

About Gulmarg

Gulmarg is a perfect treasure trove of natural wonders, with its crown jewel being one of the highest golf courses in the world. Its rolling, snow-covered hills provide the perfect playground for winter sports enthusiasts. It is situated at a comfortable distance of 51 km from Srinagar at an elevation of more than 8000 feet. The weather there is always nice, making it a perfect place to relax and enjoy the beauty around. Whether you're a nature lover or an adventure seeker, Gulmarg has something for everyone. From skiing down the slopes to taking leisurely walks, every moment in Gulmarg feels like a dream in nature's embrace.

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DESTINATION INFO AT A GLANCE



Altitude
8694 ft



Area
3 sq. Km



Annual Rainfall
740 mm



Temperature
Summer: 18°C to 29°C
Winter: -10°C to 2°C



Best Season
Summer: May to August
Winter: December to March



Languages
Kashmiri, Urdu,
Pahari and Gojri

HOW TO REACH VIA



AIR Sheikh-ul-
Alam
International
Airport, Srinagar
54 Km



TRAIN
Banihal
Railway Station
62 Km



ROAD
Cabs and Buses
from Srinagar

DISTANCE



SRINAGAR

51 KM



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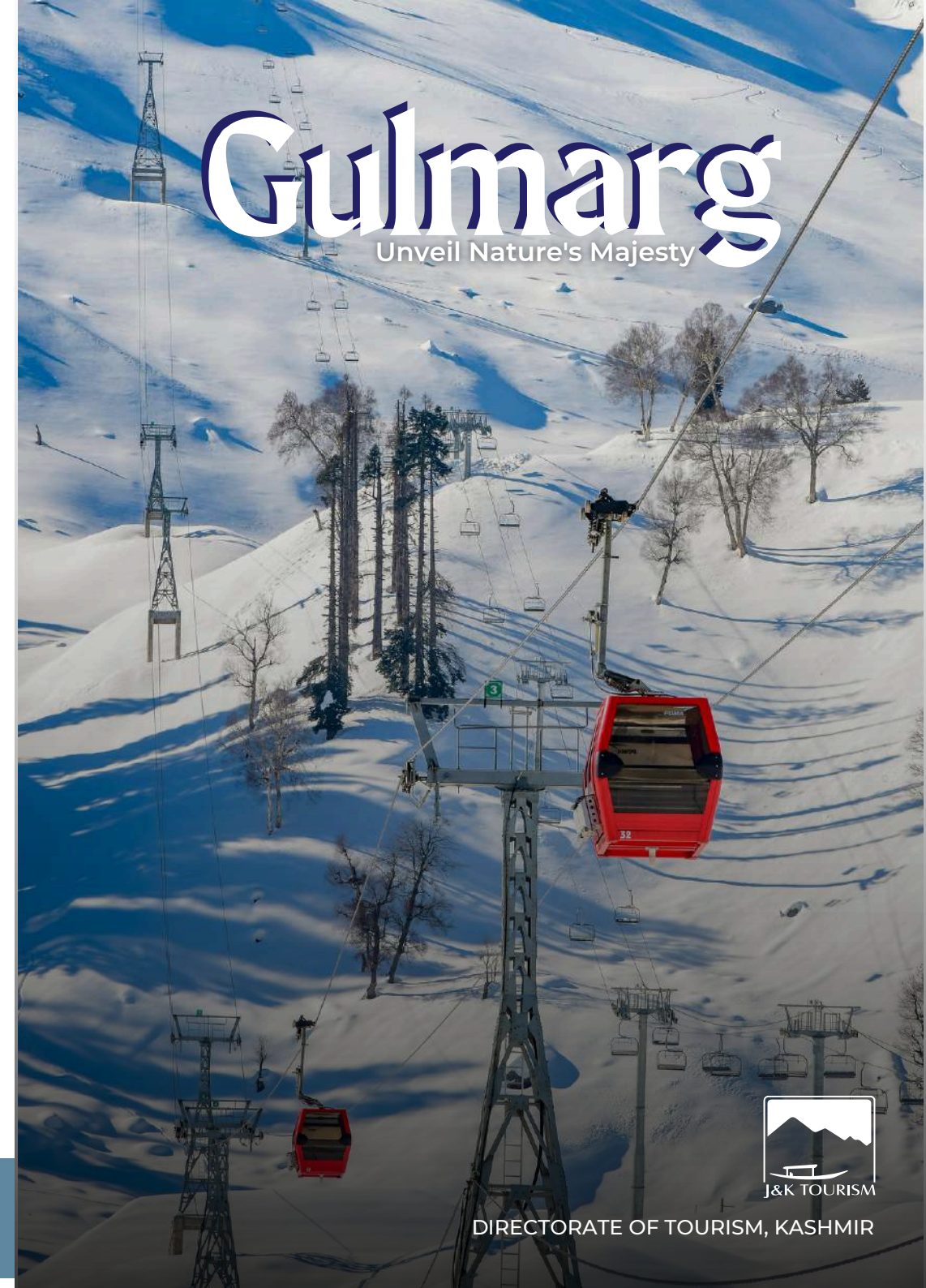
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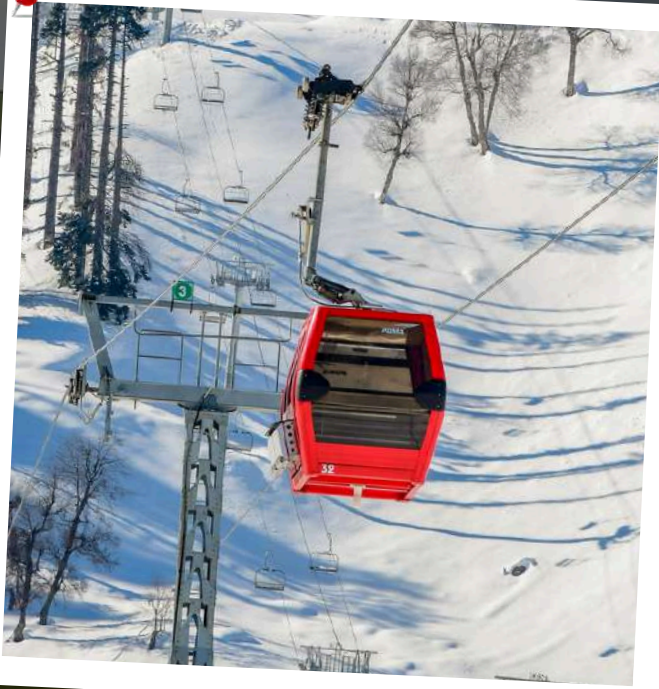


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Unveil Nature's Majesty

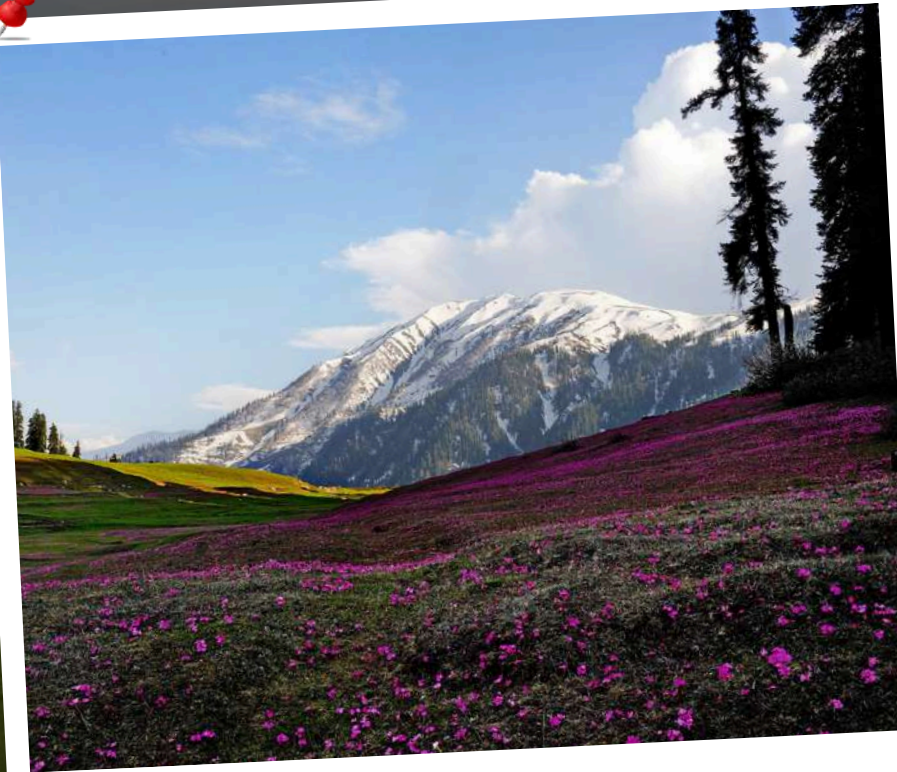


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Gondola

The Gulmarg Gondola, one of the highest and longest cable cars in the world, is a major attraction in Kashmir, offering breathtaking views of the Pir Panjal range. Operated in two phases, it transports visitors from Gulmarg (8,690 feet) to Kongdoori (10,500 feet) in the first phase and further to Apharwat Peak (13,780 feet) in the second. It is a must-visit for nature lovers and adventure seekers. In winter, the Gondola is a gateway to world-class skiing and snowboarding, while in summer, it offers access to trekking trails and lush alpine landscapes.



Botapathri

Botapathri, a hidden paradise in Nagin Valley, lies 10 km from Gulmarg near the border. Trekking enthusiasts should pack their boots and a good measure of adrenalin for this destination. The hike ranges from easy to difficult in the Gulmarg-Bota Pathri stretch, offering an extremely exhilarating experience to those who love the mountains. The road is completely shrouded in a cloud cover and visibility decreases to a few feet in winters, while summers offer a resplendent view of the valley with exotic flora.



Skiing

Gulmarg, one of the world's highest lift-served ski resorts, offers an enthralling skiing experience with its Gondola Cable Car Lift to Apharwat top. The skiing season runs from mid-December to mid-April, and government-run ski shops provide affordable equipment and trained instructors. Established by the British in 1927, Gulmarg's ski legacy continues to captivate countless tourists with dream-like runs amidst the Himalayas. It's not just spellbinding but also one of the most affordable and beautiful ski destinations globally.



Snow Boarding

If you're looking for more thrilling winter activities in Gulmarg, consider snowboarding. The slopes here are just as ideal for snowboarding as they are for skiing. Snowboarding requires slightly less skill compared to skiing but demands an equal amount of courage and determination. If you haven't experienced the rush of gliding down the snow-covered slopes on a snowboard, it's an adventure that should definitely be on your must-try list. Whether you're a seasoned skier or a novice to winter sports, snowboarding in Gulmarg promises an exhilarating and unforgettable experience.



Heliskiing

Heliskiing, the ultimate skiing experience started in Kashmir in the early 1980s by extreme skier Sylvain Saudan. It offers a thrilling experience through unhindered snow. Preferred for the best powder snow, access the South-East Pir Panjal Range with top landings on 4,000-4500 m altitude mountain peaks. Although it is a delightful destination year-round, winter is when the town truly comes alive with its high-octane adventure activities.



Kongdori

As the Gulmarg Gondola cable car glides further, it reveals the bowl-shaped Kongdori valley. Offering a panorama of scenic valleys, lush meadows, and the distant Pir Panjal range, Kongdori is a veritable winter sports wonderland.



Gulmarg Golf Course

Gulmarg Golf Course has evolved into a world-renowned golfing destination, boasting an impressive 18-hole course that is par 72. Set amidst the stunning Himalayan landscape at an altitude of 8700 feet above sea level, this is one of the highest golf courses in the world, offering a truly unparalleled golfing experience.