

## ✦ KITABEE TREK – ITINERARY

Organized by Pocket Diary Book Club

**Dates:** 12th – 16th September 2025

**Location:** Jibhi, Himachal Pradesh

**Duration:** 4 Nights / 5 Days

**Price per person:** ₹24,800 (inclusive of stay, meals, transport from Chandigarh to Chandigarh, and guided experiences)

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### 🌿 A Journey of Books, Nature & Quiet Discovery

*Kitabee Trek* is a thoughtfully curated experience in the serene mountain village of Jibhi — designed for those who find stories not only in books but also in nature, shared silences, and slow moments. This five-day literary escape blends light treks, riverside stillness, cultural warmth, and space to reconnect — with others and with yourself.

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#### 📅 Day 1 – Friday, 12th September 2025

##### Arrival in Jibhi | Check-in & Orientation

- Morning departure from Chandigarh
  - Scenic drive to Jibhi through pine forests and winding valleys
  - Check-in at *the property* (elevation: 1850m)
  - Welcome tea and orientation
  - Evening at leisure
  - Dinner and overnight stay
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#### 📅 Day 2 – Saturday, 13th September 2025

##### Jalori Pass - Raghupur Fort Trek

- Breakfast at the property
  - 9 am Drive to Jalori Pass
  - Guided moderate trek to **Raghupur Fort** (approx. 6 km round trip)
  - Quiet time at the summit for simply taking in the view
  - Packed lunch on the trail
  - Return to Jibhi by evening
  - High tea and unstructured free time
  - Dinner and overnight stay
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### **Day 3 – Sunday, 14th September 2025**

#### **Baloo Naag Temple Trek & Local Sights**

- Breakfast followed by drive to Bahu Village
  - 10 am start Trek to **Baloo Naag Temple** (~5 km round trip) through deodar forests
  - Enroute conversations about local flora, folklore, and forest life
  - Lunch (packed) – have on trek or enjoy maggie at the summit
  - Post-lunch visits: **Jibhi Waterfall**, **Shesh Naag Temple**, and nearby village trails
  - Return to the property for high tea
  - Evening **Cultural Gathering** – folk dance, music, and stories
  - Dinner and overnight stay
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### **Day 4 – Monday, 15th September 2025**

#### **A Day to Slow Down**

- Leisurely breakfast
  - Optional walk to **Tirthan riverside** or **Shairopa Nature Park**
  - Free day for reading, writing, reflection, or rest
  - **PDBC Jibhi Edition**
  - All meals at the property or can go to explore nearby market and cafes.
  - Evening closing reflections
  - Final overnight stay
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### **Day 5 – Tuesday, 16th September 2025**

#### **Departure**

- Early breakfast
  - Check-out and drive back to Chandigarh
  - Arrival by late afternoon
  - End of journey
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#### **Inclusions**

- Accommodation (4 nights) in twin sharing rooms

- All meals: breakfast, lunch (packed for trek or at the property), dinner, high tea with snacks
- Transport **from Chandigarh to Chandigarh**
- Guided treks on Day 2 and Day 3
- Car pick up & drop at Trek beginning point.
- Local Cultural evening experience
- Trekking support (if required)
- Packed lunch - sandwiches or parathas, juice & fruits

Things to carry:

### **WEATHER & TERRAIN-SPECIFIC CLOTHING**

- Insulated padded jacket (lightweight, windproof, suitable for 10–12°C)
- Waterproof or water-resistant rain jacket / poncho
- Full-length trekking pants (non-denim, quick-dry, flexible)
- Woolen cap or beanie (for cold evenings)
- Cap

### **FOOTWEAR**

- Trekking shoes with strong grip and ankle support (not sports shoes or sneakers)

### **TREK DAY GEAR**

- 15–30L backpack with chest strap (for day treks) to carry your packed lunch and water
- Reusable water bottle (minimum 1L capacity)
- Power bank (optional)

### **PERSONAL ESSENTIALS**

- Basic first aid kit (with pain relief, antiseptic, and motion sickness tablets)
- Medicines as per requirement

### **BOOK CLUB ESSENTIALS**

- One book for reading/discussion
- Notebook or journal + pen (optional)

### **DOCUMENTS**

- Government-issued photo ID (original and photocopy)

If you have any existing **health concerns or limitations**, please let us know in advance — **a shorter/half-point version of the trek is available** to ensure a comfortable experience.

✅ **Please note:**

- Lunch during transit to & from Chandigarh is not included.
- Any flight, train or other mode of travel to arrive at Chandigarh on day 1 or depart from Chandigarh on day 5 is not included.
- Only vegetarian food is provided. Jain food is available.
- Any personal expenses are on the person.
- The booking is non-refundable.

✅ **For medical reasons:**

We will be walking and climbing during both treks. The first trek, to Raghupur Fort (approximately 6 km), involves a steeper climb and is slightly more challenging. However, there is a halfway point on this trail—so if you feel you may not be able to complete the full route, you can stop there and still enjoy beautiful views.

The second trek, to Baloo Naag Temple (around 5 km), is comparatively easier. It's more of a forest walk with gentler trails and minimal elevation, making it comfortable for most fitness levels.

In case you feel you're unable to do a trek at all, one of the guides will stay back with you. Even the starting points of both treks are surrounded by serene natural beauty, so you can still enjoy the environment without going too far.

Additionally, we are exploring the option of arranging a separate comfortable forest walk, focused on discussing local flora and fauna, for those who may have knee issues or prefer a gentler experience. This is not confirmed yet and will depend on the number of participants opting for it.

*Come, its autumn, the trees will be orange.*

*Let's walk, forget the world for a little while, and read a book.*

**Team PDBC**

