

10 Day Skardu Tour From Karachi by Road – Majestic Lakes & Deosai Plains

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Embark on an epic 8-day road adventure from Karachi to Skardu, traversing scenic highways, alpine valleys, and cultural gems nestled in the Karakoram range. This Skardu tour package by road offers a perfect blend of rugged landscapes, serene lakes, cultural experiences, and trekking adventures, ideal for nature lovers and thrill-seekers alike.

Start your journey through Naran or Besham and travel deep into Pakistan’s northern wonders. Explore Fairy Meadows, trek to Bayal Camp with views of Nanga Parbat, and experience the raw beauty of Deosai National Park—the Land of Giants. Visit iconic landmarks like Shangrila Lake, Satpara Lake, and Manthoka Waterfall, and take in panoramic views from Shigar Fort and Katpana Desert. Designed to deliver unforgettable experiences at every stop, this guided road trip to Skardu from Karachi combines comfort, local culture, and stunning scenery into one seamless journey.

Tour Facts

Group Size: 5	Language: English, Urdu
Duration: 8	Tour Type: continuous

Tour Itinerary

Day 1 : Departure from Karachi

Start your overnight journey from Karachi via private transport. Travel through the Motorway and Expressway with rest stops along the way. It is an 18-19 hours journey hence you will arrive in Islamabad the following day to join the tour group.

Day 2 : Rest and Exploration in Islamabad

Enjoy a relaxing day in Pakistan's capital city. After a leisurely morning, you may choose to visit iconic sites like the Faisal Mosque, depending on your energy levels.

Day 3 : Islamabad to Naran

Begin your journey early in the morning as you depart from Islamabad toward the scenic town of Naran, nestled in the Kaghan Valley. The drive takes approximately 8 hours, passing through charming towns like Abbottabad, Mansehra, and Balakot. En route, enjoy views of lush green hills, river valleys, and roadside waterfalls.

Stop for lunch and photo breaks along the way, especially near the Kunhar River. Upon reaching Naran, check in to your hotel and relax after the long drive. You can spend the evening strolling around the local bazaar or enjoying a peaceful walk along the riverbank.

Overnight Stay: Naran

Day 4 : Drive from Naran to Hunza via Babusar Pass & Karakoram Highway (Approx. 9-10 Hours - 330 km)

Start your day early as you leave Naran and ascend toward the breathtaking **Babusar Pass** (elevation 4,173 m), offering panoramic views of the surrounding peaks and valleys. From there, descend into **Chilas** and merge onto the legendary **Karakoram Highway**—often referred to as the Eighth Wonder of the World.

Along the route, stop at the awe-inspiring **Junction Point of Three Mountain Ranges**, where the **Karakoram**, **Himalayas**, and **Hindukush** meet—a geologic marvel unique to Pakistan. Shortly after, pause at the **Nanga Parbat Viewpoint** to witness the majestic 8,126m peak towering in the distance.

Continue the scenic drive through the Hunza Valley, passing turquoise rivers, hanging glaciers, and rugged mountains. Arrive in Hunza by evening and check in to your hotel. Enjoy a relaxed evening soaking in the cool mountain air and the stunning valley views.

Overnight Stay: Hunza

Day 5 : Explore Hunza - Forts, Gardens & Sunset at Eagle's Nest

Spend a full day soaking in the beauty and history of Hunza. Begin with a guided visit to the Baltit Fort,

a 700-year-old architectural marvel perched on a ridge overlooking the valley. Continue to the nearby Altit Fort, the oldest surviving fort in Hunza, and take a peaceful stroll through the beautifully restored Altit Royal Gardens, perfect for relaxing amidst nature and heritage.

In the evening, drive or hike up to Eagle's Nest for a breathtaking panoramic sunset view over the Hunza Valley and the surrounding peaks, including Ultar Sar and Ladyfinger. Return to Karimabad for a quiet dinner and a restful night.

Overnight Stay: Karimabad, Hunza

Day 6 : Attabad Lake & Upper Hunza

Spend the day exploring the breathtaking landscapes of Upper Hunza. Begin with a visit to **Attabad Lake**, where you can enjoy boating and water sports in its striking turquoise waters. Continue your journey to witness the iconic **Passu Cones**, followed by an exhilarating walk across the **Hussaini Suspension Bridge**, one of the most thrilling rope bridges in the world. In the afternoon, relax by the serene **Borith Lake**, surrounded by majestic peaks. For those seeking more adventure, optional short hikes to **Ondra Poygah** or the edge of **Batura Glacier** offer stunning views and a glimpse into the raw beauty of the Karakoram. Conclude the day with an

Overnight stay: **Upper Hunza**.

Day 7 : Drive from Hunza to Skardu – Lakes, Resorts & Cold Desert

Embark on an early morning drive from Hunza to Skardu via the picturesque mountain roads of Gilgit-Baltistan. The journey, though long (approx. 7–8 hours), is filled with spectacular scenery—towering peaks, deep valleys, and the winding Indus River.

Upon arrival in Skardu, begin your exploration with a visit to the enchanting **Shangrila Resort (Lower Kachura Lake)**, known for its fairytale red-roofed cottages beside a serene lake. Continue to the nearby **Upper Kachura Lake**, a less crowded but equally mesmerizing alpine gem surrounded by rugged cliffs.

Later, take a short drive to the striking **Shigar Cold Desert**, a unique high-altitude sandy landscape framed by snow-capped mountains. Enjoy some peaceful moments or a thrilling jeep ride across the dunes before returning to Skardu town.

Overnight Stay: Skardu

Day 8 : Skardu to Fairy Meadows – Jeep Adventure & Alpine Camping

Start your day early with a scenic drive from Skardu to **Raikot Bridge**, passing through dramatic mountain landscapes along the Indus River (approx. 6–7 hours). From Raikot, switch to a thrilling 4x4 jeep ride on a narrow, rugged track leading up to **Tattu Village**—the starting point for the Fairy Meadows trek.

Upon arrival, embark on a 2–3 hour moderate hike through alpine forests and lush meadows to reach the magical **Fairy Meadows**, nestled at the base of the mighty **Nanga Parbat** (8,126m), the world's ninth-highest mountain. Settle into your wooden cabin or camp, and spend the evening soaking in the stunning views of the glacier and snow-capped peaks.

Overnight Stay: Fairy Meadows

Day 9 : Fairy Meadows to Naran via Babusar Pass

After an early breakfast, begin your return hike from **Fairy Meadows** to **Tattu Village**, followed by a rugged **jeep ride back to Raikot Bridge**. At Raikot, you'll switch vehicles and continue your journey toward Naran via **Chilas** and the stunning **Babusar Pass** (4,173m), one of the highest road passes in Pakistan.

Enjoy scenic views of alpine meadows, waterfalls, and snow-capped peaks along the way. Stop briefly at **Babusar Top** to take in panoramic mountain vistas before descending into the lush **Kaghan Valley**. Arrive in Naran by evening and check in to your hotel for a well-deserved rest.

Overnight Stay: Naran

Day 10 : Islamabad/Karachi Departure

Begin your final leg back to Islamabad/Karachi with multiple refreshment breaks. End your tour in the evening, marking the conclusion of your northern Pakistan adventure.