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Overview

Plan The Unplanned brings to you Brahmatal Trek of the finest Himalayan Winter treks out there suitable for those looking to attempt their first Himalayan trek as well as the more experienced trekkers looking for a quick Himalayan getaway.

Winters being extreme in the Himalayas makes it difficult to access the higher reaches of it during the peak winter months starting from November-December to the end of March. During this time, Himalayas receive a lot of snowfall which makes a lot of treks inaccessible. It is the same very reason which makes Brahmatal Trek a unique affair as this is among those rare treks nestled in the Garhwal Himalayas during that period wherein the trekkers can tread through snow and indulge in a magical experience.

This trek offers varied experiences as we walk through the dense Oak and Rhododendron forest for the most part of the trek but the trek also offers the trekkers with an opportunity to walk on snow-covered meadows along with camping next to Bekal Tal. The surroundings of the high altitude Brahmatal lake is serene and on a clear day, one can see the perfect reflection of mountains in it.

The trek also offers majestic views of Mt. Nandagunti and Mt. Trishul from the highest point on the trek and a panoramic view of other Himalayan peaks. Add to the fact that this is a fairly easy trail with most parts of the trek in the treeline in a gradual ascend which makes it accessible for beginners by reducing the chances of altitude sickness and you can select this to be your first adventure in the Himalayas. Two beautiful lakes, thick Oak and Rhododendron forest, and majestic mountain views from the top is a recipe to make it a perfect winter trek in Garhwal Himalayas.

Trek Details

Duration: 6 days / 5 nights

Difficulty Level: Easy | Moderate

Max Altitude: 12200 ft.

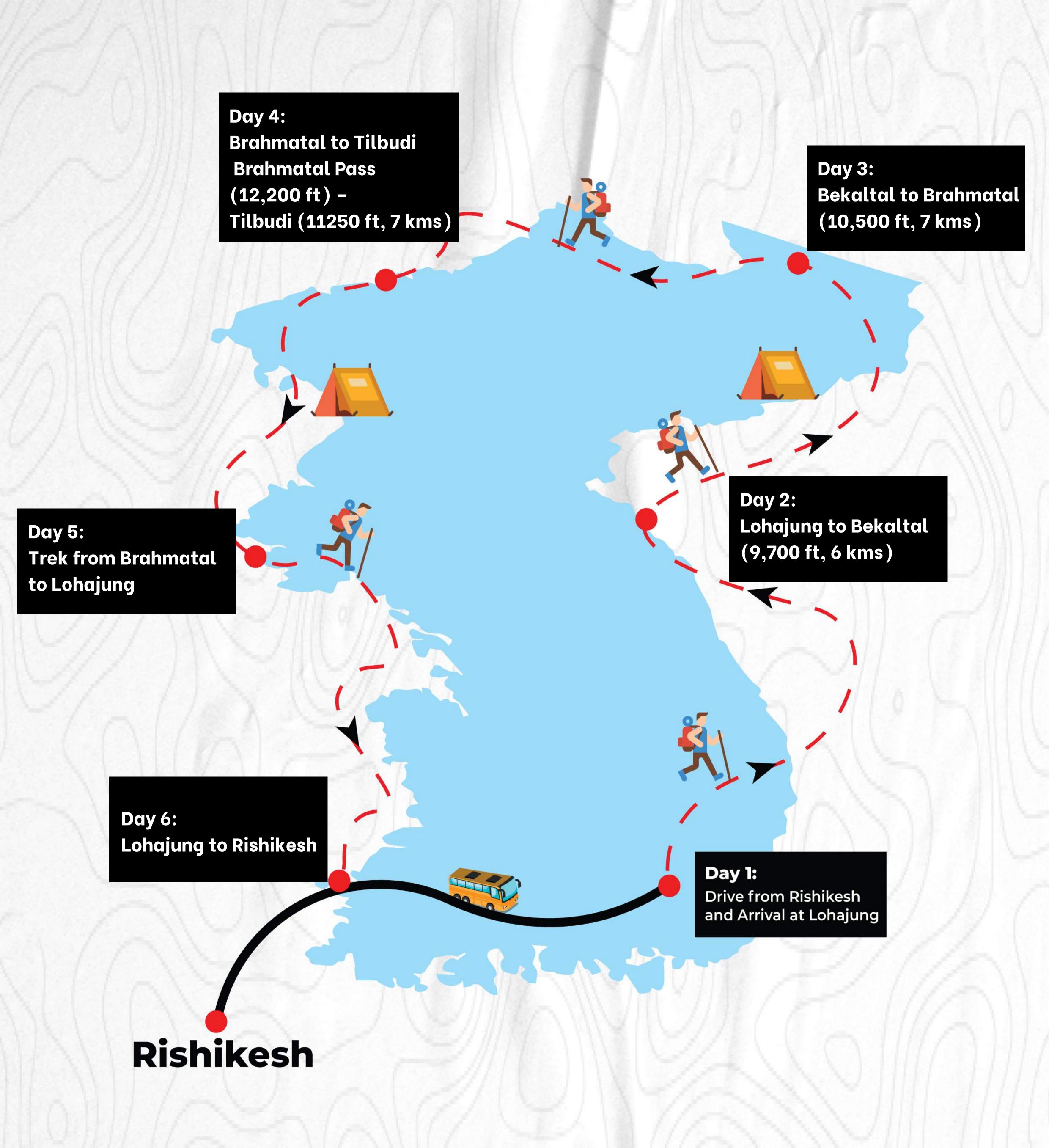
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Location: Lohajung, Uttarakhand



Min Age: 10+ Years

Brief Itinerary



Inclusions

- 2 nights in a hotel or homestay on a triple/quad sharing basis. 3 nights' tented accommodation for three people.
- Surface transfer by Sumo /
 Bolero / Tempo Traveler from
 Rishikesh to Lohajung and back
 (Depends on the number of travelers).
- Meals: All meals are included from (day 1 dinner to day 5 dinner). On all days of the trek, we provide simple, nutritious vegetarian food.
- Snacks: Tea or coffee in the mornings and evenings, with light snacks and soup served on the trek.
- Camping equipment includes a tent, sleeping bags, mattresses, a dining tent, and a toilet tent.
- Trek Leader Experienced and qualified trek leader and support staff.
- Permits: All fees and permits are required.
 - Trekking Gear: Gaiters, Micro Spikes, and Rope, if necessary.

Exclusions

- Any meals not included above.
- Any kind of personal expense.
- Trekking equipment like trekking bag, shoe, trekking pole etc.
 - Any kind of insurance (health, medical, life accidental, etc.
 - Anything not included above.

 Any additional expenses arising out of unforeseen circumstances like cancellation/roadblocks/landslides/strikes or any other natural causes out of human control or any emergency evacuation expenses.



Bank Details

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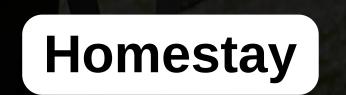


Day 1: Drive from Rishikesh and Arrival at Lohajung









Distance: 220 KMs

Time: 10 hrs

- At 6:00 AM, everyone will meet at the pickup location.
- Following that, we'll leave for Lohajung.
- Devprayag, Srinagar, Rudraprayag, and Karnaprayag will all be stops along the way.
- Lohajung is a tiny community in the Chamoli district that serves as a base camp for numerous other communities, including Roopkund, Bedni Bugyal, and Brahamtal.
- By evening, we'll arrive in Lohajung.
- We'll have dinner and then spend the night in Lohajung.
- Rishikesh ISBT/Railway Station will be the meeting place.



Day 2: Lohajung to Bekaltal (9,700 ft, 6 kms)







Tents

Distance: 6 kms

Time: 5 Hrs

Following breakfast, the trek departs from Lohajung. It will be a gradual ascent through nearby villages until you reach the middle of the forest. The trail is zigzag throughout and serpentine, making the ascent simpler. The trekkers can rehydrate their water bottles in a few of the villages along the way. Additionally, there are numerous springs along the trail that can be used for water stocking. In the gorgeous, verdant Kali Valley, we will soon cross the confluence of two mountain rivers, the Kali and the Pindari.

We will cross a stream to reach the next water source, which is at a height of about 8500 feet, using a notable wooden bridge that also serves as a landmark for hikers. From here, it takes about an hour to hike to our campsite. We will be provided with a hot lunch at the campsite in Bekaltal. Bekaltal Lake, which is surrounded by oak trees and can be seen in semi-frozen conditions in the winter, is located 15 minutes' walk from our campsite. Evenings are set aside for exploring the neighborhood.



Day 3: Bekaltal to Brahmatal (10,500 ft, 7 kms)







Tents

Distance: 4 kms

Time: 3 hrs

The trek will begin with an arduous climb through an oak and rhododendron forest. Before the view opens up to the Telandi meadows, this area of the forests is one of the densest, making it a pleasant setting to be walking in their shade. Since the trekkers must navigate through a lot of snow to get to the Brahmatal campsite during the winter, this is undoubtedly one of the most exciting and adventurous parts of the journey. Your day's highest point will be reached when you reach 11,500 feet thanks to the meadows' gradual ascent. You can reach the Brahmatal Lake by descending from here. About 500 metres separate the campsite from the lake. Awe-inspiring views of the formidable Mt. Trisul and Mt. Nandaghunti, as well as other Himalayan ranges in the distance, are to be expected. Since there are no water sources available right now, bring enough water with you to last until you get to the campsite.

Brahmatal lake is only 500 meters away from the campsite.



<u>Day 4: Brahmatal to Tilbudi via Brahmatal Pass</u> (12,200 ft) – Tilbudi (11250 ft, 7 kms)





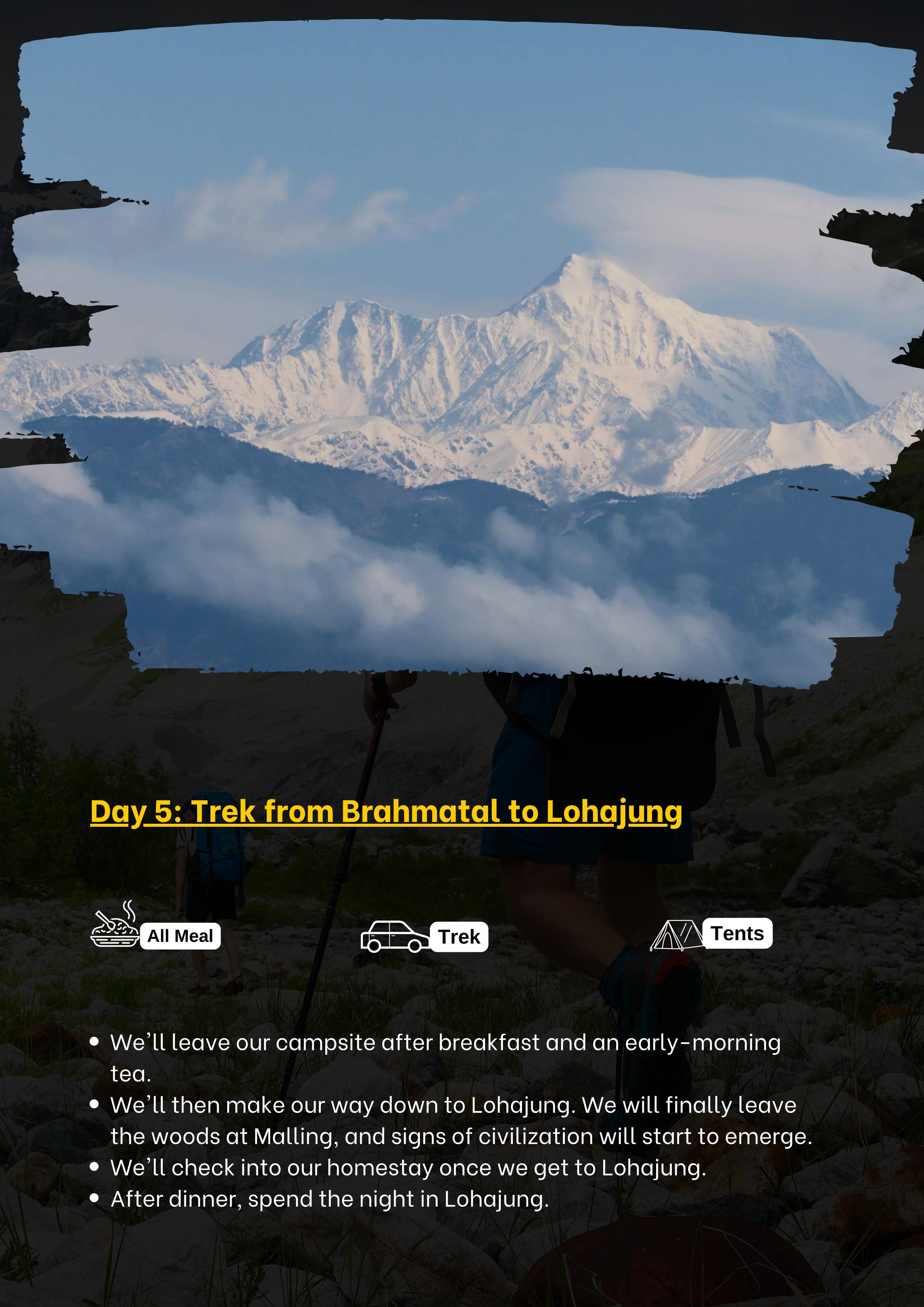


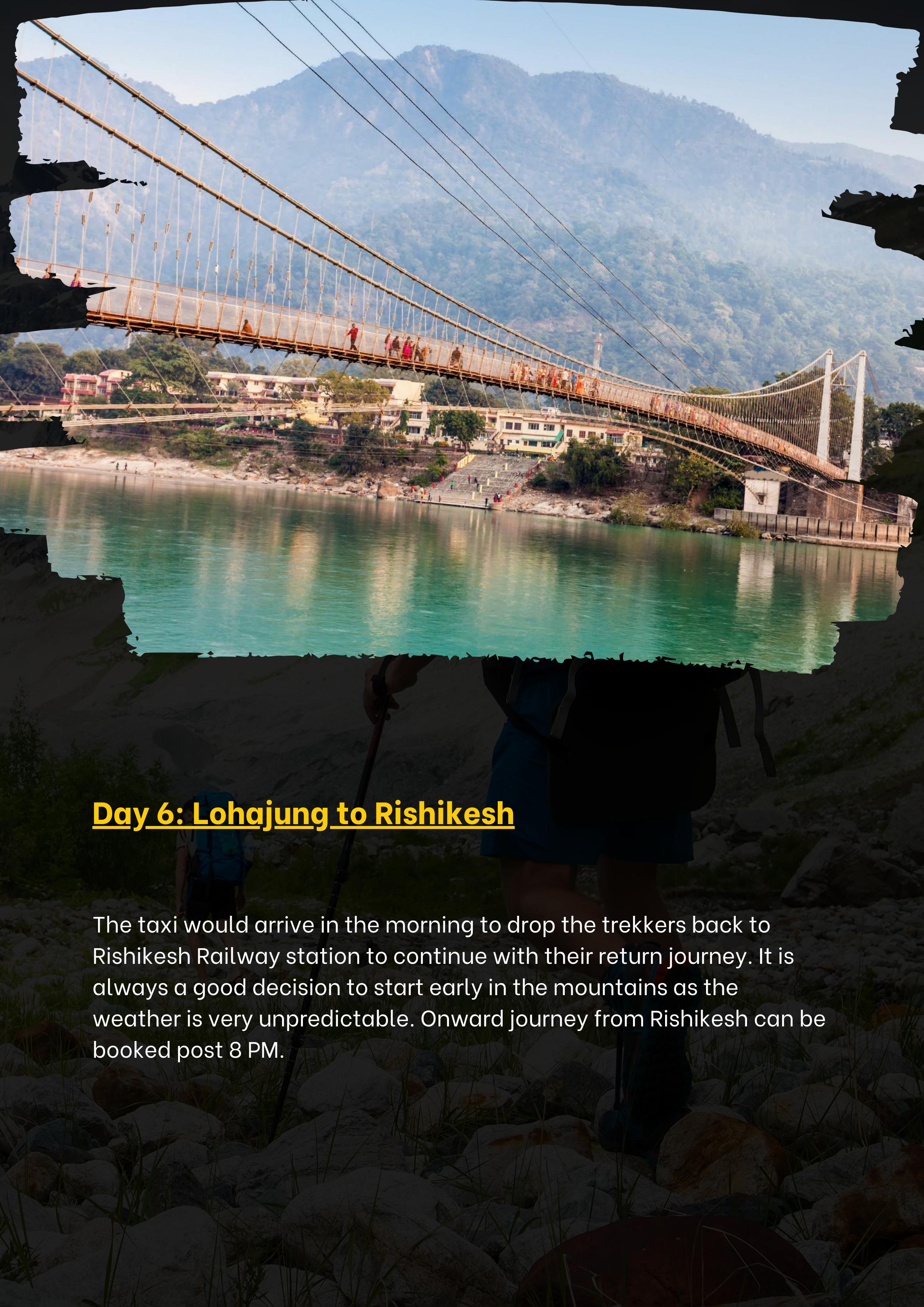
Distance: 6 KMs

Time: 8 Hrs

As today is Summit Day, anticipate an early start. We begin our journey through the enchanted oak and rhododendron forests, which we follow all the way to Brahmatal Lake. When the sun is shining brightly, you will be reminded of your science classes about reflection and refraction because the colours change as the sun's angle changes.

After a short distance of walking and traversing the meadow, the last ascent to the pass starts. As soon as you reach the top, Mt. Trishul and Mt. Nanda Ghunti will be in full view. Take some time to take it all in and accept that you are actually seeing these things, and don't forget to take some incredible photos for your collection. From here, you can see the Himalayan ranges in all directions. As we begin our walk, you will be treated to a panoramic view of distant peaks like Chaukhambha, Mandi, Mana, Nilgiri, Neelkanth, Trishul, Nanda Ghunti, Maitoli, as well as Tharali and Gwaldam (Places that you crossed on the way from Kathgodam) in the distance. The descent will take a different route towards Tilbudi from Brahmatal Pass. We finally arrive at Tilbudi, where we will spend the night, as we continue to descend.





Things to Carry

- Trekking shoes: Carry waterproof trekking shoes with good grip and ankle support. Do not carry sports shoes.
- Three layers of warm clothes: Carry two or three-layer jackets, fleece
 jackets and a padded jacket.
- Two/Three trek pants: Carry light cotton trek pants. Denim/jeans and shorts are not suitable for trekking.
- Three t-shirts (collared/dry-fit): Full sleeved t-shirts that prevent sunburns on the neck and arms. Carry one or two dry-fit t-shirts.
- Thermals: Carry thermals (top and bottom).
- Sunglasses: Sunglasses are mandatory. There will be a lot of snow on the trek and can cause snow blindness.
- Cap: At high altitude, the sun is extra harsh so carry a cap to protect yourself.
- Waterproof hand gloves: Carry waterproof gloves and avoid woollen gloves as they will get wet if you touch snow.
- Socks (3-4 pairs) and a pair of woollen socks: Apart from two sports socks, you can take a pair of woollen socks for the night.
- Headlamp/LED torch: Mandatory
- Raincoat/Ponchos: At high altitudes, snowfall and rain are quite common and it's mandatory to carry a poncho so that you don't get wet. The trek will continue as planned even during rainfall. Your poncho should protect you from the rain. Carry a backpack cover for extra protection from rain for your belongings.
- Documents ID (Driver's License, AADHAR Card, Voter ID:: Passport and Visa copy for Foreign Nationals)
- Day Pack (Small Bag of 10 litres to carry necessary stuff for the day)

Policy and Terms

Here's the cancellation policy for Himalayan Treks/Backpacking Trips/Road Trips

30 days	90% of amount will be refunded	
20 - 30 days	75% % of amount will be refunded	
15 - 19 days	50% will be refunded	
7 – 14 days	25 % amount will be refunded	
0 - 7 days	before the departure date - No amount would be refunded.	

- *Intimation Period means the number of days before the tour is scheduled to start
- **Cancellation Fee is the amount of money that will be deducted from the total billing amount before offering the refund.
- Refund/Cancellation requests are accepted only by email at info@plantheunplanned.com and not via call or Whatsapp.
- Note: For All The Above Refund Cases Transaction Fees/Internet Handling Charges will be dedcuted from the overall amount and balance amount shall be refunded. You can transfer your ticket to anyone so that you could save your hard earned money
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