



A CWH GROUP TREK TO
THAMSAR PASS BASE CAMP IN
HIMACHAL. 9-15 JUNE 2024

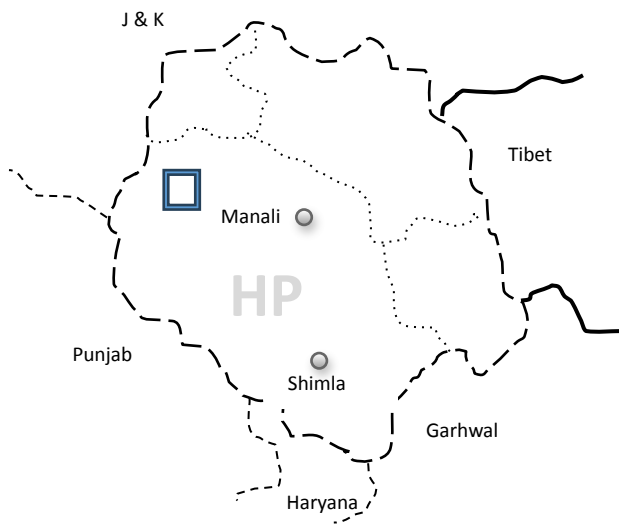


THAMSAR PASS BASE CAMP – TREK OF THE YEAR 2024

Hidden in plain sight, just a few hours from Dharamshala airport, is a fairy tale land. Miles of undulating meadows, encircled by snow covered peaks from all sides, this is the land of Gaddi shepherds as they make the remarkable journey each year across the Thamsar pass to the remotest village in the Indian Himalaya – Bara Banghal. We follow their footsteps till the base camp of Thamsar pass and then back to Bir-Billing, which also happens to be the world capital of paragliding.

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

- Exploring the wild Himalaya
- Chance to meet and trek with Gaddi shepherds.
- High altitude Himalayan trek
- Stay in Bir-Billing before and after the trek.



A BRIEF OVERVIEW



Kangra valley

From the Dhauladhar range of the Himalaya, to the south of river Beas, lies the wide, fertile valley of Kangra. High above the valley are the villages of Bir-Billing and Rajgundha, beyond which is the land of gaddi shepherds, full of streams, meadows and snow peaks.



The trek

Leaving behind the last village of Ragundha, the trail enters an ancient forest, then to the meadows and continues on to the snow covered Thamsar pass at 4700M. Over 4 days, we trek till the base of the pass and back. Days are long but only moderately difficult.

ITINERARY: 7-DAY TRIP, 5 DAYS OFF WORK (1 WEEKEND)

9-10 JUN	Fly into Dharamshala or Amritsar on 9 th and drive to Bir. From Dharamshala ~ 2 hours. From Amritsar ~ 7 hours.	We are staying in Bir in a beautiful lodge run by a local couple. 10 th is our day to rest and acclimatize, and also to chill in the hip cafes of Bir- Billing. You can also go for paragliding today.
11-14 JUN	We trek for 4 days and reach the height of 4000M. The days will be long but views and landscape is spectacular.	Day 1- Drive to Rajgundha and then trek to Plachak. ~8 kms. Day 2- Plachak to Panhartu, ~12 kms Day 3- Panhartu towards Thamsar pass and back to Plachak, ~15 km Day 4- Plachak to Rajgundha and then drive back to Bir.
15 JUN	It's time to return home. Drive back to Dharamshala or Amritsar airport for the return flight.	Return flight on 15 th June. Morning flight from Dharamshala. If booking from Amritsar make sure it is post 2 pm. Note – If you wish to explore Dharamshala and McLeod Ganj, plan to arrive a day or two early or stay back after the trek.

COST FOR THE TRIP:

Stay and food	Double occupancy at guesthouse in Bir. Breakfast and dinner included. Other meals and snacks, etc., not included.
Trek	All trekking equipment like tents, sleeping bags, mats, dining tents, toilet tents, etc. Trekking personnel like guides, porters, cooks. All meals.
Transportation	Ex- Dharamshala airport in SUVs.

The cost of the trip = **Rs 60000/- per person** including all taxes.

Note: The group size will be limited to 12. To be eligible to join this trip, you will need to fill the registration form and once your seat is confirmed, make the full payment. Read our [cancellation policy](#) and fill the [release document](#).

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WHAT TO GET ALONG?

Himalayan summer means long pleasant days and cool nights. It will be cold as we camp high on the meadows but we will be snug in our sleeping bags. Temp ranges from 5 to 25 degrees. Never count out the occasional Himalayan shower though. We will be prepared accordingly: Woolen sweater, cap, socks and gloves, a rain jacket and good trekking shoes are the essentials. Layering is the key. Detailed checklist on signing up.

MAKING A CONTRIBUTION

There is always a way of giving back to the place and people where we go for our holidays. We are hiring local staff for organizing the entire trip: guides, porters, cooks, etc. All our trek supplies will be purchased from local shops. The organization we are working with supports local sustainable tourism initiatives. You can also support the locals by getting your warm clothes, etc., from the rural handicrafts stores.

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Pics from our previous trip, [here](#)

GIFT THIS TRIP

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NOTE

All CWH trips have a strict no-alcohol policy. And no packaged noodles.

