

Mystical Meghalaya (12N/13D)

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HOLIDAYS



Day 01: Guwahati Airport – Kaziranga National Park (240 kms / 5 hrs.)

Visit Maa Kamkhya Temple at Nilachal hills in Guwahati Assam in one of the oldest and most revered centres of Tantric practice, dedicated to the goddess Kamakhya. Then moved to Kaziranga National Park in Assam



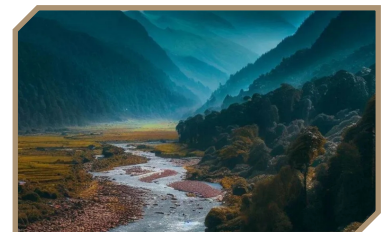
Day 02: Kaziranga National Park – Dirang (252 kms / 8 hrs.)

Enjoy elephant ride at Kaziranga National Park in Assam which is known for “One Horned Rhinos”. Apart from this other species found are Hog Deer, Swamp Deer, Wild Buffalo and if visitors are lucky enough they also see tigers in Kaziranga Park. This park is home to pelicans, storks and darters as there are number of water bodies in the park. On the way to Dirang, visit Tipi Orchidarium which is located on the bank of river Bharali in the state of Assam. Nag-Sankar Temple is a famous shrine situated near Sootea, to the east of Tezpur, in Sonitpur District of Assam. If there is season do visit Apple orchard and Kiwi farm in Assam alongwith Dirang Monastery and Kalachakra Monastery in Arunachal Pradesh.



Day 03: Dirang Sightseeing

Visit Dirang Monpa Tribal village which is 14 km from Dirang to experience local flavors. Then proceed to Sangti Valley situated along the shores of Sangti river, 25 km from Bomdila. The Sangti Valley is one of the seasonal homes of the majestic creature called the black-necked crane that flies across from China and perhaps Leh. Then come to The National Research Centre on Yak that is above main town which is about 31 km from Dirang. Dirang is also famous for hot water springs where people take bath to cure skin ailments. Overnight stay at Dirang.



Day 04: Dirang – Tawang (130 kms / 7 hrs.)

Next day proceed to Tawang the land of Hidden Paradise. There is border line between two districts i.e. Tawang & West Kameng Tawang, , Sela Lake a small lake, which remains frozen for most of the year. From there take 10kms drive to Jaswantgarh war memorial and then visit majesty of Nuranng Falls in Tawang.



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Day 05: Tawang Local Sightseeing

Tawang Monastery is known as Golden Namgyal Lhate as it is world famous seventeenth century Tawang Monastery at height of 10,000 ft and is vast complex of 65 buildings housing Lamas and antique scriptures written in gold letters and ancient scripture, images and has an eight meters high gilded Buddha statue. Then visit Urgeling Gompa which is 6th Dalai Lama's birth place. Then proceed to War memorial in Tawang which is 40 foot in height. It is locally called 'Namgyal Chorten'.



Day 06: Tawang Local Sightseeing - High altitude Madhuri lake and Bumla Pass

Drive to high altitude lake called Shongaster lake popularly known as Madhuri Lake located 35, kms away from Tawang near the China Border. The lake has been under supervision of Army men, who have also arranged for a cafeteria nearby. You can drive further to Bumla Pass which is located about 37 km away from Tawang at the Indo-China border over 15,200 ft above sea level. During return take a photo stop at the beautiful PTSO lake enroute (17 kms away from Tawang, Pangong Tang Tso Lake popularly known as PT Tso which is an extremely scenic drive with bird's eye view of the township below).



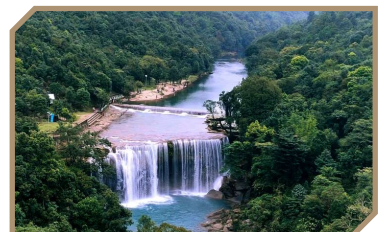
Day 07: Tawang – Bomdila (170 kms / 8 hrs.)

Drive to Bomdila (8,200 ft.) - the headquarter of West Kameng District of Arunachal Pradesh and also known for its Buddhist monasteries. Later visit Gontse Rabgyaling Monastery (Upper Gonpa), Thub-Chog Gatsel Ling Monastery (Lower Gonpa) in Bomdila. Bomdila offers wonderfully panoramic view of Himalayan landscapes and snow clad ranges.



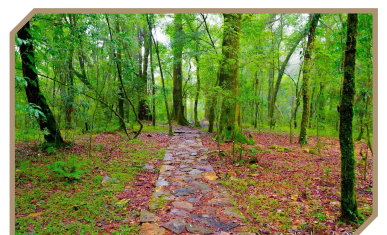
Day 08: Bomdila – Shillong (398 kms / 9-10 hrs)

Transfer to Guwahati, to your onward destination. Overnight stay at Shillong.



Day 09: Shillong - Mawphlang Sacred Forest-Wettest Place On Earth (Mawsynram)

Hit the road to one of the oldest sacred groves of Meghalaya which is also known as "Nature's Museum" that is known for diversity of flowering and medicinal plants. This forest is situated in village of Mawphlang which is about 68kms from Shillong. The forest receives highest rainfall and is known as "Wettest place on earth". Mawjymbuin Cave in Meghalaya is known for giant stalagmite in the form of Shiva Linga. Head back to Shillong.



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Day 10: Shillong- Dawki – Mawlynnong - Cherrapunji

Mawlynnong is Asia's cleanest village where you see the beauty of Living root bridge of Mawlynnong. In the Dawki visit Umngot river where water is crystal clear. End your day by visiting Bangladesh border.



Day 11: Cherrapunji Sightseeing- Shillong

Cherrapunji is known for heaviest rainfall destination in the world which possesses some exotic waterfalls and limestone caves in Meghalaya. Visit Nohkalikai Falls in Cherrapunji which is world's fourth tallest waterfall alongwith Eco Park, Seven Sister Falls, Mawsmmai Cave & Wei Sawdong Waterfall in Cherrapunji. Night stay at Shillong



Day 12: Shillong - Guwahati Sight Seeing

Drive to Guwahati and visit Kamakhya Temple and Umananda temple in Assam. Then an optional tour of the Golden sunset cruise on the Brahmaputra (Direct Payment by own). Overnight Stay at Guwahati.



Day 13: Guwahati Hotel – Guwahati

Drive to Guwahati Airport/Railway Station for your onward journey.



Days and visits are on a tentative itinerary basis and can be customised as per the requirements

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