

IN THE FOOT HILLS OF MT. KANCHENJUNGA



PLACES COVERED: BAGDOGRA – UTTAREY – HAGEYPANI – RAVANGLA – MAENAM WILDLIFE SANCTUARY – GANGTOK – TINJURE – KALIMPONG – BAGDOGRA

**Travelling Dates: April 14 – 21, 2018
(07 Nights / 08 Days)**

FEATURES

Starts From	Bagdogra Airport
Ends At	Bagdogra Airport
Distance Covered	600 Kms
Max. Altitude	HAGEYPANI 10000 ft
Minimum No. of guests	4

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS

Place	Hotel	Web Link
Uttarey	Homestay	NA
Ravangla	Buddha Retreat	http://yangthangheritage.com/buddha-retreat-ravangla.php
Rumtek	Teen Taley Eco Garden Resort	http://sikkimresort.com/
Kalimpong	Park Hotel	http://www.kalimpongparkhotel.com/



DAY 1: BAGDOGRA AIRPORT – UTTAREY 161 KMS/5-6 HRS

Meeting and assistance on arrival and drive to reach Uttarey by early evening. Drive via Siliguri and then through the dense forests of Mahananda Wild Life Sanctuary to reach Sevoke in the foothills – see gorgeous view of Tista River as it comes out from the deep gorges of the Himalayas and spreads itself over the vast plains of North Bengal. Overnight in a hotel/resort.

Uttarey in extreme West Sikkim is a less explored adventure destination.

Overnight Stay: in double room at nice Homestay

Meals Included: B & D



DAY 2: UTTAREY - HIKE TO HAGEYPANI (10000FT/3048M) 5-6 HRS WALKING

Post breakfast, leave for a full day hike to Hageypani through the dense Rhododendron & fern forests, to enjoy the panoramic view of Mt. Kanchendzonga, Mt. Simvo and Mt. Siniolchu. After enjoying the great Himalaya views, walk back to the resort through different route. Overnight stay at the resort.

Overnight Stay: in double room at nice Homestay

Meals Included: B & D



DAY 3: UTTREY - RAVANGLA 111 KMS/3 HRS (HALFDAY EXPLORATION OF UTTREY)

Post breakfast, visit Shingshore Suspension Bridge - an engineering marvel, this suspension bridge connects two hills across a verdant gorge. Later proceed to see Mainbass fall enroute visit Saino Bridge, built over KALEZ KHOLA (Kalez River). Post visit drive towards Ravangla. On arrival check in to the hotel for overnight stay.

Overnight Stay: in in Deluxe Room at Buddha Retreat/ similar

Meals Included: B & D

DAY 4: RAVANGLA – HIKE TO MAENAM WILDLIFE SANCTUARY (3263M) 30MIN DRIVE + 12 KM/07 HRS HIKE.

Post breakfast, set out on a trek to Maenam Wildlife Sanctuary. On a clear sunny day, it is possible to see the plains of Bengal spanning across Kalimpong and Darjeeling in the South, right across the Indo-China border towards the North. "Maenam-la"- the term stands for the treasure house of the medicines. The name suggests a rich collection of different medicinal plants available in the region. This sanctuary is famous for two reasons - Trekking and rich forest covers teeming with high altitude rare Himalayan species. This temperate forest shelters Red Panda, Goral, Serow, Barking Deer, Marbled-Cat, Leopard-Cat, Civet-Cats, Blood Pheasant, Common Hill Partridge, Magpies, Black Eagle, Blue necked Pitta, Sunbirds and different other types of animals and birds. Hike back to Resort by evening to enjoy tea and snacks. Dinner with bon fire around. Overnight stay at the resort.

Overnight Stay: in Deluxe Room at Buddha Retreat/ similar

Meals Included: B & D

DAY 5: RAVANGLA – GANGTOK/ RUMTEK 76 KMS/4 HRS

Post breakfast, drive to Gangtok en route a quick visit to Temi Tea Estate - the one and only tea garden in the state of Sikkim and produces one of the top quality teas for the International market, Rumtek

Monastery and Nalanda Institute for Higher Buddhist Studies. Post visit, continue your drive for further 24 Kms to reach Gangtok.

Overnight Stay: in Deluxe room at Teen Taley Resort/ similar

Meals Included: B & D



DAY 6: AROUND GANGTOK – TINJURE TREK APPROX 10 KMS/5 HRS

Early morning drive to Tashi View Point to enjoy the breath taking view of Mt Khanchen Dzonga. Be back to the hotel for breakfast. Later, leave for a hike through the Fambong Lho Wildlife Sanctuary up to Tinjure. After a short while you come to a well laid out bridle path, which is about 2 ft wide. The initial climb is quite gradual. Through the clearing in the forests, you will get the glimpses of snow-capped peaks on the horizon. 15 minutes later you pass the Office of the Assistant Warden Fambong Wildlife Sanctuary at Golatar. This is the last point where water is available on this trek. A little ahead is a Forest Rest House. On crossing this one enters into thick forest cover of the Sanctuary. As one ascends the undergrowth begins to get denser. At times one has to trek through a tunnel of bamboo undergrowth. Towards the last 45 minutes of the trek it gets steep and often you have to pass through dense tunnels of bamboo undergrowth. On reaching the top you get a clear view of a wide sweep of the Himalayan ranges: to your right is Mt Khanchen Dzonga and towards the front is the Nathu La (Pass). Besides, you see an entire hillside covered with rhododendrons of various colours. After some refreshments, begin your descent, arriving at the start point a little after mid-day. Overnight stay at the hotel.

Overnight Stay: in Deluxe room at Teen Taley Resort/ similar

Meals Included: B & D



DAY 7: GANGTOK – KALIMPONG 75 KMS/3 HRS

Post leisurely breakfast, drive to Kalimpong. On your arrival check into the hotel. Later visit local handmade paper factory, Zandhog Palri Monastery which offers a splendid view of Bhutan, Sikkim and Darjeeling mountain range and Flower Nursery. Evening at leisure for your rest. Overnight stay at the Hotel

Overnight Stay: in Deluxe room at Park Hotel/ similar

Meals Included: B & D

DAY 8: KALIMPONG – BAGDOGRA AIRPORT/ RAILWAY STATION BY SURFACE 80 KMS APPROX 3 HRS

Post breakfast, drive to airport/ railway station to board flight/ train for onward destination.

Meals Included: B

The per person cost would be INR 41400.00 on double occupancy

Inclusions:

- Accommodation for 07 nights on double occupancy.
- Meals as specified at the end of each day's plan
- Minimum Guests – 04 Adults to operate this trip
- All ex- Bagdogra Airport transportation as per itinerary in 01 Toyota Innova/ Xylo. Includes driver's expenses, parking & toll charges, and road taxes. We will ensure a vehicle in good condition manned by a trustworthy, courteous, experienced & knowledgeable driver. Please note: the vehicle is not on disposal basis and will not be provided beyond the sightseeing specified.
- Service of local English speaking guide throughout the trip
- Per person 2 mineral water bottle daily during the trip.
- All applicable taxes

Cost Exclude:

- Any airfare
- Entries to gompas & monuments – INR 20 – 100 / pax + Camera/Camcorder charges of about INR 50 - 150
- Any F & B other than those served with specified meals
- Services of Guide/Escort
- Personal expenses, tips, gratuities
- Expenses on account of factors beyond our control like landslides, flight cancellation...

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