

Meghalaya Nature & Luxury Combo: Private Tours & Boutique Stays

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Destination
North-East

Duration
5 Nights 6 Days

Starting from
Rs. 29,000 / person

ITINERARY ROUTE

↗ **Shillong · 2N**

↗ **Cherrapunji · 1N**

↗ **Dawki / Mawlynnong · 1N**

↗ **Shillong · 1N**

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Overview

a 5 nights / 6 days North-East Family tour package designed for families and small private groups who want a mix of luxury boutique stays and immersive nature experiences. This North-East tour package centers around Shillong, Cherrapunji (Sohra), Dawki and Mawlynnong, blending comfortable boutique accommodations with guided private excursions to waterfalls, living root bridges, crystal-clear rivers and sacred forests. Ideal for travelers seeking curated comfort, scenic drives, and family-friendly activities.

Highlights:

- Private guided tours with local experts
- Boutique and heritage stays in Shillong and countryside homestays
- Visits to Nohkalikai Falls, Mawphlang Sacred Forest, Mawlynnong – Asia's Cleanest Village, and Dawki River (boat ride)
- Optional gentle treks to the Double Decker Living Root Bridge (Nongriat) or short nature walks
- Family-friendly activities and flexible pacing for children and seniors

This 5 and 6 North-East Family tour package can be customized for families, multi-generational groups, or couples seeking a nature + luxury combo.

✓ What's Included

- ✓ Private airport/train transfers (Guwahati " Shillong)
- ✓ 5 nights accommodation in boutique hotels/resorts and curated homestays
- ✓ Daily breakfast and 3 multi-course dinners (as per itinerary)
- ✓ Private car with driver for all sightseeing (AC vehicle)
- ✓ Local English-speaking guide for key excursions
- ✓ Boat ride in Dawki with safety gear
- ✓ Entry fees to listed attractions where applicable
- ✓ 24/7 local assistance and emergency support

✗ Not Included

- ✗ Exclusions:
- ✗ Airfare or long-distance train tickets to/from Guwahati
- ✗ Meals not mentioned in inclusions, personal expenses, tips and gratuities
- ✗ Any optional activities such as the Nongriat trek (if chosen) or adventure-specific charges
- ✗ Travel insurance (highly recommended)
- ✗ Permits (if required for certain restricted areas)
- ✗ Notes: Transport times in Meghalaya can be longer due to hilly roads; the itinerary is designed for relaxed family travel but can be adjusted for pace, accessibility needs, or special requests.

Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day

1

Arrival in Shillong — Settling into the Boutique Stay

Arrive at Shillong (via Guwahati/Guwahati Airport or Byrnihat) and transfer to your curated boutique hotel. Spend the afternoon at leisure to recover from travel. In the evening enjoy a relaxed walk around Police Bazar and a welcome dinner featuring local Khasi cuisine. Tip: Keep the first day slow for families and seniors; acclimatize and hydrate.

Day

2

Shillong Local Excursions — Culture & Panoramic Views

Private morning city tour covering Ward's Lake, Shillong Peak and the Don Bosco Museum (excellent for families). After lunch explore local cafes and craft stores. Late afternoon visit Elephant Falls en route to your hotel. Children-friendly stops and short walks planned; all transfers by private vehicle.

Day

3

Cherrapunji (Sohra) — Waterfalls & Living Landscapes

Drive to Cherrapunji (Sohra) — one of the wettest places on Earth. Visit iconic viewpoints and waterfalls including Nohkalikai Falls, Seven Sisters Falls, and Arwah Cave. Optional short walks to panoramic viewpoints. Overnight in a comfortable countryside resort or heritage bungalow. Note: Weather can be misty — carry light rain gear.

Day

4

Mawlynnong & Dawki — Asia's Cleanest Village & Crystal-clear River

After breakfast head to Mawlynnong, the famous clean village. Explore the living root bridge replica, local bamboo walkways and viewpoints. Continue to Dawki for a private boat ride on the crystal-clear Umngot River, with spectacular photo opportunities. Return to a comfortable riverside or village-style guesthouse. Family-friendly boating — life jackets provided.

Day

5

Optional Nongriat / Mawphlang — Nature Walks & Sacred Forest

Choose between: (A) an optional gentle trek to Nongriat (Double Decker Living Root Bridge) — suitable for active families with older children (early start required), or (B) a relaxed morning at Mawphlang Sacred Forest with a guided nature and culture walk. Afternoon return to Shillong for a boutique stay with time for shopping or a spa. Pre-book the Nongriat trek; it involves steps and uneven terrain.

Day

6

Departure — Final Transfer and Farewell

After breakfast check out from your hotel. Depending on your flight/train schedule, you may have time for a last stroll or a short visit to a local attraction. Private transfer to Guwahati Airport or the designated drop-off point. Tip: We recommend booking an afternoon flight to allow a relaxed morning in Shillong.

🔍 Frequently Asked Questions

🔍 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.

🔍 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.

🔍 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.

❓ **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.

❓ **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.

❓ **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.

🔗 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

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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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