

SYANDAN
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Char Dham

YATRA

BY HELICOPTER

5 Nights / 6 Days



Yamunotri



Gangotri



Kedarnath



Badrinath



About us

At Syandan Aviation, we specialize in luxury helicopter charter services for the sacred Char Dham Yatra and other religious pilgrimages across India. As pioneers in aerial pilgrimage services, we provide seamless helicopter journeys to Yamunotri, Gangotri, Kedarnath, Badrinath, Vrindavan, and Krishna Janambhoomi, allowing devotees to experience these divine destinations with unparalleled convenience. Each journey is tailored to your specific requirements. Beyond religious pilgrimages, we extend our expertise to government charters, aerial geophysical surveys, and exclusive private travel.

Our Sacred Journey Experience

The Uttarakhand Char Dham Yatra represents one of Hinduism's most auspicious religious journeys. These four holy sites in Uttarakhand-known as "Dev Bhoomi" (Land of Gods) attract hundreds of thousands of devotees annually between Akshaya Tritiya and Diwali. For those seeking a convenient and timeefficient way to experience this sacred journey, our helicopter services are an ideal option. This mode of transportation is particularly beneficial for individuals with health concerns or tight schedules, offering a swift and comfortable visit to these revered destination in Uttarakhand.



Yatra Highlights

(Dehradun – Yamunotri – Gangotri – Kedarnath - Badrinath)

- » **Day 1:** Embark on a spiritually enriching Chardham yatra by arriving in Dehradun and settling into your hotel. At 19:00, attend an essential briefing session for complete information about your upcoming journey.
- » **Day 2:** First Divine Darshan - Begin your spiritual journey with a morning helicopter flight from Sahastradhara helipad to Kharsali. From here, embark on a scenic 6 km trek (one-way) to **Yamunotri Dham**, with Palki services available for comfort. Seek the blessings of Goddess Yamuna at this sacred temple nestled in the magnificent Himalayan peaks.
- » **Day 3:** Fly from Yamunotri to Gangotri Dham, enjoying breathtaking aerial views of the Harsil Apple Valley en route. Experience the divine energy at **Gangotri Temple**, marking the spot where Mother Ganga first descended on earth, purifying souls for millennia.
- » **Day 4:** Embark on a spectacular helicopter journey to **Shri Kedarnath ji Dham**, home to one of the 12 revered Jyotirlingas. Experience a peaceful and divine darshan in this majestic temple set against the stunning backdrop of the Himalayan peaks at 11,755ft.
- » **Day 5:** Complete your sacred pilgrimage with a visit to **Shri Badrinath ji Dham**, the holy abode of Lord Vishnu. Witness the magnificent temple architecture and offer prayers, filling your soul with tranquility and devotion.
- » **Day 6:** Your spiritual pilgrimage ends with a final helicopter flight back to Sahastradhara Helipad, Dehradun. We provide complimentary drop-off services to the airport or railway station to help with your forward journey. Your sacred sojourn ends with you carrying profound peace, divine blessings from all four sacred dhams, and cherished memories of the majestic Himalayan vistas forever.



Our Package inclusions

- » Helicopter ride from Dehradun (Sahastradhara Helipad) to all Char Dham shrines and back.
- » Hotel accommodation in Dehradun on the arrival day, so you can relax and prepare for the spiritual journey ahead. Dinner & breakfast included.
- » Accommodation at the best available properties at each Dham for 4 nights (1 night per Dham), along with 1 night at Sahastradhara. All meals are included during the Char Dham Yatra, while dinner is included at Sahastradhara.
- » Airport and Hotel Transfers in Dehradun.
- » VIP Darshan at Kedarnath & Badrinath and Priority Darshan assistance at Yamunotri and Gangotri.
- » Syandan Aviation will have representatives at all the Dhams for assistance.
- » Palki service provided for the 6 km (one-way) trek to Yamunotri, ensuring a comfortable and hassle-free journey.
- » Local transportation at all Dhams, where required, will be provided in Toyota Innova cars or a similar available vehicle.
- » Taxes and other government levy.



DAY 01: DEHRADUN**Dehradun Arrival and Preparation**

- » Guests should arrive in Dehradun on the first day, our main base (starting and ending point) for the Chardham Yatra by Helicopter.
- » Guests will be picked up from Dehradun Airport or Railway station by car according to their arrival timings and transferred to the Hotel arranged by Syandan Aviation. Your hotel stay is inclusive of dinner and breakfast so you can relax and prepare for the spiritual journey ahead.
- » In the evening there will be a briefing (mandatory to attend) by our Dehradun team at the Hotel, which will be conducted at around 19:00 hrs. Guests will be provided with important details to prepare for the upcoming journeys along with flight timings.
- » Duffel bags will be provided to the guests, who must pack the necessary luggage for the duration of the yatra. A maximum of 5kg/per person will be permitted.
- » Note: Each person's body weight will be measured during the tour briefing.
- » Facility will be provided on a complimentary basis to store your extra luggage at the hotel's baggage storage facility, which can be picked up by you at the end of the trip.



DAY 02: YAMUNOTRI DHAM

Sahastradhara to Yamunotri

- » This is the starting day of the Chardham Yatra. Guests will check out from the hotel at 5:00 AM after an early breakfast. Our team will pick you up by vehicle from the hotel and transport you to Sahastradhara Helidrome, where the departure process will begin (the exact timing for pickup and transfer will be communicated during the briefing session).
- » After a brief pre-flight briefing, guests will board their helicopters for the onward journey.
- » Upon arrival, our ground staff will assist guests in checking into the hotel, which is located very close to the helipad.
- » After reaching the Hotel the guests will be taken for Yamunotri Darshan as soon as possible. Palkis (palanquins) can be arranged for their journey to the temple on a request basis.
- » The trek to Yamunotri is physically demanding and takes approximately 6 hours to finish including the Darshan and return. Due to its remote location, Kharsali offers a serene and spiritually uplifting atmosphere, making the journey truly rewarding.

Note: *The mentioned timings and itinerary are subject to adjustment based on operational requirements and weather conditions.*



DAY 03: GANGOTRI DHAM

Yamunotri to Gangotri

- » After breakfast, guests will check out from the hotel by 06:00 AM and proceed to the Kharsali Helipad for departure at 06:30 AM.
- » Arrival in Harsil/Jhalla Helipad, guests will be taken to Harsil village and checked in to the Hotel.
- » While relaxing at the hotel, guests can enjoy the scenic beauty of Harsil, a picture-perfect hill station, nestled at 8,500 feet along the banks of the Bhagirathi River and surrounded by majestic snow-covered mountains, dense pine forests, and abundant apple orchards.
- » Either before or after lunch, Guests will embark on a beautiful drive (approx. 1 hour) to Gangotri Dham. Upon arrival, a short 400-meter walk from the parking area leads to the Gangotri Temple.
- » Estimated time taken for Gangotri Temple Darshan is 3 hours (round-trip).

Note: The mentioned timings and itinerary are subject to adjustment based on operational requirements and weather conditions.



DAY 04: KEDARNATH DHAM

Gangotri to Kedarnath

- After breakfast, guests will check out from the hotel by 06:30 am and make their way to the Harsil/Jhalla Helipad for departure at 07:00 AM.
- Arrival at Phata/Sersi, which will be the next hotel base for the guests.
- Guests will be ferried to Kedarnath Dham for Darshan in a shuttle service flight which is approximately 7 to 10 minutes.
- Guests might be ferried in different shuttle service flights, to adjust for the maximum weight carrying capacity of the aircraft at high-altitude destinations such as Kedarnath.
- Approximate time taken to complete the darshan at Kedarnath Temple is 2 hours.
- Exploring Kedarnath:
 - Shankaracharya Samadhi & Memorial: A must-visit site, the recently renovated samadhi of Adi Shankaracharya now serves as a dedicated memorial honoring the great saint.

Note: The mentioned timings and itinerary are subject to adjustment based on operational requirements and weather conditions.



DAY 05: BADRINATH DHAM

Kedarnath to Badrinath

- After breakfast, guests will check out from the hotel by 07:30 am and make their way to the Helipad for departure at 08:00 AM.
- Either before or after lunch, our team will take the guests for Darshan to Badrinath Temple by car.
- Exploring Badrinath:
 - Mana Village – The Last Village of India
 - Following darshan, guests are encouraged to visit Mana Village, the last inhabited village of India, and Bhim Pul known for its mythological and cultural importance. It is believed that Maharishi Ved Vyas composed the Mahabharata with the help of Lord Ganesha in a small cave here, now known as Vyas Gufa (Vyas Cave).
- Aarti/Special Pooja at Badrinath Temple, can be arranged at an additional direct payment basis with extra vehicle charges.

Note: *The mentioned timings and itinerary are subject to adjustment based on operational requirements and weather conditions.*



DAY 06: RETURN TO DEHRADUN

➤ Badrinath to Sahastradhara

- After breakfast, Guests will check out from the hotel by 08:00 am and make their way to the Badrinath Helipad for departure at 08:30 AM.
- On arrival in Dehradun, our team will receive the guests and arrange to drop them at the airport or railway station for their onward journey.

Note: *The mentioned timings and itinerary are subject to adjustment based on operational requirements and weather conditions.*



GUIDELINES FOR PASSENGERS

- Syandan Aviation reserves the right to change/postpone the timings of flying during the tour briefing or one day prior due to weather/force majeure or operational reasons.
- Guests must submit their correct weights at the time of booking. Submitting incorrect weights may lead to guests being debarred from boarding without any refunds.
- Baggage Allowance: Only one baggage (duffel bag provided by Syandan Aviation) weighing a maximum of 5 kg is allowed per passenger. It is not permitted to carry suitcases or big travel bags in the helicopter. The 5 kg baggage limit must be maintained throughout the journey, and the luggage weight would be checked at all the Dhams. If the excess baggage exceeds permissible limits, it will be offloaded and not transported further. Guests are advised to pack thoughtfully to avoid any inconvenience.
- Guests arrival/departure details must be provided at the time of booking so that we can smoothly operate the tour.
- Guests should book Dehradun arrival flights, reaching after 03:00 pm. Similarly, for departure, Guests are advised to book flights/trains departing after 05:00 pm from Dehradun. Due to weather/operational reasons, there might be a delay in returning to Dehradun from the last Dham. Rescheduling of flight is client's responsibility at

all time.

- VIP Darshans are subject to the orders issued by the temple authorities and the state government. Sometimes administration does not allow Guests inside the sanctum sanctorum for puja and darshans are done from outside the temple entrance.
- In view of our helicopters' weight-carrying capacity, Syandan Aviation reserves the right to shuffle Guests between helicopters to manage the right weight for safe flying in the hills. Therefore, Guests travelling together may not be accommodated in the same helicopter flight.
- Kedarnath shuttle service: Guests will be ferried to Kedarnath ji in a shuttle service flight and it is likely that Guests travelling together may not be accommodated on the same flight.
- Any sudden increase in taxes/levy by the state government or the temple authorities will be borne by the Guests.
- Guests will have to do Yatra Registration on their own prior to the travel. In cases where the booking is made through a travel agency, the agency will be responsible for completing the online registration on behalf of the Guests.
- Comfortable clothing such as tracksuits or Kurtas are advised on the tour. As for shoes, one should carry sports or trekking shoes.
- Toddlers up to 2 years may travel with one or both parents. Their weight will be added to the accompanying parent(s) or group's total weight, which must remain within the permissible limit. Children above 2 years are counted as individuals. For verification of the age of the child, an ID proof/birth certificate of the child must be carried in original.
- Any donations, tips, Pitthu, extra porter charges shall be borne by the Guests. Syandan Aviation should not be held accountable of any such donations.
- Airport/railway station transfer shall be provided on arrival and departure days. Only 1 transfer would be provided for each side. On the arrival day, it could either be Airport/railway station to hotel or hotel to hotel transfer.
- Network connectivity at Harsil & Badrinath is very poor. BSNL, Airtel & Jio are the main telecom services, that work in these regions.
- Temple Timings: The opening and closing timings of the Dhams often change every season. Our team carefully plans and schedules the flights for each group in accordance with the temple timings to ensure a smooth and well-coordinated pilgrimage experience.
- All temples in the Char Dham sector are located at high altitudes, therefore Guests are advised to carry medication after consulting their doctor before travelling. Also, they are advised to carry warm clothing since the temperature can drop drastically during evenings & nights. Kedarnath Temple is at an altitude of more than 11,500

feet, so there may be a slight change in oxygen levels, Guests are advised to walk at a slow and steady pace upon arrival at the Kedarnath helipad.

- Senior citizens and people with medical issues are hereby advised to kindly get a medical check-up done before commencing the yatra. Medical report/certificate is required to be submitted at the time of booking and must be carried with the a passenger that has any medical ailment.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

➤ COVID TRAVEL GUIDELINES

COVID protocols if enforced by the authorities must be adhered by the Guests as per the effective mandate of the government otherwise boarding shall be denied to the Guests without a refund.

➤ SEATING CAPACITY

The seating capacity of our helicopter is 6 passengers.

➤ HELICOPTER WEIGHT LIMITATION

The maximum weight capacity of the helicopter is 450 kg (including baggage weight). Guests are taken on board depending on the load and Helicopter performance calculation, and the pilot's call in this regard will be final. Hence, Guests are required to provide us with their exact body weights at the time of booking.

➤ OVERWEIGHT CHARGES

Overweight charges are applicable at INR 2,500/kg if permitted. This will be chargeable to Guests weighing above 75 kg. Excess weight will be calculated on the total excess weight above the total permissible weight of your group members combined, i.e., permissible weight = 75 Kg x (No. of pax in the group).

➤ PENALTY ON SUBMISSION OF INCORRECT WEIGHT

If a discrepancy is found in a passenger's declared weight at the time of weighing, a penalty of INR 20,000 will be imposed, along with overweight charges as per the overweight criteria. Guests will be accepted onboard, subject to the aircraft's permissible weight carrying capacity.

Guests are strictly advised to provide accurate weight details to avoid this penalty.

- *Please Note: While submitting the body weights, please ensure that you submit your final weight after adding the extra weight of your clothes and shoes and round off the decimal points to the higher side. For example, if your weight with shoes and clothes on is 74.2 kg, then it should be rounded off to 75kg.*

Exceedance of helicopter weight carrying capacity due to overweight guests will result in the deboarding of overweight guests and cancellation of their trip without any refund.

➤ ARRIVAL DATE

Our Char Dham 5N/6D tours are booked flying-date-wise, which is day 02 of the tour. Guests must report to Dehradun one day before the flying date.

➤ **BAD WEATHER & FORCE MAJEURE DISCLAIMER**

Flying in hills is subject to bad weather and many Force Majeure factors such as delayed Air Traffic Clearances/Permissions, VVIP movements, valley flying by Indian Air Force (NOTAM), sudden occurrence of technical snag in aircraft, illness of flying crew or late reporting of the Guests at the helipads, among others. Therefore, passengers must be prepared to face any eventuality and inconvenience in case of such scenarios.

- AADHAR Card copies are to be shared by all Indian Guests and passports with valid visa copies with arrival stamp in case of foreign nationals.

➤ **HOTELS:**

DEHRADUN: Fairfield by Marriott Dehradun or Similar

KHARSALI: Hotel Kabra Niketan or similar

HARSIL: Himalayan Nature Resorts or Similar

KEDAR: Rajasthan Bhawan (also known as Rajasthan Seva Sadan) or Similar

BADRINATH: Vijay Lords Centric or Similar

- Any additional services availed at hotels beyond our package offerings, such as extra meals, mini-bar usage, laundry, room service, spa treatments, or any other personal expenses, will be charged directly to the client.
- Hotels are subject to sudden change due to unforeseen events.
- Rooms are booked on a double-sharing basis only.
- A separate single occupancy room, will be extra chargeable at INR 50,000/person (tax inclusive) and based on availability.
- We have carefully selected the most comfortable hotels due to the absence of 5-star-rated properties at remote and hilly Char Dham locations.

- We advise our Guests to keep one additional day at hand at the end of the tour, over and above the 5N/6D period, to avoid missing their return flights to safeguard against delays caused by bad weather or force majeure reasons

➤ **ADD-ON SERVICES**

Additional services which are not mentioned in our inclusions will be extra chargeable, and the same must be confirmed depending on availability to us at the time of booking.

➤ **MEDICAL EMERGENCIES**

Syandan Aviation will not be liable for any medical emergency on the ground/air. Guests are hereby advised to kindly get a medical check-up done before commencing the Yatra.

This should be guest's responsibility to take "fit to fly" and share with Syandan Aviation. A medical report/certificate is required to be submitted at the time of booking and carried with the passenger in case of any medical ailment or condition. If a medical evacuation by helicopter is needed, it will be chargeable at INR 2,20,000/Hr + UCADA royalty & landing charges + GST.

➤ **CARRIAGE BY AIR ACT, 1972**

The carriage is subject to Syandan Aviation regulations relating to the conditions of Non-International Carriage (Passenger and Baggage) framed in accordance with The Carriage by Air Act, 1972 and Notification regarding the application of the carriage which is non-international. The liability of the company for damage sustained in the event of the death or wounding of a passenger or any other bodily injury suffered by the passenger or by his registered baggage during the course of carriage by air will be

governed by the provisions of sections 4,5,6 and the rules contained in the second Schedule of Carriage by Air Act 1972 with certain exceptions, adaptations, modifications, etc as notified in the Govt. of India, Ministry of Civil Aviation Notification and as amended from time to time.

- Syandan Aviation reserves the right to deny boarding to Guests, who provide wrong information, or are unruly, abusive, intoxicated, sick, mentally unfit or are deemed to be unsafe to fly upon assessment by the pilot. No refund shall be done to such passenger(s).
- Our Single Engine Helicopters are not available for the following VIP's:
 - Speaker Lok Sabha
 - Dy. Chairperson Rajya Sabha
 - Central Ministers of Cabinet Rank
 - C J I Supreme Court
 - Governors of State
 - Chief Ministers of State
 - State Ministers of Cabinet Rank
 - SPG Protectees – Z category only.

➤ **PAYMENT TERMS:**

- We accept payments via bank transfers, and UPI (Depending on the location).
- The booking is to be done in advance with a deposit of 50% of the total amount.
- Balance payment will be taken 40 days prior to the date of arrival at Dehradun.
- Guests will not be permitted to board or commence the tour, unless full and final payment of the tour has been done.
- Payments via credit/debit card machine will incur 3.5% extra charge.
- Payment via American Express / Foreign cards will incur 4.5% extra charge.

➤ **CANCELLATIONS POLICY:**

If passengers cancel their booking, following cancellation charges will be applicable:

More than 28 days prior to travel date	30% of total tour cost
Between 15 and 28 days prior to the travel date.	50% of total tour cost
14 Days or less prior to travel date	No Refund
No Show	No Refund
After commencement of the tour	No Refund

➤ **FORCE MAJEURE & BAD WEATHER REFUNDS:**

Basis of Refund:

- Tour Cost: The refundable amount of each uncovered Dham will be as mentioned below:
 - Kharsali/Yamunotri: 20% tour cost minus INR 30,000 towards Flight preparation charges and utilized services (if any).
 - Jhalla/Gangotri: 20% tour cost minus INR 30,000 towards Flight preparation & service charges, and utilized services (if any).

- Sersi/Kedarnath: 20% tour cost minus INR 30,000 towards Flight preparation & service charges, and utilized services (if any).
 - Badrinath: 20% tour cost minus INR 30,000 towards Flight preparation & service charges, and utilized services (if any).
 - Full tour cancellation: Full refund minus INR 30,000 towards Flight preparation, hotel retention charges and utilized services (if any).
- **Additional Services:** The cost of additional services provided at any Dham on request during the tour will be deducted over & above the refundable tour cost.
- **COVID-19 Lockdowns, or any National/State Emergency:**
In case Guests test COVID positive before the travel, or the Yatra gets called off by the government, or any National or State emergency is imposed, there will be no refunds applicable.
However, Guests will be provided a Credit Voucher by Syandan Aviation against the advance paid, which will be valid for one year. It can be utilized against any of our helicopter tours or charter services by the Guests or any of their friends/relatives.

BAD WEATHER & FORCE MAJEURE POLICIES:

- - Helicopter flights in hilly terrain are contingent upon unpredictable factors such as adverse weather conditions and various Force Majeure events. These include delayed Air Traffic Clearances/Permissions, VVIP movements, valley flying by the Indian Air Force (NOTAM), sudden technical issues in the aircraft, illness of the flying crew, or delayed reporting of passengers at the helipads, among other unforeseen circumstances. Passengers are advised to be ready to encounter any unexpected events and inconveniences that may arise in such situations.
- If the tour is unable to depart from Dehradun on Day One due to the reasons stated above, the tour shall be deemed cancelled. A refund of the tour amount, less a 12% deduction in accordance with our cancellation policy, will be processed accordingly.
- In case the tour departs from Dehradun as per schedule but gets disrupted, while the tour is ongoing, our team will propose the possible revised itinerary within the scheduled package days, but without any extension of days.
- The balance/unutilized amount against previous booking can be adjusted against the fresh booking and any extra costs that would be accruing, will have to be borne by the passengers.
- Any extension, proposed by the passengers, in the package will only be considered at an extra cost and subject to operational viability.
- In case for 05 straight days flying does not take place, full refund as per our policies will be made to the passengers.

- New Chardham passenger(s) scheduled for departure from Dehradun on any respective travel date shall be our top priority, over the back-log passenger(s) of previous days(s).
- In case of a passenger being stuck at Kedarnath top due to bad weather or Force Majeure, the accommodation charges at Kedarnath top will borne by the client directly.

KEDARNATH BAD WEATHER DISCLAIMER:

- - It is highly common for bad weather to prevent helicopter-flying in the Kedar Valley connecting Kedarnath Shrine. Due to this, Guests may get stranded at Kedarnath top and may have to spend the night at the Kedarnath top.
- In such condition, our team will try to arrange rooms at the guest houses available at Kedarnath top. These rooms will be booked on an ad-hoc basis subject to availability, and the accommodation charges will be borne directly by the guests. Additionally, no refund for the pre-booked accommodation at Phata/Sersi will be applicable under such circumstances.
- Please note that the guest houses at Kedarnath top are very basic, often lacking standard amenities like hot water, clean beds, and proper hygiene. And, unfortunately, due to the extremely high demand of rooms, the cost of accommodation at Kedarnath tends to be unfairly high compared to the quality of services offered. Guests are advised to be prepared for such contingencies.
- Additional night halt charges will be payable by the Guests to hotels on direct payment basis if they get stuck for additional nights due to bad weather/force majeure reasons over and above the 5N/6D period.
- If Guests require extra helicopter flying at the end of their tour, the same will be chargeable at INR 2,20,000/Hr + UCADA royalty & landing charges + GST.
- Syandan Aviation may not fly to Harsil/Jhalla, in case of turbulent wind conditions – which is common in the Harsil valley after 12:00pm.
- While the tour is ongoing, if any group demands to cancel their tour mid-way, the arrangement of transportation will be done by Syandan Aviation, however, cost for the same will be borne by the Guests on direct payment basis.
- Any increase in government levies or taxes, after the confirmation of booking, will be extra chargeable to the Guests. Payment against the same will have to be done before the commencement of the tour.

DISPUTES

- - Disputes as to the legality, interpretation, application or performance of service or any of its terms and conditions shall be governed by the laws of Delhi Jurisdiction.
- Bookings will be taken, considering there is acceptance of the above-mentioned terms and conditions by the Guests.



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