



ERNATIONAL AIR FARES INCLUDED IN JOURNEY!!!!

8 DAYS, 7 NIGHTS Journey starts and ends at Leh

# EXPLORE WYSOF THE WORLD WITH JWN

- We are Experiential travelers. We want to experience authentic cultures of the world on our own terms.
- We stay in hotels that afford us comfort (Boutique hotels, Heritage hotels, 3 or 4 star hotels), we travel with ease through carefully designed historical, cultural and nature tours that allow the perfect mix of exploration, experience and downtime. The JWN traveler does better than Time Travel!
- Every journey with JWN offers you very local experiences. Attend a wedding! Ride a bullock cart! Learn how to cook local Indian food! Dine with a local family! Be draped in local dresses! Learn local handicrafts and take home unique souvenirs!

### DISCOVER YOURSELF!

#### Introduction to this journey:

Ladakh is essentially a high-altitude desert; the world highest, in fact. Expect to travel long hours on roads that are not always smooth, through high passes to witness stunning mountains and lakes. Towns and villages are spread out, monasteries dot the region.

Ladakh's breathtaking beauty comes with a twist: high altitude. While Leh's majestic scenery beckons, remember to prioritize your health. Acclimatization is key. Don't rush; take it slow, explore the lower regions first, and listen to your body. This ensures a safe and unforgettable Himalayan adventure.

# LEH / LADAKH





Leh Ladakh, otherwise known as "Little Tibet", is nestled in the northern part of India. It is a highaltitude desert region known for its dramatic scenery, ancient monasteries, and unique culture.

Nestled in the Indian Himalayas, Ladakh is very spread out. There are tall stunning, snowy mountains, clear lakes, and cool valleys that become accessible thanks to the sky-high passes. This makes it a great place for people who love nature and adventure.

Ancient Buddhist monks chants echo through centuries-old monasteries, colorful prayer flags flutter in the crisp air, and warm smiles greet you from people in traditional gocha robes. Witness masked dances at vibrant festivals, or marvel at intricate thangka paintings.





#### WHAT TO LOOK FORWARD TO

- The second highest motorable road, Khardung La pass
- Serene valleys that blend nature, spirituality, and the local culture
- Over 300 monasteries dotting the landscape
- Old manasteries like Thiksey and Hemis
- Pangong Lake with its changing colors
- Nubra Valley with special camels
- Buddhist principles of compassion give a unique identity to Leh
- Stunning Himalayan landscape
- Intricate Ladakhi arts and crafts echo its rich heritage
- Pashmina shawls and Thangka paintings
- Colorful gocha robes









ACTIVITY LEVEL: 3 - 8 (ON A SCALE OF 10)

\*PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS A TENTATIVE ITINERARY AND IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

## DAY 1 - ARRIVAL LEH ACCLIMITIZATION TO ALTITUDE



DAY 2 - LEH
ACCLIMITIZATION TO
HIGH ALTITUDE



**DAY 3 - NUBRA VALLEY** 



**DAY 4 - PANGONG LAKE** 



DAY 5 - TSO MORIRI (SALTWATER LAKE)



**DAY 6 - CAMP CHAMBA** 



**DAY 7 - BACK TO LEH** 



**DAY 8 - DEP FOR HOME** 

### MAJESTIC LEH/ LADAKH HIGHLIGHTS

- Journeys with Nikki
- Once you get to the Indian city with the highest elevation at approximately 3,500 meters (11,500 feet) above sea level, you want to take time to acclimitize to the altitude.
- Travel in a private air-conditione vehicle through the highest desert in the world, through some of the highest passes to see some of the most spread-out, lesser-visited regions of the country.
- Experience the serenity of a Buddhist monastery and the vastness of one of the world's highest saltwater lakes!

#### **EXPERIENCES**



BUDDHIST MONASTERIES



**CAMEL SAFARI** 



KARAKORAM MOUNTAIN RANGE



INTERACTION WITH MONKS

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# MEET YOUR JWN HOST ( ) LIPPING TO THE MEET YOUR JWN HOST

- **Nikki (Nikhat) Powell** is an Indian by birth, and has lived most of her life in India.
- She has lived in the US with her American husband, Melvin, for the past 10 years and is **also familiar with the American culture**. She is able to instinctively understand what is important to you as a traveler, and take care of it, so you can just enjoy yourself.
- Using the canvas of Storytelling, Nikki has taught cinema in both India and the US, established a film school, headed departments and edited films. She is an established storyteller and an award winning filmmaker.
- She is a warm and hospitable human being, an excellent organizer who is also an outstanding communicator. She's got your back!
- Nikki will travel with you for the entire duration of your stay in India and be your cultural guide and host.
- She speaks **fluent English**, as good as any native. She also speaks **fluent Hindi**, the national language of India and a spattering of other local languages.





#### Why do you call your tour a 'journey'?

• We believe the journey IS our destination. It is not about seeing a particular monument or sight, but the whole experience of getting there that is important. At JWN, we love seeing our guests grow as they travel with us, learning about a new culture, new traditions, a new language, making new friends, and most of all, learning more about themselves and challenging themselves.

#### • I've heard that India can be very challenging to a foreigner. How will I be able to navigate this?

• When you travel with JWN, we have you covered. Nikki herself will travel with you from Day 1 through Day last and help you learn the ropes. She will take care of the logistics, guide you with cultural nuances and help make your journey smooth. Having lived in India several decades, she is familiar with all things Indian, and brings a unique perspective of both cultures to your journey.

#### • Is it safe for a foreign woman to travel to India?

• By staying informed, taking precautions, and respecting local customs, women can have a safe and enjoyable experience when visiting India. JWN helps show you the ropes for all this.

#### • Is India friendly to foreigners?

o Indian people are known for their warm hospitality and friendliness towards tourists.

#### Why should I choose JWN for my tour?

• JWN is the only company we have found that covers your international air fare. It also covers ALL meals (except the last dinner), ALL domestic transportation and offers unique local experiences that would normally be inaccessible to foreign tourists. JWN hosts have lived in both countries and are fluent with customs and cultures of both countries, forming the perfect bridge for your experience. JWN has an extensive Indian network that can provide most every kind of option.



#### 8D/7N -ALL INCLUSIVE COST USD 5600



WHEN COMBINED WITH KASHMIR TRIP BEFORE THIS, COST IS DISCOUNTED TO USD 4400

#### INTERNATIONAL AIR FARES INCLUDED



WHAT'S INCLUDED IN THE 'ALL-INCLUSIVE COST'?

#### INTERNATIONAL AIR FARE - NEW YORK (OR LA) TO LOCAL AIRPORT IN INDIA AND BACK

- \* When booked at least a month prior to Day 1 of Journey itinerary
  - Local Airport transfer to hotel
  - All accomodation, as per itinerary
  - Twin occupancy, 3 4 star hotels and camps
  - All meals (except last day lunch and dinner)
  - Entry ticket costs to monuments
  - Local transportation, as per itinerary
  - Professional, local guides
  - All experiences
  - Lunch with a local family \*as per availability
  - FREE TIME to explore built into every journey

#### **NOT INCLUDED IN COSTS**

- Travel insurance
- Items of a personal nature
- Last day dinner
- Optional excursions and tours, activities not listed above
- Gratuities and tips for personal services
- Drinks





Cancellations prior to 30 days from Day 1 of the Journey

• Get 80 % refund (minus non-refundable deposit)

Cancellation between 30 days and 15 days from Day 1 of the Journey

- Get 50 % cash refund
- 90% cash voucher for same trip till one year
- 80% cash voucher for any other journey till one year

Cancellation less than 15 days from Day 1 of the journey/ In case of no show

No refund



THIS JOURNEY REQUIRES A MINIMUM OF 4 GUESTS

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#### SCHEDULE A CALL WITH NIKKI

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Schedule a call at <a href="https://journeyswithnikki.youcanbook.me">https://journeyswithnikki.youcanbook.me</a> or scan the QR code.

Let's get to know each other and see if we're a good fit for each other! 😃





#### RESERVE YOUR PLACE ON THE TOUR

Choose your payment option and reserve your spot on the journey with a non-refundable deposit of USD 500.

JWN will take a maximum of 12 people on any tour!

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