



Yak Travel

Limited



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Highlights for 2026



Our ethos – “If we haven’t done it ourselves, we don’t offer it”.

Our simple mantra makes us a truly exceptional company. All our treks and tours are based upon our own adventures and upon our own travel experiences.

Our company is founded upon the strength of our personal relationships with some of the best local guides in Morocco, North-East India, Nepal, Pakistan & Bhutan who were born in the region, passionately love the region and know it intimately. We know, trust and respect every one of them through our own experiences of trekking and touring with them as our own guides on our own expeditions. We believe that this intimacy, ensures that we stand apart from other companies in being able to provide you with the most personalised of trekking and touring experiences.



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JOURNEY THROUGH THE AWE-INSPIRING MOUNTAINS OF NORTHERN PAKISTAN AND JOIN THE CELEBRATIONS AT SHANDUR POLO FESTIVAL

Travel across the plains of northern Pakistan for a cultural tour in a private vehicle and then drive up into the Hindu Kush and Karakoram mountains, explore its Buddhist relics, villages and towns, plus the legendary Kingdom of Hunza. Head up to the Chinese border on Khunjerab Pass before taking the road trip through Kaghan Valley and over Babusar Pass back to the modern capital city of Islamabad.

Pakistan

North West Frontier Province
& Northern Territory

Mountain Tour, Tribal Tour,
Wildlife Tour & Culture Tour

Duration

16 days



Leisurely

HIGHLIGHTS

- Attend **Shandur Polo Festival** on Shandur Pass
- Pass through **Khyber Gate** on the road to the **Afghan frontier**
- Sleep in the **tribal villages** of the **Kalash Kafir**
- **Spellbinding views** of Hunza Valley and **Rakaposhi peak**
- Drive onto **Khunjerab Pass**, the **international border** with China





EXPLORE THE LENGTH OF THE **EXTRAORDINARY KARAKORAM HIGHWAY** AND ITS **MAJESTIC SIDE VALLEYS**

Fly from Islamabad across the Karakoram mountains to the tribal town of Gilgit and then follow the mighty Indus river still higher along the rugged Karakoram Highway and reach the legendary Kingdom of Hunza. Then, watch out for wildlife, including Karakorum ibex and Marco polo sheep, as we head through Khunjerab National Park to reach Khunjerab Pass itself. Venture into remote and rarely visited side valleys to explore traditional villages, before trekking gently across Fairy Meadows and finally heading over Babusar Pass back to Islamabad.

Pakistan
Northern Territory

Mountain Tour, Mountain Trek,
Wildlife Tour & Culture Tour

Duration
13 days



Leisurely/Moderate

HIGHLIGHTS

- Spellbinding views of Hunza Valley and Rakaposhi peak
- The wildlife of Karakoram National Park
- Explore the enchanting Shimshal Valley
- Trek across enchanting Fairy Meadows below mighty Nanga Parbat
- Drive over remote Babusar Pass and through beautiful Kaghan Valley



MOROCCO

IGHIL MGOUN ASCENT AND GORGES

June to October

TAKE ON THE **CHALLENGE** OF CLIMBING TO THE **SUMMIT** OF THE **SECOND HIGHEST** MASSIF IN **NORTH AFRICA** AND THEN EMBRACE THE EXCITEMENT OF A **REMOTE TREK** THROUGH ONE OF THE MOST **SPECTACULAR GORGES** IN ALL MOROCCO, EMERGING INTO THE **VALLEY OF THE ROSES**.

At 4,068m, Ighil Mgoun is the second highest massif in North Africa. This hike to the very summit, Ighil n'Oumsoud, is challenging, but it requires no mountaineering expertise and the reward of panoramic views makes all the hard work worthwhile. A descent through the Achabou (Mgoun) Gorges then offers the experience of perhaps the most exhilarating of all possible routes across the High Atlas Mountains.

Morocco

Mgoun



Mountain Trek

Duration

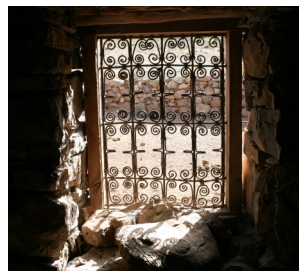
7-11 days



Tough

HIGHLIGHTS

- Start in the beautiful **Ait Bou Guemez Valley** and finish in the **Valley of the Roses**
- Trek through traditional **Berber villages** and **summer pastures** including the vast expanse of the lofty **Tarkeddid Plateau**
- Trek to the summit of **Ighil Mgoun** (Ighil n'Oumsoud) – 4068m
- Head through the stunning **Achabou Gorges**
- **6 nights camping** or sleeping in simple, traditional accommodation in the High Atlas Mountains (depending upon the season).





TREK ACROSS THE **MOUNTAINS** OF JEBEL SAHRO, THE **HEARTLAND** OF THE AIT ATTA **WARRIOR TRIBE**, TO REACH THE **OASIS** OF NEKOB, TOWN OF THE 50 **KASBAHS**

Enjoy the satisfaction of making the full crossing of Jebel Sahro from the banks of the River Dades in the north to the oasis of Nekob in the south. Traverse a wild and often desolate, mountainous landscape through small, isolated villages and semi-nomadic encampments while discovering some of the most wonderful rock formations to be found anywhere in Morocco.

Morocco

Sahro



Mountain Trek

Duration

4-11 days



Moderate/Challenging

HIGHLIGHTS

- Start your trek on the banks of the green **Dades Valley** and finish in the **oasis** of Nekob
- Trek through the sparsely populated mountains of Jebel Sahro, meeting only occasional **shepherds**, goatherds and their flocks
- The twin rock towers of **Bab n'Ali**, the "Jewel of Sahro"
- Descend through the surreal **Irhissi Gorge** and camp by a dilapidated **kasbah**
- Up to **5 nights camping** in Jebel Sahro





BHUTAN

BEST OF BHUTAN WITH THIMPU FESTIVAL

September

SEE THE **BEST OF BHUTAN** FROM **EAST TO WEST** AND A TRADITIONAL **BUDDHIST FESTIVAL**

Your two-week adventure begins and ends at Paro. It offers an unforgettable journey across the breadth of Bhutan, taking in both the unfrequented east of the country along with the highlights of the classical west. We have created this tour for travellers who have a strong passion for scenic journeys, mountains, local communities and villages, with a domestic flight to both minimise road travel and maximise our time in Bhutan. Opportunities to interact with friendly locals and delve into Bhutan's rich culture and tradition abound. Moreover, this tour includes a day at the Thimphu (or Dromchoe) Drubchen, a sacred, traditional Bhutanese festival staged against the magnificent backdrop of Tashichho Dzong in Thimphu.

Bhutan

East Bhutan & West Bhutan

Culture Tour, Buddhist Pilgrimage
& Mountain Tour

Duration

14 days



Leisurely

HIGHLIGHTS

- Drametse Lhakhang, the birthplace of the famous **Mask Dance of the Drums**
- Lhuentse, the **ancestral home** of the kings of Bhutan
- Rushing rivers, cascading waterfalls, towering cliffs, and **snow-capped peaks**
- A full day at a **Buddhist festival** at Thimphu





BHUTAN

ROYAL HIGHLAND FESTIVAL TOUR

October

EXPERIENCE THE **TIME-HONOURED TRADITIONS** OF **BUTANESE HIGHLAND LIFE** PLUS THE BEST OF **CLASSICAL WESTERN AND CENTRAL BHUTAN**

Join us on a mesmerising journey and immerse yourself in the enchanting, unfrequented world of the Bhutanese highlanders. This trip promises both adventure and excitement, providing you with the opportunity to experience the authenticity and simplicity of highland life, neither seen nor known outside this remote region. Step into a realm where time-honoured traditions remain vibrant, and the atmosphere resonates with awe and wonder.

Bhutan

West Bhutan & Central Bhutan

Culture Tour, Buddhist Pilgrimage
& Mountain Tour

Duration

12 days



Moderate

HIGHLIGHTS

- hiking to the incomparable **Tiger's Nest Monastery**
- the monumental Kuenselphodrang, the **world's largest Buddha** Dordenma statue
- the aqua green **glacial rivers** around the remote village of **Laya**
- immersing yourself for two days in the **Royal Highland Festival**





LIVING ROOT BRIDGES, SACRED FORESTS AND MAGICAL WATERFALLS

Escape the hustle and bustle of the Indian plains and head for the green mountains of Meghalaya, the “Abode of Clouds”. Stroll through the traditional markets of Shillong and the colonial heritage of this former British hill station, then explore the ancient stone megaliths of Nartiang. Enjoy the colourful flowers of idyllic Mawlynnong, “the cleanest village in India” and marvel at the stunning views below into Bangladesh. Wander through sacred forests, cross mysterious living root bridges and discover some of the very finest waterfalls on earth.

India
Meghalaya

Tribal Tour,
Nature Tour & Mountain Tour

Duration
11 days



Leisurely/Moderate

HIGHLIGHTS

- The former **British hill station** of Shillong
- **Spectacular waterfalls** including Noh Ka Like
- Stroll across the unique “**Double Decker**” root bridge
- Meet the Khasi tribe at “**The Whistling Village**”
- Explore Mawphlang **Sacred Forest**





WILDLIFE **SAFARI**, HINDU **TEMPLES**, SHORT **JUNGLE TREKS**, TRADITIONAL **TRIBAL VILLAGES**,
AND A FINAL NIGHT IN AN **HISTORIC COLONIAL TEA PLANTATION BUNGALOW**

Head from the ancient Hindu temples of Guwahati across the plains of Assam to the expanse of Kaziranga National Park in search of the endangered white one-horned rhino. Then, cross the mighty Brahmaputra River to Majuli Island, the largest inhabited river island in the world, visiting unique Hindu satras (monasteries). Journey onwards up into the forested foothills of the Eastern Himalaya, to explore the traditional tribal villages of Central Arunachal Pradesh, staying and eating with villagers in their own homes, before returning to Assam and spending a final night in an historic British tea plantation bungalow.

India
Arunachal Pradesh & Assam

Culture Tour, Tribal Tour,
Wildlife Tour & Mountain Tour

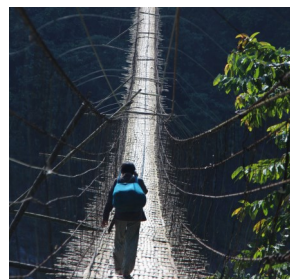
Duration
15 days



Leisurely

HIGHLIGHTS

- Ancient Hindu temples in Guwahati
- Elephant and jeep safaris in Kaziranga National Park
- Apatani tribe Myoko Festival
- Visit Nishi, Tagin, Gallo and Mirnyong tribe villages
- Short walks in the Eastern Himalayas





STAY IN OUR **HOMELY, TRADITIONAL** COTTAGE IN THE HEART OF THE **NORTH YORK MOORS**

Relax in our spacious and homely cottage in the picturesque moorland village of Danby and enjoy enchanting views from the front windows across the Esk Valley. Many walks and cycle routes for all levels start right from the cottage door or from the nearby Moors National Park Visitor Centre on the edge of the village. Take in nearby Danby Castle and spectacular views from Danby Beacon. Hop aboard the local single track train to Whitby or drive to the nearby seaside favourites of Staithes, Sandsend and Saltburn.

England
North York Moors

Rest & Relaxation

Duration
Flexible



HIGHLIGHTS

- South-facing cottage with fabulous views across the **Esk Valley**
- Situated in the heart of the **North York Moors National Park**
- Within a short walk of The Moors **National Park Centre**
- Excellent **traditional pub** within walking distance,
- **Fishing** nearby



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