Don dham 7 Nights 8 Days

Itinerary…

1st Day : Start From Delhi to Haridwar - Pick up and Transfer

Approx Distance: 220 Km • Est. Travel Time: 6 hours

- Meet our driver at Airport and drive to Haridwar. Check into the hotel arrival. Evening visit Har Ki Pauri Ganga aarti at Har Ki Pauri. Overnight stay at hotel.
- **Haridwar:** The holy city of Haridwar translates to "Gateway to God," and the breathtaking city, replete with temples, is a magnet for religious pilgrims from all over the globe. Religious festivals hold even further draw, and tourists can't helped but be compelled by the city's aura of intense spirituality. Haridwar is one of the seven holiest places of the Hindus, located on the banks of River Ganges. The sheer numbers of people gathering around Har-ki-Pairi Ghat give Haridwar a chaotic but reverent feel.

2nd Day : Haridwar to Guptkashi - Transfer

Approx Distance: 210 Km • Est. Travel Time: 6 hours

- Morning after breakfast, check out from hotel. Drive to Guptkashi. Visit Dhari Devi Temple, Dev Prayag and Rudraprayag enroute. In Guptkashi visit Vishvanath Temple. Later check in to the hotel at Guptkashi. Overnight stay at hotel.
- **Dev Prayag:** One of the most famous out of Panch Prayag Devprayag is where Alaknanda River (From Badrinath) & Bhagirathi River (coming from Gaumukh) meets each other. Together they are called The Ganga.
- **Dhari Devi Temple:** This temple is dedicated to Goddess Kali. Maa Dhari protects the Chardham of Uttarakhand. This beautiful temple of Dhari Devi is built in the middle of the river Alaknanda.
- **Rudraprayag:** It is one of the PanchPrayag (five confluences) of Alaknanda River. It is confluence of rivers Alaknanda and Mandakini. Kedarnath, a Hindu holy town is located 86 km from Rudraprayag.
- **Guptkashi:** The name Gupt Kashi means "Hidden Benares. According to mythology when the Pandava brothers were searching for the Lord Shiva, Shiva first concealed himself at Guptkashi.

Later from there he went further up tothe valley of Kedarnath, where the Pandavas finally got their wish fulfilled.

3rd Day : Guptkashi to Kedarnath - Trek 18 KM One Side

- Morning drive for Sonprayag for trekking of kedarnath. (You have to leave hotel too early in the morning). Dinner & Overnight stay at Kedarnath.
- **By Trek:**Morning our driver will drop you at Sonprayag then you have to take local jeep for Gaurikund& then your trek will start for kedarnathji. After darshan you follow same & back to Sonprayag. There is a big parking issue so driver will park the vehicle at other place if his contact no. is not working then you have to arrange other taxi or wait for your driver & send the message any other.
- **By Helicopter:** Morning our driver will transfer you to your pre-book Helipad. After coming back to helipad our car will drop you at Hotel for rest.

4th Day : Kedarnath to Guptkashi - Trek 18 KM One Side

- Morning visit kedarnath Temple for pooja and after breakfast, checkout from hotel and start your trek back to Sonprayag. Overnight stay in Guptkashi.
- **Kedarnath:** The Kedarnath shrine, one of the 12 Jyotirlingas of Lord Shiva, is a scenic spot situated, against the backdrop of the majestic Kedarnath range. Kedar is another name of Lord Shiva. According to legend, the Pandavas after having won over the Kaurava in the Kurukshetra war, felt guilty of having killed their own brothers and sought the blessings of Lord Shiva for redemption. He eluded them repeatedly and while fleeing took refuge at Kedarnath in the form of a bull. On being followed he dived into the ground, leaving his hump on the surface. The remaining portions of Lord Shiva appeared at four other places and are worshipped there as his manifestations. The arms appeared at Tungnath, the face at Rudranath, the belly at Madhmaheshwar and his locks (hair) with head at Kalpeshwar. Kedarnath and the four above-mentioned shrines are treated as PanchKedar.
- **Kedarnath Weather** - Due to its high altitude the weather in Kedarnath remains cold for most part of the year. Summer here is cool and pleasant while winter is severe. During summer season the temperature varies around 20°Celsius. Light woolen wear is recommended. Winter season in Kedarnath is severe with mercury falling to as low as 0°Celsius. During this time the place

experiences snowfall as well. Due to the extreme climatic conditions, this time is usually avoided by tourists.

5th Day : Guptkashi to Badrinath - Transfer

Approx Distance: 220 Km • Est. Travel Time: 9 hours

- Morning drive to Badrinath. Check in to the hotel arrival in Badrinath. Pilgrims after having a bath in the Taptkund have the Darshan of Badrivishal & Aarti in evening. There are other interesting sightseeing spot like Mana, Vyas Gufa, Ganesh Gufa, Keshav prayag, and the "Mukh" of the Saraswati River. Just within the 3kms.ofBadrinathji. Dinner &Overnight stay at Badrinath.
- **Badrinathji** is one of the 'Ancient Four Dhams' and one of the most celebrated pilgrimage spots of the country and is situated at an elevation of 3,133 meters, guarded on either side by the two mountain ranges known as Nar & Narayan with the towering Neelkanth Peak providing a splendid backdrop. This revered spot was once carpeted with wild berries. Thus the place got the name "Badri van", meaning "forest of berries".
- **Badrinath Weather:** The average maximum temperature will be around 18° Celsius and the average minimum is 8° Celsius. Warm and woolen clothes are hence required for a stay in Badrinath throughout the year. Winter in Badrinath is often accompanied by snow falls. Winter is very chilly with an average temperature of 5° Celsius. Due to the extreme climatic conditions, this time is usually closed for tourists.

6th Day : Badrinath to Rudraprayag / Srinagar - Transfer & Sightseeing

Approx Distance: 160 Km • Est. Travel Time: 7 hours

- Morning visit Badrinath Temple. After breakfast, check out from hotel. Visit Mana Village. Drive to Rudraprayag. On the way, visit Nand Prayag and Karnprayag. Check into the hotel arrival in Rudraprayag. Night stay at Rudraprayag.
- **Mana Village:** Inhabited by an Indo-Mongolian tribe, it is the last Indian village before Tibet.
- **Bhim Pul:** On the other side of Mana village, a massive rock forming a natural bridge, lies over the roaring Saraswati river. It presents a spectacular view of water thundering down through the narrow passage under the rock and is believed to have been placed there by Bhim, the second eldest among the five Pandava brothers.

- **Vyas Gufa:** Near Mana Village, this is a rock-cave where VedVyas is believed to have composed the Mahabharata and the pauranic commentaries.
- **Joshimath** is situated on the slopes above the confluence of the rivers Alaknanda and Dhauliganga. Of the four 'Mathas' established by AdiShankaracharya, Joshimath is the winter seat of Badrinath. The idol is brought down to Joshimath and installed in the temple for people to worship.
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7th Day : Rudraprayag to Risikesh - Transfer

Approx Distance: 135 Km • Est. Travel Time: 5 hours

- Morning after breakfast, drive for Rishikesh. Rishikesh 'place of sages' is celebrated as spiritual town on the bank of Ganga and is surrounded by Shivalik range of the Himalayas on three sides. It is said that when Raibhya Rishi did hard penances, God appeared by the name of " Hrishikesh " and this area hence firth came to be known as Rishikesh. Later visit Rishikesh Temples Sight Seeing – LaxmanJhulla **Rishikesh:** Named after the Lord Vishnu, Rishikesh is a holy city for Hindus. Located in the foothills of the Himalaya in northern India it is also known as the yoga center of the world and is home to many world renowned ashrams. Rishikesh styles itself as the 'Yoga Capital of the World', with masses of ashrams and all kinds of yoga and meditation classes. The fast-flowing Ganges is surrounded by forested hills inside the city. Apart from temples and ashrams Rishikesh is now a popular white-water rafting centre, backpacker hang-out, and gateway to treks in the Himalaya.

8th Day (Tue 1st October) : Rishikesh to Delhi Drop - Transfer

Approx Distance: 240 Km • Est. Travel Time: 7 hours

- Morning after breakfast, check out from the hotel. Drive towards Delhi. Drop at Airport/ Station/ Home/ Hotel (Up to 08 PM).

Inclusions:

- Accommodation on Double/Triple Sharing
- All Meals for Group Tour / No Meals for Customize Tour
- All transfers and sightseeing by dedicated vehicle as per itinerary
- Water Bottle 1 Ltr
- Tour Leader for Group Tour

Exclusions:

- Any Train / Air Fare
- Any Auto – Riksha / Pony / Doly / Helicopter charges
- Any type of Pooja and Guruji Charges
- Insurance, Tips & Gratuity
- Any Personal Expenses, Soft Drinks, Extra uses of Vehicle
- Anything which is not include in the inclusion coloum.
- Cost incidental to any change in the itinerary / stay on account of flight or rail cancellation due to bad weather, ill health and roadblocks or any factors beyond control.

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