



Event Itinerary

- **Event Name:** Shumga Top Trek 5D/4N
- **Location:** Spiti, Himachal Pradesh
- **Duration:** 5 Days 4 Night

Day 0: Depart from Bangalore

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Day 1: Mandi to Shangarh | A Scenic Drive into the Sainj Valley

Drive from Mandi to Shangarh at 2,050 m through riverside landscapes and traditional Himachali villages

- **Morning Departure from Mandi:** Begin your Himalayan journey from **Mandi** in the morning with pre-arranged transportation towards the peaceful village of Shangarh.
- **Pandoh Dam Viewpoint:** Travel through the scenic mountain roads and enjoy views of **Pandoh Dam**, a notable attraction in the region.
- **Through the Mandi–Aut Route:** Continue along the Mandi–Aut route and pass through the **Aut Tunnel**, an important section of the journey into the valley.
- **Visit Hanogi Mata Temple:** Take a short stop at **Hanogi Mata Temple**, a revered temple located along the mountain route.

- **Along the Sainj River:** Drive beside the beautiful **Sainj River**, enjoying views of lush landscapes, rolling meadows and forested hills.
- **Traditional Temple Architecture:** Admire the distinctive tower-style temples found in the region, reflecting the cultural and architectural heritage of Himachal Pradesh.
- **Arrival at Shangarh:** Reach **Shangarh at 2,050 m**, a picturesque mountain village known for its expansive green grasslands, traditional houses and peaceful surroundings.
- **Explore the Village:** Spend some time enjoying the calm atmosphere of Shangarh and taking in the views of the surrounding mountains.
- **Evening Relaxation:** Unwind after the journey and prepare your trekking essentials for the upcoming adventure.
- **Overnight Stay:** Spend the night in a comfortable **homestay or campsite**, depending on the selected accommodation arrangement, and enjoy the peaceful mountain atmosphere.

Day 2: Shangarh to Sara Lake | Through Forest Trails to a Sacred Alpine Lake

4–5 hours of trekking from Shangarh to Sara Lake at 2,744 m

Morning Trek Start: After breakfast, begin the trek from Shangarh, following the trail towards the peaceful and sacred Sara Lake.

Into the Pine Forests: Enter the dense pine forests above Bargshanghar, where the trail winds through beautiful woodland and rich Himalayan vegetation.

Flora & Fauna: Keep an eye out for the region's diverse plant life and mountain wildlife as you make your way through the forest.

Scenic Forest Walk: Continue along the tranquil trail, surrounded by towering trees, fresh mountain air and the peaceful sounds of nature.

Packed Lunch Break: Take a break along the route to enjoy your packed lunch and recharge for the remaining trek.

Journey Towards Sara Lake: Continue trekking for

approximately 4–5 hours, gradually making your way through the forested mountain landscape. Arrival at Sara Lake: Reach Sara Lake at 2,744 m, a serene waterbody tucked away amid the surrounding forests and mountain wilderness. Explore the Lakeside: Spend time appreciating the untouched beauty of the lake and its calm natural surroundings. Sunset by the Lake: If weather and visibility permit, enjoy the beautiful sunset over Sara Lake as the evening light settles across the landscape. Evening in the Wilderness: Relax at the campsite, soak in the peaceful atmosphere and enjoy the quiet beauty of the forest. Overnight Stay: Settle in for the night at the campsite near Sara Lake and prepare for the next day's summit adventure.

Day 3: Sara Lake to Shumga Top & Shumga Thach | Summit Views Across the Himalayas

5–6 hours of trekking to Shumga Top at 3,810 m, followed by a descent to Shumga Thach

- **Morning Departure:** After breakfast, leave the peaceful surroundings of **Sara Lake at 2,744 m** and begin the climb towards the spectacular Shumga Top.
- **Through Alpine Vegetation:** Follow the forest trail lined with **juniper shrubs and rhododendrons**, enjoying the changing vegetation as you gain elevation.
- **Approaching the Treeline:** Continue uphill until the dense forest gradually gives way to expansive open meadows in the Shumga region.
- **Into Shumga Meadows:** Walk across the vast alpine grasslands, surrounded by rolling terrain and impressive mountain scenery.
- **Himalayan Birdlife:** Keep an eye out for Himalayan birds such as the **Monal, Koklass Pheasant and Tragopan**, which may be spotted along the route.

- **Climb to Shumga Top:** Continue towards the summit, following the open ridge and navigating the final sections of the uphill trail.
- **Sacred Summit Site:** Reach **Shumga Top at 3,810 m**, marked by the **Jogni deity shrine and colourful prayer flags**, reflecting the spiritual importance of the mountain.
- **Panoramic Summit Views:** Enjoy expansive views of **Sainj, Tirthan, Banjar, Mandi and Thachi** from the summit, subject to weather and visibility.
- **Distant Himalayan Landscapes:** On clear days, views may extend towards the regions of **Kinnaur and Spiti**, along with distant high peaks of the Great Himalayas.
- **Views Across Kullu Valley:** Take in the surrounding mountain scenery and, where visible, admire the Beas River flowing through the Kullu Valley with peaks such as **Gushu and Vasuki Nag** in the wider landscape.
- **Descent to Shumga Thach:** After spending time at the summit, begin the downhill trek towards **Shumga Thach**, passing through open alpine terrain.
- **Arrival at Campsite:** Reach Shumga Thach and settle into camp after completing the day's rewarding summit trek.
- **Evening in the Mountains:** Relax, enjoy the peaceful surroundings and take in the changing colours of the Himalayan landscape.
- **Overnight Stay:** Spend the night at **Shumga Thach** and rest for the return journey ahead.

Day 4: Shumga Thach to Shangarh | Descend Through Forests and Return Journey

4–5 hours of trekking | Shangarh – 2,050 m

- **Morning in the Mountains:** Wake up at Shumga Thach and enjoy breakfast while taking in the magnificent views of the towering

peaks surrounding the Great Himalayan National Park.

- **Begin the Descent:** After breakfast, start trekking downhill from Shumga Thach towards **Bargshanghar**, following peaceful forest trails.
- **Scenic Forest Walk:** Make your way through the beautiful Himalayan landscape, surrounded by lush vegetation, fresh mountain air and tranquil surroundings.
- **Journey Through Nature:** Spend approximately **4–5 hours** descending along the trail while revisiting the scenic landscapes experienced during the trek.
- **Reach Bargshanghar:** Arrive at Bargshanghar, where the pickup vehicle will be ready to receive the group.
- **Drive to Shangarh:** Board the vehicle and begin the return drive to **Shangarh at 2,050 m.**
- **Reflect on the Adventure:** Enjoy the journey back while recalling the summit views, forest trails and memorable moments of the Shumga Top Trek.
- **Trip Completion:** Reach Shangarh and conclude the trekking expedition with lasting memories of the Himalayan adventure.

Day 5: Shangarh to Mandi | Farewell to the Himalayan Trails

- **Morning in Shangarh:** Enjoy a relaxed breakfast in Shangarh while reflecting on the beautiful experiences and memories created during the Shumga Top Trek.
- **Begin the Return Journey:** After breakfast, get ready and depart from Shangarh towards **Mandi**.
- **Scenic Drive Through Himachal:** Travel through the picturesque landscapes of Himachal Pradesh, passing through charming villages, green valleys and winding mountain roads.
- **Relive the Adventure:** Take in the final views of the Himalayan surroundings as you journey back, remembering the forest trails,

alpine meadows and summit experiences.

- **Arrival in Mandi:** Reach Mandi and conclude your trekking expedition with unforgettable memories of the mountains and the adventure shared along the way.

Pickup Location

- **RR Nagar Gopalan Arcade** - 12:00 PM

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