

# JAN Treks & Travels

Journeys into Adventure and Nature

## **Assam & Arunachal Pradesh: Wildlife and Trekking – 15 days / 6-day trek**

**Tour JTT-ASAP-T01 (trekking):** Jorhat – Kaziranga – Ziro – Daporijo – Ecchi – Daring – Jimme – Zirido – Kadu – Koyo – Pasighat – Dibrugarh

On this tour we take you to the Northeast's most famous park, Kaziranga National Park, where you come eye to eye with Asia's last sizable population of one-horned rhino's. You'll stay in the old-world charm of tea bungalows and meet the fascinating Apatani tribe, as well as the welcoming



Tagin and Hill Miri in Arunachal Pradesh. After all this you'll set out on a five-day trek through forest covered hills. You'll sleep in the local villages of the Adi Gallong and get chance to see their daily lives up-close. After this relative hardship a night at the luxurious and atmospheric Mancotta Tea Bungalow in Dibrugarh will be a very welcome change. Visiting Majuli Island in the Brahmaputra River, home to beautiful wetlands and a unique community of Vaishnavite monks that practice an esoteric form of dance, marks the end of this multi-faceted trip.

### ***Itinerary***

#### **Day 01: Arive Jorhat and transfer to Kaziranga**

Arrive at Jorhat airport. Meet and assist on arrival by our guide and transfer to Kaziranga, 100 km/ 2 hours. Check into Bon Habi Resort.

## **Day 02: Kaziranga National Park**

Early morning elephant safari in the central range of the park. Afternoon jeep safari in the central range of the park. Kaziranga, apart from the One Horned Indian Rhinoceros is also well known for its bird life with more than 450 species recorded. Wild buffalo, deer, elephants make this park a favorite for the wild life enthusiast.

## **Day 03: Kaziranga – Balipara (Wild Mahseer) 110 km/ 3 hours**

Drive to Balipara and check into the heritage Wild Mahseer tea bungalow. Afternoon a tea tour with factory and plantation visit (tea factory may not be in operation from December to march as tea production is almost nil in these months, but we will be able to see the machinery explained by the factory manager). Overnight.

## **Day 04: Balipara-Ziro, 290 km/ 8 hours**

Drive to Ziro in Arunachal Pradesh. At 5000 ft this is the highest place on this tour. Evening visit local market. Overnight at Hotel blue Pine.

## **Day 05: Ziro**

Visit villages of Apatani tribes, museum, handicrafts center.

## **Day 06: Ziro – Daporijo, 160 km/ 5 hrs.**

Drive to Daporijo, on the way visit Tagin and Hill Miri villages. Check into village guest house. Afternoon take a walk in the village going over to their agricultural fields.

## **Day 07: Daporijo – trek point via Bam, 160 km/ 5 hours, trek to Ecchi Village**

Drive through Bam and then to the trekking point. Disembark, pick up trekking gear and with the help of porters and local guides we start trekking east towards Ecchi village. After 3 hours of trekking we come upon the village. While porters get busy preparing your tents/ homestays, you take rest in a village household as refreshments are distributed.

## **Day 08: Trekking**

Morning walk in the village, go over to the nearby woods and a mountain stream – this is a very pristine and refreshing site which will rejuvenate you and prepare you for the next few days trekking. Afternoon we trek for about 3/ 4 hours which will bring us to Daring. Daring is somewhat bigger than the other villages and more organized. Met by the village head, you will be escorted by him through the village. The chief will explain their customs/ traditions and daily life of the Adi Gallongs, the main tribe of this area.

### **Day 09: Trekking**

Today we trek to Zirido village, 6-7 hours going through tropical vegetation and via the village of Jimme. Late afternoon, those who are interested, can walk in the nearby area looking for birds.



### **Day 10: Trekking**

We go through thick vegetation to the village of Kadu. This is a 4 to 5 hours trek. This is also the last Adi Gallong village. The tribe in the next village is Adi Minnyong. We are served a hearty Gallong cuisine as a farewell to the Gallongs.

### **Day 11: Trekking**

Trek 4 hours to Koyu village inhabited by the Adi Minnyong tribe. This is closer to the plains and this is our last day of trekking. In the evening you will be treated to a traditional dance followed by local liquor (not compulsory) and food.

### **Day 12: Koyu Pasighat (3 hours)**

We rejoin our vehicles in the morning and then drive 3 hours to Pasighat, the headquarters of the district. Check into Hotel Aane or similar.

### **Day 13: Pasighat – Dibrugarh (ferry and jeep, 5-6 hours)**

Take the ferry from Oriam ghat, 35 km from Pasighat and sail down the River Brahmaputra for 5 hours back to Dibrugarh. Overnight at Mancotta Chang Bungalow.

### **Day 14: Dibrugarh – Majuli Island (140 km/3 hours)**

Dibrugarh – Majuli Island, 140 km drive/ 3 hours & 2 hrs ferry. Disembark and drive to Auniati satra (Hindu monastery). Walk around the satra peeking into the life of the monks. Drive short distance to Assam Tourism lodge. Lunch on arrival. Afternoon take bicycles and ride to villages and other satras. Return to lodge.

## **Day 15: Majuli – Jorhat Airport**

Transfer to Jorhat airport, 2 hours ferry and 01 hour drive.

The tour ends

## **Tour Price**

For 2 pax: INR 125.000/ USD 2185 approx. per pax (using one Tata Sumo Victa SUV)

This price is non-commissionable.

Ask for quotation for larger parties.

**Note:** we are using Jupuri Ghar Lodge in Kaziranga.

Supplement for Diphlu River Lodge is USD 360 per person.

Additional:

- 3.07% Government service tax extra
- RAP fees of USD 50 per person extra.

Above tour price is on current rates only. Properties have not yet decided and declared their new tariff. Tour price may rise in case of fuel price hike too.

**Price Includes:** Accommodation on twin share; all transfers and sightseeing by AC Tata Sumo; all meals; snacks and fruits every day; local guides; 01 escort throughout the tour; 01 bottled water per person per day; local taxes.

**Price excludes:** Air fare; camera charges; tips; alcoholic beverages; laundry; telephone calls; insurance and expenses of personal nature.

## **Entry formalities**

Please note that all Foreign Nationals need Restricted Area Permit (RAP) to visit Arunachal Pradesh.

The Arunachal Pradesh Government stipulates the number of tourists to minimum 2 in a group to apply for RAP. The Government charges **USD 50 per person for a 30 days permit**. Please note that for Arunachal Pradesh RAP, **less than 02 can also apply** if the total **fee of 2 persons** (USD 50 x 2 = USD 100) is paid by the client.

The following documents are required for the permit and we need at least 20- 25 days to process the same after we receive these documents:

- 1) Photocopy of passport & Visa
- 2) 4 passport size photographs
- 3) Duly filled RAP application form (provided by us)