

## MANALI TO BIR – THE SCENIC WAY

**Day 1** :- The first day of the trek leads through cool forests of giant deodar, Alder and oak. The trail climbs gently at first, through the Manalsu valley with the Manalsu torrent for company. Extensive views of the Kullu valley appears and slowly fade into the distance as the first composite in the lush green meadow of Lamadugh is reached. A five hour trek.

**Day 2** :- The trail now begins to ascend streply through woodland and meadow, with wild alpine flowers strew all around. On the brilliant shrubs of Rhododendron and Biroh pave the way to the ridge after which a crescent leads to the campsite and Dkohra Nullah camp Height : 11,200 feet.

**Day3** :- A lovely walk through lush forests to the campsite at the base of the 15,500 feet high Kaliheyne pass. The composite itself is at an elevation of 13,200 ft. All ground the famous mountains peaks of the Kullu and the Lahaul valleys affords an unforgettable evening.

**Day 4** :- Today the landscape slowly begins to change, as forest and meadows give way to rocky outcrops with patches of snow starting to appear. A rather steep climb through glacier debris and snow, and the top of the pass is reached. Breath taking views envelop the crest of the pass and after a brief stopover a descent through glacier and moraine leads to the composite on the banks of the sprinkling mountains stream. A long day trek of about 7 to 8 days.

**Day 5** :- Now the trail leads down into the Sunni river valley and upto the buff overlooking the river. The campsite is at an elevation of 11,300 ft., and is called the Gaddi Thach.

**Day 6** :- Leaving his lonely campsite, the path winds through rocky terrain through rocky terrain soon replace by meadows again. The river rushed Snow Bridge. Forest begin to appear and soon, the composite with an undance of dry wood next to a sparkling stream is reached. A short of about 3 to 4 hrs. To lamb aped the campsite.

**Day 7** :- The trail now descend to the river bank soon the composite is reaches, where a stream Adds to the beauty of the surround in view displaying some of the most magnificent landscapes in the western Himalayas. Elevation of the camp is 12,000 ft.

**Day 8** :- The train new winds its way down towards the valley floor, after which an almost level walk leads to the camp just before the tiny, ancient village of Bara Bhangal.

**Day 9** :- Today, finally the ancient village of Bara Eangahal is reached.

**Day 10** :- A remote and isolated village it is open only for four and five months in the year . The inhabitants are the legendary Himalayan shepherds. The gaccis who lead a nomadic life,

leading there vast flocks the sheep into high mountain pasture once the snow melts and running to there isolated existence in the village. The campsite is at an elevation of 7,500 ft.

**Day 11** :- A steady climb and a meter walk and the campsite on Narhi is reached. The scenery changes quite dramatically while the air becomes colder. Camp at the base of the 15,750 foot high Thamsar pass. The chill of the evening is replaced with comfortable warmth of a lively campfire.

**Day 12** :- Today the trails slowly emerge from the rocky terrain into the softer landscape of lakes, meadows and forests numerous lakes dot the country