

# Within 10km

# Garli 3 km walk.

Lovely old houses. The road leads to Chamba-Pattan on the banks of river Beas where boat rides are possible.

**River Beas** 5 km walk Flows through beautiful countryside. Famous for Mahasheer Fishing.

## Dehra 10 km.

A Tehsil Hq. During working days it presents the picture of a Rural Revenue Officer's court.

# Mari

(Baba Bharwagh Singh) for exorcising the evil spirit. The Holi fair is exceptional.

# Maharana Pratap Sagar 10 km

Also know as PONG DAM it is a National Wet Land with a wide variety of bird life and protected flora.

#### Kalesar

On the banks of Beas is said to have sanctity more than that of Haridwar. The Baisaki mela on 13th April is famous and myth would have it that the touchstone 'parasmani' lies there Sanskrit University – one of 8 in the World propagating a Heritage Language in a Heritage Village

# Within 30km

# Chintpurni

A Shakti Temple famous for granting wishes. At nearby Dharamsala-Mahanta village time has stood still. It has a fortress like temple complex with many fading Kangra Wall Paintings.

## Haripur

The Fort of Haripur and an ornamental tank below are historical. The principality of Haripur was founded in 1464 AD.

## Guler

Famous as the cradle of the Kangra School of Paintings. Narrow Gauge Train station at Guler Station is quaint. An oil lamp is still used to light the track - signal at dusk.

## Chinour

Reached by a scenic road has an old Temple and Water Mills to grind corn.

## Dadasiba

Temple sanctum has exquisite Kangra wall paintings. The ruins of a local chieftain's incomplete residence on a nearby hilltop are worth a visit.

## Jwalamukhi

A famous Shakti Temple Bagla Mukhi Temple. The deity is inclined to favour supplicants with victory over odds.

# Within 60km

#### Masroor

Rock cut Temples of the style of Ellora. Probably the only one of this type in North India.

#### Kangra Fort

The rulers of Kangra are from the world's oldest lineage. The Fort, until conquered by Emperor Jehangir in 1622, was always – with short exceptions of less than a generation - in Hindu hands.

#### Kangra Temple

The Bajreshwari Temple is the same that was sacked by Mahmud Ghazni of uncounted treasures in 1009.

#### Rihlu

A little beyond the turnoff to Dharamsala, a lovely peaceful terraced landscape.

#### Nadaun

By the banks of the River Beas.

#### Fort of Sola Singhi

To reach this ruined Fort turn off right before Nadaun. It is situated on the crest of a hill and can be reached only after an arduous climb on foot.

## Sujanpur Tira

Ruins of the summer palace of the Katoches of Kangra. A nice drive and a good days picnic.

# Norbulingka

A Tibetan Cultural Centre near Dharamsala and is deserving of a visit.

# Within 90km

## Dharamsala

District Head quarters It lies under the Dhauladhar mountains. There are numerous pretty spots in the vicinity.

## St. John in the Wilderness

A Chapel on the way from Dharamsala to Mcleodganj. It has stained glass windows & commemorates the memory of Lord Elgin, Viceroy of India who died at Dharamsala. It has a fairly well maintained cemetery.

## Mcleodganj

The little Lhasa of India is the seat of his Holiness the Dalai Lama. The School & Medical College are famous.

#### Palampur

Lush green tea estates. It is about 30 KMs from Dharamsala and on the way to Baijnath Temple and also Bir/Billing where hang gliding competitions take place.

# Andretta

This artist's village complex was setup by Sobha Singh. Among the famous works from here are the portraits of Sohni & Mahiwal - the tragic lovers - and Guru Govind Singh. A well-known pottery is also established in the vicinity by a charming couple, Mina & Mary Singh



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