

Guide Map of

SRI HARMAN DIR SAHIB

(THE
GOLDEN
TEMPLE)
AMRITSAR
2nd Edition

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Sachkhand Sri Harimandir Sahib¹

(The Golden Temple) Amritsar

Sri Harimandir Sahib, Amritsar is not only a central religious place of the Sikhs, but also a symbol of human brotherhood and equality. Everybody, irrespective of cast, creed or race can seek spiritual solace and religious fulfilment without any hindrance. It also represents the distinct identity, glory and heritage of the Sikhs. To pen-down the philosophy, ideology, the inner and outer beauty, as well as the historical legacy of Sri Harimandir Sahib is a momentous task. It is a matter of experience rather than a of description.

As advised by Sri Guru Amar Dass Ji (3rd Sikh Guru), Sri Guru Ram Dass Ji (4th Sikh Guru) started the digging of Amrit Sarovar (Holy Tank) in 1577 A.D., which was later on brick-lined by Sri Guru Arjan Dev Ji (5th Sikh Guru) on December 15, 1588 and He also started the construction of Sri Harimandir Sahib. Sri Guru Granth Sahib (scripture of the Sikhs), after its compilation, was first installed at Sri Harimandir Sahib on August 16, 1604 A.D. A devout Sikh, Baba Budha Ji was appointed its first Head Priest.

Sri Harimandir Sahib has a unique Sikh architecture. Built at a level lower than the surrounding land level, The Gurudwara teaches the lesson of egalitarianism and humility. The four entrances of this holy shrine from all four directions, signify that people belonging to every walk of life are equally welcome.



¹ So Thaan Suhava (by Roop Singh) Published by S.G.P.C. Amritsar

Daily Routine of Sachkhand — Sri Harimandir Sahib (The Golden Temple)

| Nanakshahi Month | Chet | Vaisakh | Jaith | | Harh | Sawan | Bhadon | Assu | Kattak | Maggar | Poh | Magh | Phaggan |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| English Month | 14 March to 13 April | 14 April to 13 May | 13 May to 14 June | | 15 June to 15 July | 16 July to 15 August | 16 August to 15 Sept. | 16 Sept to 16 Oct. | 17 Oct to 15 Nov | 16 Nov to 15 Dec | 16 Dec to 13 Jan | 14 Jan to 12 Feb | 13 Feb to 13 March |
| Kiwad (Portals) Opening Time | 2.30 | 2.15 | 2.00 | | 2.00 | 2.15 | 2.30 | 2.30 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 2.45 |
| Kirtan at Amrit Vela (Early dawn) | 2.30 | 2.15 | 2.00 | | 2.00 | 2.15 | 2.30 | 2.30 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 2.45 |
| Asa Di War | 3.30 | 3.15 | 3.00 | | 3.00 | 3.15 | 3.30 | 3.30 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 3.45 |
| Departure of Palki Sahib from Sri Akal Takhat Sahib | 4.30 | 4.15 | 4.00 | | 4.00 | 4.15 | 4.30 | 4.30 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 4.45 |
| First Hukamnama | 5.00 | 4.45 | 4.30 | | 4.30 | 4.45 | 5.00 | 5.00 | 5.30 | 5.30 | 5.30 | 5.30 | 5.15 |
| First Ardas | 5.30 | 5.15 | 5.00 | | 5.00 | 5.15 | 5.30 | 5.30 | 6.00 | 6.00 | 6.00 | 6.00 | 5.45 |
| Asa Di War Samapti | 6.30 | 6.15 | 6.00 | | 6.00 | 6.15 | 6.30 | 6.30 | 7.00 | 7.00 | 7.00 | 7.00 | 6.45 |
| Second Ardas & Hukamnama | 6.30-6.45 | 6.30 | 6.15 | | 6.15 | 6.30 | 6.45 | 6.45 | 7.15 | 7.15 | 7.15 | 7.15 | 6.45 — 7.00 |
| Holy reading of Rehras Sahib starts at sunset. | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hukamnama at night | 21.45 | 22.15 | 22.30 | | 22.30 | 22.15 | 22.15 | 22.00 | 21.30 | 21.30 | 21.30 | 21.30 | 21.45 |
| Departure of Palki Sahib from Sri Harimandir Sahib | 22.00 | 22.30 | 22.45 | | 22.45 | 22.30 | 22.45 | 22.15 | 21.45 | 21.45 | 21.45 | 21.45 | 22.00 |
| Sukh-Aasan Sahib at Sri Akal Takhat Sahib | 22.15 | 22.45 | 23.00 | | 23.00 | 22.45 | 23.00 | 22.30 | 22.00 | 22.00 | 22.00 | 22.00 | 22.15 |

There is a continuous singing of Gurbani Kirtan (hymns) at Sri Harimandir Sahib from the opening of its portals (doors) to their closing. Some minor changes are effected in the summer and winter months. After the departure of the Palki Sahib (palanquin) carrying Sri Guru Granth Sahib to The Akal Takhat Sahib, the devotees, accompanied by the Gurdwara staff, clean the Sri Harimandir Sahib for one hour. During this process these devotees sing the Gurbani Kirtan in melodious and devotional tones. After purifying the

precincts, the rugs are spread, on which the Peera Sahib (a small cot) is placed to install the Sri Guru Granth Sahib in the early morning. At the completion of the Ardas (Sikh Prayer), Karah Prasad (holy offering) is distributed among the devotees.

At Sri Akal Takhat Sahib, after the Rehras (Evening Scripture) the weapons belonging to Guru Sahib (Sikh Masters) and Martyr Sikhs are displayed to devotees at about 8.00 p.m.

Tips for Safety and Security of Tourists

A few simple precautions to ensure your safety

- Leave valuables and important papers, such as jewelry, foreign currency and passports, secured in your hotel's safe deposit box. Never leave these items unattended. Avoid carrying large sums of cash and valuables in person.
- Always keep a photocopy of your passport and visa while moving in the city.
- Do not move with any unknown person. Ask for taxi/auto.
- Carry your wallet in the inside pocket of your jacket, or the side trouser pocket.
- In case you take a cycle rickshaw, please pull up the hood/top of the rickshaw. It will also make you secure from incidents like snatching and eve-teasing.
- Beware of unexpected persons coming to your hotel room. Never open the door to unsolicited room service or maintenance people. Contact the front desk if you have any doubts.
- Do not accept eatable from any unknown person.



Connectivity

Amritsar is well connected to Delhi, Jammu and Chandigarh both by road and train.

BUSES : Frequent buses leave for Delhi (10 hours), Chandigarh (7 hrs), Pathankot (3 hrs), Jammu (6 hrs) and Attari on the India-Pakistan border (1¼ hrs).

One/two buses go daily to Dalhousie (6 hrs), Dharamsala (6 hrs), Shimla (10 hrs) and Manali (14 hrs) in Himachal Pradesh, and Dehra Dun (11 hrs) in Uttarakhand.

Private buses¹ for Delhi (with/without AC, 8½ hrs) leave from near the railway station at 10 p.m. Other private buses go to Chandigarh (Rs 150 to 200), Jammu (Rs 140) and Katra (Rs 160) from Gandhi Gate.

TRAIN : Reservation for trains is available on the Temple Complex (8.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m.) on all days except Sunday (till 2 p.m.)

Direct express trains travel to Delhi (2nd/chair car, 8 hrs); but the fastest is the twice-daily Shatabdi Express (5.10 a.m., 5.00 p.m., 6 hrs). A daily Amritsar-Howrah Mail links Amritsar with Lucknow (sleeper/3AC/2AC, 16½ hrs), Varanasi (22 hrs) and Howrah (37 hrs). For more details www.indianrail.gov.in

There are regular flights of Indian Airlines, Jet Airways and Kingfisher from Delhi. The Rajasansi International Airport is about 15 km from the Golden Temple and is connected by domestic flights to Delhi, Srinagar and Chandigarh. There are regular international flights from London, Toronto, Singapore and other leading cities of the world to Amritsar.

People speak Punjabi, Hindi and English in Amritsar.

Amritsar witnesses extreme weather in the summers as well as in the winters. However, March and November are pleasant for the tourists.

¹ The fares mentioned above are likely to change.

Accommodations in The Harimandir Sahib Complex

There are seven Niwas Asthans (inns) which provide lodging facilities for pilgrims, maintained by Sri Harimandir Sahib authorities. The reception counters work round the clock to attend to the devotees.

- **Sri Guru Ramdas Niwas**: Also called Sri Guru Ram Das Sarai, was built in 1931. This building has 228



- rooms and 18 halls spread over 2 stories, with modern sanitation and other amenities.
- **Sri Guru Nanak Niwas**: This building houses offices of the different departments of SGPC and also lodging facilities for pilgrims.
- **Sri Guru Arjan Dev Niwas**: This building is situated at the entrance to the main sarai area. It houses a branch of Punjab & Sind Bank, a post office. The main booking counter for all accommodations is situated here.
- **New Akal Rest House**: This building is situated behind Guru Arjan Dev Niwas. It houses 49 rooms, out of which 5 rooms with 25 beds for Foreign tourists.
- **Sri Guru Hargobind Nawas**: This building is situated near Gurdawara Baba Atal Rai Sahib. Sri Guru Ramdas Library is situated in its basement.
- **Mata Ganga Ji Niwas**: This stands exactly opposite to Guru Hargobind Niwas. It also houses INTERNET DEPARTMENT of SGPC.
- **Sri Guru Gobind Singh NRI Yatra Niwas**: It houses 66 rooms for NRI/Foreign tourists.

Note : The booking office for all accommodations is situated in Sri Guru Arjan Dev Niwas. Information regarding booking may be obtained from Tel: 91-183-2553957, 58, 59 PBX : 219, 310, 417, 424, 425

Facilities

1. Free bus facility is available for the Airport and/or Railway Station from the area close to the SGPC office.
2. Wheel chairs are available to the physically challenged and/or the very old. They can be procured from an office in the Parikarma near Ber Baba Budha Sahib.
3. Langar (Free-kitchen) is served at Sri Guru Ram Das Langar at all hours.
4. There are four water-service booths at all the corners of the Parikarma.
5. Bath-rooms and toilets for the pilgrims are at the back of Sri Guru Ram Das Niwas, near Information Office, Shoe Store, & near Gurdwara Baba Atal etc.
6. Railway-booking, ATM and postal facilities are also available.
7. There are two free dispensaries in Guru Ram Das Niwas for the pilgrims.
8. In case of any accident in Sri Harimandir Sahib Complex, please contact the office of Parikarma Manager or Information office (Phone 2553951-60)

Things to Remember

1. At every entrance to Sri Harimandir Sahib, there is provision for keeping shoes, and luggage of the devotees, free of cost. One must get a token after depositing one's shoes/belongings.
2. Please switch-off your mobiles before entering.
3. Wash your feet/hands, and cover your head properly before entering the holy complex.
4. Cigarette, Bidi, Tobacco or other intoxicants are strictly prohibited inside the holy premises.
5. Anyone can take a dip in the holy sarovar (pool of nectar) but use of soap or shampoo is not allowed.
6. The wet clothes may kindly be deposited in a Wet-Clothes-Room.
7. If you so desire, you can wash yourself with soap at the washrooms provided in the parikarma (periphery).
8. Swimming is strictly prohibited in the sarovar.
9. Do not accept eatables from strangers.
10. Photography is allowed only in the outer Parikarma. For special reasons permission for photography inside of The Golden Temple may be sought from the President/Sec. (SGPC) or Manager (Golden Temple).
11. Offerings in cash and kind are accepted in the Golden Temple.
12. Please get a receipt on offering donations for langar (community kitchen), building.
13. It is strictly prohibited to serve or eat any eatables in the Parikarma, or to loiter about with uncovered head.
14. It is not allowed to read or sell newspapers or play cards in the Parikarma.
15. Nobody can hold a religious congregation or deliver a lecture inside the Parikarma, unless permitted by SGPC.
16. Devotees should not pay any money to Sewadars on duty.
17. Please deposit your valuables including jewelry and cash at the counters provided for the same in the Sri Darbar Sahib complex.
18. Any complaint regarding any staff member/Sewadar/Management should be lodged at the office of Sri Harimandir Sahib located in the Parikarma near Darshni Deori and Ber Baba Budha Ji.
19. Karah-Prasad (holy offering) should be distributed only after one's exit from the Sanctum Sanctorum. Its distribution on the bridge creates congestion which hampers the smooth movement of devotees.
20. Please do not take bath at Har Ki Paori.
21. If any infant happens to urinate in the Parikarma, please clean it immediately or inform the duty Sewadars about it.



A display of Sikh Marchal Art (Gatka)



A rare old photograph of the de-silting of the holy pool at Sri Harimandir Sahib (Anonymous)

Jalao (Jewelry Display)

The Jewellery (Jalao) is displayed at Sri Harimandir Sahib on the following occasions:

- Birth Day of Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji (1st Master)
- Birth Day of Sri Guru Teg Bahadur Ji (9th Master)
- Birth Day of Sri Guru Ram Das Ji (4th Master)
- Birth Day of Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji (10th Master)
- Gurgaddi Diwas Sri Guru Hargobind Sahib (6th Master)
- First Prakash of Sri Guru Granth Sahib

Guru Ka Langar (Community Kitchen)

The tradition of serving langar Initiated by Guru Nanak Dev Ji and then established by the 3rd Guru (Master) Sri Guru Amar Dass Ji at Goindwal. Even the Mughal King Akbar came and sat among the ordinary people to share langar.

In the Golden Temple Community Kitchen at an average 50,000 devotees or tourists take langar in the Community Kitchen daily; but the number becomes almost double on special occasions.



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Gurpurbs (Historical Dates about Sikh Gurus)¹

| | | Gurpurb | Date | Date English |
|----------------|------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Gurgaddi Diwas | (Anointment day) | Sri Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji | (7th Master) | 1 Chet (14 Mar) |
| Joti Jot Diwas | (Demise day) | Sri Guru Har Gobind Sahib Ji | (6th Master) | 6 Chet (19 Mar) |
| Joti Jot Diwas | (Demise day) | Sri Guru Angad Dev Ji | (2nd Master) | 3 Vaisakh (16 Apr) |
| Gurgaddi Diwas | (Anointment day) | Sri Guru Amar Dass Ji | (3rd Master) | 3 Vaisakh (16 Apr) |
| Joti Jot Diwas | (Demise day) | Sri Guru Har Krishan Sahib Ji | (8th Master) | 3 Vaisakh (16 Apr) |
| Gurgaddi Diwas | (Anointment day) | Sri Guru Teg Bahadar Ji | (9th Master) | 3 Vaisakh (16 Apr) |
| Prakash Diwas | (Advent day) | Sri Guru Angad Dev Ji | (2nd Master) | 5 Vaisakh (18 Apr) |
| Prakash Diwas | (Advent day) | Sri Guru Teg Bahadar Ji | (9th Master) | 5 Vaisakh (18 Apr) |
| Prakash Diwas | (Advent day) | Sri Guru Arjan Dev Ji | (5th Master) | 19 Vaisakh (2 May) |
| Prakash Diwas | (Advent day) | Sri Guru Amar Dass Ji | (3rd Master) | 9 Jeth (23 May) |
| Gurgaddi Diwas | (Anointment day) | Sri Guru Har Gobind Sahib Ji | (6th Master) | 28 Jeth (11 June) |
| Shaheedi Diwas | (Martyrdom day) | Sri Guru Arjan Dev Ji | (5th Master) | 2 Harh (16 June) |
| Prakash Diwas | (Advent day) | Sri Guru Har Gobind Sahib Ji | (6th Master) | 21 Harh (5 July) |
| | | Miri Piri Diwas Patshahi Sixth | (6th Master) | 6 Sawan (21 July) |
| Prakash Diwas | (Advent day) | Sri Guru Har Krishan Sahib Ji | (8th Master) | 8 Sawan (23 July) |
| | | Sampooranta Diwas | (Shabad Guru) | 15 Bhadon (30 August) |
| Prakash Diwas | (Advent day) | Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji | (Shabad Guru) | 17 Bhadon (1 Sep.) |
| Joti Jot Diwas | (Demise day) | Sri Guru Amar Dass Ji | (3rd Master) | 2 Assu (16 Sep) |
| Gurgaddi Diwas | (Anointment day) | Sri Guru Ram Dass Ji | (4th Master) | 2 Assu (16 Sep) |
| Joti Jot Diwas | (Demise day) | Sri Guru Ram Dass Ji | (4th Master) | 2 Assu (16 Sep) |
| Gurgaddi Diwas | (Anointment day) | Sri Guru Arjan Dev Ji | (5th Master) | 2 Assu (16 Sep) |
| Gurgaddi Diwas | (Anointment day) | Sri Guru Angad Dev Ji | (2nd Master) | 4 Assu (18 Sep) |
| Joti Jot Diwas | (Demise day) | Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji | (1st Master) | 8 Assu (22 Sep) |
| Prakash Diwas | (Advent day) | Sri Guru Ram Dass Ji | (4th Master) | 25 Assu (9 Oct) |
| Joti Jot Diwas | (Demise day) | Sri Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji | (7th Master) | 6 Kattak (20 Oct) |
| Gurgaddi Diwas | (Anointment day) | Sri Guru Har Krishan Sahib Ji | (8th Master) | 6 Kattak (20 Oct) |
| Gurgaddi Diwas | (Anointment day) | Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji | (Shabad Guru) | 6 Kattak (7 Nov) |
| Joti Jot Diwas | (Demise day) | Sri Guru Gobind Sahib Ji | (10th Master) | 7 Kattak (10 Nov) |
| Prakash Diwas | (Advent day) | Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji | (1st Master) | 19 Maggar (21 Nov) |
| Gurgaddi Diwas | (Anointment day) | Sri Guru Gobind Sahib Ji | (10th Master) | 11 Maggar (24 Nov) |
| Shaheedi Diwas | (Martyrdom day) | Sri Guru Teg Bahadar Ji | (9th Master) | 11 Maggar (24 Nov) |
| Prakash Diwas | (Advent day) | Sri Guru Gobind Singh Ji | (10th Master) | 23 Poh (11 Jan) |
| Prakash Diwas | (Advent day) | Sri Guru Har Rai Sahib Ji | (7th Master) | 19 Magh (31 Jan) |

¹ According to the Nanakshahi Calander Samvat 542 (2010-11) by Dharam Prachar Committee, (S.G.P.C.) Amritsar.



Nearest Historical Gurdwaras (Sikh Shrines)



Gurdwara Baba Attal
in the memory of Baba Atal Rai
Son of the Sixth Guru,
(Golden Temple Complex)



Guru Ke Mehal
Birth Place of 9th Guru (Master)
Guru Teg Bahadur Sahib
at Guru Bazar (walking distance)



Tobha Bhai Sallo
A great follower of
Guru Arjan Dev (5th Guru)
Chowk Passian (walking distance)



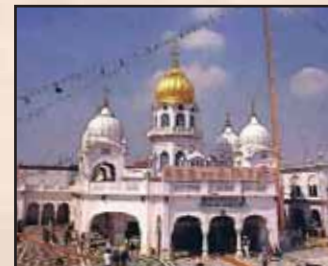
Quilla (Fort) Lohgarh
Guru Hargobind (6th Guru) used
a wooden canon in a battle with
Mugals at this place



Gurdwara Santokhsar Sahib
In memory of Baba Santokh Rai
the first holy sarover (nectar pool)
of the city



Gurdwara Saragarhi
in the memory of 21 Sikh Soldiers,
who fought with the Afgan invaders
at North-West Frontier



Gurdwara Baba Deep Singh
in the memory of Baba Deep Singh
laid-down his life while fighting
with Mugals in 1768



Gurdwara Ramsar Sahib
Guru Granth Sahib (Holy Book of
Sikhs) was compiled at this place
by Guru Arjan Dev Ji in 1604 A.D.



Gurdwara Bibeksar Sahib
in the memory of Sixth Guru,
Guru Har Gobind Sahib
Walking Distance

Main Cities & Important Telephone Nos.

Distances from Amritsar

| | |
|-----------------|----------|
| Jammu..... | 206 k.m. |
| Chandigarh..... | 254 k.m. |
| Haridwar..... | 407 k.m. |
| New Delhi..... | 450 k.m. |
| Dehradun..... | 463 k.m. |
| Srinagar..... | 548 k.m. |
| Agra Cantt..... | 642 k.m. |
| Jaipur..... | 713 k.m. |

Hill Stations

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| Dalhousie..... | 191 k.m. |
| Shimla..... | 345 k.m. |
| Kullu Manali..... | 430 k.m. |
| Mussoorie..... | 500 k.m. |

Nearest Historical Gurdwaras (Sikh Shrines)

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|----------------------------|---------|
| Kotha Sahib..... | 7 k.m. |
| Chheharta Sahib..... | 10 k.m. |
| Guru Ki Wadali..... | 10 k.m. |
| Beer Baba Budha Sahib..... | 22 k.m. |
| Tarn Taran Sahib..... | 22 k.m. |
| Goindwal Sahib..... | 40 k.m. |
| Khadur Sahib..... | 42 k.m. |

Distances to Public Places / Stations from the Golden Temple

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|-----------------------|------------------|
| Jallianwala Bagh..... | Walking Distance |
| Bus Stand..... | 1.5 k.m. |
| Railway Station..... | 3.0 k.m. |
| Airport..... | 15.0 k.m. |

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| Wagha Border..... | 32.0 k.m. |
| Maharaja Ranjit Singh Garden (Company Bagh)..... | 3 k.m. |
| Lawrence Road..... | 4 k.m. |

Important Phone Nos.

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|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| Mayor's off..... | 2545999, 94170-15150 |
| Commissioner's Off..... | 9815304213, 2545155 |
| Civil Surgeon..... | 2211864 |
| Punjab (Amritsar) Tourism..... | 2402452, 9478351548 |
| Police Control Room..... | 100, 2225054 |

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| Police Station. Kotwali..... | 2557670, 9781130205 |
| Vigilance, Amritsar..... | 2210413, 2213161 |
| Police Station (Galiara)..... | 2225054, 2225154, 2225056, 2555400 |
| Golden Temple..... | 97811-30219 |
| Railway Station..... | 97811-30256 |
| Airport..... | 98725-02337, 2214099 |

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| Main Helpline..... | 2210300, 97811-30501 |
| Golden Temple..... | 97811-30219 |
| Railway Station..... | 97811-30256 |
| Airport..... | 98725-02337, 2214099 |

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| Police Station (Galiara)..... | 2225054, 2225154, 2225056, 2555400 |
| Golden Temple..... | 97811-30219 |
| Railway Station..... | 97811-30256 |
| Airport..... | 98725-02337, 2214099 |

Nearest Hospitals:

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| Guru Ram Das Charitable Hosptl..... | 2553668, 2535039, 2535042 |
| Nagpal Nursing Home..... | 2556343 |

Govt. Hospitals

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| Guru Teg Bahadur Hospital Emergency..... | 2563170 |
| Guru Nanak Dev Hosp..... | 2573928 |
| Mata Kaulan Ji Hospital..... | 2580325 |

Enquiries

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| Terminal Manager Airport..... | 2214353 |
| Indian Airlines/Air India..... | 2214029 |
| Jet Airways..... | 2214033 |
| Northern Railway..... | 139 |
| Roadways..... | 2551734, 2551735 |

Ambulances

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| Dhab Wasti Ram..... | 2544440 |
| Adlakha Hospital..... | 2225353 |
| Durgiana Mandir..... | 2549600 |

Hotels in Amritsar

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| Hotel Alstonia..... | 2500382-90 |
| Country Inn & Suits..... | 5050555 |
| Mohan International..... | 2227804 |
| M.K. Hotel..... | 2507911, 2507912 |
| Kumar International..... | 2229388 |
| Ritz Hotel..... | 2562836 to 839 |
| Blue Moon Hotel..... | 2220759 |
| Odeon Hotel..... | 2565074 |
| Mayur Hotel..... | 2224363, 2563133 |
| Royal International/Oberoi Castle..... | 2225562 to 564 |

The Nanakshahi Calander (The Sikh Calendar, SGPC)

Samwat 542 (2010-11)

<http://www.sgpc.net/calendar.html>

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| Sangrand |
| Pooranmashi |
| Massia |

| Chet | (March 14 - April 13) | Vaisakh | (April 14 - May 13) | Jeth | (May 14 - June 14) | Harh | (June 15 - July 15) |
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| Sawan | (July 16 - August 15) | Badhon | (August 16 - September 15) | Assu | (September 16 - October 16) | Kattak | (October 17 - November 15) |
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| Maggar | (November 16 - December 15) | Poh | (December 16 - January 13) | Magh | (January 14 - February 12) | Phaggon | (February 13 - March 13) |
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Important websites related to Amritsar

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| Govt. of Punjab | www.punjabgovt.nic.in |
| Punjab Tourism | www.punjabtourism.gov.in |
| Municipal Corp. Amritsar | www.amritsarcorp.com |
| Local administration site | www.amritsar.nic.in |
| Amritsar Improvement Trust | www.amritsarimprovementtrust.org |
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| Swarana Shatabdi | 2030 | New Delhi | 17:00 | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y |
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| Golden Temple Mail | 2904 | Mumbai Central | 21:25 | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
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| Chhatisgarh Express | 8238 | Agra Cantt. | 16:15 | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
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| Amritsar Jaipur Express | 9782 | Jaipur | 18:00 | N | N | N | N | Y | N | Y |
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| Amritsar Hawrah Mail | 3006 | Lucknow, Patna | 18:45 | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |

Tourist Interest : Nearest Places



Maharaja Ranjit Singh Panorama

Maharaja Ranjit Singh, more popularly known as 'The Lion of Punjab' was not only a great son of Punjab but was also among the few leading figures of the history of that period.

Maharaja Ranjit Singh Panorama is a visual documentation of Maharaja Ranjit Singh and has been both conceptualized and set up by the National Council of Science Museums.

Ram Bagh

An accustomed listener to the neighs of eight thousand horses announcing the arrival of the statesman of the century, Maharaja Ranjit Singh (1780-1839) the Lion of Punjab, built the Ram Bagh and in its heart lies the Summer Palace of this great ruler.

Now the Summer Palace of Maharaja Ranjit Singh has been converted into a museum which speaks volumes on his times. On display are weapons dating back to Mughal times, portraits of ruling houses of Punjab and a replica of the diamond, "Kohinoor".



In those days the garden was approached by a huge fortified gate which still exists in its original form and lies on the periphery of the garden.

Jallianwala Bagh

The memorial at this site commemorates the 2000 Indians who were killed or wounded. They were shot indiscriminately by the British at the command of Gen Michael O'Dyer on April 13, 1919 while they were participating in a peaceful public meeting. This was one of the major incidents that spurred the movement of India's Freedom Struggle.

Wagah Border

When the sun decides to bid adieu to a peaceful day it is time for the reunion which transcends the boundaries that man has laid. From Amritsar, 35 km on the road to Lahore (Pakistan), is India-Pakistan border, which is also known as Attari (Wagah) border.

A visit to the border is an interesting experience, especially at sunset, when the retreat ceremony takes place with the Border Security Force (B.S.F) on the Indian side and The Sutlej Rangers on the Pakistan side putting up a well co-ordinated and spectacular display which compares very favorably with the changing of the Royal Guard in London.



ATMs

State Bank of India — (www.sbi.co.in)

- Town Hall
- Railway Station
- Air Cargo Complex

HDFC Bank — (www.hdfcbank.com)

- Ghanta Ghar, O/s. the Golden Temple
- Golden Cloth Market, Sultanwind Gate
- 107/1, Hall Bazar
- Lawrence Road

ICICI Bank — (www.icicibank.com)

- Hotel City Heart, Near Jallianwala Bagh
- Upper Ground floor, 107/1, Hall Bazar
- Nidhi, 2- Lawrence Road
- Airport Authority of India, Rajsansi Airport

Axis Bank — (www.axisbank.com)

- Chowk Farid, Katra Kanhaiyan
- 29, Kennedy Avenue, Court Road
- Upper Ground floor, Hotel Golden Castle (Near Golden Temple), Opp. Jallianwala Bagh
- 21, Shopping Centre, Outside Hall Gate

Oriental Bank of Commerce—(www.obcindia.co.in)

- Katra Ahluwalia
- Queen's Road, Civil Lines
- Hall Bazaar

IDBI Bank — (www.idbi.com)

- 9, Deep Complex, Court Road
- 16, Distt. Shopping Complex, Ranjit Avenue
- Kesri Bagh, Opp. Dharam Singh Market



