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Itinerary

<mark>11 Nights 12 Days Shri Khand Mahadev (Shikhar Kailash)Trekking Package</mark> From Shimla Chandigarh

Shrikhand Mahadev Yatra (Shikhar Kailash/Shrikhand Kailash) is considered one of the most challenging pilgrimages in the world. The route is a mix of dense forests, steep ascents, and glacial trails. Devotees and trekkers undertaking this journey must be physically fit and mentally prepared. Here is a detailed itinerary to help guide participants along the way.

Day 1: Pickup from Chandigarh or Shimla

• Activities:

- Pickup from Chandigarh or Shimla.
- Check-in at a hotel in Shimla.
- Document verification for the trek.
- Acclimatization session.
- Overnight stay at a hotel in Shimla.

Day 2: Drive to Nirmand/Jaon and Arrival at Singhgad Base Camp

- Route: Shimla Rampur Bsr. Duttnagar/Bajirbavli Nirmand Jaon Singhgad.
- Accommodation: Guest houses in Nirmand & Jaon, homestays, and tent stays in Singhgad.
- Safety Measures:
 - Acclimatization is recommended before proceeding.
 - Carry personal medication, trekking poles, and essential supplies.
 - Distance from Shimla- 140 kms- 4-5 hrs and From Chandigarh 240 km- 7 hrs

Day 3: Singhgad to Thachru (12 KM | 7-8 Hours)

- **Elevation:** ~11,000 feet.
- Route Details:
 - A steep ascent up to Barathi Nalah, where two rivulets meet to form Kurpan Khad.
 - Further steep climb to Thachru.
- Safety & Values:
 - Avoid exertion and maintain a steady pace.
 - Stay hydrated and take breaks to adapt to the altitude.
 - Respect the environment; do not litter the sacred trail.

Day 4: Thachru to Kunsha (7 KM | 3-4 Hours)

- **Elevation:** ~12,500 feet.
- Route Details:
 - Steep climb up to Kalighati, then a descent to Bhimatalai.
 - A moderate up-down zigzag trek to Kunsha, a place with breathtaking waterfalls.
- Safety & Values:
 - Be mindful of slippery trails, especially near waterfalls.
 - Encourage fellow travelers and maintain group coordination.
 - Observe silence and offer prayers at sacred spots.

Day 5: Kunsha to Bhim Dawar (3.5 KM | 2-3 Hours)

- **Elevation:** ~13,500 feet.
- Route Details:
 - Scenic trails with cascading waterfalls and small hills.
 - Bhim Dawar serves as a rest ground for devotees.
- Safety & Values:
 - Use proper trekking gear to prevent injuries.
 - Practice sustainable trekking no plastic waste.
 - Embrace humility and seek divine blessings.

Day 6: Bhim Dwar to Parvati Bagh (3 KM | 2 Hours)

- **Elevation:** ~14,000 feet.
- Route Details:
 - A mesmerizing stretch leading to Parvati Bagh.
 - Home to the sacred Brahma Kamal flower.
- Safety & Values:
 - Breathe deeply and pace yourself due to thinning oxygen levels.
 - Protect the fragile ecosystem and refrain from plucking flowers.

Day 7: Parvati Bagh to Shrikhand Mahadev Peak (6-7 KM | 4-5 Hours)

- **Elevation:** ~18,570 feet.
- Route Details:
 - Rocky terrain and glaciers dominate the final stretch.
 - Cross Nain Sarovar, a high-altitude lake (~14,500 feet).
 - The steep and challenging ascent to the Shrikhand Mahadev Shivling.
- Safety & Values:
 - Oxygen levels are low; take measured steps and rest when needed.
 - Approach the final ascent with spiritual reverence and mental fortitude.
 - \circ $\;$ Avoid risky shortcuts and follow the marked trails.

Day 8: Descent to Bhim Dwar

- **Route:** Return from Shrikhand Mahadev Peak to Bhim Dwar.
- Safety Measures:

- Carefully navigate steep descents.
- Take breaks to adjust to altitude changes.
- Stay hydrated and maintain group coordination.

Day 9: Descent to Kunsha

- Route: Trek down from Bhim Dawar to Kunsha.
- Safety Measures:
 - Watch for slippery areas, especially near waterfalls.
 - Use trekking poles to reduce knee strain.
 - Respect fellow trekkers and the natural surroundings.

Day 10: Descent to Singhgad / Return to Base Camp (Jaon/Nirmand)

- Route: Trek from Kunsha back to Singhgad/Jaon/Nirmand.
- Safety Measures:
 - Gradual descent to avoid injuries.
 - Check weather conditions before setting out.
 - Rest well before the final stretch.
 - Descending can be more strenuous on knees; use trekking poles.
 - Monitor weather changes and descend cautiously.
 - Be considerate to fellow pilgrims and help those in need.

Day 11: Drive to Shimla/Chandigarh, Overnight Stay

- **Route:** Drive from Base Camp to Shimla or Chandigarh.
- Activities: Rest and overnight stay in Shimla or Chandigarh.

Day 12: Tour Terminates

- **Final Departures:** Pilgrims return to their respective destinations, carrying blessings and memories of the sacred journey.
- Safety Measures:
 - Ensure all personal belongings are collected.
 - Share experiences and report any concerns to the authorities.
 - Celebrate the successful completion of the Yatra.

Inclusions:

- Accommodation in homestays/tents at base camps.
- Vegetarian meals during the trek.
- Trekking guide and medical assistance.
- Required permits and entry fees.
- Basic first aid and oxygen cylinders at certain points.

Exclusions:

- Travel expenses to and from base camp.
- Personal trekking gear (shoes, poles, jackets, etc.).
- Insurance and medical expenses beyond basic first aid.
- Additional snacks, beverages, and bottled water.
- Porters to carry personal luggage.

General Safety Tips for the Yatra

- **Health & Fitness:** Ensure high physical fitness before the trek. Acclimatization is necessary to avoid altitude sickness.
- Essential Gear: Carry warm clothes, waterproof jackets, trekking poles, a headlamp, and basic first aid.
- Weather Preparedness: Be ready for unpredictable weather conditions; carry emergency supplies.
- Sustainability: Preserve nature, respect sacred sites, and minimize waste.
- **Spiritual Values:** This yatra is a test of devotion and endurance. Approach it with humility and faith.

By following these guidelines and respecting the sacred nature of the Shrikhand Mahadev Yatra, devotees can have a fulfilling and safe pilgrimage experience.

Overview

Shrikhand Mahadev, also known as **Shrikhand Mahadev Kailash** or **Shikhar Kailash**, is a revered Hindu pilgrimage site located in the **Nirmand sub-division of Kullu**, **Himachal Pradesh**, **India**. It is believed to be the **abode of Lord Shiva and Goddess Parvati** and holds immense religious significance. It is one of the most challenging pilgrimages in India and is part of the **Panch Kailash** (**Five Kailashas**), ranking as the third most important peak after **Mount Kailash and Adi Kailash**, followed by **Kinnaur Kailash and Manimahesh Kailash**. The journey culminates at an altitude of **18,570 feet**, where a **75-foot-tall Shivalingam** stands at the summit.

Significance

This sacred site is deeply associated with Hindu mythology and religious beliefs. According to legends, Shrikhand Mahadev is where Lord Shiva meditated and revealed his divine form to devotees. The presence of the Shivalingam at the peak, the Nain Sarovar (a holy lake believed to have healing properties), and the Parvati Bagh (a divine garden planted by Goddess Parvati) add to the spiritual importance of this pilgrimage. Additionally, behind the main Shiva mountain, there is a peak dedicated to Lord Kartikeya, Shiva's son.

Pilgrimage Route & Key Locations

The Shrikhand Mahadev Yatra starts from Jaon village, from where it is a 32 km trek (one way) to the peak. Along the way, there are several base camps and spiritual landmarks:

- **Singhaad (3 km from Jaon)** The first base camp with free Langar services and food stalls.
- Thaachru (12 km uphill from Singhaad) A steep climb also known as Dandi-Dhaar, with a 70-degree ascent.
- Kali Ghati (3 km from Thaachru) Believed to be the abode of Goddess Kali, offering a view of the Shivalingam if the weather is clear.
- Bheem Talai (1 km downhill from Kali Ghati) A resting ground named after Bhima from the Mahabharata.
- Kunsa Valley (3 km from Bheem Talai) A lush green valley with Himalayan flowers.
- Bheem Dawaar (3 km from Kunsa Valley) A crucial base camp before the final stretch.
- **Parvati Bagh (2 km from Bheem Dawaar)** A divine garden with **Brahma Kamal flowers**, which are associated with the legend of Lord Shiva placing an elephant's head on Lord Ganesha.
- Nain Sarovar (2 km from Parvati Bagh) A sacred lake believed to have healing properties.
- Shrikhand Mahadev Peak (3 km from Nain Sarovar) The final ascent over rocky terrain leading to the 75-foot Shivalingam.

Important Notices

- 1. Yatra Dates: The pilgrimage generally conducted for 10 days from any date between July 1- to July 31
- 2. No refunds will be provided if a pilgrim decides not to undertake the journey or is found medically unfit at the Singhgad Base Camp medical check-up.
- 3. Health Advisory:
 - Pilgrims found medically unfit during **mandatory health check-ups at Singhgad Base Camp** will not be allowed to proceed.
 - Individuals **below 18 years or above 60 years** are not advised to undertake the journey.

4. Mandatory Registration:

- Pilgrims must register before starting the yatra.
- Unregistered individuals will be sent back from any base camp.

5. Weather & Trekking Conditions:

- Despite taking place in **July**, pilgrims should be prepared for **unpredictable rain** and snowfall.
- The journey is physically demanding and **not recommended for individuals** with heart conditions, respiratory issues, or other serious medical concerns.

6. Essential Packing List:

- Water bottles, glucose sachets, dry fruits
- Warm clothing, waterproof jackets, rainwear
- Flashlights and trekking poles
- Personal medical supplies and basic first aid kit

Conclusion

Shrikhand Mahadev Yatra is a blend of **spiritual devotion and extreme endurance**, offering devotees an unparalleled experience of faith, adventure, and nature's grandeur. The trek challenges both the **body and spirit**, rewarding the pilgrims with **divine blessings and breathtaking views of the mighty Himalayas**. By following the **rules**, **safety guidelines**, **and environmental responsibility**, one can complete this sacred journey with peace and fulfillment.