



How to get here: Roof of India

You need to fly in and out of Chandigarh International Airport (also known as Shaheed Bhagat Singh International Airport), India.

You need to arrive, at the very latest, on the start day of the tour which is the **03/08/24**. However, you can arrive the day before (**02/08/24**) or earlier, stay in Chandigarh and get a good sleep. The choice is yours.

If you are arriving before the start day of the tour, please book and pay directly with Homotel.

The pick-up point will be at the following hotel at 13.00hrs (India Time) on the **03/08/24**: Homotel Chandigarh, Plot No. 147-148, Industrial Area Phase 1, Chandigarh. 160002. Tel: 0091 1724 299999. www.sarovarhotels.com

Once you land, you can get a taxi from the airport to Homotel quite easily as it's only around 10kms from the airport. Uber is also available. This distance may vary depending on the route the driver has to take due to traffic conditions. Ask the price first.

There is a nice reception area where you can relax, have a cool drink, or get some food.

If you do decide to arrive early, this is a good hotel to stay at and perhaps do a little bit of sightseeing in Chandigarh. The city layout is unique in India and was designed by Le Corbusier. Places of interest are the Open Hand Monument, the Rock Garden, the Rose Garden, Sukhna Lake, the Garden of Silence and the Butterfly Park. Alternatively, hire a local tuk tuk and take a tour of the city. It's worth seeing.

At 13.00hrs (India Time) on the **03/08/24**, there will be a member of the Nomadic Knights team to meet you at the hotel with transport available. The distance is around 130 kms and the journey should take around four to five hours depending on traffic. As you ascend the beautiful foothills of the Himalayas, it's likely that you'll stop on the way for Chai (Indian Sweet Tea) and a snack. Try a freshly made Samosa. They're delicious. If you wish to make your own way to our base in Kufri, you can. A direct taxi from Chandigarh to Kufri usually costs around 6,000inr (\$75.00 USD).

The address of our base is: Galleu Hill Resort, Kufri – Fagu Road, National Highway 22, Kufri, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh, India. 171001 Tel: 0091 9816 038667 www.galleuhillresort.com

If there are any problems, you can call the hotel or call/text/WhatsApp me on my mobile: 0091 9623 048879.

We end the ride in Kufri (Shimla) on the **16/08/24** and leave the next day for the airport on the **17/08/24**.

We will have transport available from the hotel at Kufri (Shimla) leaving at 06.00hrs on the **17/08/24** to take you back to Chandigarh Airport. The journey should take around four hours. In my experience, it's always better to arrange your departing flight from Chandigarh as late as you possibly can. Late afternoon is ideal.

If you have taken the train & hotel optional extra at the end, your transport will be arranged separately.

DEPART FROM CHANDIGARH ON THE **18/08/24** IF YOU HAVE CHOSEN THE OPTIONAL EXTRA NIGHTS STAY. DETAILS CAN BE FOUND DURING BOOKING ONLINE.

It's likely that your outbound flight will be via Delhi. Please make sure that you have checked in at least two hours prior to your flight. Inward and outbound. Double check this with your airline.

For your flight arrangements you can try www.cleartrip.com or makemytrip.com

These are India based websites that offer very competitive prices.

See you in the Himalayas.

Alex Pirie.

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