



**EXPERIENCE  
DESTINATION**



BUCKET LIST TREKS IN  
**NORTH EAST**



**TRIP DATES 2023**

- 22nd - 29th July
- 12th - 19th August (Independence Day holiday)
- 9th - 16th September

**NAGALAND AND MEGHALAYA**

**8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS**

**INR 29,500/- PER PERSON INCLUSIVE OF TAXES.**

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## TRIP OVERVIEW

**Bucket List Treks in NorthEast** is one of our favourite 8 day itinerary and is perfect for someone who loves to hike and wants to explore Northeast India for the first time. We combine 2 most wish-listed treks of North East, **Dzukou Valley Trek in Nagaland** and **Double Decker Living Root Bridge Trek** in Meghalaya.

Apart from these easy to moderate level treks, this trip consists of a fine blend of experiences like **storytelling about Nagas during Village walks, enjoy organic meals and exotic meats with an Angami family, camping in a spatular location, street strolls and euphonious musical evenings.**

This trip doesn't need an incredible amount of fitness level. Amateur trekkers with adventurous mindset are more than welcome. Suitable for solo travellers, couples and small groups.

If you are an individual who loves cultural exchange, being closer to nature and looks forward to detox yourself from the digital and city life, this trip is an ideal getaway for you.



# DETAILED ITINERARY

## Day 1

### Welcome to Nagaland

Dimapur - Kohima - Kigwema

Today is about breaking ice with the fellow travellers and the locals, experiencing Angami (local tribe) hospitality, and cooking with them. If you are a non vegetarian, there are a number of seasonal exotic meats you may try. Delicious home cooked food for vegetarians as well.

- Meet and greet at Dimapur airport/station
- Drive straight to the capital town Kohima.
- In case time permits, we will stop at Kohima and take a stroll at the local Naga Market. Will buy some exotic meat to cook at the homestay.
- Check-in at our homestay in Kigwema Village.
- Spend the rest of the evening at leisure chit-chatting and getting to know each other more.

**Overnight at Kigwema Village**

**Total drive time is 3 hours.**





# Day 2

## Trek to the Mighty Dzükou Valley

Kigwema - Dzukou

Today is about walking slowly in the most beautiful landscapes, camping and stargazing. It is the day to indulge in the nature's masterpiece, push ourselves a little out of the comfort zone, watch the most beautiful sunset, sleep under the milky way of stars, campfire conversations, smell of firewood, books, wine, conversations and photography.

- Breakfast will be served by 7:30 am and by 8 am.
- We will then drive to the starting point of the trek.
- First part of the trek is an ascend for about 60-90 minutes in a jungle. Terrains are rugged and rocky with no concrete steps.
- After the ascend we reach the valley and further 2-3 hours of pleasant easy walk will take us to the place where we can camp.
- Set up DIY camps (Our guides will be there to assist)
- Enjoy the evening

**Total drive time is 1 hour of off-roading.**

**Overnight at Camps (All good quality, clean and cozy camping equipments will be provided)**





# Day 3

## A day in the valley

Dzukou - Kigwema

Today is about exploring the vastness and beauty of the valley. We go for a walk around the valley, pass through gushing streams, a giant cross, natural cave like formation etc. Spend the first half of the day exploring the valley, and by evening we return to our homestay where hot water and home-cooked lunch awaits us. Just like that, first trek in Northeast is checklisted from the bucketlist.

- Wake up to morning tea. Make DIY Sandwiches for breakfast.
- Pack up the tents and hand it to the porter.
- Start trek back to the base at around 11am-12noon.
- Hot water and lunch awaits for us at the homestay.
- Evening at leisure. Take well deserved rest. Walk around, cook dinner with the host etc.

**Overnight at Kigwema Village**

**Total drive time 1 hour.**





# Day 4

## A day hopping villages in Nagaland

Kigwema - Khonoma - Dimapur

Today is about understanding the land more, the culture, history, architecture, food, lifestyle, superstitions and anything you are curious about the Nagas. Today is about storytelling. We walk around in 2 Naga villages in a curated route through all main khels/sectors of the village with ED hyperlocal guides, Kigwema and Khonoma aka the first green village (more on that later).

By late evening we go to Dimapur. A little celebration remains due on our last day in Nagaland after all these treks and hikes. Drinks and dinner at a resto-pub in Dimapur before boarding the overnight train to Guwahati.

- Breakfast at 8:30 am
- Drive to the main parking of Kigwema village for village walk
- Lunch in Kohima and drive to Khonoma.
- Drive to Dimapur and board 11:30 pm train to Guwahati.

**Overnight in Train 2/3 AC coaches** (based on availability on the date of booking).

**Total drive time 4 hours.**





# Day 5

## To the Abode of the Clouds

Dimapur - Guwahati - Sohra

The Meghalaya chapter begins. Which means it is all about floating amidst the clouds, chilling by the stream, swimming in a secluded waterfall, and jamming. We have invited our local musician friend to jam on old rock classics with us later in the evening.

- Train arrives at Guwahati by 6 am where we meet our pilot for the Meghalaya part of the trip.
- We drive straight to the wettest place on earth, Cherrapunji.
- Quick pitstop on the way for some delightful coffee/breakfast and local pineapples.
- Quick optional pitstop at Umium lake on the way as well.
- Check-in to your rustic earthy cottages with mesmerising views.
- Enjoy euphonious evenings.

**Total drive time is 5 hours.**

**Overnight stay at Cherrapunjee**





## Day 6

# The bridges that aren't built but grown

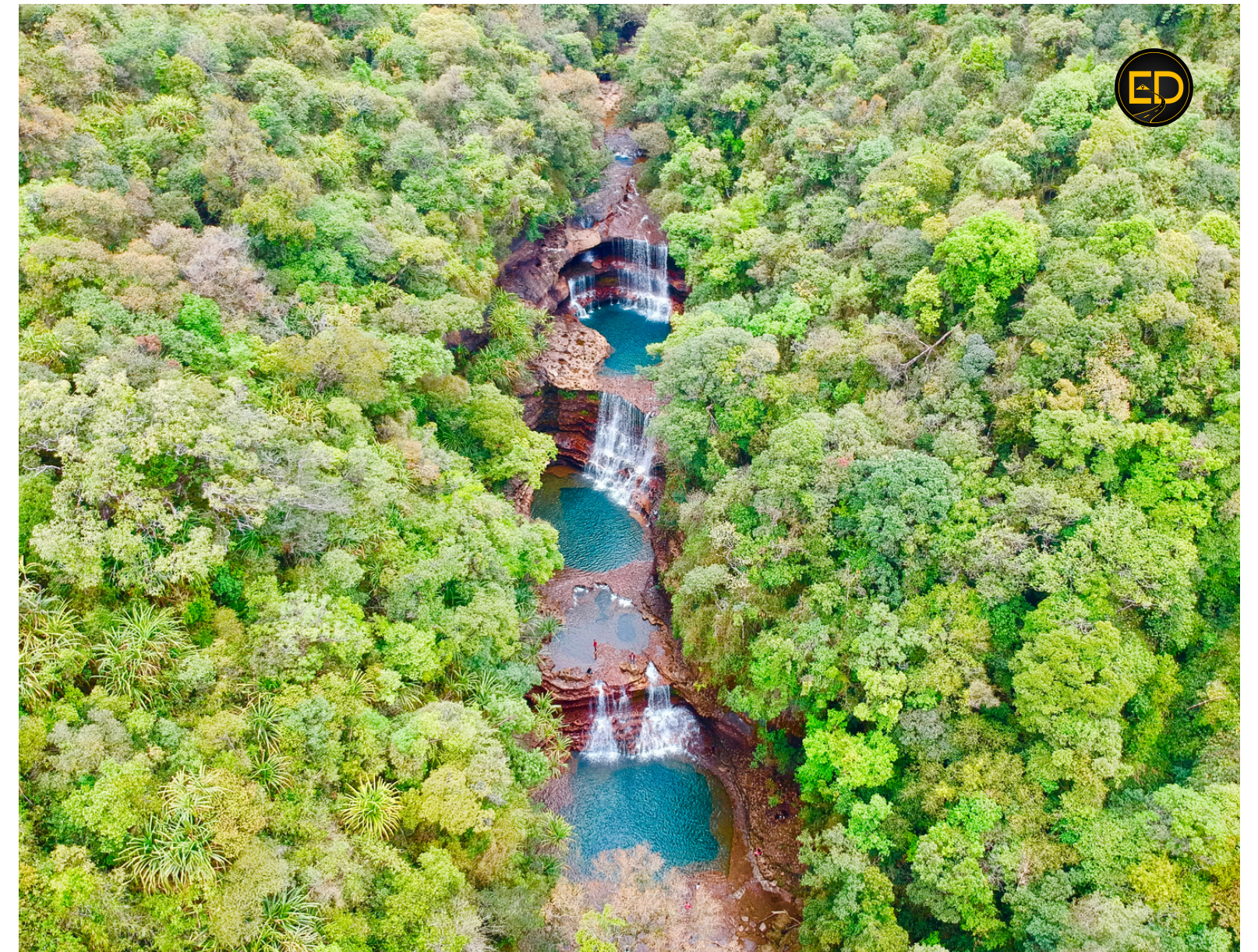
Cherrapunjee aka Sohra - Nongriat

Today is about exploring some of the best of Cherrapunjee. Waterfalls, caves, natural pools, stay in a remote Meghalayan village with sounds of gushing stream, fierce waterfalls and starlit or clouds filled sky.

- We start our day easy today. Wake up lazily, eat delightful breakfast.
- We explore a bit more of Cherrapunji. Some introductory caving, some waterfall hikes, swim wherever you feel like until lunch.
- After lunch we drive to Tryna Village and start trek to Double Decker Living Root bridge.
- It's a 90 minute trek amidst tropical lush green forest to Nongriat village. A couple of rootbridges, suspension bridges, cute makeshift shops, few houses of locals and incredible views will greet us on the way.
- Check-in to a cute homestay just behind the root bridge and spend the evening leisurely.

**Total drive time is 2-3 hours**

**Overnight at Nongriat Village (Basic Homestay)**





# Day 7

## A day in the woods

Nongriat Village

Spend a day in a rural Meghalayan village without road connectivity. Explore the authentic way of village life, hike through several root bridges and long suspension bridges to hidden natural pools and a waterfalls.

- Today is a day where we immerse ourselves in this little Meghalayan village.
- After breakfast, morning visit to Double decker living root bridge.
- 60-90 mins of hiking further will get us to one of the most beautiful waterfalls in the area, Rainbow Falls
- We shall cross many more rootbridges, suspension bridges and blue pools on the way.
- Take your own time, explore things and places slowly as we trek. Stop where ever we feel like.

**Drive time is Zero.**

**Overnight at Nongriat Village (Basic homestay)**





# Day 8

## Bid Adieu.

Nongriat Village - Sohra - Guwahati Airport

Like all good things, trip comes to an end. Morning hike back to Cherrapunjee to end the adventure.

- Start to trek back after breakfast at around 8 am.
- Reach parking by 11.
- Drive to airport.
- Recommended to book flights after 7pm.
- Bid Adieu. Until next time.

**Total drive time 6 hours.**

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# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



## 1. What are the arrival and departure details?

Arrival at Dimapur airport on day 1 by 2 pm latest. Alternatively you can fly to Guwahati on day 0 and take train to Dimapur.

Departure from Guwahati airport on day 8. It is recommended to book an evening flight after 6 pm just to be on the safe side.

## 2. What type of properties are we staying at?

We will be staying in a mix of beautiful home stays, hotels and resorts. You shouldn't expect any kind of luxury but all basic things you may need is available and the properties are super clean, tasteful and comfortable. All these properties have been carefully been vetted by team ED.

Please note that some of the properties may have different category of rooms and the allocation will be done randomly.



### 3. What is the food situation? Is veg food available?

All properties have a breakfast menu you can choose from. Cost of all breakfasts are included in your package. **Breakfast** in most places serve simple things like poori sabji, fresh sandwiches, bread butter, Eggs (how ever you want), tea/coffee etc. Included **lunches** will be mostly home cooked food like Rice, dal, few Khasi chutneys, vegetable curry, meat, salad and papad. Places like Shillong, Cherrapunjee and Pongtung have multi cuisine restaurants.

**Veg food is available in out tours.**

If you have dietary restrictions, do let us know in advance and we will take care of you.





## 4. What are the expenses over and above the package price? How much cash should we carry?

Major expense is the to and fro Flight to the starting and ending point of the trip.

Other expenses during the trip is mostly the meals that aren't included which will cost you not more than Rs 300 per meal, alcohol and recreational expenses and shopping expenses.

A total of 5,000 cash per head should cover the trip very easily.

## 5. Room Sharing

Couples will be allotted same rooms. If you are a solo traveller, you'll be paired with another traveller of the same gender.

## 6. Things to carry?

We will give you a detailed list of things to carry after you signup.



## INCLUSIONS

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- GST.
- Double/ triple\* sharing accommodation.
- All transfers in Sedan or SUV depending on number of travellers (Hatchback/Dzire/Innova in Nagaland and Swift Dzire/Innova/ Tempo Traveller in Meghalaya).
- Breakfast on all days except day 5.
- Dinner on all days except 4 and 5.
- Lunch on Day 2, 3 and 4.
- Local Guides during the treks.
- Parking and Toll charges.
- Driver Allowance, food and accommodation.
- Basic Medical/First Aid kit during the trip.
- Inner line permits where ever required.
- 2nd / 3rd AC rail-fare from Dimapur to Guwahati. (Depending on availability on the date of booking)

## EXCLUSIONS

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- Airfare/RailFare
- Any food and beverage cost apart from the ones mentioned above
- Camera Fees
- Small entry fees to waterfalls, parks etc. (not more than 200 per person for the entire trip)
- Any Tips.
- Any personal Expenditure (Shopping, medicines etc)
- Costs arising out of unforeseen circumstances such as bad weather, landslides, road conditions, political unrest and any other circumstances beyond our control.
- Any items / services not specifically mentioned under the head 'inclusions'.

\*Triple sharing only in case of big 3 bedded rooms.



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# BOOKING, PAYMENT TERMS AND CANCELLATION POLICY

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If it becomes necessary to cancel the booking, you must notify us immediately by mail on [business@experiencedestination.com](mailto:business@experiencedestination.com). Cancellation will take effect only after we receive the email from you.

Following is the **cancellation policy**:

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- 0 to 15 days prior to departure - no refund.

If the trip gets canceled due to **COVID protocols**, and there is a restriction in travel, we'll refund you 75% of the deposit right away and 25% will be kept as a transferrable **credit note** which can be redeemed at any time in the future (no expiry).

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- Accidents during transportation or accomodation, damages by fire.
- Orders of either Indian Govt or immigration regulations, isolation resulting from infestious diseases and tour itinerary alterations due to such causes.
- Accidents occuring during the trip activities.
- Food Poisoning.
- Theft.

## PAYMENT DETAILS

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