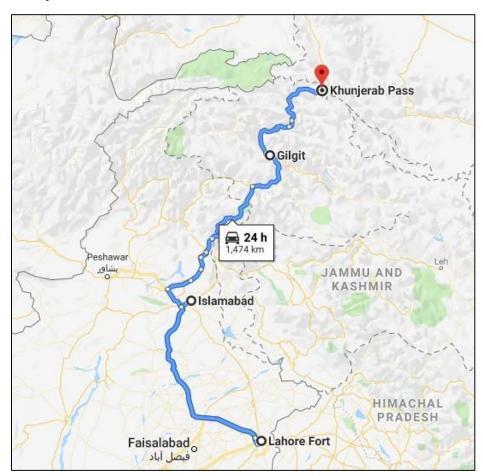
NORTHERN PAKISTAN AUTUMN & SPRING TOUR: 14D13N

Pakistan, one of the most underrated part of the world. The northernmost part of the country, situated at the breathtaking Himalayan region with epic mountainous scenery, diverse cultures and foods. In this tour, we will be starting from one of the busiest city in Pakistan, Lahore. In Lahore, we get to experience the amazing mosque architecture around town and witness the amazing border closing ceremony between Pakistan and India. We will then move to the young capital city of the country, Islamabad. We will then head to the Northern Himalayan region along the Karakoram Highway, one of the most stunning highways in the world. We will enjoying the beauty of Hunza region, hiking and stay to one of the mind blowing basecamps in the region. Besides that, we will also get to see the highest border-crossing in the world between Pakistan and China, the Khunjerab Pass.

Rough Itinerary:



Note: Itinerary/plan may change last minute in accordance to any unforeseen circumstances. Detailed itinerary will only be sent upon request. Please kindly PM me or text me for more info.

Highlight of the tour: Himalayan region, cultural, mountains, glacier, hiking, karakoram highway, hunza valley, sakura, autumn leaf, spring

Tour Details:

GROUP A: Spring or Autumn (April or October)

Tour Fee : RM 6600 per head (flight tickets EXCLUDED)

Number of participant : 10- 14 people Travel style : Semi-backpacking

Price per head: RM6, 600 First deposit: RM 500 to secure your spot, another RM1500 once the tour is confirmed. The rest of the tour fee can be settled by monthly instalment basis until a month before the tour date.

• All the paid tour deposits and fees will be refunded if I have insufficient number of participants 3 months before the tour date. Refund of tour fee and deposit due to change of mind or any other personal problems by customers will not be entertained, however customer can find replacement. As for cancellation due to any form of outbreak pandemic, war and unforeseen calamity, refund will be made once official travel restriction is issued. Cancellation charges by local tour operators, currency exchange rates difference and other losses will not be included in the refund.

What's INCLUDED in the package:

- Accommodation for 13 nights, 2 persons per room
- Daily transport
- Local domestic flight from "Islamabad" to "Gilgit" (there is a possibility the flight might get cancelled due to unpredictable weather around the mountains. If the flight really cancelled, we will take cars from Islamabad to Gilgit)
- Meals
- English speaking guide
- Entrance ticket for all National Park as listed in itinerary
- Letter of Invitation (LOI) to Pakistan

What's NOT INCLUDED in the package:

• Roundtrip international flight from "Kuala Lumpur to Lahore" (approximately around RM1700 to RM2800) per person roundtrip.

Flight Schedule:

i) <u>Thai Airways</u>:

Kuala Lumpur (KUL) - Lahore (LHE), Layover in Bangkok 13.20-22.30 Lahore (LHE) - Kuala Lumpur (KUL), Layover in Bangkok 23.40-12.15⁺¹

ii) Malindo Air:

Kuala Lumpur (KUL) - Lahore (LHE), Nonstop 17.35-20.35 Lahore (LHE) – Kuala Lumpur (KUL), Nonstop $21.25-06.25^{+1}$

- Driver and guide tips (RM200- 250 per head whole trip)
- Personal shopping expenses
- Travel insurance (it will be better to buy one from your trusted local travel insurance agent)
- Any necessary travel vaccinations (Typhoid, Covid-19, Flushot etc). Covid-19 Vaccination Passport is compulsory.
- Any losses suffer or additional cost suffered due to unforeseen calamity (acts of god), uncontrollable events, war, outbreak or any form of local or global pandemic.
- Tourist visa (RM30-50 per head)

Things you need to know about this tour

- Participant should read carefully all the terms for this tour to understand and agree everything before joining. This is a semi-backpacking tour, therefore self-independence is very important. RC wanderlust is NOT responsible to provide baby-sitting services to any participants.
- The overall deposit is RM2000 per head where I separated into two parts (the first RM500 as confirmation deposit and second deposit RM1500 will be collected when the tour has enough number of participants to run the tour). All deposit and tour fee will NOT be refunded once it is paid. If you are unable to join due to personal issue, you will need to find a replacement in order to get a full refund. Refund are available only if I am unable to get enough number of participants. Strictly no refund if you decided not to go in last minute.
- For cancellation due to unforeseen calamity due to outbreak pandemic, weather, political reasons, riots, war, terrorist attack etc., Rc Wanderlust will not responsible with all the losses suffered such as: local tour and accommodations cancellation charges, air tickets: cancellation, delay or reschedule losses, difference in currency exchange rates, non-refundable documentations: visa fees, LOI (Letter of Invitation) etc.
- All the payment for the tour fee MUST be fully settled 14 days before the departure date. If you are unable to join due to personal issue, you will need to find a replacement in order to get a full refund. Refund is only available only if I am unable to get enough number of people to run this tour. Strictly no refund if you decided not to go in last minute.
- After since the hit of covid 19, travel with vaccination passport is a must. Please do refer to local Pakistan vaccination passport policy for more details.
- Travel during the epidemic can be different than what it used to before, it is important to understand and agreed with all the up to date latest regulations set by the government for all the countries involved in this tour (including the transit destinations). It is advised to get yourself a travel insurance with covid-19 coverage.
- RC Wanderlust will not be responsible if participants unable to board the plane or enter the country with anything that due to lack of or false travel documents.
- RC Wanderlust will not be responsible if participant is found or caught by local authorities for conducting anything illegal.

- Participant should understand that the itinerary or program will subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances for instance war issue, riots, any form of pandemic outbreak, weather etc.
- Participant should understand that certain part of the itinerary require certain level of physical fitness to complete, eg. Hiking in high altitude region. Therefore it is understand that this tour is only suitable for someone with good fitness level and not suitable someone who has limited physical capabilities. It is advised to do some exercises at least few months before the tour date to get yourself mentally and physically prepared. Participant is not necessary to train for Mount Everest level of fitness, but a normal exercises will be a great preparation eg. Squats, agility, HIIT, Running.
- Karakoram Highway is one of the most scenic and also the most dangerous highways in the world. Therefore, participants are not allowed to drive on their own during the tour
- Due to high altitude around the northern region especially in Khunjerab Pass region which is approximately 4600m above sea level, participant might feel dizzy or drowsy due to thin oxygen level. It is important to keep your movement slow and steady all the time without being rush and hurry, and also important to keep yourself hydrated all the time. Please kindly consult your doctor if you think you need to bring any medications for this
- Pakistan especially the northern mountain region is not suitable for someone who is
 only interested in luxury travel. The mountain region is very rural where network
 coverage is limited to non-existent, 24 hours electricity supply is only for limited places
 and accommodation facilities are basic and limited. Participant is fully understand and
 aware such conditions before joining.
- Especially in the mountain region, the weather is dry and cold (10-0 celcius) especially during night time. Normally hotel does not provide heaters or 24 hours electricity in rural mountain areas. Therefore, please do bring good jacket to keep yourself warm and lotion, Vaseline or lipbalm to keep your skin moisturized. As for city areas, the weather is hot and dry (40-45 celcius) therefore please do bring some summer clothes along.
- Pakistan is a Muslim majority country. It is important to respect the local cultures and wear modestly without exposing your skin too much. You do not want to draw unnecessary attention among the locals. Wearing a head scarf will be a good idea.
- It is considered rude and *haram* to take photos of the locals without their permission, especially for females where most of them are shy and always cover their face when they sees camera. Participant have to understand that in Pakistan, bad consequences might happen to the local (female especially), if their photo is caught shared online. Therefore, it is important to politely ask for photo permission all the time before you pointing your camera at someone.
- In Khunjerab Pass, it is a sensitive region especially in China side. Please MUST ask for permission for all the photos you take. Each countries authorities definitely has the right to take your camera, delete or even damaged your camera on the spot or even worse you might get detained.
- For local currency Pakistani rupees, we will change it using USD or RMB when we arrived Lahore, Pakistan. It is advised to change in big 100USD notes, as from my

- experience smaller bank notes will subject to much lower exchange rates. Credit card is only accepted in certain part of Lahore and Islamabad.
- For medicine, it depends on individual. Please kindly bring your own medicines if you think it is necessary. You can bring some common medicines for flu, fever, Diarrhea, motion sickness etc.

If you are interested to join or know more details, please kindly contact me personally via whatsapp.

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Photos:

