

Itinerary

DAY 0:

Take the overnight train from Old Delhi Railway Station to Kathgodam (Train No. 5013, Departure 22.40 hrs. IST).

DAY 1:

Arrive at Kathgodam railway station 06.30 hrs. Received by Wayfarer escort and transferred to a waiting vehicle after a short break. Drive to Ranikhet (90 kms. 3 hrs.) for quick wash and change at Snow View Hotel. After refreshing ourselves we continue with our drive. Our destination is Mundoli village (1750 mts. 115 kms.; 4 to 5 hrs.) The drive to Mandoli is across a scenic countryside past the hill towns of Kausani, Baijnath and Gwaldham. We camp here for the night.

DAY 2:

Mundoli to Wan (2439 mts./13 kms.. 5 to 6 hrs.) : Today's walk is not difficult but a bit long. Stepping out of Mundoli we trek up to Lohajung Pass (2,133m). From here a clear path leads northwards to Wan (2439m). The ascent is quite gradual. At Wan the campsite is beyond the Forest Rest House on a ridge that offers marvelous views of Trishul peak.

DAY 3:

Wan to Bedni Bugyal (3354 mts./8 kms.; 4 to 5 hrs.) : The trail from Wan ascends to Bedni which is acres and acres of meadow scooped out of lush mountainscape, a steep ridge arching up into the dusk, and above it, the enormous western flank of Trishul. The spot is absolutely romantic and the campsite is divine.

DAY 4:

Bedni to Begubassa (4667mts./9 kms.; 5 to 6 hrs.) : Today is a tough day. The trail from Bedni ascends to the remote village of Begubassa, where we camp for the night.

DAY 5:

Begubassa to Roopkund (5029mts./5 kms.; 3 hrs.) : It is an easy day and by mid-day we are at Roopkund. The campsite is at the tip of the lake. We have the entire afternoon to explore the surrounding area.

DAY 6:

Roopkund to Bistola (4570mts./7 kms.. 3 to 4 hrs.) : We follow the same trail to descend from Roopkund. Our overnight camp is at Bistola.

DAY 7:

Bistola to Ali Bugyal (3300mts./10 kms.; 4 to 5 hrs.) : Ali Bugyal is another Alpine like meadow that is just as charming as Bedni. We camp here for the night.

DAY 8:

Ali Bugyal to Didana (2700 mts./8 kms.; 3 to 4 hrs) : The descent from Ali to Didana is easy and we pitch up close to a river.

DAY 9:

Didana to Mundoli and drive to Ranikhet : From Didana we retrace our steps to civilization. The walk to Mundoli is less than 8 kms. and this takes around 3 hrs. At Mundoli, after refreshing ourselves, we board a waiting jeep that drives us back to Ranikhet (115 kms./ 5 hrs.). We check in at Snow View Hotel for the night.

DAY 10:

Ranikhet to Kathgodam (90 kms.) : Today is a day when we can chill out and relax. Late afternoon we board a vehicle that drives us to Kathgodam. There is also the option of leaving Ranikhet after breakfast and driving to the legendary Jim Corbett Park. The train to Delhi departs from Kathgodam at 20.40 hrs.