

Shimshal Valley

The most beautiful road
in Pakistan

Base camp: **Passu**

Distance: **62,5 km**

Road type: **dirt / gravel / ruts / mud /
wooden suspension bridges / fords**

Difficulty: ★★★★★

Elevation: **↑ 2469 ↓ 1893**

Start: **Shishper View Hotel , Passu**



Shimshal Valley Road

The road to Shimshal Valley is considered one of the most beautiful and dangerous roads in Pakistan. A one-jeep-narrow track torn from the mountains runs along the Shimshal River and connects the valley, inhabited for 5 centuries, with the Karakoram artery. The road was put into operation in 2003, after 18 years of construction carried out by the local community. It is difficult to maintain and is sometimes closed, especially during the monsoon season. Throughout the year, mounds of shale that are sliding down the slopes have to be removed on an ongoing basis and the sections taken away by streams have to be rebuilt. Make sure the road is passable before you go.

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Most motorcyclists travel two ways in 1 day due to the poor tourist facilities in the valley. However, we encourage you to stay here at least for one night. A walk around the village and talking to the locals will allow you to truly feel the charms and hardships of life in the valley.

Shimshal also offers great multi-day trekking - including a hike to the famous Shimshal Pass.

Where to stay?

There are several accommodation options in the valley - usually small, home-stays or guesthouses run by the families living there. The standard of the rooms is very basic, hot water is available in the bucket if you ask for it. The owners also allow you to pitch a tent in the garden. You can simply order food from your family.

📍 **Shimshal Embassy** [36.43870786197182, 75.3204840070993] – homestay at Mirza Dad's in a picturesque, quiet place. A legendary place run by a former mountain guide who speaks basic English. Apart from a clean room and tasty food, Mirza Dad can arrange trekking for you to Shimshal Pass and any other place accessible from the valley.

☎ **Mirza Dad +92 355 4103911**

Pro tip: Before coming here, call Mirza Dad and ask what to bring from the city. Remember - the road you will come from is the only transport route to the valley. There is no regular transport here, and thanks to you, the residents' needs will not have to wait.

