

## In & Around Chandigarh (1-2 hours)

### Rock Garden

Sculptures made from waste materials — quirky, creative, and iconic.

### Sukhna Lake

Morning walks, boat rides, or simply watching the world go by.

### Sector 17 Plaza

Classic Chandigarh shopping + snacks + street vibes.

### Rose Garden & Botanical Garden

Chandigarh loves green spaces. These are great for strolls or photo ops.

### Food Spots to Try

- *Gopal's* for North Indian treats
  - *Nik Baker's* for coffee & pastries
  - *Pal Dhaba* for legendary butter chicken
  - *Backpackers Cafe* for a chill, continental brunch
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## Quick Day Trips (within 1.5 hours)

### Morni Hills

Charming, less-crowded hill retreat with lakes and hikes. 1 hr away.

### Pinjore Gardens

Mughal-era terraced gardens — a calm space with history.

### Anandpur Sahib

Spiritual and serene — rich Sikh heritage and striking architecture.

### Timber Trail (Parwanoo)

Take a cable car ride over the mountains for amazing views and a meal with a view.

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## Longer Escapes (Perfect for a Mini-Moon or Long Weekend)

### Shimla (3–3.5 hrs)

The Queen of Hills!

Walk along the Mall Road, visit the Ridge, sip hot chocolate at Indian Coffee House, or take a toy train ride.

### Kasauli (1.5–2 hrs)

A cozy, colonial hill town. Think pine forests, monkey point, scenic cafés, and peaceful vibes.

### Manali (7–8 hrs)

Adventure and snow!

Perfect for skiing, paragliding, riverside cafés, and romantic mountain views. Ideal for couples and friend groups alike.

### Dharamshala & McLeod Ganj (5–6 hrs)

Home of the Dalai Lama. Great for Tibetan food, monasteries, treks, and soul-searching. Much cooler and calmer than most touristy towns.

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## For Luxury + Relaxation

- **The Oberoi Sukhvilas** (30 min from Chandigarh): Spa, forest bathing, Ayurvedic treatments
  - **Taj Chandigarh**: For a luxurious post-party wind-down
  - **Mashobra / Tattapani**: Quiet luxury near Shimla, with hot springs
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## TLDR; Planning Tips

- **Kasauli & Morni** = great for a day or half-day
- **Shimla & Dharamshala** = ideal for a 2–3 day escape
- **Manali** = best as a 3+ day trip if staying longer post-wedding
- All these places have **comfortable cabs** from Chandigarh or you can self-drive (roads are good).

