

# Luxury 7-Night Northeast Retreat: Boutique Stays & Curated Tours

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Destination  
**North-East**

Duration  
**7 Nights 8 Days**

Starting from  
**Rs. 49,900 / person**

## ITINERARY ROUTE

↗ **Guwahati · 1N**

↗ **Kaziranga National Park · 2N**

↗ **Shillong · 3N**

↗ **Cherrapunji · 1N**

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## Overview

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A premium North-East tour package and ideal North-East Honeymoon tour package tailored for couples seeking boutique accommodations, private transfers, and curated cultural and nature experiences across Assam and Meghalaya. This 7 nights / 8 days itinerary blends wildlife, waterfalls, living-root bridges, crystal-clear rivers, and vibrant hill-station charm with relaxed pacing and luxury touches.

### Highlights:

- Guwahati arrival, private transfer & city gateway experience
- Sunrise elephant safari & jeep safari at Kaziranga National Park
- Boutique hill-station stays in Shillong with romantic experiences
- Day trips to Cherrapunji (Nohkalikai Falls, living-root bridges)
- Scenic Dawki & Mawlynnong (Asia's cleanest village) day excursion
- Curated gourmet meals, spa options, and private sightseeing

Note: This is a luxury, customized package – timings and activities can be adjusted for preferences or seasonal conditions.

### ✓ What's Included

- ✓ Luxury boutique accommodations (7 nights) on twin/ double sharing basis
- ✓ Daily breakfast and selected gourmet dinners
- ✓ Private air-conditioned transfers and intercity drives with experienced chauffeur
- ✓ 1 elephant safari & 2 jeep safaris at Kaziranga National Park (subject to park permits)
- ✓ Guided sightseeing as per itinerary with local expert guides
- ✓ Entrance fees to listed attractions shown in the itinerary
- ✓ Welcome amenities, one couple's spa voucher (subject to property), and romantic dinner arrangement once during the trip
- ✓ All currently applicable taxes

### ✗ Not Included

- ✗ International/domestic flights to Guwahati
- ✗ GST on Indian tour operator invoices (if applicable)
- ✗ Travel insurance and emergency evacuation
- ✗ Tips, portage, and personal expenses (laundry, phone calls, minibar)
- ✗ Meals not mentioned in inclusions and any special event charges
- ✗ Camera/Video permits where required inside parks
- ✗ Any service not specified in 'Inclusions'
- ✗ Note: Activities such as elephant rides and river boating are subject to seasonal availability and park/river regulations.

## Day-by-Day Itinerary

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Day

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### **Arrival in Guwahati & Welcome Evening**

Arrive at Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport (Guwahati). Meet your private chauffeur and transfer to a boutique riverside hotel. Relax after your journey and enjoy a welcome drink. Evening at leisure with an optional private candlelit dinner overlooking the Brahmaputra.

Tip: If you arrive early, visit the famous Kamakhya Temple for panoramic views at sunset.

Day

2

### **Drive to Kaziranga National Park — Sunset at the Tea Gardens**

After breakfast, depart for Kaziranga National Park (approx. 4-5 hours). Check into a luxury eco-resort near the park. Enjoy high tea followed by a relaxed sunset stroll through nearby tea gardens. Evening: curated regional dinner showcasing Assamese flavors.

Special: Optional evening nature talk with a local naturalist.

Day

3

### **Elephant & Jeep Safaris — Wildlife Immersion**

Early morning elephant safari (subject to availability and park regulations) in the central range to spot the one-horned rhinoceros and other wildlife. Return to the resort for a late breakfast and leisure time. Afternoon guided jeep safari into a different range to view expansive grasslands and wild birds. Evening at leisure with optional spa treatments.

Important: Elephant rides are seasonal and subject to park rules; jeep safaris provide good wildlife sightings year-round.

Day

4

### **Scenic Transfer to Shillong — Hill-Station Charm**

After breakfast, drive to Shillong (approx. 5-6 hours) — enjoy rolling hills, pine forests, and panoramic viewpoints en route. Check into a boutique heritage hotel. Evening: explore Police Bazaar for local handicrafts and try Khasi cuisine at a recommended restaurant.

Tip: Carry light warm layers — nights in Shillong are cool even during summer.

Day

5

### **Shillong Cultural & Romantic Day**

Morning city tour of Shillong: visit Don Bosco Museum, Ward's Lake, and Shillong Peak for sunset panoramas. Afternoon at leisure — choose from a couple's photography session, private cooking class featuring Khasi recipes, or a boutique tea tasting. Evening: a romantic rooftop dinner with local live music (on request).

Highlight: Don Bosco Museum offers an excellent cultural overview of the Northeast's tribes and crafts.

Day

6

### **Cherrapunji (Sohra) — Waterfalls & Living-Root Bridges**

Full-day excursion to Cherrapunji (Sohra) — visit Nohkalikai Falls, Mawsmai Cave, Dainthlen Falls, and the famous double-decker living-root bridge (a short trek for adventurous couples). Overnight in Cherrapunji at a comfortable boutique lodge with valley views.

Note: Some trails can be slippery — wear sturdy footwear and carry rain gear in monsoon months.

Day

7

### **Mawlynnong & Dawki — Asia's Cleanest Village & Crystal River**

Drive to Mawlynnong (Asia's cleanest village) for a serene village walk, bamboo viewpoints, and cultural interaction with locals. Continue to Dawki to enjoy the crystal-clear Umngot River — opt for a short boat ride (seasonal) and picture-perfect river views. Return to Shillong for your final night; enjoy a farewell gourmet dinner at the hotel.

Tip: Boat rides depend on water levels — best between October and April for crystal clarity.

Day

8

### **Departure via Guwahati — Farewell to the Northeast**

After a relaxed breakfast, drive back to Guwahati (approx. 3 hours) for your onward flight. If time allows, visit Umananda Island or shop for souvenirs at Fancy Bazaar. Private transfer to the airport and assistance until departure.

Note: Request an early transfer if you have a morning flight; traffic can be unpredictable.

## **🔍 Frequently Asked Questions**

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## ❓ **What is the best time to visit Northeast India?**

The ideal time to visit Northeast India is October to April when the weather is pleasant and dry. October–November offers post-monsoon freshness with clear skies, perfect for sightseeing and outdoor activities. December–February brings cool, crisp weather ideal for exploring hill stations like Gangtok, Shillong, and Tawang. March–April features blooming rhododendrons and comfortable temperatures. Avoid June–September monsoon season as heavy rainfall can disrupt travel plans, cause landslides, and make roads inaccessible. However, if you're interested in experiencing lush green landscapes and don't mind occasional showers, post-monsoon September can be beautiful. For specific festivals like Hornbill Festival in Nagaland (December) or cherry blossoms in Shillong (November), plan accordingly. Winter temperatures range from 5–20°C in hills and 10–25°C in plains.

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## ❓ **How can I reach Northeast India from major Indian cities?**

Air travel is the most convenient option with Guwahati (Assam) serving as the main gateway, connected to Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, and Bangalore. Other airports include Bagdogra (for Sikkim), Imphal, Agartala, Dibrugarh, and Dimapur. From Guwahati, you can reach other states by road or connecting flights. Train connectivity exists to Guwahati, New Jalpaiguri (for Sikkim), and Agartala via broad gauge lines. The Rajdhani Express connects Guwahati to Delhi. Road access is possible via NH27 through West Bengal and NH37. For Sikkim, fly to Bagdogra then drive 4 hours to Gangtok. Many tourists prefer flying to Guwahati and then taking domestic flights or hiring vehicles for interstate travel. Book flights in advance as options are limited and prices can be higher than other destinations.

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## ❓ **Do I need special permits to visit Northeast states?**

Permit requirements vary by state and visitor nationality. Indian citizens need Inner Line Permits (ILP) for Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram, and Nagaland, obtainable online or at checkpoints. Manipur requires ILP for certain areas. No permits needed for Assam, Meghalaya, Tripura, and Sikkim for Indians. Foreign nationals need Protected Area Permits (PAP) for Arunachal Pradesh, obtained through registered tour operators with 30-day advance application. Sikkim requires permits for certain areas like Nathula Pass and North Sikkim. For group travel, tour operators usually handle permit procedures. Apply online through official state websites or at designated counters in Delhi, Kolkata, and Guwahati. Carry multiple passport-size photos and ID proofs. Permits are usually processed within 2–7 days. Some border areas may have additional restrictions, so check current regulations before travel.

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## ❓ **What are the local transportation options within Northeast states?**

Shared taxis and sumos are the most common intercity transport, especially in hilly regions like Sikkim and Meghalaya. State transport buses connect major towns but can be crowded and slow. Private buses offer better comfort for longer routes. In cities, auto-rickshaws, cycle-rickshaws, and local taxis are available. App-based cabs operate in Guwahati, Shillong, and Gangtok. For sightseeing, hiring a private car with driver is recommended, costing ₹2,500–4,000 per day depending on the vehicle and distance. Motorcycle rentals are popular in Sikkim and Meghalaya among adventure travelers. River transport exists in Assam via ferries across Brahmaputra. Helicopter services operate in Sikkim for scenic tours. Book vehicles in advance during peak season. Mountain roads can be challenging, so experienced local drivers are advisable. Fuel stations may be sparse in remote areas.

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## ❓ **What types of accommodation are available and where should I stay?**

Northeast India offers diverse accommodation from luxury resorts to budget homestays. Government tourism properties provide good value with basic amenities. Luxury options include Taj Tashi (Thimphu), Mayfair Hotels (Gangtok, Shillong), and heritage properties. Mid-range hotels are abundant in major towns. Homestays are popular, especially in Sikkim, Meghalaya, and Arunachal Pradesh, offering authentic cultural experiences at ₹1,000–3,000 per night. Stay in Gangtok for Sikkim exploration, Shillong for Meghalaya, Guwahati for Assam, Itanagar for Arunachal Pradesh. In remote areas, government guest houses and forest rest houses are available but require advance booking. Eco-lodges near national parks offer nature experiences. During festivals, book well in advance as accommodation fills quickly. Many properties offer package deals including meals and local sightseeing. Check for hot water availability in hill stations during winter months.

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## ❓ **What are the must-visit attractions in Northeast India?**

Top attractions include Kaziranga National Park (Assam) for one-horned rhinos, Tawang Monastery (Arunachal Pradesh) – India's largest monastery, and Nathula Pass (Sikkim) on the Indo-China border. Shillong, the 'Scotland of East,' offers colonial charm and living root bridges in Cherrapunji. Majuli Island (Assam) is the world's largest river island with unique culture. Hornbill Festival (Nagaland) showcases tribal heritage. Loktak Lake (Manipur) features floating islands. Unakoti (Tripura) has ancient rock carvings. Adventure seekers enjoy river rafting in Arunachal Pradesh, trekking in Sikkim's Goecha La, and caving in Meghalaya's Mawsmai Caves. Tea gardens in Assam and Sikkim offer scenic beauty. Sikkim's Rumtek Monastery and Gangtok's MG Marg are cultural highlights. Each state offers unique experiences – from wildlife safaris to monastery visits and tribal village interactions.

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## 🔗 What local foods and cuisines should I try in Northeast India?

Northeast cuisine is unique, featuring rice as staple with minimal spices and extensive use of herbs, bamboo shoots, and fermented ingredients. Must-try dishes include Assam's fish curry with khar (alkaline preparation), Sikkim's momos and thukpa, Nagaland's smoked pork with black sesame, and Manipur's Eromba (vegetable curry). Meghalaya's Jadoh (rice with meat) and Mizoram's Bai (vegetable stew) are local favorites. Fermented fish, bamboo shoot pickles, and bhut jolokia (ghost pepper) add distinctive flavors. Sikkimese cuisine shows Tibetan influence with gundruk (fermented leafy greens) and chhurpi (yak cheese). Try local rice beer, particularly Sikkim's chang and Assam's rice wine. Street food includes Assam's pitha (rice cakes) and various tribal preparations. Many dishes might be unfamiliar to outsiders, so start with milder options. Vegetarian options are available but limited in tribal areas. Local restaurants and homestays offer authentic experiences.

## ★ Traveller Reviews



**Gunjan Tiwari**

★★★★☆ 4/5

### North-East Travels - An Enriching Experience

Traveling to the North-East was an enriching experience for me. The diverse ecosystems and cultures made the trip memorable. Highly recommend exploring this region!



**Ranbir Choudhury**

★★★★★ 5/5

### Journey of a Lifetime

This North-East tour was indeed a journey of a lifetime! Beautiful landscapes, thrilling adventures, and rich culture made it all worth it. Will cherish these memories forever!



**Nandita Roy**

★★★★★ 5/5

### Well-Organized North-East Package

The North-East tour package was well-organized with friendly staff and seamless arrangements. Every detail was taken care of and it made our travel experience delightful!



**Sourabh Yadav**

★★★★★ 5/5

### Beautiful North-East Awaits You

The beautiful North-East awaits everyone! This tour package was filled with exciting activities and places that offered picturesque views. I can't recommend it enough!



**Akanksha Mehta**

★★★★☆ 4/5

### Adventure Awaits in North-East

Adventure awaits in the North-East! This tour gave us thrilling experiences while also allowing us to soak in the serene beauty around us. Great trip overall!

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