



6 Tips for a Budget Trip to Spiti Valley

Spiti Valley is on its way to becoming one of the most popular destinations, especially due to the commercialization of Ladakh. The hotels are on the rise in Spiti Valley as well and so is the budget for making a trip to Spiti Valley. The major issue here is that you need a good number of days at hand, around 10-11 days. Hence, the impact of the daily budget is very critical. In this article, let me help you with 6 tips for making a budget trip to Spiti Valley.

1

Travel in shoulder season – May OR September / October

You can choose to travel in the shoulder months like May when the season is about to start or September / October when the season to travel Spiti Valley is about to end. It gives you three levers to pull: Spot booking of stay options, better deals at hotels and taxis, and fewer tourists.

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Travel in the groups of 3-5 members

When you travel in groups of 3-5 people, you get additional cost-saving means. Offseason discounts, free extra beds, shared taxi costs, and the experiences are some of the advantages. Hire bikes/tempo if the size of the groups is lower or higher. Hitchhike/Use public transport wherever possible.

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Make on the spot bookings for stay & transport

In a place like Spiti Valley, it is very easy to find a place on the spot such as a homestay or small guest house. It not only saves money but also helps the local economy and adds flexibility in your schedule. 'Leave Early, Sleep Early' is the golden rule!

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Be wise in choosing accommodation & where it is located

A homestay with cleanliness, comfortable beds, accessibility, and a clean toilet should be what you should look for over stars of a restaurant here. Sometimes the disadvantage of such small homestays or guest houses is that food may not always be available on your request. It will be prepared when food is being prepared for the homestay.

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Be wise what and where you eat or drink

Eating at the roadside dhabhas or tea shacks or a local Tibetan food shack is going to save much more money than eating at the hotel or fancy restaurants. Try some local food at home stays and limit your unnecessary spending

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Pay for Individual Meals?

Well, though in a group of friends sometimes it looks odd in a country like ours, it is quite common to pay on table individually and there is nothing wrong at all in it especially when traveling with strangers. It gives you good control of your food expenses. It could save about 10-12% in your food expenses or help someone in the group save it.

Himalayan Travel Tips

- Have Buffer Days
- Stay Warm & Hydrated
- Avoid Alcohol
- Carry Required Clothing, Food & Water
- Drive with Caution & Care
- Start Early, Sleep Early



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- Spread Smiles Not Plastic
- Stop Littering
- Bring Back Your Own Trash
- Avoid Plastic Water Bottles