



Earthbound Expeditions

Char Dham Tour

15 days, from US\$1,967 per person

Duration

15 days

Group size

Unlimited People

Country

India

Chardham India tour - covering Yamunotri, Gangotri, Kedarnath, Badrinath Dham including Rishikesh and Haridwar Chardham Yatra is India's most devoted and featured part of India spiritual tour. Chardham is the most renowned and holy...

Day by day

Day 1

ARRIVE DELHI

Arrive Delhi Airport Welcome to India – a country where hospitality is a way of life; to a culture steeped in tradition, a land where history lives in music and dance. You will be received at the airport Later time permits we take you to Akshardham. overnight stay.

Altitude: 215 m On foot: None, arrival day Night: Hotel, Delhi Meals: Dinner

Day 2

DELHI, Drive to Mussoorie (290 KMS / 7-8 HRS)

Morning after breakfast drive to Mussoorie. Upon arrival check in the hotel. Overnight stay in hotel.

Altitude: 2,000 m On foot: None, 7–8 hr drive Night: Hotel, Mussoorie Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 3

BARKOT

The beautiful town of Barkot is located in the Rawain Valley of Uttarkashi District on the banks of the Yamuna. The people of Rawain, who were cut off from the rest of Garhwal due to its remote location, practice a culture that is similar yet distinct from the rest of Garhwal; and it is this that makes this area exceptionally interesting. Barkot also boasts of stunning views of the Banderpunch range as well as a wealth of natural beauty. The town's location on the route to the Yamunotri dham adds to its importance

Altitude: 1,220 m On foot: None, 4–5 hr drive Night: Hotel, Barkot Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 4

BARKOT

After an early breakfast drive up-to Janki Chatti (starting point of the trek) in jeeps. Trek for 7 Kms to reach Yamunotri – one of the four sacred shrines of Uttarakhand & also the source of the river Yamuna. Visit the Yamunotri temple (dedicated to goddess Yamuna built by queen Gularia of Jaipur), Suryakund (has a temperature of 190 degree F, pilgrims tie rice & potatoes in a musline cloth & immerse it in the water to be cooked), Divyashila, a rock pillar, worshipped before entering the Yamunotri temple Trek back to Jankichatti and drive back to Barkot for overnight stay. ** From Hanuman Chatti to Janki Chatti (10 kms) and back, we may use local jeeps due to bad road condition. However it can be decided at the spot once you reach at Hanuman Chatti.**

Altitude: 1,220 m On foot: 14 km, 6–7 hrs Night: Hotel, Barkot Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 5

UTTARKASHI

Morning after breakfast drive to Uttarkashi we will have a quick lunch and drive to Gangotari. Upon arrival check-in at hotel. We visit the temple for Aarti. Overnight stay in Gangotari GANGOTRI DHAM: The 18th century temple is modest granite structure first built in the 18th century and rebuilt. Hindus believe that goddess Ganga was brought down to earth by the mythological king Bagirathi also the Ganga is believed to contain "Amrit" holy nectar and is said to

Altitude: 3,100 m On foot: None, 8–9 hr drive Night: Hotel, Gangotri Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 6

GANGOTRI – BHOJWASA–GAUMUKH–BHOJBASA

Morning after breakfast trek to Bhojwasa (Approx. 14 Kms) and then continue trek to Gaumukh and back to Bhojwasa (Approx. 8 Kms both way) Overnight at Guest House (Only dormitory)– separately common toilet. Bed at dormitory cannot be booked in advance . Lunch and dinner will be on direct pay at Canteen at Bhojbasa.

Altitude: 3,790 m On foot: 22 km, 8–9 hrs Night: Guesthouse, Bhojbasa Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 7

BHOJBASA–GANGOTRI

Early morning trek to Gangotri (Approx. 14 km) trek down hill (possibly we may go early morning to Gangotri. Depending on time and walk

Altitude: 3,100 m On foot: 14 km, 4–5 hrs Night: Hotel, Gangotri Meals: Dinner

Day 8

GANGOTRI –UTTARKASHI

Morning after breakfast drive to Uttarkashi, Later drive to Kashi Vishonath Temple in town, one of the Jyotirling. Later overnight stay.

Altitude: 1,160 m On foot: None, 3–4 hr drive Night: Hotel, Uttarkashi Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 9

UTTARKASHI – GUPTKASHI DRIVE 210 KMS

Morning after breakfast check out from hotel and drive to Guptkashi. Upon arrival check in the hotel for overnight stay.

Altitude: 1,320 m On foot: None, 8–9 hr drive Night: Hotel, Guptkashi Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 10

GUPTKASHI – GAURIKUND – KEDARNATH DRIVE 30 KM TREK 17 KM

Morning drive to Gaurikund and start your trek to Kedarnath. Arrive Kedarnath in the Afternoon. Visit Kedarnath temple vernight stay in tended camp. Gaurikund: At a distance of 5kms from Sonprayag and at an altitude of 1982 meters. One can take bath in the hot water pond here and visit the Gauri Temple. This is the place where Goddess Parvathi meditated to attain Lord Shiva. It is the base for a trek to Kedarnath. 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, the protector and the destroyer. 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 Panch Kedar.

Altitude: 3,580 m On foot: 17 km, 6–7 hrs Night: Tented camp, Kedarnath Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 11

KEDARNATH – GAURIKUND – CHOMALI TREK 17 KM 160 KMS

Morning trek down to Gaurikund and Drive to Chomali, Upon arrival check in the hotel for overnight stay

Altitude: 1,050 m On foot: 17 km, 5–6 hrs Night: Hotel, Chamoli Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 12

CHOLAMI- JOSHIMATH – BADRINATH – JOSHIMATH 140 KMS ROUND TRIP

Morning drive to, Joshimath drop the bag and again drive to Badrinath. Upon arrival at Badrinath visit holy temple. Later in the day drive back to Joshimath for overnight stay in hotel. Badrinath one of the 'Four Dhams' is 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".

Altitude: 1,890 m On foot: None, 5–6 hr drive Night: Hotel, Joshimath Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 13

JOSHIMATH – RISHIKESH DRIVE 260 KM

Morning after breakfast return drive to Rishikesh. En-route at Devprayag, take a short photo stop of its magnificent confluence view of Bahagirathi & Alaknanda. And further drive to Rishikesh. Upon arrival check in the hotel. DEVPRAYAG: The small town of Devprayag at the confluence of river Alaknanda and Bhagirathi. From this confluence point onwards, the new river is called as Ganga. Before this point, Bhagirathi is considered Ganga. The place is of high religious importance, as Ganga takes its real form here. The town is named after a sage Dev Sharma, who lived here and meditated. He is said to have been blessed with a glimpse of god. Devprayag is a popular destination for Hindu pilgrims. Religious ablutions take place at two basins excavated in the rock at the junction of the holy streams. One on the Bhagirathi known as the Brahm Kund and the other on the Alaknanda called Vashisth Kund. Evening enjoy Ganga arti (if time permits) at Parmarth Niketan Ram Jhula. Overnight stay in hotel.

Altitude: 340 m On foot: None, 9–10 hr drive Night: Hotel, Rishikesh Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 14

Explore in Rishikesh

Full day explore in Rishikesh. Evening Ganga Aarti.

Altitude: 340 m On foot: Easy walking, 2–3 hrs Night: Hotel, Rishikesh Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 15

RISHIKESH – HARIDWAR–DELHI

Morning after relaxed Breakfast drive to Haridwar then later drive to Delhi

Altitude: 215 m On foot: None, 6–7 hr drive Night: No overnight Meals: Breakfast

What's included

- Accommodation on twin/double sharing basis in good hotels dinner and breakfast included
- All transportation by Air Condition Car/Innova/Tempo Traveler/Mini Coach from Delhi to Delhi as per programme
- All current Government taxes are included in the above price, which are subject to change without any notice.
- Air conditioner will work in Delhi & Haridwar, Rishikesh only in the vehicles.
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Not included

- International / Domestic air fare, visa fees, airport tax or any kind of insurance cover
- Lunch during the tour
- Any type of transportation of Luggage during hiking
- Expenses such as table drinks, rooms services items, laundry, telephone calls at hotels or tips.
- Any train ticket, or entry ticket
- Any additional expenses caused by or liability for disturbance in trip program due to or

Meals as per above program (Breakfast and Dinner)

- Assistance on Arrival and Departure in Delhi
 - Pilgrimage journey to Chardham
- Liability for or insurance against injury, loss of life, accidents or loss of goods.
 - Camera Fees.
 - Personal Belongings such as Sleeping Bags, walking sticks, Shoes, Crampons etc.
 - Any other expenses incurred due to bad weather, road closure, landslides etc. and anything not specified in cost include.

circumstances, weather conditions, sickness, natural disasters, riots etc.