

Monastery festivals and buddhist celebrations in Ladakh

The dates 2019

Colorful robes, scary masks, unusual musical sounds for western ears, never seen dance steps, these are monastery festivals in Ladakh, where monks in incredible dance performances try to impart stories and philosophies of Tibetan Buddhism. If you feel like it, plan your trip so that you can include one (or two) in the program. Incidentally, we're happy to help you, so that the rest of the program fits perfectly as well ☐

Need an example? This is a short video of Matho-Nagrang

3-4. January Spituk Gustor in Spituk

2.-3. February Dosmoche in Leh und Likir

14.-15. February Stok Guru Tsechu in Stok

18.-19. February Matho Ngagrang in Matho

17. June Saka Dawa in whole of Ladakh

29.-30. June Yuru Kabgyad in Lamayuru

11.-12. July Hemis Tsechu in Hemis

19.-20. July Shachukul Gustor in Shachukul

20.-21. July Stongde Gustor in Stongde/Zanskar

30.-31. July Karsha Gustor in Karsha/Zanskar

30.-31. July Phyang Tserup in Phyang

3.-4. August Korzok Gustor in Korzok

10.-11. August Thakthok Tsechu in Sakti

14.-15. August Sani Naro Nasjal in Sani/Zanskar

26.-27. October Diskit Gustor in Diskit/Nubra

15.-16. November Thiksey Gustor in Thiksey

24.-25. November Chemde Angchok in Chemde

21. December Galdan Namchot in whole of Ladakh

27. December Losar (New Year) in whole of Ladakh

Like every year also 2017 will have it's cultural highlights which are really worth to be seen. To be able to plan already now your trip 2017 to Ladakh we put the most important dates together.

Ladakh: Monastery festivals & and other important dates for 2017

| Name of festival | Venue | 2017 |
|---------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Spituk Gustor | Spituk | 25.+26. January |
| Dosmochey | Leh & Likir | 24.+25. February |
| Yargon Tungshak | Nubra (Yarma) | 2.+3. March |
| Stok Guru Tsechu | Stok | 6.+7. March |
| Matho Nagrang | Matho | 11.+12. March |
| Saka Dawa | All of Ladakh | 9. June |
| Yuru Kabgyat | Lamayuru | 21.+22. June |
| Hemis Tsechu | Hemis | 3.+4. July |
| Dalai Lama's Birthday | Jivatsal, Shey | 6. July |
| Sachukul Gustor | Sachukul | 11.+12. July |
| Stongde Gustor | Stongde, Zanskar | 12.+13. July |
| Ladakh Polo Festival | Chushot | 11.-17. July |
| Karsha Gustor | Karsha, Zanskar | 21.+22. July |
| Phyang Tsesdup | Phyang | 21.+22. July |
| Korzok Gustor | Tsomoriri | 26.+27. July |
| Dakthok Tseschu | Thakthok | 2.+3. August |
| Sani Nasjal | Sani, Zanskar | 6.+7. August |
| Diskit Gustor | Diskit, Nubra | 17.+18. October |
| Thikse Gustor | Thikse | 6.+7. November |
| Chemde Wangchok / Padum | Chemde | 16.+17. November |
| Galden Namchot | All of Ladakh | 12. December |
| Ladakhi Losar (New year) | All of Ladakh | 19. December |

To get a little taste of what it is like have a look at this short video from the [monastery festival in Matho 2016](#).



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Do you need help with the Design of your tour?

We'd love to help you planning your trip to Ladakh - either in a pre-designed group tour or in your tailor made individual travel. We will choose the right festival for your and your tour.

Note: If you are truly interested in the culture of Ladakh, we strongly suggest you to come in winter and be part of a monastery festival during this season as they are really special.