



## **FAM trip Itinerary**

### **DAY 1: 0800 HRS DRIVE TO AMRITSAR (226 KMS / 5.5 HRS)**

Arrival at Amritsar by road in the morning.

#### **Stop 1: 1230 – 1325 Hrs**

Arrival at Jallianwala Bagh, accessed through a narrow passage, bears testimony to one of the most horrific chapters of colonial rule. The Jallianwala Bagh massacre, also known as the Amritsar massacre, took place on 13 April 1919, when troops of the British Indian Army under the command of Acting Brigadier-General Reginald Dyer fired rifles into a crowd of unarmed Indian civilians who had assembled for a peaceful protest to condemn the arrest. Bullet-marked walls and a well inside the garden into which men, women and children jumped in a desperate attempt to avoid the gunfire, serve as reminders of the tragic episode. At the end of the garden, a red-hued Martyr's Memorial in the shape of a flame immortalizes the innocent people who lost their lives.



Timings of Jallianwala Bagh: Apr- Sept 6.30 a.m to 7 p.m and Oct-Mar 7.00 a.m- 6.00 p.m.

### **Stop 2: 1315 – 1445 Hrs**

Arrival at Golden Temple- Sites to visit inside Golden Temple Complex-Sri Amrit Sarovar, Gurudwara Dukh Bhanjani Ber, Guru Ka Langar (Community meals), Shrine to Baba Deep Singh, Darshani Deorhi, Akal Takhat, Nishan Sahibs, Beri Baba Budhaji, Central Sikh Museum, Gurudwara Laachi Ber, Gurudwara Thada Sahib, Gurudwara Atal Sahib, Gurudwara Manji Sahib. Optional take Lungar at Gurudwara

Timings of Palki Sahib at the Golden Temple (Morning)- Nov-Feb-5.00 a.m and Mar-Oct- 4.30 a.m) Timings of Sukh Aasan at the Golden Temple (Evening)- Nov-Feb-9.30 p.m and Mar- Oct-10.00 p.m

### **Stop 3: 1500 Hrs**

Checkin at the hotel

### **Stop 4: 1530 Hrs**

Visit 16<sup>th</sup> century Durgiana Temple, attracts Hindu sages and scholars from all over the country, as it is a well-known repository of Hindu scriptures. Dedicated to the goddess Durga, the intricate carvings of the goddess showcasing her various incarnations are particularly remarkable. As a prominent section of the temple is dedicated to the Hindu deities Lakshmi and Narayan, it is also referred to as the Lakshmi Narayan temple. The Durgiana temple was rebuilt in the 20th century and its foundation stone was laid by the freedom fighter Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya, an educationist and founder of Benaras Hindu University.

Timings: Morning - 5.15 am - 1.00 pm and Evening- 3.00 pm - 9.00 pm

### **Stop 5: 1700 – 1830 Hrs**

Experience Wagah Border where every evening, the military showmanship at the Attari-Wagah border between India and Pakistan gets infused with patriotic revelry as a huge crowd gathers to watch the ceremony of closing the border gates and lowering the flags on both sides. The border security force engage in competitive foot stomping and high-kicks and the atmosphere becomes electric as people wave flags, cheer, clap rapturously and even dance to Bollywood numbers.

Timings of Retreat ceremony: 5.30 pm - 6.00 pm (Check with your hotel for summer and winter timings)



#### **Stop 6: 1900 – 2130 Hrs**

Visit Sadda Pind which is located on the road to Attari, this recreation of a Punjabi village is one of the best places to experience the rich rural life and culture of the state. 'Sadda Pind' literally means 'our village'. Villagers traditionally use cots (known as 'manjis') to rest after a heavy meal in the afternoons. You can enter a Farmer's house and taste 'makki di roti' and 'sarson da saag', the winter staples of a Punjabi kitchen. You can also visit a weaver's house to see how phulkari embroidery is created and visit a wedding hall to witness a traditional Punjabi wedding. Folk dances and martial arts performances add the finishing touch to the joyful atmosphere. Don't forget to enjoy a meal at the restaurant here. The cost, included in the ticket price is – INR 650 for adults and INR 500 for children. Timings: 10.00 am-10.00 pm

#### **DAY 2: AMRITSAR – CHANDIGARH (226 KMS / 5.5 HRS)**

Breakfast at the hotel

#### **Stop 1: 0830 – 0930 Hrs**

##### **Experience Various Attractions with Hop-On-Hop-Off Bus At Amritsar-**

Amritsar has a convenient Hop-on Hop-off bus that takes you to the main tourist areas of the city. This is a good way of getting around the city and saving on travel costs. One half-day ticket for this bus in Amritsar costs Rs. 250. This bus is available at popular tourist spots and is a good way to see the city in a short time.

#### **Stop 2: 0930 – 1130 Hrs**

Visit at Gobindgarh Fort, Originally erected in the 1760s by a local chief Gujar Singh Bhangi, this historic fort was rebuilt in the early 19th century by Maharaja Ranjit Singh to serve as a major defence against invading armies. The fort, held under the control of the army for a long time, was opened to the public in 2017 after a massive restoration, and provides a window into a crucial chapter of Punjab's history. The sword used by the Maharaja and the largest canon of its time called 'Zamzama' are the landmark exhibits here. A Light and Sound evening show, 'Whispering Walls' uses laser lights, computer animation and projection mapping to recreate the history of the fort. Don't miss 'Shere-e- Punjab' (Lion of Punjab), a 7D film about the life of Maharaja Ranjit Singh. The 15-minute film is in Punjabi with English subtitles and has been directed by filmmaker Ketan Mehta. You can also catch performances of popular Punjabi folk dances such as the bhangra.

Timings of Gobindgarh Fort: 9am - 9pm

#### **Stop 3: 1130 Hrs**

Drive to Chandigarh