

# DIVINE VALLEY OF SIKKIM



PLACES COVERED: BAGDOGRA – RUMTEK – GANGTOK – LACHUNG – RUMTEK –  
KALIMPONG – BAGDOGRA

Travelling Dates: March 24 – 30, 2018  
(06 Nights / 07 Days)

## FEATURES

Starts From	Bagdogra Airport
Ends At	Bagdogra Airport
Distance Covered	680 Kms
Max. Altitude	Yumthang Valley 11800 ft
Minimum No. of guests	4

## ACCOMMODATION DETAILS

Place	Hotel	Web Link
Rumtek	Teen Taley Eco Garden Resort	<a href="http://sikkimresort.com/">http://sikkimresort.com/</a>
Lachung	Fortuna Resort	<a href="http://www.fortunalachung.com/">http://www.fortunalachung.com/</a>
Kalimpong	Park Hotel	<a href="http://www.kalimpongparkhotel.com/">http://www.kalimpongparkhotel.com/</a>



**Day 1 | Mar 24 |**

**Arrive Bagdogra Airport – Rumtek (1750 M) 125 kms / 5 hrs**

Meeting and assistance on arrival and drive to reach Rumtek by early evening. Drive via Siliguri and then through the dense forests of Mahananda Wild Life Sanctuary to reach Sevoke in the foothills – see gorgeous view of Tista River as it comes out from the deep gorges of the Himalayas and spreads itself over the vast plains of North Bengal. From here the drive is on winding roads along the meandering emerald green Tista till Singtham, and then through typical Sikkimese mountainside dotted alluringly with terraced land & orchards to finally reach Rumtek - a serene & undisturbed village about 20 km (40 min drive) from Gangtok. Check in to a room on arrival.

**Overnight stay: in Deluxe Room at Teentaley Eco-Garden Resort/ similar**

**Meals included: D**





**Day 2 | Mar 25 |**

**Rumtek – Rumtek monastery – Gangtok Visit – Rumtek – full day sightseeing**

This morning we visit Rumtek Monastery, the most important religious place of Sikkim. Built in 1960 by His Holiness the late 16th Gyalwa Karmapa it is a replica of the original Kagyurpa Monastery in Tsurphu, Tibet, the seat of His Holiness the Gyalwa Karmapa Rinpoche, head of the Karmapa sub sect of Kargyudpa order of Tibetan Buddhism. It now functions as the headquarters of the Dharma Chakra Religious Centre. Walk to the Shri Nalanda Institute for Higher Buddhist Studies just adjacent to the Monastery Building. Back to your resort for Hot Lunch.

Post lunch go for some local sightseeing, see the famous viewpoints that offer panoramic views of the entire valley & the Kanchenjunga ranges, Dodurl Chorten, Orchid House, Gangtok Zoo, and the Cottage Industry Institute where you can buy authentic Sikkim hand-crafted souvenirs, carpets, home décor products... Spend a couple of hours in the evening in vibrant downtown Gangtok. Be back at your resort by late evening.

**Overnight stay: in Deluxe Room at Teentaley Eco-Garden Resort /similar**

**Meals included: B & D**



**Day 3 | Mar 26 |**

**Rumtek – Lachung (2750 M) 124 Kms /4.5 Hrs**

Have breakfast and start for North Sikkim. As the journey continues from Gangtok the route meanders through small villages flanked by fields and valleys until it hits the forest grove of Kabi Langchuk. See the quaint villages of Mangan & Singhik- these villages offer a most glorious views of Kanchenjunga. Drive on to reach Chungthang- a village that lies at the confluence of Lachen Chu and Lachung Chu (Chu means River in the local dialect) and have lunch here. Move on, and reach Lachung in the afternoon. Rest of the day is free to explore the beauty of this village and the mountainside. Overnight stay in a resort.

**Overnight stay: in Deluxe Room at Fortuna Resort/similar**  
**Meals included: B & D**



**Day 4 | Mar 27 |**

**Lachung - Excursion to Yumthang Valley & Zero Point 24 kms/1 hr 15 mins each way**

After early breakfast, leave for Yumthang -the valley of flowers at 12000 ft (3600 M). The journey from Lachung to Yumthang offers an unforgettable virgin landscape covered with Rhododendron bushes and 108 other types of Orchids. The hot springs and mesmerizing scene with yaks grazing on flower-carpeted meadows on the backdrop of snow peas are the added attractions. Followed by a visit to Zero Point. Later drive back to your resort in Lachung. Evening go a walk in the village. Stay overnight at hotel.

**Overnight stay: in Deluxe Room at Fortuna Resort/similar**

**Meals included: B & D**

### LACHUNG

Lachung is a town and hill station in northeast Sikkim, India. It is located in the North Sikkim district near the border with Tibet. Lachung is at an elevation of about 9,600 feet (2,900 m) and at the confluence of the lachen and Lachung Rivers, both tributaries of the River Teesta. The word Lachung means "small pass". The town is approximately 125 kilometers (78 mi) from the capital Gangtok.

**Day 5 | Mar 28 |**

**Lachung to Gangtok (124kms in 5hrs)**

After Breakfast we proceed to Rumtek via Chungthang. Reach Rumtek in the afternoon. Check in at Hotel and relax. Overnight stay in Rumtek.

**Overnight stay: in Deluxe Room at Teentaley Eco-Garden Resort /similar**



**Meals included: B & D**



**Day 6 | Mar 29 |**

**Gangtok to Kalimpong 75kms / 3hrs**

After breakfast at hotel – we will start our trip to Kalimpong in west Bengal. Kalimpong situated on the foothills of the Himalayas is a green destination at an altitude of 1243 meters / 4078 feet - It is a historical destination with bustling market, colorful people and offers spectacular views of the Himalayan range – Check into hotel.

Interested can do Para Gliding from Deolo Hill on direct payment basis (approx – INR 3000.00 per person for 15-20mins)

**Overnight Stay: in Deluxe Room at Park Hotel/ similar**

**Meals Included: B & D**

### KALIMPONG

Kalimpong is an east Indian hill town in the Himalayan foothills of West Bengal. Perched on a ridge above the Teesta River, it's home to colonial-era buildings like MacFarlane Memorial Church, named after a Scottish missionary. South, the hilltop Durpin Monastery, or Zang Dhok Palri Phodang, contains sacred Buddhist scriptures. Deolo Park has landscaped gardens and offers views of the town and surrounding hills.

**Day 7 | Mar 30 |**

**Departure from Kalimpong to Bagdogra 78kms / 3hrs**

After breakfast, complete the check out formalities and leave for Bagdogra airport to catch flight to onward destination.

**Meals Included: B**

**The per person cost would be INR 32185.00 on double occupancy**

#### **Inclusions:**

- Accommodation for 06 nights on double occupancy.
- Meals as specified at the end of each day's plan
- Minimum Guests – 04 Adults to operate this trip
- All ex- Bagdogra Airport transportation as per itinerary in 01 Toyota Innova/ Xylo. Includes driver's expenses, parking & toll charges, and road taxes. We will ensure a vehicle in good condition manned by a trustworthy, courteous, experienced & knowledgeable driver. Please note: the vehicle is not on disposal basis and will not be provided beyond the sightseeing specified.
- Per person 2 mineral water bottle daily during the trip.
- All applicable taxes

**Cost Exclude:**

- Any airfare
- Entries to gompas & monuments – INR 20 – 100 / pax + Camera/Camcorder charges of about INR 50 - 150
- Any F & B other than those served with specified meals
- Services of Guide/Escort
- Personal expenses, tips, gratuities
- Expenses on account of factors beyond our control like landslides, flight cancellation...

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