

# Hola Mohalla Sikh Festival 4 days



Head north to the Punjab and attend the amazing Hola Mohalla Sikh Festival in Anandpur Sahib! Experience magnificent displays of horsemanship and exciting mock fighting (Gatka), witness the tremendous colours of the Sikh faith, including the stunning blue and orange blend of the Nehang Sikh Army.

## TOUR DETAILS:

- Starts in: Delhi / Ends in: Delhi
- Departs: 04 Mar 2015
- No local payment required
- Breakfast:3, Lunch: 0, Dinner: 2
- Hotel Rating: 3 - 4 star & guesthouse at Anandpur Sahib
- Tour Guide: Yes (for groups of 6 or more)

## ONLINE RESOURCES:

- For a detailed GO GUIDE - [click here](#)
- To book this trip - [click here](#)
- To enquire about this trip - [click here](#)

## TOUR MAP:



## QUICK WEB LINKS

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## Day 1: Delhi

Wednesday 04 March 2015. Once you arrive in Delhi you'll be met at the airport and transferred to our hotel. The remainder of the day can be spent at leisure exploring India's capital. Overnight - [Delhi](#)

## Days 2 - 3: Hola Mohalla at Anandpur Sahib

Delhi - Anandpur Sahib. After breakfast on day 2 we climb aboard the Shatabdi Express train north to Chandigarh, passing through the picturesque state of Haryana which is blessed with lush green scenery and beautiful lakes and rivers. Upon arrival in Chandigarh we drive to Anandpur Sahib, the local town that hosts the famous Hola Mohalla festival, arriving to the Hotel Holy City guesthouse which will be our base for the next 2 nights. Hola Mohalla is an annual 3 day festival which occurs during the first lunar month of Chet.

We spend the remains of day 2 and all of day 3 at the Hola Mohalla Festival, where we'll witness all the colourful festivities which include dramatic mock martial arts battles (known as Gatka), impressive displays of weaponry, archery and wrestling. There's also music, poetry and prayers, singing and chanting, while food is served to pilgrims from all castes and creeds by women from the neighbouring villages, who set up langars (community kitchens). This is impressive and humbling to watch as regardless of caste, all Sikhs sit together.

There are also exciting horse riding displays from the Nahib Sikh Army where the riders gallop bareback, performing tricks like riding astride two horses. One of the main attractions at the festival are the Nehangs - a prestigious armed Sikh order who wear a striking blend of blue and orange, with twisted moustaches and staggeringly giant embellished turbans. Any keen photographers will have a whale of a time here with all the amazing sights and vibrant colours on show. Overnight - Hotel Holy City Paradise Inn



## Day 4: Delhi

Saturday 07 Mar 2015. Anandpur Sahib - Chandigarh - Delhi.

Today we travel back to Chandigarh and explore its wonderful Rock Garden. This unique attraction displays numerous sculptures made entirely from industrial and urban waste. Look out for sculptures made out of mudguards and marbles, broken bangles and brake pads or even handle bars and hubcaps! Next we head over to Sukhna Lake. This picturesque man made lake is 3 kilometres in length and is very popular with watersports fans and is a great place to relax and unwind. Early this evening we take the Kalka Shatabdi Express train bound for Delhi.

Upon arrival to Delhi you will be transferred to the airport for your onward international flight. Please note flights should be booked for after 1am on the 08 Mar 2015 as connections cannot be guaranteed before this time.

## WHAT YOU SEE AND WHAT YOU GET:

Below is a list of key highlights and what is included on this tour. Further, where appropriate, we have listed the items that are not included in the tour price.

### Trip Highlights

- Delhi - India's bustling capital
- Chandigarh's annual Hola Mohalla Sikh Festival - sword fighting, bareback riding and warriors
- Chandigarh Rock Garden - Recycled waste sculptures.
- Sukhna Lake - Picturesque man-made lake

### What's Included

- 3 breakfasts and 2 dinners
- 1 night 3 - 4 star hotel in Delhi, 2 nights guesthouse/Inn (equiv 2 star) at the festival
- Airport arrival and departure transfers on day 1 and day 4
- Touring of Anandpur Sahib and Chandigarh
- English speaking Indian tour leader for groups of 6 or more
- Specialist local guides at some sights
- All relevant transfers and transportation
- Return train journey Delhi - Chandigarh on the Shatabdi Express
- Entrance fees to Chandigarh Rock Garden & Sukhna Lake

### What's Not Included

- International flights and visas
- Tip for your tour guide. We recommend you allow \$3 - 7 USD per day per traveller. Tipping your tour guide is an entirely personal gesture
- Laundry, drinks, items of a personal nature

**PRICES AND DATES: from USD \$1,669**

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Prices shown are per person travelling. 'Twin/Double' prices per person apply when there are 2 people travelling, sharing a room. The 'Single supplement' applies for single travellers who require their own room and needs to be added to the 'Twin/Double' price. If you are happy to be paired up with another single traveller of the same sex on your tour, this can be arranged, (if another solo traveller of the same sex is already booked upon the tour), thus avoiding the single person supplement. Please note that hotel prices in Anandpur Sahib during the festival time of the year are unstable. Although we have already made reservations at an agreed price with our hotel of choice, the hotel room rate may change. Should there be an increase in the room rate we will notify you as soon as possible and a supplement will need to be paid by you upon arrival. We do not expect the increase be any more than USD\$20 per night x 2 nights.

## 2015

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
05 MAR - 08 MAR	USD \$1,669	USD \$649

## HOTELS:

The hotels listed below are ones which we frequently use on this tour. We reserve the right to substitute these hotels to ones of a similar standard when necessary.

### Premium Park Hotel - Delhi

Boasting a beautiful rooftop pool, the Premium Park Hotel is a great option when staying in Delhi. Guest rooms are tastefully decorated with hard wood floors and contemporary design. The 24 hour mosaic restaurant offers a great selection of menu items and free Wi-fi is available throughout. Take a dip in the pool with a view for a great way to start the day! The Premium Park is located in the west of Delhi with great links to the airport and the city centre.

