

Buddhist Pilgrimage Tour to Pakistan



Embark on a profound spiritual and cultural journey through Pakistan's Buddhist heritage on this 12-day pilgrimage tour. From the sacred ruins of Taxila to the rock-carved Buddhas of the Karakoram, this itinerary follows the historical trail of Buddhism across ancient Gandhara and the northern highlands. With sites that echo the teachings of Buddha and the fusion of Greek and Indian artistry, you'll gain deep insight into one of the world's oldest faiths.

Visit UNESCO World Heritage Sites like Takht-i-Bahi and Taxila, explore ancient monasteries, and admire stupas nestled in the dramatic landscapes of Swat, Gilgit, Hunza, and Skardu. Discover rock engravings and the legacy of Buddhist monks who once meditated in these sacred valleys. Experience authentic cultural exchange, spiritual reflection, and the unmatched hospitality of Pakistan.

Led by expert guides and tailored for English and Thai-speaking travelers, this tour promises not only a pilgrimage but a transformative experience through history, art, and breathtaking Himalayan scenery.

Tour Facts

Group Size:

12

Duration:

12

Language:

English, Thai

Tour Type:

continuous

Tour Itinerary

Day 1 : Arrival in Islamabad

- Receive at Islamabad International Airport
- Transfer to hotel for rest
- Overnight stay in Islamabad

Day 2 : Taxila & Peshawar Buddhist Trail

- Morning visit to Taxila Museum & Dharmarajika Stupa
- Explore Gorkhatri, Shahji Ki Dheri & Pashto Academy in Peshawar
- Traditional food tasting at Qissa Khwani Bazaar
- Overnight in Peshawar

Day 3 : Takht-i-Bahi Monastic Complex

- Guided visit to UNESCO-listed Takht-i-Bahi ruins
- Stop at Oddiyana (Udegram) region
- Scenic drive to Swat Valley
- Overnight stay in Swat

Day 4 : Swat Valley Buddhist Sites

- Visit Butkara Stupa, Swat Museum & Ranigat Ruins
- Optional hike to Udegram Buddhist monastery
- Overnight stay in Swat

Day 5 : Swat to Gilgit (Via Karakoram Highway)

- Drive through Shangla Pass
- Stop at Buddhist rock carvings in Shatial and Chilas
- Arrive in Gilgit and transfer to hotel
- Overnight stay in Gilgit

Day 6 : Gilgit to Hunza

- Visit Kargah Buddha – a rock-carved image from 7th century
- Journey through Karakoram Highway to Hunza
- Stroll through Karimabad bazaar
- Overnight in Hunza

Day 7 : Explore Hunza Valley

- Guided tour of Baltit and Altit Forts
- Sunset at Duikar viewpoint overlooking Rakaposhi
- Explore local markets and interact with residents
- Overnight stay in Hunza

Day 8 : Hunza to Skardu

- Scenic drive to Skardu via snow-capped ranges
- Visit Manthal Buddha Rock – an ancient Buddhist engraving
- Transfer to hotel and rest
- Overnight stay in Skardu

Day 9 : Discover Skardu

- Visit Shangrila Resort, Upper Kachura Lake, and Soq Valley
- Optional visit to Skardu Fort
- Cultural insights into Baltistan's Buddhist roots
- Overnight stay in Skardu

Day 10 : Flight to Islamabad

- Early morning flight from Skardu to Islamabad
- Visit Centaurus Mall and enjoy a guided food tour
- Overnight stay in Islamabad

Day 11 : Islamabad City & Buddhist Museum Tour

- Guided tour: Faisal Mosque, Pakistan Monument, Lok Virsa Museum
- See Buddhist scriptures and artifacts at Lok Virsa
- Dinner at Monal with panoramic city views
- Overnight stay in Islamabad

Day 12 : Departure

Transfer to the airport for your return flight. Farewell from the land where Buddhist wisdom once echoed through the valleys.