishat Garden - is situated on the banks of the picturesque Dal Lake, with the Zabarwan Mountains forming its backdrop. Also known as 'The garden of bliss', it was laid out in 1633. Designed in Persian style, this is a 12-terrace garden interspersed with fountains, colourful flowerbeds and lush green lawns.  
Shalimar Garden - is one of the most popular Mughal gardens in the city. Covering an area of about 30 acres, it was commissioned in 1616 by Emperor Jahangir for his wife Nur Jahan. Another garden named Faiz Baksh was added later during the rule of Emperor Shah Jahan (1628-1658).  
Chashma Shahi - is an ancient garden established in 1632 by Emperor Shah Jahan, is considered to be one of the smallest Mughal gardens in Srinagar. Divided into three different sections with an aqueduct, waterfalls and fountains, it provides magnificent views of the Himalayas and the Dal Lake.  
On arrival, check in to the hotel.  
Later in the afternoon, visit the Shankaracharya Temple.  
Shankaracharya Temple - is situated at a height of about 1,100 ft. on a hilltop on the southeast of the city, offers splendid views of the valley and the snow-capped mountains of the Pir Panjal range. Dedicated to Lord Shiva, it is believed that this Hindu temple was built in 371 BC, making it one of the oldest in the valley of Kashmir.  
Post sightseeing, transfer back to the hotel.  
The rest of the evening is at leisure to explore the city of Srinagar.  
Overnight in Srinagar.  
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## Day 6:

### **SRINAGAR - GULMARG - SRINAGAR**

This morning proceed to Gulmarg, driving past willow trees, fast flowing streams and lush green meadows. Gulmarg - the 'meadow of flowers' is an apt term for this idyllic flower-laden spot. It offers a spectacular view of towering snow capped peaks covered with dense forests of tall conifers, gigantic firs and pine trees. Take a leisurely stroll or pony rides (on direct payment) across the green meadows to one of the world's highest Golf Courses.

Later, take a fun-filled Gondola ride (upto 1st level).

Post sightseeing, transfer back to the hotel in Srinagar.

Note: En route lunch will be provided between 1400 - 1500 hours depending upon Gondola queue.

The evening is at leisure.

Overnight in Srinagar.

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## Day 7:

### **DEPART SRINAGAR**

Today, bid farewell to your 'Kashmir Delight with Air' tour, as you are transferred to the airport in Srinagar for your onward journey.

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