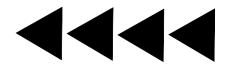


# BACKPACK North East India

# ASSAM & MEGHALAYA

TRIP DATES: 17 FEB - 25 FEB





### **DAY 2: EXPLORE SHILLONG**

Also called the Scotland of the East, Shillong has a charm of its own. Begin your morning with a trip to a Sacred Forest for a glimpse into the customs of the tribals and have a picnic breakfast there. Later, we head to the Elephant falls and gorge on some steaming hot momos and maggi.

Bliss! In the afternoon learn about the culture and history of the 7 sisters at the Don Bosco Museum or simply head to the Laitlum Canyon. In the evening, we head out to explore the markets and groove to

some local music.



#### DAY 1: GUWAHATI - SHILLONG - UMIAM LAKE

Welcome to Guwahati (Arrive by 1 pm). Meet your fellow backpackers as we make our way to Shillong. Pause at Umiam Lake for a stunning sunset – your first North East magic moment. Nighttime, we're snug in a Shillong homestay. Food? Local goodness to satisfy tummies and souls. And yes, let's break the ice with a fun session!



### DAY 3: SHILLONG -CHERRAPUNJEE | CAVING WATERFALL CHASING

Time for a dash of Indiana Jones-style excitement! Today, we're hitting up the cool Mawsmai caves or Arwah caves. Quick lunch pit stop, then it's waterfall time - Noh Kalikai, the super tall one, and Wei Sawdong falls for the win. As the stars twinkle, we'll kick back at our Cherrapunjee stay, relax, and savor a good dinner.



#### DAY 4: LIVING ROOT BRIDGE - BLUE LAGOON - RAINBOW FALLS

Deep in the dense tropical forest of Meghalaya lies the living root bridge - a fascinating invention of the tribals. Trek through the forest & villages to get to this bridge. We also go further & visit the hidden blue lagoon & rainbow falls. Enjoy a refreshing dip in the crystal waters after a long tedious trek & gorge on hot maggi and nimbu pani for some energy.

## DAY 5: MAWLYNNONG - DAWKI

After a leisure breakfast, we make our way to the cleanest village in Asia – Mawlynnong. The village is very pretty with small streams & orchid trees. Their matriarchal culture and the age-old tradition of cleanliness are fascinating. Later, we hop on our boats & cruise along the clearest water of Dawki river. It is so clear you can see the river bed! Take it up a notch and cliff-jump into the river. Plus be in 2 places at the Indo – Bangla border as well. Return to Shillong at night for some dinner and rest.





### DAY 6: KAZIRANGA NATIONAL PARK SAFARI

Say goodbye to Meghalaya and welcome the green plains of Assam as we drive to Kaziranga. A UNESCO World Heritage site. After a quick Assamese lunch, we hop on our jeeps and begin our journey through the jungles to spot the famous one-horned rhino. If you are lucky you may see some tigers as well. In the evening we check in at our beautiful luxurious jungle resort for some bonfire, music, food and drinks with the squad!



#### DAY 7: MAJULI – MASK MAKING – TRIBAL DINNER

After a leisure breakfast, we board our ferry on the mighty Brahmaputra & make our way to the largest river island – Majuli. Freshen up at our traditional bamboo huts & learn the art of mask making at the satras as you learn the way of life of the Mishing tribe. In the evening, we head out for a traditional tribal dinner

& rice beer with the locals.

### DAY 8: MAJULI - GUWAHATI

Today morning, ride some bicycles, relive your childhood as you explore the quaint village island of Majuli. Later, put on your chef hats as we cook a meal together for lunch with our mates on our last day of the trip. Trust us, it's an experience in itself. In the afternoon, board your ferry and return to mainland Assam. In the evening we spend our last night with our buddies at a super cool cafe in Jorhat, playing Jenga and eating food as we wait for our overnight bus to Guwahati.





### DAY 9: ADIOS AMIGOS

Arrive at the Guwahati bus stand in the morning(by 7 am). With a heavy heart bid adios to your fellow travelers and promise

to meet each other on another adventurous trip! You met as strangers are now are practically like family. It's always a bittersweet moment as you think back on the crazy trip you had with an equally crazy crew. Make your way to the airport for your flight home!

# HOW WE STAY











# WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Accommodation at homestays/lodges/bamboo huts on a double/triple/quad sharing basis
- 7 breakfasts and 6 dinners
- Pick up from Guwahati airport (Arrival before 1300 hours)
- Travel by coach with driver / public transport
- Visit Sacred Forest and explore Shillong
- Caving in Meghalaya and chasing the waterfalls
- Living Root Bridge Trek + Visit to Blue Pools
- Visit the cleanest village of Asia Mawlynnong
- Boating and cliff jumping at Dawki
- Indo- Bangla border
- 1 Jeep Safari and Entrance at Kaziranga National Park
- Ferry to Majuli Island and back
- Experience the culture of Majuli with the locals
- Services of a Travel Expert/ Tour Buddy
- TNT Merchandise

# WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED?

- Airfares and Insurance
- Meals not mentioned above
- Drop off from Guwahati ISBT to airport/train station
- Entrance fees (Approx INR 300 350 per person in total for all places as per the itinerary) Payable directly

\*\*\*Please note, visit to the mentioned sites and locations is subject to change based on local conditions. If certain places are closed or restricted by the local authorities, alternative options / places are visited.

# THATS COOL...HOW MUCH DO I PAY?

#### TRIP VALUE:

INR 29,500/- PER PERSON until 35 days before departure INR 31,500/- PER PERSON until spots are available

# WISH TO BLOCK A SPOT?

- To confirm the booking a deposit of INR 8,000 per person will be required
- At the time of making the booking, please send us a scanned copy of your Govt ID proof of the first and last page
- Balance payment is to be made 30 days before departure
- This trip is specifically for the age group 18 39 years so that you travel with like-minded fellow travelers.
- Discount of INR 1000 per person for a group of 5 or more will be applicable

# Fill in the booking form below and our team will get in touch with you.

### Click here to fill up BOOKING FORM

OR

### To Whatsapp us Click HERE

# WHAT OUR TRIBE HAY TO SAY?



Ganesh Goenka 6 reviews · 10 photos

It was my first Trip with TripsNTales and it was a Fabulous trip. I didn't face any issue. Food and Accommodation was very good. Our Coordinator Harshil was very friendly. Itinerary was very well planned. Made lots of friends. Overall it was a wonderful trip. Thank you TripsNTales team for this memorable trip.





10 reviews · 14 photos

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My review is for the Meghalaya and Assam trip organised by Trip and Tales during the month of November 2023.

This was my first Solo expedition but never felt like one due to the amazing company of new friends and specially support from our trip buddy and my room mate Anandmay (AP as we called him)  $^{\odot}$ 

My trip experience was amazing and memorable. Itenary covered all the popular sightseeing places same as other tour and travel companies however the differentiating factor of the trip was visit to Majuli Island and exploring the cultural heritage and tribal lifestyle of the river island.

Trek of almost 8000 steps from Tyrna village to Double decker bridge,Blue Lagoon waterfall and Rainbow waterfall and back, in Meghalaya was the highlight of the trip for me.

Stays were neat and clean. Did not have any issues with food during the trip. Food included at the stays was good.

Trip Buddy Anandmay (AP) co-ordinated the trip very well and made sure all the places in the itenery were covered and provided support to everyone in the group as and when required. He was very sensible, patient and a fun person to be with and made the entire experience of trip smooth.



#### Chandrani Nandan

8 reviews · 2 photos

Positive: Professionalism, Quality, Responsiveness, Value

I have been to many trips but I especially loved this one to Assam and Meghalaya with tent. The trip was executed very well by the team and the trip buddy who was super sweet and caring. Crazy late night talks, mafia, truth n dare, a never ending trek to the living root bridge, crystal clear waters, waterfalls, Jungle safari, nature walks, bonfire nights, dinner with the tribes and so much more.. I'm missing it all already! Hoping to do another trip with them very soon! Thank you team for all the memories that I'm going to cherish forever.



Niraj Mishra 4 reviews

Was part of the North East backpacking group which travelled in December. The itinerary was well planned and so was the execution. Went as a solo traveller but found some great people who made the experience even better. Our trip buddy, Aditi is a real sport and she carried the trip with grace. Overall, a pretty entertaining week and will certainly recommend Trips n Tales as a travel partner.



So i went on a solo trip with trip and tales to North east in oct 2022. I had seen quite a few company's itinerary before finalizing and when i came across trip n tales details i made it a point that i am booking my slot then and there. I made some amazing friends and our trip lead harshil kept motivating us and broke the ice between all us all through the trip. Overall it was a great experience!

NOT CONVINCED YET?

<u>Check out our past trip highlight</u> <u>Here</u>



Check out some frequently asked questions

### <u>Here</u>

# PAYMENT DETAILS:

#### BANK DETAILS FOR NEFT/IMPS/RTGS TRANSFER

Account Name: Trips N Tales Account Number: 37287695434 Bank: State Bank of India Branch: Kondhwa IFSC Code: SBIN0011698

#### **GOOGLE PAY/PHONE PE:** +91 9284497284

# CANCELLATION POLICY:

- 1. Cancellations affected more than 45 days before departure deposit is forfeited.
- 2. Cancellation effected 45 to 31 days prior to departure will attract a cancellation charge of 75% of the trip cost
- Cancellation affected less than
  days prior to departure will attract a cancellation charge of 100% of the trip cost.
- 4. No refund will be due after the commencement of travel.
- 5. Refunds due can take up to 3 weeks to process.
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