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Welcome to **Jalandhar**,

Jalandhar is a district in the [Indian state](#) of Punjab. It is known for its sportsmen as well as its sports industry, its steel and iron re rolling mills, rubber goods, electric goods, [automobile parts](#) and sewing machine factories and handloom products. Jalandhar means area inside [the water](#).

Tourism in Jalandhar District mainly boasts of its [historic monuments](#). Prominent among them are the mausoleum of Imam Nasir, the fort at Phillaur which once served as Maharaja Ranjit Singh's line of defence against the [British](#), a Shiv Mandir which dates back to the Lodhi era, Devi Talab Mandir, Tombs at Nakodar, Sarai at Numahal, Gurudwara at Kartarpur, etc.

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## Baba Dassa Ji Gurdwara, Salempur Masanda

Salempur Masanda is a village in Jalandhar District, near the Jalandhar Cantonment, in Punjab, India.

The village is famous for its Baba Dassa Gurdwara. The village organises the annual Baba Dassa Ji Mela and Sports Tournament in June. Activities include Bail Gaddi races, Kabaddi matches, volleyball matches and tug-of-war matches. The Baba Dassa Ji Youth Club organised the 55th



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Sports Tournament in June 2009.

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### Baba Sodal Fair

This fair is held [in memory of](#) a local child deity Sodal on his death anniversary. This fair falls in the month of September and the venue is near the Smadh of Baba Sodal where his portrait is adorned with garlands. At the end of the fair offerings are distributed among the pilgrims and they sprinkle a few drops on their body.



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### Baisakhi Festival★

Baisakhi festival celebrated in the month of April is of special significance to the Sikh community. It was on this day that Guru Gobind Singh founded the 'Khalsa' (Sikh brotherhood). The holy book of the Sikhs, 'Granth Sahib' is taken in a procession, led by the 'Panj Pyaras' (five senior Sikhs) who are symbolic of the original leaders. The occasion is marked by a lot of feasting and merry making. In the countryside farmers start [harvesting](#) with great jubilation.



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he Bhangra dance is a common sight in the villages where men and women dance to the rhythmic beat of drums. Dusshera and Diwali as well as the birth and death anniversaries of the gurus and saints are also celebrated enthusiastically.

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### Desh-Bhagat Memorial Hall

Desh-Bhagat Memorial Hall has been constructed to perpetuate the memory of martyrs who has lost their lives in the fight for freedom from the British rule.

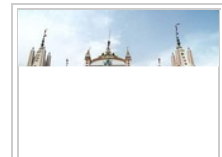


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### Devi Talab Mandir★

This old city is the house of another old temple known by the name of Devi Talab Mandir. It is exactly located in the heart of Jalandhar and is entirely dedicated to Goddess Durga. The Devi Talab Mandir has now been renovated and a new temple has been built in its center. Another interesting feature of this temple is that recently a model of Amarnath Yatra has been built in the premises.



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Another importance of the place is for the old temple of Goddess Kali, which stands by the side of this temple. It is one of the fifty-one 'Shakti Peethas' and here the Goddess Kali is known by the name of Tripuralini. It is believed that Sati's right breast fell here. Lord Shiva in this temple is known as Bhishan Bhairav.

An old temple of goddess Kali also stands by the side of the Devi Talab. The gilded Mandir is famous for the 'Hariballabh Sangeet Sammelan' held every year in December at its precincts for the past 125 years. Famous classical music exponents - both instrumental and vocal come together and perform at this gathering. In Devi Talab, there is a large masonry 200 year old tank sacred to Hindus.

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### Geeta Mandir

Geeta Temple is a center for spiritual enlightenment for the people in Jalandhar. It serves the Hindu community in Jalandhar with weekly programs and Hindu festivals on regular basis. Geeta Mandir is not just a center of profound faith for the city residents; it also fascinates the devotees with its natural environment. This temple, which is widely believed to grant and fulfill the wishes and aspirations of the devotees, has attained a notable place among the well known temples of Jalandhar metropolis.



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### Gurdwara Chhevin Padshahi★

Guru Hargobind visited the city of Jalandhar during his tour of Doaba area. Gurdwara Chhevin Padshahi in Basti Shaikh, Jalandhar city, stands on the spot where Guruji granted interview to a Muslim holy saint popularly known as Shaikh Darvesh. The saint blindfolded his eyes so that he could swear before the Mughal authorities that he had not seen the Guru. The great Guru had in depth discussion with the Shaikh Darvesh about spiritual matters which created good impact on



the holy man.



The gurdwara contains handwritten copy of Sri Guru Granth Sahib, by the martyr Baba Deep Singh, prepared somewhere between 1715 and 1728.

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### Harballabh Sangeet Sammelan

A National Musical Fair held annually during the last week of December at Devi Talab about 11/2km from the railway station. This Sammelan was started by Baba Harballabh in memory of his Guru Swami Tulja Giri in 1875 and is still going strong even after 130years. Shree Baba Harballabh Sangeet Sammelan is the oldest festival of [Indian Classical](#) Music in the world.

The best of the country's exponents of instrumental and vocal classical music gather here for the Sammelan. People from all walks of life look forward to attend this rare gathering of musicians.

Mahatma Gandhi had attended this fair in 1929. It is one of the premier musical fairs in North India. The Government of India has recognized this festival as one of the National Festivals of Music.



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### Imam Nasir Mausoleum and Jamma Masjid

Imam Nasir Mausoleum is an 800-year-old beautifully designed piece of architecture, which is located in the heart of Jalandhar. There is a 400-year old Jama [Masjid](#), located close to the Imam Nasir Mausoleum.



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### Jhandian Wale Peer Baba Ji

Jhandian wale Peer Baba ji is a famous holy Peer's place in jalandhar where people visit every Thursday for receiving the blessings of Baba Ji. Every Year Baba ji's birthday is celebrated in [the form](#) of fair organised at a large scale.



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### Kartarpur Gurudwara★

Kartarpur located 16km from Jalandhar is famous for its Gurudwara built by the Fifth Sikh Guru, Guru Arjun Devji in 1656 A.D. A fair is held every year on his birth anniversary. Large number of devotees attend the fair. There is a Smarak here for Swami Virjanad who was the teacher of Swami Dayanand Saraswathi; the founder of Arya Samaj. Kartarpur is also famous for its furniture industry.



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### Masoleums of Ustad and Shagird, Nakodar★

Two beautiful 17th century tombs are situated in Nakodar. One of them belongs to Ustad (teacher) Mohammed Momin Hussaini alias Hafizah, a musician in the service of 'Khan-e-Khana'- the chamberlain of Emperor Jahangir. The other tomb belongs to Haji Jamal, his disciple. The mausoleums are similar in architecture to Emperor Humayun's tomb in Delhi and stand out as buildings of great attraction.



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### Pushpa Gujral Science City★

Pushpa Gujral [Science City](#) is the largest and the second Science City in India. Located on Jalandhar-Kapurthala road in an area of 72 acres, it is named after the mother of former Prime Minister of India Shri I.K. Gujral. It is built with the aim of learning, fun and amusement out of Science for people of all ages and all walks of life.

The biggest project of its kind in Northern India, Pushpa Gujral Science City is far more than being just a Museum or a Theme Park. It is a blend of fun, curiosity and education to ensure longer and repeated visits. An 18-foot-high eye-catching model of dinosaur, a GSLV missile and a globe made out of tiny 26 lakh colourful tiles present an awesome view from outside.

A kids park equipped with swings, bouncers and other rides is for the kids to enjoy, while helping them to learn various principles pertaining to physics. A health gallery has also been set up in which various exhibits pertaining to biological concepts have been put on display. An artificial lake running throughout the science city has been created to give the visitors the pleasure of pedal boating while enjoying the beauty of various marvels of science.



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### Serai Nurmahal★

Nurmahal, a small town around 13 km from Nakodar is associated with Nurjahan, wife of Emperor Jahangir, known for her beauty and style of living. Mughal Serai alias Serai Nurmahal, said to be constructed for Nurjahan, is a remarkable specimen of oriental architecture. Its massive gate embellished with arches, filigree work and tiles of beautiful patterns, topped by 4 delicate minarets make it a place worth a visit.

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### Shaheed-E-Azam Sardar Bhagat Singh Museum, Khatkar Kalan★

Shaheed-E-Azam Sardar Bhagat Singh Museum has been constructed to pay homage to the great revolutionary martyrs of the Punjab, who laid down their lives for the liberation of their motherland. The museum was inaugurated on the 50th martyrdom anniversary of the great Martyr Sardar Bhagat Singh. Situated about 55 kilometers from Jalandhar, at Khatkar Kalan, on Nawanshahar-Banga road, the museum displays the memorable belongings of the revolutionary martyrs of the Punjab.



The half burnt ashes of Sardar Bhagat Singh, Rajguru and Sukhdev including the blood soaked sand and blood stained newspaper in which their ashes were wrapped are preserved and exhibited here. A few other places worth mentioning are a Sanyas Ashram (popularly known as Bahrian-da-Talab) on the Kapurthala road. Nathan-Di Bagichi, Darbar Muhammad Jamal Zahra (in Basti Sheikh), Baba Jhandianala (in Basti Nau), shrines of Baba Lakki Shah Pir and Dargah Pir Hazi Shah Qutab situated in the Jalandhar Cantonment.

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### Shaheedi Jor Mela, Parasrampur★

Parasrampur is a village in Jalandhar District, in Punjab. Parasrampur is famous for its Shaheedi Jor Mela which is held annually in the memory of Shaheed Banda Singh Bahadur Ji. The Baba Lodhiana Youth Sports Club (Regd.) constructed a sports stadium on 4 acres of land in Parasrampur. The stadium hosts the annual 3 day sports and cultural event in November and hosts the Mata Chanan Kaur Dhanoa Punjab Sports Championship which form part of the Shaheedi Jor Mela.



The Mata Chanan Kaur Dhanoa Punjab Sports Championship includes Kabaddi, wrestling, athletics, volleyball, body building championships, weightlifting, dog racing and bullock cart racing. Kabaddi Players receive the largest cash prizes ever awarded at this tournament. After the sporting events have concluded, a programme of cultural entertainment continues late into the night.

The annual 3 day festival attracts more than 4,000 sportmen and women from all over the world. Parasrampur is famous for its Shaheed Banda Singh Bahadur Ji Gurdwara.

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### Shiv Temple★

The temple situated at Gur Mandi near Imam Nasir mausoleum dates back to the Lodhi Era. Believed to be built by the Nawab of Sultanpur Lodhi, the mandir is a blend of Muslim Hindu architecture. The main gate is built in the style of a mosque while the rest of the building is in Hindu style.

There is a legend that when Jalandhar was Nawabs territory, he had eyed a newly married Hindu girl who was a devotee of Lord Shiva. Lord Shiva in the form of a serpent saved her honour. Awed by the appearance of this serpent the Nawab apologised to the girl and built the temple on her bidding.

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### Sodal Mandir★

Sodal Temple is situated near Devi Talab Temple, on Sodal road. Here, Lord Sodal is worshipped in the Temple. Every year in Anand Chaturdashi of Bhadon, which is in mid-September, a fair is held at the Samadhi of Baba Sodal. Inside the samadhi, there is a painted portrait of Baba Sodal, decorated with garlands and rosaries. The offerings are distributed among the pilgrims and they sprinkle a few drops on their body.

Thousands of devotees throng this temple during 'Anand Chaturdashi' in September. The child Deity here is believed to grant wishes of devotees.

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### St Mary's Cathedral Church( Jalandhar Cantt)

St. Mary's Cathedral Church is one of the famous religious as well as tourist places in Jalandhar.



The Old Church was constructed by Rev. Fr. John Macodnnel in 1947, in the memory of St. Patrick. In 1955, the Catholic Mission of the Indian Punjab was raised to the status of Apostolic Prefecture, with its headquarter at Jalandhar. The church in the city subsequently became the Cathedral or the Mother Church of Punjab. The foundation stone for the new church was laid in 1986.


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### Tulsi Mandir★

An ancient monument in the City is the temple of Vrinda, wife of Jalandhara, in the Kot Kishan Chand locality. It is now also known as Tulsi Mandir. On one side of the temple is a tank which is said to have been the bathing place of the demon Jalandhara.

At some distance is the temple of Gupha, with the image of Annapurna, the goddess of plenty, installed in it. Also nearby lies the Brahm Kund and some temples dedicated to Shiva. Near the Balmiki gate is the Sheetla Mandir, said to be as old as the City of Jalandhar. Within its premises are also two small old temples of Hanuman and Shiva.


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### Wonderland Theme Park★

Wonderland Theme Park is an amusement water park with water games and water rides. The Park spreads over 11 acres with many thrilling rides offering healthy entertainment to all age groups. The park is located about 6 kms from Jalandhar Bus terminus and 8 kms from the Railway Station on Nakodar Road. The water rides includes bumper cars, flying jets, horror house, boating, kiddies' boating, play house, flying dragon and a slide splash

The wave pool is another attraction of the water park. There is an aqua dance floor, where boys and girls enjoy dancing on the tunes of the latest Punjabi hit numbers underneath a canopy that has artificial clouds from where the water comes down like a rainfall. Entrance time is between 9.00am to 10.00pm in dry park and 12.00pm to 8.00pm in water park. Dry Park is open throughout the year. Waterpark is closed in winters as it is not convenient to play around in water.


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