

Auli - Uttrakhand

Situated in the Chamoli district of the Garhwal region, Auli is a beautiful hill-station at an elevation of 2519mts to 3050mts above sea level. Auli is a Bugyal, meaning meadow in the local language and is considered among the best skiing destinations in India, often compared with the best ski resorts in the world by foreigners. It has also hosted the SAF Winter Games in 2011. Auli is surrounded by coniferous and oak forests, with a panoramic view of the lofty peaks of one of the greatest mountain ranges in the world, the Himalayas!



ACTIVITIES



1. **Great view of the Himalayan peaks:** Auli is surrounded by high peaks like Mana, Kamet and tallest of all Nanda Devi. Once the Skiing is over the best thing one can do in the evening is to take a chair out and get treated to great views of snow clad mountains as they keep changing colors every minute the sun goes down.



2. **Skiing:** Auli is one of the best ski destinations in India in addition to Shimla, Manali and Gulmarg. The slopes here cater to all and provide enough thrill to suit the professional skiers well as the complete novice. There are 7 to 14 day Ski courses as well as special provisions for a one day session. A 500mts ski lift and 800m long chair lifts will link you to the upper and lower slopes. The best time for skiing is between January and March.

3. **Auli Ropeway** boasts of being the longest and one of the world's highest cable car rides, covering a distance of 4Kms and runs between Auli and Joshimath. You can enjoy a distinct and stunning view of the lofty Himalayas while travelling in the cable car.

4. **Trekking:** Auli offers the best trekking experiences with the Kuari trek being the most famous one starting from Auli. The trail offers stunning views of the Himalayas and an opportunity to be transported into the inner Himalayan regions from the plains of northern India in a very short duration. You will be walking on endless high altitude meadows with Himalayan peaks - both great and small - shooting up all around. There are beautiful forest sections to walk through, magnificent campsites, and sunrise & sunsets to die for. You will also meet with the few shepherds that call this area home and trek there on daily basis with their herd.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD



Clifftop Club: This luxurious ski resort in Auli is perched 10000ft above sea level is the 2nd highest resort in the world and the only ski resort in Asia. The resort is on the ski slope and provides the best spot for skiing. It is also strategically located near the Cable car and gives the residents the best access to all amenities in Auli as well as to the the closest town and cliff of Joshimath. At the resort you can dine in the multi cuisine restaurant, Al Fresco and sip on some delightful coffee at Skeedo. Also available is an open-air barbeque facility for the guests.

