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9 DAY NATURE RETREAT TO GILGIT-HUNZA VIA KAGHAN AND SHOGRAN

Day 1 Islamabad-Shogran: Depart early for Kaghan Valley. At Kawai near the Kunhar River, transfer to local jeeps for Shogran. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 2 Shogran: Shogran commands views down to a carpet of forest and up majestic peaks – including the 5290 meter Malika Parbat (Queen Of Mountains) and the brooding, 3900 meter high Koh-i-Marka. In the morning drive by jeep to the nearby small lake and beautiful meadows of Siri and Paya, 9 kilometers up a rough road. Return to Shogran for overnight.

Day 3 Shogran-Gilgit: Start early on this long driving day to the famous Babusar pass (4173m). Enjoy the views before descending to Chilas on the famous Karakoram Highway, where there are petroglyphs (rock carvings) left by Buddhist Monks. Before arriving at Gilgit, see the meeting point of the Karakoram, Himalaya and Hindu Kush mountains. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 4 Gilgit – Karimabad, Hunza: From Gilgit, we begin a scenic drive northwards and after an hour of driving, pause at Rakaposhi to view this North Face of Rakaposhi which is the longest un-interrupted mountain flank on earth (6000m). Continue the drive to Karimabad and in the afternoon visit the 800 year old Baltit Fort, the stronghold of the Ayasho Dynasty, (today a wonderfully restored museum) and explore the local tourist market. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 5 Nagar Excursion and Ganesh and Altit sightseeing: Early today drive to Hopper and enjoy the views of the stunning landscape of both the Nagar valley and Hunza Ultar mountain range. At Hopper Village view the Buwaltar Glacier to which one can take a short walk. Return to Karimabad, en-route visiting Ganesh Heritage Village one of the oldest settlements of Hunza. In the afternoon visit Altit Village. Here explore the restored Altit Fort and the women’s work shop. In the evening drive to Dhuiker viewpoint for a sunset panorama. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 6 Khunjerab Pass Excursion: Today’s excursion will be to the Pak-China border (4,693m). Enroute we pass Passu Village and enjoy fabulous views of the Passu Cathedral Mountains, all exceeding 7000 meters. In the Khunjerab National Park reside the snow leopard, Himalayan Ibex, Marco Polo sheep and the Golden Marmot After seeing the vistas, return to Karimabad and time permitting stop at quaint Gulmit Village. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 7 Karimabad: Today will be a ‘light’ day to ‘recuperate’ from the previous long days. You will be free to go to Attabad Lake for boating, or just wander around the twin towns of Altit and Baltit and take in the magnificent views of the valley and Rakaposhi. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 8 Karimabad -Gilgit: After breakfast drive to Gilgit. On arrival, visit the Kargah Buddha rock carving, the Gilgit Bazaar, Chinar Bagh (Garden), see Asia’s longest vehicular suspension bridge and visit the Chinese cemetery. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 9 Gilgit - Islamabad: Depart for your return journey to Islamabad via the KKH (12-16 hours depending on road condition) or via Naran (12-14 hours) or by air (airfare not included).

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