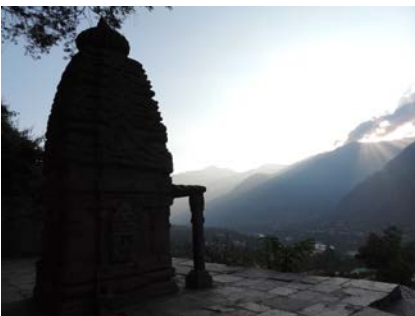




Tour Package: \$5700 per person

Shared accommodation: \$4750 per person

- Price includes Kullu-Del, Del-Leh & Leh-Del airfare, land transportation, accommodation and all meals.
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Dear Members of the Director's Council and Director's Fellow,

For the fall of 2018 we have put together a riveting trip to the Himalayas, following the mythical road to Shambhala, or Shangrila. Traveling together through breathtaking landscapes, we will visit some of the most famous Buddhist monasteries and ancient temples. Stunning nature and culture together will provide moments of contemplation, of being far removed from our daily lives in Los Angeles. It is a chance to experience Himalayan culture, without entering into politically fraught territory. We will be in a region that has not witnessed the great changes that modernizations have brought to China-controlled Tibet. Through Dr. Sonali's experience in the region, we will enter through doors that are closed to others. It promises to be a great adventure filled with exploration of myths, legends and archaeology in this very ancient land, with fellow travelers who share the same passion for traditions and the history of people living among the high peaks of the Himalayas, where boundaries are meaningless, geographically and spiritually.

Willeke Wendrich  
Director, Cotsen Institute of Archaeology UCLA

#### \*TOUR ITINERARY

*September 19 (Wed):* Arrive Kullu airport, transfer to the beautiful Neeralaya Resort, Raison alongside the river Beas. Welcome drink and orientation. Later we will visit the town of Naggar. The Russian explorer Nicholas Roerich loved the town and settled here in the early 20th century. Lunch at the historical fort of the Kullu Valley kings with mythical tales and a very scenic view. (b, l, d)

*September 20 (Thu):* Visit to the Pangaa nunnery perched on a rock face with splendid views of the valley and river. We will have traditional lunch at Jong village served at Upadhyay Cottages. Visit to the Tripura Sundari and Krishna temples in Naggar after lunch followed by an evening lecture by Dr. Sonali and a documentary screening on the Kullu Dusshera. (b, l, d)

*September 21 (Fri):* Visit the hamlet of Dashed with traditional wooden homes in typical Himalayan architecture and a lone Shiva temple dating to the 11<sup>th</sup> century. We will have high tea and Dr. Sonali will deliver a lecture on Himalayan wooden architecture and the supposed descendants of Alexander the Great, the Malana people. We will proceed to Hidimba temple linked to the epic Mahabharata and stroll at the famous Mall road of Manali. Shopping for curios at the famous



owned by the niece of H.H. The Dalai Lama is a must. Evening dinner will be accompanied with live music at the Johnson's Café, owned by the first Anglo-Indian family who grew apples in this part of the Himalayas. Drive back to Neeralaya and grand bonfire and dinner. (b, l, d)

*September 22 (Sat) Delhi:* Flight to Delhi, arrival and transfer to Grand Hotel. (b, l, d)

*September 23 (Sun) Leh:* Flight to Leh, arrival and transfer to Saboo Resorts. Situated at an altitude of 10688 feet, it is an oasis of lush green fields, willow trees and Water streams surrounded with beautiful stark mountains and snow dressed peaks. Rest for the day to acclimatize. Lecture by Dr. Sonali followed by a screening of documentary. (b, l, d)







*September 24 (Mon) Leh:* A visit to Leh city and old town including LAMO, Munshi House, a restored aristocratic house. Drive back to Saboo. Evening lecture by Dr. Sonali. (b, l, d)

*September 25 (Tue) Leh:* A visit to Thiksey monastery which resembles the Potala Palace located in Lhasa, Tibet. We will then proceed to Shey palace where the kings of Ladakh used it as a summer retreat, followed by the Stok Palace and Spiti Monastery. Drive back to Saboo. Evening lecture by Dr. Sonam Spalzin. (b, l, d)

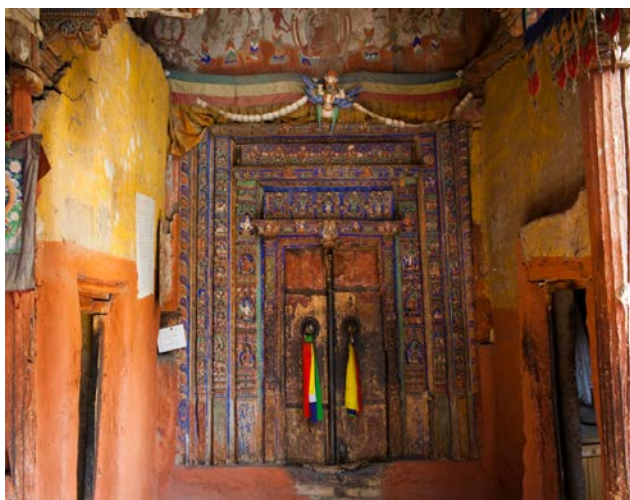
*September 26 (Wed) Leh:* An excursion to the beautiful azure waters of Pangong Tso (13920 feet), literally meaning “enchanted lake”, where we will pass beautiful villages and mingle with local Ladakhi people. We will camp overnight in luxury camps under the beautiful starlit sky. (b, l, d)

*September 27(Thur) Leh:* We will drive back alongside the river Indus and will visit famous petroglyph sites. Arrival at Saboo Resorts (b, l, d)

*September 28 (Fri) Leh-Alchi:* A visit to the UNESCO World Heritage site of Alchi, a repository of early 11<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> century Himalayan paintings via the Alchi petroglyph site, Ridzong monastery and Magnetic Hill. Arrival at Ule Ethnic Resort (b, l, d)

*September 29 (Sat) Leh:* Drive back to Leh (3 hours). Enroute, we will visit Basgo monastery with alluring ruins. Arrival at Saboo Resorts. Farewell dinner. (b, l, d)

*September 30th (Sun) Leh-Delhi:* Morning transfer to the airport. (b)





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\* This trip is open to Director's Council and Director's fellow level members of the Friends of Archaeology only.

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