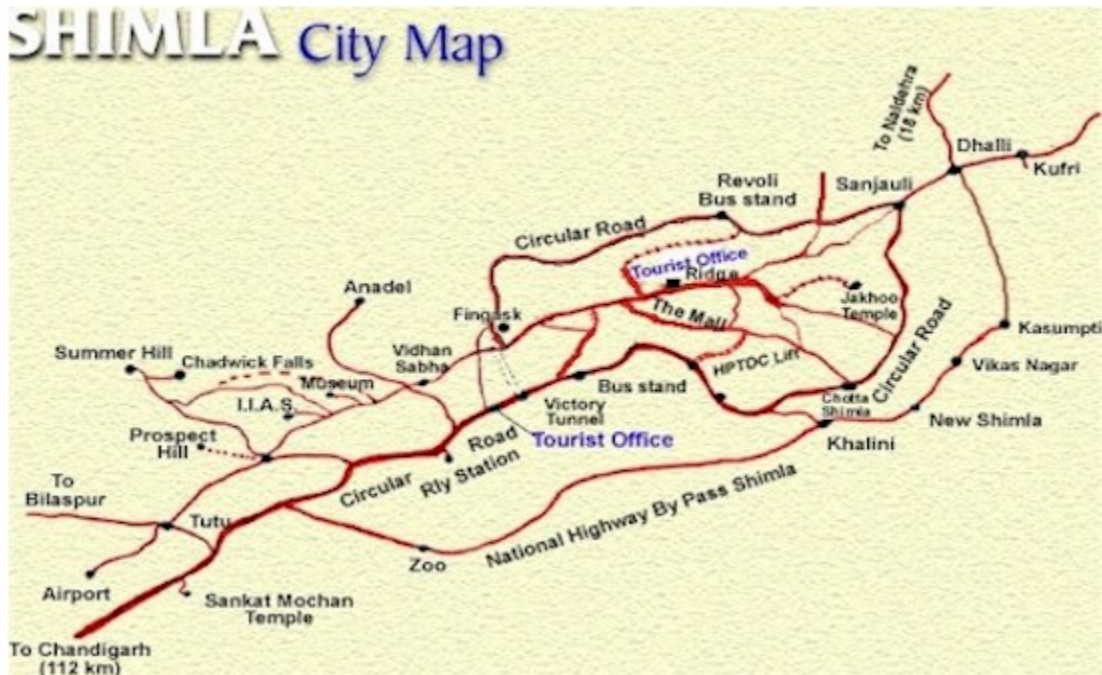


# Radisson Hotel Shimla



## General Information about Shimla

<b>Area</b>	18 Square Km
<b>Altitude</b>	2206 Meters
<b>Climate</b>	Winter: max 18 C    Min -1C Summer: max 32C    Min 10C
<b>Rainfall</b>	137.5cm to 162.5cm (mainly between July to September)
<b>Best season</b>	Summer (April to July) warm, sunny days, cool nights Autumn (October to November) Crisp invigorating air Winter (December to March) Snowfall, warmed by sun
<b>Clothing required:</b>	Light woolen in the summer and autumn, heavy woollens in winter

## Transport and Communications

<b>Local Transport:</b>	Buses, Cars and Vans
<b>Air connections:</b>	Nearest airport is Jubberhatti, 26 kms from the hotel Jagson Airlines operates between Delhi-Shimla.

## Rail Connections:

Connected by narrow gauge with kalka  
Delhi - Kalka - 268 kms  
Kalka - Shimla - 85 kms

**Road Connections:**

Shimla is 88 kms from Kalka whereas 268 kms from Manali.

Himachal tourism, Himachal Transport Corporation and other private operators operate dlx bus services from Delhi and Chandigarh - .Journey time from Delhi is about 9 hours.

**Shopping Centre:**

The Mall, Lakkar Bazar & lower Shimla are the major shopping areas.

**Banks:**

There are lot of Govt. nationalized and Private Banks operating in Shimla with number of them having ATM facilities.

**Cinemas:**

Ritz on Ridge, Rivoli on circular road (below ridge and Shahi near Bus stand are main cinema hall in the town.

**Theatres:**

Gaiety Theater and Kali Bari Hall are the major theatres in the town.

**Skating:**

Ice skating rink below rivoli cinema

**Clubs:**

Green Room at mall, Amateur Dramatic club, Shimla club, Himachal Golf club at Naldehra(seasonal) winter sports club at Kufri and Shimla Ice Skating Club, Shimla Tennis club and Blessington are the prominent clubs in Shimla.

**Golf facility:**

There is a golf club at Naldehra (26kms) away.

**Public parking areas in and around Shimla**

- Lift
- Above main bus stand
- Below hotel Holiday home
- Near Auckland House school
- Near Engine Ghar, Sanjauli
- Multistory parking just below cart road.

**Restricted Area:**

To preserve the heritage beauty of Mall Road no private vehicles are allowed on the Mall road.

## **Places of Interest**

### **Annadale**

Seven kilometers from the hotel and best known as the Helipad, Annandale is surrounded by thick woods of Himalayan cedar and has a golf course and a temple at its edge.

### **Chadwick Falls**

Eleven Kilometers from Radisson Jass Hotel, these rain fed waterfalls are surrounded by woods.

### **Chail**

The former capital of the Maharajah of Patiala, Chail is built on three hills and is about 49 kilometers from Radisson Jass Hotel. The cricket pitch here is the highest in the world. The old palace and the polo grounds are worth a visit. It is an attractive tourist spot and an ideal place for picnics.

### **Christ Church**

The church on the Ridge by the Mall is the second oldest in North India. Its fine stained glass windows are said to have been designed by Rudyard Kipling's father Lockwood Kipling.

### **Craignaino/ Talai**

Branch off from the quiet Bekhalty road at Mashobra market and travel three kilometers towards Craignaino. Wander through the woods and settle down in a quiet clearing with your picnic hamper. Stop by Talai on your way back. Visit the ancient Kali temple and sneak a peek at the vintage car collection at the estate of the former Maharaja of Faridkot.

### **Glen**

A thickly wooded ravine through which a stream gurgles past moss covered boulders. The surrounding woods are a popular picnic spot.

Above the glen is the old carriage track that connects Vice Regal Lodge to Annandale and a lonely forest trail that circles Summer Hill.

### **Himachal State Museum**

The Museum exhibits a rich display of the state's cultural, artistic and archaeological heritage. The museum is a thirty minute walk from The Mall.

### **Jakhoo Hill**

This is Shimla's highest point at 2,455 meters. It offers a panoramic view of the town, hills, and mountain ranges. The peak has a temple dedicated to Lord Hanuman. This site is well known for its spectacular sunsets and sunrises. The overly friendly monkeys around the temple make it an experience to remember.

### **Kufri**

Kufri is at an altitude of 2622 meters. Venture a little beyond Kufri to discover an interesting picnic spots among the forests glades.

### **The Mall**

The Mall has always been a place to be seen at, for local Shimla residents. It has offered great shopping sprees to visitors since the 1800's. The unique feature of vehicular traffic being forbidden on the mall has only added to its appeal. The Gaiety theatre, the Town Hall, St. Michael's Cathedral and the General Post Office are good examples of colonial architecture on the Mall.

### **Naldehra**

It is about forty five minutes drive from the hotel. The Viceroy, Lord Curzon, was so enchanted by this spot that he gave his daughter "Naldehra" as her middle name. He also created India's first nine hole golf course at this site. Best golfing is available between April and October.

### **Narkanda**

Narkanda is situated on the Hindustan Tibet Road, 60 kilometers from Shimla. It offers a panoramic view of the Inner Himalayas. Set aside some time to pick apples & cherries at the orchards at near by Kotgarh. Eight kilometers from Narkanda is the Hattu Peak, at a height of 3300m, which has several ski slopes – a beginner's run, a slalom slope and a sharper descent for the seasoned skier.

### **Sankat Mochan**

This temple, dedicated to Lord Hanuman, is of great religious significance and also commands an excellent view of the town.

### **Taradevi**

Hop on to the "toy train" at Shimla and alight at Taradevi station. Enjoy the two-hour trek through the magnificent cedars up to Taradevi temple. The temple offers serene surroundings and a breathtaking view of low-lying hills in the distance. An all day outing that makes you marvel at nature. Also accessible by road.

### **Tattapani / Shiv Goofa**

The hot sulphur springs of Tattapani are known for their therapeutic powers. Follow the Sutlej up to Shiv Goofa, where 181 'Shivlings' have been formed by the flow of water through a cave on the river side. The scenic two and a half hour drive is over before you know it.

### **Vice regal Lodge**

The former residence of the Viceroy of India, this fine example of gothic architecture was completed in 1888. It's grey stone masonry, tiled pitch roof, interiors with elaborately carved Burma teak and British style garden speak of the glory of a bygone era. This building also played an important part during the partition of India and the signing of the Shimla agreement between India and Pakistan. Presently it houses The Indian Institute Of Advanced Studies. A visit to the museum housed here is recommended.