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## THE “FULL ON” ALAKNANDA

This is a self-contained rafting trip. The first 3 days are challenging and would be rated a moderate+ and as the river descends and joins the Ganga it becomes more moderate. Our journey starts at Nandprayag, rafting to Karan Prayag and to Rudraprayag the confluence of the Mandakini with the Alaknanda.

The infamous man-eating leopard was shot in these forests near Rudraprayag by Jim Corbett in 1932, recounted in his book “The Man-eating leopard of Rudraprayag”.

Our 8 days 130kms river journey through exciting rapids, secluded beaches and remote villages, ends at Rishikesh, where the Ganga leaves the Himalayas for its onward journey through the Indo-gangetic plains.



**Day 00: Overnight train - Mussourie Express**

**Day 01: Arrive early morning at Haridwar** and transfer to HRR Camp for breakfast and freshening up. Drive to NANDPRAYAG, alt 970 mtrs asl approx. 7-8 hrs drive 190 kms. Camp overnight by the riverside

**Day 02: Raft trip begins NANDPRAYAG- KARANPRAYAG** 30 km. series of class 3 and 4 rapids. Few calm stretches and great scenery. Raft approx 5 hrs with a stop for lunch on river. Camp below Karnprayag on a big beach

**Day 03: Action continues** from KARANPRAYAG - RUDRAPRAYAG, 30 km. Class 4 rapids and one portage at 'Deer Leap' gorge where the river narrows down to a boiling constriction 15ft across. We line our rafts thru the rapid and continue through the scenic calm of the lower gorge to end our trip below Rudraprayag

**Day 04: Day 4 expedition begins** with a series of grade III rapids following in quick succession. Action eases up after the first 05 kms. Take in the sun and the scenery, you can't get too relaxed as the rapids keep on coming. Lunch near Srinagar the old capital of Garhwal. On a clear day you may see the high Himalayan peaks on the eastern horizon. Camp for the night a little past Srinagar, covering about 30 river kms

**Day 05: Continue rafting** down to Devprayag at the confluence of the Alaknanda and Bhagirathi rivers. Downstream of this the river is called the Ganga. Camp is set on a secluded beach a few kms. below the confluence, another 30 river kms. approximately



**Day 06: Devprayag to Kaudiyala.** A relaxed day with few rapids. Lots of swimming and body surfing and a fair chance of seeing some wild life in the relatively secluded part of the valley. Distance covered is approx. 25 kms. Rafts are parked on the beach and you head up to the road and drive 18 kms. downstream to spend the night at the HRR camp

**Day 07:** After breakfast drive up to the rafts. Trip starts with the negotiating 'Daniel's Dip' followed by 'The Wall', 'Three Blind Mice', 'Crossfire', a few smaller rapids and then the 'The Body Surfer', which surfs you directly into the camp for lunch. Relaxed afternoon - swim, sunbathe, play volleyball, try some kayaking or rappell down a rock face. Camp fire, dinner & Camp overnight



**Day 08:** White water at it's very best with challengers like 'Roller Coaster' and 'Golf Course' to keep the adrenaline pumping. We stop at 'Diving rock' for a plunge into the river for the more intrepid. The trip ends near Rishikesh, picnic lunch. Departure transfer to Haridwar Rly. Stn. to connect Shatabdi Express back to Delhi. The Shatabdi departs Haridwar Rly. Stn. at 1800 hrs. to arrive at New Delhi Rly. Stn. at 2240 hrs

Trip Grade: Moderate++

Cost Per person: Rs. 28,000/- + 3.09% Govt.

Service Tax ( Minimum 4 persons)

Excludes train fare / transport from Delhi to Haridwar and back

#### **ABOVE COST INCLUDES:**

- Accommodation on twin share basis in large tents and in alpine tents
- All meals starting with lunch on day 1 until after lunch on Day 6
- Transportation by non-ac vehicle from pick up at Haridwar Rly. Stn. On Day 1 until drop in Rishikesh on Day 8
- All camping and rafting equipment, guides, porters etc

### Cost Excludes:

- Sleeping bags on the overnight trek (we can arrange these at an extra cost of Rs.150 per sleeping bag)
- Train fare
- Soft drinks and sodas and hard liquor
- Any extra costs arising out of delays and other due to bad weather, rain, floods, earth quakes, land slides and any other Acts of God and circumstances beyond our control
- Anything not included in the “cost includes”



### Checklist For Alaknanda Multiday Rafting Trips

- Warm Sleeping Bag
- Warm Jacket/Pullover/Jersey
- Wind Proof Jacket/Water Resistant Jacket
- Woolen socks/Cotton Socks extra pair for rafting
- Change of clothes for the raft
- Canvas shoes for the raft
- Hiking boots/Walking shoes (one pair)
- Dark Glasses
- Sunscreen/Sun block
- Vaseline/Cold cream/Lip Salve
- Personal Toiletries
- Water Bottle
- Flash Light
- Sun Shade/Hat with a Brim
- Binoculars/Camera etc (Optional)
- Wet suit depending on the season (you may have your personal wet suit or we will provide)
- Thermal underwear (Optional)

**Average Temperatures**

Maximum: 28-30 degrees centigrade

Minimum: 12-20 degrees centigrade

**Note:** Please keep your personal items to a minimum. These should be carried in Duffle Bags. **NO HARD SHELL BAGS AND SUITCASES**

On river, you will be wearing a wet suit (depending on the season), with light weight thermal underwear (optional) or quick drying T shirt and shorts etc. All other personal gear will be carried in waterproof bags, lashed down in the back of the raft. Easy access waterproof bags will be at hand for cameras , sun block etc.



Please do not hesitate to contact us for further information

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