**ANDHRA PRADESH**

**1. Araku Valley**

raku Valley is one of the most famous hill stations in Andhra Pradesh. The surrounding lush greenery in the area allows one to rejuvenate one's mind and soul. Moreover, this place's topography is characterised by waterfalls, brooklets and caves. This valley is located around 115 km from Vizag and offers tourists a host of physical activities. It is also renowned for its rich tribal culture and exquisite coffee. As a result, the valley boasts of growing India's first tribal farmer-produced sustainable coffee brand. Araku Valley enjoys perfect weather all year so that tourists can visit anytime.

* **Best Time to Visit:**October to March
* **Top Things to Do:**Sightseeing, Hiking, Walking on the Beach
* **Top Places to Visit:**Borra Caves, Bheemili Beach, Tribal Museum, Chaparai Waterfalls, Katiki Waterfalls, Tadimada Waterfalls, Padmapuram Gardens
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 18,062 - ₹ 20,045 per person (4 Days and 3 Nights)
* **How to Reach:** Road, Rail and Air

**2. Papikondalu**

The mountain ranges here parallel the Godavari River, and visitors get majestic views of the glistening river waters and the mountains. Moreover, this place derived its name from "Papidi Kondalu", which means the middle partition of hair which woman often does with their hair. This is because the valley looks like a middle partition. Papikondalu is ideal for thriller-loving trekkers who prefer to trek through rocky and rugged terrains. Over here, one can enjoy not only diverse flora and fauna but also visit various sacred temples for religious fulfilment.

* **Best Time to Visit:** October to January
* **Top Things to Do:**National Park visit, Temple visits, Trekking
* **Top Places to Visit:**Pattisam island, Bhadrachalam temple, Kinnerasani Wildlife Sanctuary, Papikonda Wildlife Sanctuary
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 1,250 onwards per person (1 Day Trip)
* **How to Reach:**Road, Rail and Air

**3. Horsley Hills**

Horsley Hills is a hidden gem tucked away in the state's interiors. This hill station offers some of the best views to its visitors. Even though Horsley Hills is a small hamlet, there are a wide variety of places to stay, from luxurious resorts to budget-friendly hotels. One can also indulge in local Andhra cuisine from Hotel Horsley, opposite the zoo. Another fun fact about Horsley Hills is that it is named after the then Kadapa District's collector WD Horsley. Nonetheless, there are many places to go for sightseeing here, so ensure you take full advantage of your stay at Horsley Hills.

* **Best Time to Visit:** April to June and September to November
* **Top Things to Do:**Sightseeing, Hiking, Zoo Trips, Try Andhra cuisines
* **Top Places to Visit:**Mallamma Temple, Kaundinya Wildlife Sanctuary, Chennakesava Temple, Horsley Hills Zoo, Kaigal Falls
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 8,500 - ₹ 9,341 per person (2 Days and 1 Night)
* **How to Reach:**Road, Rail and Air

**4. Maredumilli**

Maredumilli village is a fairly unknown hill station in Andhra Pradesh but offers a rejuvenating ambience to its visitors. The village is covered with palm trees, tall eucalyptus trees and bamboo grooves. Moreover, the pristine water streams and big waterfalls provide picture-perfect scenery for visitors. Individuals who love adventure camps, hiking and trekking should try Jungle Star Nature Camp and explore the Eastern Ghats. Further, Maredmuilli is 241 km away from Vizag, and the village is located on the Bhadrachalam - Rajahmundry highway. Also, try the famous Bamboo Chicken while you are here.

* **Best Time to Visit:** October to March
* **Top Things to Do:**Picnic, Sightseeing, Trekking, Hiking
* **Top Places to Visit:**Amruthadhara Falls, Manyam Viewpoint, Jalatharangini falls, Sokuleru Vagu, Rampa waterfalls, APFDC coffee and pepper plantations
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 1,250 - ₹ 2,500 per head (2 Days, 1 Night)
* **How to Reach:**Road, Rail and Air

**5. Lambasingi**

Lambasingi is popularly referred to as the Kashmir of Andhra Pradesh. Attributes like close-knit forests and freezing temperatures make the nickname apt for this place. During winters, the temperature goes as down as 1 degree C. Here one can easily find luxurious resorts and homestays to spend their trip. However, this place is not as commercialised as the other hill stations in Andhra Pradesh, but visitors will easily find small shops selling spices, coffee and tea indigenous to the place. Lambasingi is just 107 km from Vishakhapatnam airport. So, tourists can easily reach this place and avoid the hassle.

* **Best Time to Visit:**November to January
* **Top Things to Do:**Camping, Sightseeing, Pilgrimage
* **Top Places to Visit:**Thajangi Reservoir, Kothapalli waterfall, Annavaram Temple, Kondakarla Bird Sanctuary, Yerravaram Waterfalls
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 1,500 - ₹ 2,000 per person (approx. 1 Day Trip)
* **How to Reach:**Road, Rail and Air

**6. Ananthagiri Hills**

Ananthagiri hills are just 26 kilometres away from Araku Valley. Moreover, these hills are considered the oldest location of a forested civilisation in the Ranga Reddy district. Here the tourists can wake up to clear skies and the chirping of various birds or walk under the star-studded night skies. Additionally, in the afternoon, the coffee plantations and the clouds floating over the valley create a view straight out of a painter's canvas. Ananthagiri hills are perfect for both family vacationers and honeymooners.

* **Best Time to Visit:** October to March
* **Top Things to Do:** Trekking, Temple visits, Kayaking
* **Top Places to Visit:** Ananthagiri Hills Viewpoint, Ananthagiri Temple, Bhavanasi Lake, Musi River
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 4,000 - ₹ 5,000 per night (hotel tariff)
* **How to Reach:**Road, Rail and Air

**7. Nallamala Hills**

This is the largest hill station in the state and is spread across five districts. Further, it also stretches across some districts in the neighbouring state of Telangana. It is located south of the Krishna River and runs parallel to Coromandel Coast. Nallamala Hills are rugged and sparsely populated; most of its parts are composed of slates and quartzites. Nonetheless, this hill station has a lot to offer its visitors, from forests, flower fields, valleys, peaks and farmlands. Individuals looking for less crowded and little explored places can add Nallamala Hills to their vacation itinerary.

* **Best Time to Visit:**October to January
* **Top Things to Do:**Sightseeing, Temple visits, Historical site visits
* **Top Places to Visit:** Srisailam Dam, Nagarjunasagar Tiger Reserve, Mahanandi, Cumcum Lake, Amareswara Temple, Nagarjunakonda, Ahobilam
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 1,450 - ₹ 3,807 per night (Hotel Price)
* **How to Reach:**Road, Rail and Air

**8. Nagari Hills**

Nagari Hills is considered a really good picnic spot as the Kushasthali river flows alongside the dense forests of the hill and provides scenic beauty to the area. Further, lots of hikers and trekkers also visit this hill quite frequently. This place's prime attraction is that Nagari Nose resembles the shape of an actual nose. Moreover, this place is suitable for day trips, and overnight trips are impossible as there are no hotels or resorts on the hilltop. Nagari Hills is far from any human inhabitation, especially at the hilltop. It is just 35 km away from Tirupati, so pilgrims can also come for a day trip to Nagari Hills after their pilgrimage.

* **Best Time to Visit:** Throughout the year
* **Top Things to Do:**Picnic, Photography, Hiking, Trekking
* **Top Places to Visit:**Gurramkonda Fort, Kaundinya Wildlife Sanctuary
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 5,000 - ₹ 10,000 per person (2 Days and 1 Night)
* **How to Reach:** Road, Rail and Air

**9. Tirumala**

Tirumala is located in Andhra Pradesh's Tirupati district, a spiritual town. Every year many devotees visit Tirumala Venkateshwara Swamy temple. It is known for its rich history and culture. Tirumala has a wet and dry climate; however, the temperature drops to 10 degrees as one goes near the temple, which is nestled in the interiors of the hill. Since the town is under the Tirupati Urban Development Authority, it is strictly vegetarian due to its religious significance. Visitors here are advised to maintain decorum as it is a religious place, and pilgrims come here for spiritual reasons.

* **Best Time to Visit:** September to January
* **Top Things to Do:**Pilgrimage
* **Top Places to Visit:**Tirumala Venkateshwara Swamy temple, Akasa Ganga waterfall
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 28,550 onwards per person (4 Days and 3 Days)
* **How to Reach:**Road, Rail and Air

**10. Nagalapuram**

Nagalapuram or Nagala hills is a part of the Eastern Ghats and is renowned for its diverse flora and fauna. If you are looking for a quaint town with a serene ambience to spend your vacation, this hill station is a perfect choice. This place has beautiful rock formations and waterfalls, and trekkers can enjoy the topography of this place throughout the trekking route. Moreover, paid parking facilities are available at the beginning of the trekking route.

* **Best Time to Visit:**October to March
* **Top Things to Do:** Camping, Trekking, Photography
* **Top Places to Visit:**Ubbalamadugu waterfalls, Veda Narayanaswami temple, Shiva Temple falls, Mini Courtallam
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 1,850 onwards per person (2 Days Trip)
* **How to Reach:** Road, Rail and Air

**ARUNACHAL PRADESH**

## Gorichen Peak

### [Gori Chen Mountain, Arunachal Pradesh](https://lbb.in/places/Gori-Chen-Mountain-a27729)

At an altitude of about 22,500 feet above sea level, Gorichen is the highest peak in Arunachal Pradesh located between Tawang and West Kameng. Gorichen is a great trekking and mountaineering spot for seasoned trekkers. Trek till Chokersam, the base camp of Gorichen, for an experience of a lifetime. Beginners can go on trekking trails around the mountain. Gorichen is locally known as Sa-Nga Phu, which means the Kingdom of the Deity. The Monpa tribe considers this peak to be sacred that protects them from evil.

## Kangto Massif

### [Kangto, Arunachal Pradesh](https://lbb.in/places/Kangto-a27da8)

At a height of over 23,000 feet, this one is one of the first mountain ranges that you get to see as you move from the east to the west. It's a mountain in the Eastern Himalayas located in the West Kameng district of Arunachal Pradesh right on the border with the Tibet Autonomous Region of China. It's also one of the least known mountaineering zones in the state. It is this range that stops the monsoon clouds resulting in the formation of the Kameng river. Some major peaks of the range include Gorichen, Kangto, Nyegyi Kangsang and Takpa Shiri, considered to be a holy mountain.

## Kelingon

### [Kelingon, Arunachal Pradesh](https://lbb.in/places/Kelingon-a27a55)

At a height of 4,370 metres, Kelingon is a mountain peak near Tezu formed by the local Midu Idus. It is believed to be the first highest mountain in the state and the 52nd highest mountain in the country (we are told!). Named so by the locals, Kelingon is located close to Anini in the Dibang Valley of Arunachal Pradesh and often goes unnoticed.

## Komdi Mountain

### [Komdi, Arunachal Pradesh](https://lbb.in/places/Komdi-a27cbc)

At an altitude of over 12,688 feet and 3,908 metres above sea level, Komdi is a mountain peak near Pasighat. It's believed to be the third highest peak in Arunachal Pradesh and makes for a great visit if you are into mountaineering.

## Geshila Peak

### [Tawang](https://lbb.in/places/Tawang-bf452f)

If you're planning to go to Tawang, make sure you visit the Geshila peak. It's one of the most serene and beautiful peaks in the state with spectacular views of the surrounding areas. It's nothing short of paradise for photographers if you wish to capture the beauty of the place forever. It's a once-in-a-lifetime experience that you shouldn't miss out on.

**ASSAM**

**1. Haflong – The Most Splendid And Serene One**

A perfect collage of lush green hills, sparkling water, and opulent valleys, Haflong is one of the best and most popular hill stations near Guwahati. It is ideal for a secluded and peaceful holiday, which is also blessed with beautiful orchids and birds.

Haflong is also a trekker’s paradise and known for adventure sports like paragliding. The hill station is a year-around destination and a one of the must visit [places to visit when travelling to North East.](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/20-places-to-visit-when-travelling-to-north-east/) Those who are planning to visit in November, must attend Chavang Kut, which is a famous and colourful harvest festival of Haflong.

**Best Time To Visit:**October-February   
**Famous For:**The serene and beautiful Haflong Lake is the primary attraction of the little hill station. One can also go for a scenic boat ride in the lake and strolling around. Borali Range and Orchid Garden are other tourist attractions you can visit.

**2. Diphu – A Peaceful Retreat For Nature Lovers**

270 km from Guwahati, Diphu is one of the least-known hill stations in Assam. The pristine beauty of its plush green rolling hills and serene surroundings will leave you awestruck. Diphu is endowed with beautiful temples like Deopani Durga Mandir, Shiva Mandir and Khanduli. It’s also one of the most famous hill stations in Assam for trekking, hiking, and other **adventure sports**. You can trek to the highest point of Diphu to enjoy stunning views of Brahmaputra Valley.

**Best Time To Visit:**November-December   
**Famous For:** It has a beautiful Botanical Garden, a district museum, and Arboretum and Marat Longri National Park

**3. Umrangso – An Unspoilt Picturesque Beauty**

Perched on the spectacular North Cachar Hill, Umrangso is amongst the most scenic hill stations in Assam. Located on the border of Assam and Meghalaya, the place has a rustic charm and offers everything that is needed to rejuvenate the mind and soul of a weary city dweller.

Umrangso is 104 km from Haflong, a **4-hour-long scenic drive through Jowai and Shillong Hills** can take you there.

**Best Time To Visit:**October Onwards   
**Famous For:**Garampani, a hot spring located on the top of the hill. It is believed to have medicinal values and offers gorgeous views of the surrounding valley. The spring has formed a lake and people can enjoy boating there.

**4. Maibang – Famed For Relics Of Kachari Kingdom**

Former capital of Kachari kings, Maibang is a scenic and mesmeric hill station in Assam. It’s a place of wonders and those who love traversing the unexplored trails must visit it. This little hill station is known for stone carvings and sculptures of the **Kachari dynasty** and sparkling waterfalls cascading down the verdant slopes.

**Best Time To Visit:**October-March   
**Famous For:**The relics of Kachari Rajbari and the most famous Ramchandi—a unique monolithic ancient temple, locally known as Ek Patthar Ghar.

**5. Dispur – The Capital City**

Known to be the capital of Assam, Dispur is blessed with some of the beautiful views to admire and also unique traditions to experience. In 1973, this magnificent hill station was given the title of Assam’s capital and later it became a home to some important buildings like Assam Secretariat, State Emergency Operations center and State Assemble House. Alongside that there are many temples which surround this place and hold great importance. Dispur is also famous for the tea auction market which takes place at the outskirts of Guwahati.

**Best Time To Visit:** November-March  
**Famous For:**Home to the important buildings of Assam

**6. Sualkuchi – The Town Of Craftsmen**

This is a small village which reflects the beautiful culture and tradition of Assam in the best possible way. Famous for being a weaving village, this is a home to a vast number of skilled craftsmen who are known for producing the best silk in the state. For this reason, this place is also called the “Manchester of the East”. Not just this, but the bamboo houses are known for their ethnic and rustic beauty which is worth admiring. Alongside that Sualkuchi is also famous for its vast variety of flora and fauna which is worth exploring.

**Best Time To Visit:** November-March  
**Famous For:**Home to skilled craftsmen

**7. Lilabari – Holding The Nature’s Beauty**

This is a small town which is situated at the North Lakhampur in Assam and is known for its surreal beauty. Particularly famous for the waterfront, this place is located close to the bank of Brahmaputra river. This place is beautified by the beauty of the Dirang Valley and the Sela Pass. Alongside that Lilabari is also the place which serves Arunachal Pradesh. Apart from the serene beauty of this little town, this place also offers a wide range of scope to adventure enthusiasts. People can try their hands on trekking, mountaineering, rafting and camping.

**Best Time To Visit:** October-March  
**Famous For:**Adventure activities

**8. Morigaon – Laidback Town**

Morigaon is a breathtakingly beautiful place which is known for its beautiful history, and also a rich culture and tradition which is worth exploring. Alongside that there are stories of legends which open like a box of surprises. From the north of this district, River Brahmaputra flows while the west side of the place is covered by the snow capped mountains. Alongside that there is a vastly spread agriculture land where the vegetables are grown. With the beautiful views, Morigaon makes a great place for embracing the enchanting beauty of nature.

**Best Time To Visit:** November-February  
**Famous For:**Architectures from the past, nature’s beauty

**9. Bongaigaon – Town Of Caves And Temples**

This town was once the capital of Kamatapur Kingdom, and in the present holds an important place. There are many historical monuments which reflect Assamese culture and there are also many vibrant Assamese township and culture. The surreal beauty of this town is well preserved and people come here to witness the untouched beauty of Assam. There is also a historical cave and Bhageshwari temple which showcases the history of the place. This town is also famous for the petrochemical industry.

**Best Time To Visit:** October-May  
**Famous For:**Historical architectures and caves

**10. Karimganj – Home Of Local Tribes**

Secluded from the chaos of the main city, Karimganj is one of the sleepy towns of Assam. This is the biggest city and also the administrative headquarter of the district. Located at the southernmost part of Assam, this place is perfect to enjoy a great time amidst the lush-greenery. Surrounded by the thick forests, this place holds an important role in the livelihood of the locals. Karimganj is also a home to the local tribes and there are many cultures and traditions which reflect the origins of this place.

**Best Time To Visit:** October-February  
**Famous For:**It is the biggest city of Assam and also home to local tribes

**BIHAR**

**1. Brahmajuni Hill**

The excellent view of Brahmajuni hill and its surrounding historic temples makes it an outstanding choice to experience the tranquillity of the place. This hill station in Bihar is located in the district of Gaya and is home to numerous caves famous for their stone wall carvings. In addition, the auspicious belief of Buddha delivering his first sermon to 1000 disciples in Brahmajuni hill makes this place remarkably serene.

* **Best Time to Visit:**October to February
* **Top Things to Do:**Cave visiting, seeking blessings of Lord Vishnu at historical temples and nature exploration.
* **Top Places to Visit:** Vishnupad Temple, Brahmayoni and Matruyoni caves, and other temples dedicated to Astabhujadevi.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 3,000 per person (per day)
* **How to Reach:** By road, train or flight.

**2. Ramshila Hill**

Ramshila Hill is located almost a few kilometres from the Vishnupad temples in Gaya. This place is among the top hill stations in Bihar with the presence of a remarkable temple that has its foundation on top of the hill. Tourists visiting this hill station will get to see countless extraordinary stone sculptors. In addition, Ramshila hill is the home of auspicious temples of Hindu deities like Devi Sita, Lord Ram and Hanuman.

* **Best Time to Visit:** October to February
* **Top Things to Do:** Temple visiting, photography and nature exploration
* **Top Places to Visit:**Ramesvara or Pathaleshwara temple and Ahilya Bai temple
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 2,000 - 3,000 per person (per day)
* **How to Reach:** By road, flight and train

**3. Pretshila Hill**

Pretshila hill is among the top hill stations in Bihar and gained popularity for its breathtaking view of Brahma Kund and for exploring the beautiful city of Gaya. Every year, hundreds of pilgrims visit the Brahma Kund Lake and offer Pind Daan, which is a sacred ritual performed for the departed souls of their ancestors.

* **Best Time to Visit:** Summer and Monsoon
* **Top Things to Do:** Bathing in Brahma Kund Lake, visiting sacred temples and photography
* **Top Places to Visit:** Ahilya Bai temple, Brahma Kund
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 2,000 per person (per day)
* **How to Reach:** By road, flight or train

**4. Prag Bodhi**

Situated in the Gaya district in Bihar, Pragbodhi, also known as Dungeshwari hill, attracts tourists for its exemplary scenic beauty. As per the legends, this place was the resting place for Lord Buddha before attaining enlightenment. The enticing lush green meadows of Prag Bodhi and the panoramic state of Kiriyama village make this place worthy of remembrance.

* **Best Time to Visit:** October to February
* **Top Things to Do:** Cave visiting, an evening stroll to the ancient monastery, biking to enjoy the view on the mountain’s top
* **Top Places to Visit:** Monastery, Kiriyami village
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 2,000 - ₹ 5,000 per person (per day)
* **How to Reach:**By road, air and rail

**5. Gurpa Peak**

Located near the small village Gurpa, this sacred mountain is known as Kukkutapadagiri. This hill station in Bihar offers a plethora of astounding Hindu shrines and Buddhist relics that serve as a prime attraction for tourists. An ideal spot for meditation, Gurpa peak is believed to be the waiting place for Maha Kassapa, the successor of Lord Buddha.

* **Best Time to Visit:**July to August
* **Top Things to Do:** Mountain climbing, visiting the ancient caves, meditating at the Summit.
* **Top Places to Visit:** Hindu and Buddhist shrines, Summit, caves
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 2,000 - ₹ 4,000 per person (per day)
* **How to Reach:** By road, flight or train

**CHHATTISGARH**

**1. Manipat**

Manipat is located in a small district in the Surguja district. Locally, this place is known as ‘Mini Tibet’, as most of the residents here are Tibetan refugees. Sometimes, this small village is recognised as 'Shimla/Swiss of Chhattisgarh' for its amazing greenery and soothing natural beauty.

So, if you are looking for a honeymoon destination in Chhattisgarh, Manipat is an ideal option. Also, you can taste delicious chowmein, momos and thukpa.

* **Best Time to Visit:**July to September
* **Top Things to Do:** Trekking, nature exploration, and photography.
* **Top Places to Visit:**Dhakpo Monastery, Tiger Point, Fish Falls, Mehta Point and Jaljali.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 3,500 per person (2 Day/1 Night)
* **How to Reach:**By air, road, and train.

**2. Chirmiri**

Chirmiri is located in the Koriya district of Chhattisgarh and at a distance of 290.8 km from Raipur. For its natural beauty and mesmerising views, it is also known as the “Heaven of Chhattisgarh.” One of the favourite places to visit at Chirmiri is the Lord Jagannath temple, and every day you can see tourists flocking here to seek blessings.

Also, this place is covered with dense forest and has flourished with exotic flora and fauna. You can visit other pilgrim spots from here; otherwise, this place provides you with enough opportunity for exploration.

* **Best Time to Visit:**October to April
* **Top Things to Do:** Trekking, camping and nature walk.
* **Top Places to Visit:** Amrit Dhara Falls, Hasdeo River, Haldibadi Temple, and Bartunga Sati Temple.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 2,500 per person (2 Day/1 Night)
* **How to Reach:**By air, road, and train.

**3. Bailadila**

Bailadila is one of the most popular destinations in the state and is located at an elevation of 1276 meters. This hill is blessed with some of the most beautiful waterfalls in the state. Also, you can experience its thrilling forest and blissful gardens. The name Baila Dila comes from the local language, which means Bullock's Hump in the local language, which is justified by its shape. The topmost peak of this mountain is the Aakash Nagar, and you can hike to the top for some stunning views.

* **Best Time to Visit:**July to September
* **Top Things to Do:** Trekking, Hiking, Rappelling and photography.
* **Top Places to Visit:** Danteshwari Temple, Batissa Temple Memory Pillars of Gamawada, Tirathgarh and Chitrakoot Waterfall.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 2,500 per person (2 Day/1 Night)
* **How to Reach:** By air, road, and train.

**4. Gadiya Mountain, Kanker**

The Gadiya Mountain or Kila Dongri is the highest mountain in the Kanker district. The major attraction here is the Doodh River which flows beneath the mountains. On Mahashivaratri, people gather here from all around the state to offer prayers to the lord and seek blessing. Local people believe there is a water tank at the top of the hill, and apparently, it will never get dry. However, besides the religious importance, this place also has amazing natural beauty and multiple attractions.

* **Best Time to Visit:** November to February
* **Top Things to Do:** Tribal tour, nature exploration and photography.
* **Top Places to Visit:**Chare-Marre Waterfall, Shivani Temple, Churi Pagar Cave, Dudhawa Dam etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 1,000 to ₹ 2,000 per person (2 Day/1 Night)
* **How to Reach:** By air, road, and train.

**5. Ambikapur**

Located in the Surguja district, Ambikapur is one of the best hill stations in Chhattisgarh. Although the elevation is not as high as the previous two, this provides a great opportunity to gaze at some beautiful sceneries. This is a perfect holiday for weekends, and here you can see rivers, caves, springs and beautiful waterfalls. Also, as most of the landscape is covered with forest, this destination provides multiple thrilling activities for travellers. Moreover, this place can be easily accessible from the neighbouring cities, especially from Raipur.

* **Best Time to Visit:**October to February
* **Top Things to Do:**Enjoy a picnic near a waterfall, visit age-old temples, and dip in the hot water spring.
* **Top Places to Visit:**Tiger Point Waterfall, Buddha Temple, Jogimara Caves and Ramgir mountains.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 1,500 to ₹ 2,500 per person (2 Day/1 Night)
* **How to Reach:**By air, road, and train.

**GOA**

### 1. Chorla Ghats – To Interact With Endangered Animals

This spot is known as the intersection between Goa, Karnataka, and Maharashtra. A lot of endangered and uncommon types of the fauna of the Sahyadri Ranges can be found here, e.g., wolf snake. A best in class Natural Conservation Center has been arranged to save the bio assorted variety of this locale. The spot also has rich Green Hills, that add majestic hues to the surroundings. It is prevalent among travelers for its exquisite Jungle walks and brave trekking choices. The Twin Vajra Falls and Lasni Temb Peak are the most standard attractions in this region.

**Things to do:** Wildlife safari, Trekking, Jungle walks  
**Ideal for:** Adventure, Family, and friends  
**Ideal trip duration:** 1-2 days  
**Best Time:** June-September  
**How to reach:** One can take a taxi and reach the place by road or through railways.  
**Distance from Goa:** 44.1 kilometers  
**Stay options:** Wildernest Nature Resort, Mayem Lake View, Swapnagandha Resort

### 2. Dandeli – To Indulge In Adventure

Dandeli is a community arranged on the banks of River Kali in the domain of Karnataka (Uttar Kannada District). The place is well connected and can be reached by both state-run and private transport as well. Known for its daring sports the destination won’t let you down. One can find various activities to indulge in from different exercises like outdoors, safari visits, and waterway boating, and so on. Located at a distance of around 120 km from the main city the place is one of the best hill stations near Goa.

**Places To Visit:**River Kali – For Real Adventure, Disney Park – Heaven For Kids, Sathodi Falls – A Mesmerizing View, Magod Falls – With A Serene Ambiance **Things to do:** in Dandeli Wildlife safari, Water sports, Trekking  
**Ideal for:** Adventure, Family, and friends  
**Ideal trip duration:** 1-2 days  
**Best Time:** October to May  
**How to reach:** One can take a taxi and reach the place in 4-5 hours by road.  
**Distance from Goa:** 122 kilometers  
**Stay options:** Dandeli Jungle Nest, Dandeli Kali Tiger Resort, Dandeli Mysa RC

### 3. Amboli – To Spend Time In Tranquility

Amboli draws in a huge number of tourist footfalls from all over India because of its tranquility. The hill station is favored with a charming climate that acts as its perfect USP. Touted as one of the closest hill stations near Goa the place has a number of woodlands, waterfalls, wildlife sanctuaries and many other things for sightseeing. At a distance of 118 km from Goa, the destination is best explored during the months of June till August and offers a wide variety of activities to indulge in.

**Things to do:** Wildlife safari, Sightseeing, Trekking.  
**Ideal for:** Adventure, Family, and friends  
**Ideal trip duration:** 1-2 days  
**Best Time:** June-August  
**How to reach:** One can board a train and reach the place in 3-4 hours.  
**Distance from Goa:** 119.1 kilometers  
**Stay options:**Amboli MTDC Resort, Whistling Woods Amboli, Hotel JRD International

### 4. Agumbe – Cherrapunji Of The South

The spot is designated “Cherrapunji of the south” because of its stunning scenery. Gopal Krishna sanctuaries, Barkana falls and dusk Point together makes this spot profoundly evaluated. Its beautiful scenes attract vacationers in large numbers from everywhere throughout the world. Wanderlusts visit this spot as it is additionally serves as the ground for replicating Cobra, one of the longest and poisonous snakes on the planet. Situated away at a distance of 324 kilometers from Goa, this is a must-visit place.

**Things to do:** Sightseeing, Wildlife safari, Trekking.  
**Ideal for:** Adventure, Family, and friends  
**Ideal trip duration:** 1-2 days  
**Best Time:** November-January  
**How to reach:** The place is well-connected by roadways and railways. The nearest station is Udupi.  
**Distance from Goa:** 314.9 kilometers  
**Stay options:**Dodda Mane, Komal Residency, Mallya Residency

### 5. Panchgani – For The Many Tourist Attractions

This famous tourist spot stays swarmed with people consistently. One cannot avoid visiting this place at any cost due to the bountiful of attractions it offers. if you are planning for an extended vacation in Goa, then do make a stopover at Panchgani. The destination is packed with Parsi Point, Rajpuri Caves, Sydney point, Table Top Mountain and many other places that make your trip more fascinating. Located at a distance of 379 km from Goa it is one of the must-visit spots to invest quality time and energy with friends and family.

**Places To Visit:**Sydney Point: Overlooking Lush Green Valleys, Parsi Point: For A Panoramic Sight, Mapro Gardens: Get Some Organic Products, Rajpuri Caves: For An Exciting Journey **Things to do in  Panchgani:** Sightseeing  
**Ideal for:** Family, and friends  
**Ideal trip duration:** 1-2 days  
**Best Time:** September-May  
**How to reach:** The place is well-connected by roadways and railways. The nearest station is Chiplun.  
**Distance from Goa:** 380.6 kilometers  
**Stay options:**Hotel Malas, Panchgani Cottages, Hotel Ambassador, Hotel Rahil Plaza

### 6. Rajmachi – A Place To Indulge In Adventure

Driving some 225 km away from Goa, one will be transported to the town of Rajmachi. Nestled among the hills of Sahyadri, the town has a raw old-world demeanor attached to it. The crowning jewel of the Konkan coast boasts of two peaks Shrivardhan and Manaranjan Forts, situated closely to Lonavala and Khandala. The pristine surroundings are drenched in a green glow during monsoons, and also welcome cascading streams and waterfalls. Apart from natural beauty, the town is also celebrated among the adventure lovers for its trekking opportunities. After soaking in the views of the landscape do indulge in some adrenaline pumping activities in Rajmachi Fort to make the most of your trip.

**Things to do:** Sightseeing, Trekking.  
**Ideal for:** Adventure, Family, and friends  
**Ideal trip duration:** 1-2 days  
**Best Time:** August-September  
**How to reach:** The place is well-connected by roadways and railways. The nearest station is Lonavala station.  
**Distance from Goa:** 225 kilometers  
**Stay options:**The Fern Residency, Hotel Pankaj Executive, Hotel Mahendra, Sapphire Premium Hotel & Suite

### 7. Kudremukh – Nature’s Showpiece

This town can be beautifully described as a “Nature’s Showpiece”. The destination is a runaway favorite with the tourists because of its appeal. The hill ranges of western ghats covered with tiny grasses fold into the valley which is punctuated with unyielding forests. While the serpentine Bhadra River below marks its presence, the nearby cascades, and Hanuman Gundi Falls paint a very beautiful picture. While at the place one should also go trekking to Kudremukh National Park replenished with camps and wildlife spotting. One of the breath-taking hill stations near Goa, it is highly advisable to plan a sojourn here.

**Things to do:** Sightseeing, Trekking, Pilgrimage, Wildlife Safari  
**Ideal for:** Adventure, Family, and friends  
**Ideal trip duration:** 1-2 days  
**Best Time:** October-January  
**How to reach:** The place is well-connected by roadways and railways. The nearest station is Mangalore.  
**Distance from Goa:** 261 kilometers  
**Stay options:** Bella Homestay Kudremukh, Hotel Mudra Mid Town Rooms And Suites, Nagagiri Comforts, Bhagavathi Nature Camp

### 8. Kemmanagundi – A Gorgeous Site

Evoking elegance in its every nook, Kemmanagundi can be easily cited as the hill station of dreams. Situated in the Tarikere Taluk of the Chikkamagaluru district, one cannot stop raving about this place. The destination is carefully enveloped by mountain streams, fancy gardens and cascades. This hill station looks like a decoupage created at the hands of nature. Explorers can also find a non-ending list of activities here as the locale is blessed with attractions like Kalahasti falls, Z point and many more. A truly gorgeous site which emits charm and captures your attention instantly.

**Things to do:** Sightseeing, Water sports, Pilgrimage, Trekking  
**Ideal for:** Adventure, Family, and friends  
**Ideal trip duration:** 2-3 days  
**Best Time:** September-February  
**How to reach:** The place is well-connected by roadways and railways. The nearest station is Tarekere.  
**Distance from Goa:** 262 kilometers  
**Stay options:** The Last Resort, The Blossom Resort, Nature Nirvana

### 9. Durshet – For An Unexplored Version Of Nature

This locale is one of the brimming spots for adventure lovers! Tucked away in the mountain ranges the ageless destination is blessed by the unexplored version of nature. While the nearby Sahyadri mountain ranges offer a plethora of options like hot springs and caves to explore the meandering course of the Amba river also poses as a reserve of thrilling water sports. One of the stunning hill stations near Goa, the destination serves as a hotspot for picnics and weekend getaways with friends and family.

**Things to do:** Sightseeing, Water sports, Trekking  
**Ideal for:** Adventure, Family, and friends  
**Ideal trip duration:** 1-2 days  
**Best Time:** September-February  
**How to reach:** The place is well-connected by roadways and railways. The nearest station is Mumbai VT.  
**Distance from Goa:** 389 kilometers  
**Stay options:**Durshet Forest Lodge, Vikings Landing

### 10. Chikmagalur – A Tranquilising And Beautiful Hill Station

When translated Chikmagalur means ‘Young Daughter’s Town’ and the legend associated with the same is that the town was given as a dowry to Rukmangada. the chief of Sakrepatna’s daughter. The town is one of the tranquilizing and serene **hill stations around Goa.**India’s first place for cultivating coffee and now famous for its coffee plantations and beautiful sceneries, Chikmagalur is as beautiful as it gets.

**Places To Visit:**Z Point – Soak In The Natural Beauty, Kallathagiri Falls – Hear The Music Of Nature, Baba Budangiri – Hike The Mystical Peak, Bhadra Dam – Landmark Of Chikmaglur[Things to do in  Chikmagalur](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/things-to-do-in-Chikmagalur/)**:** Sightseeing, Trekking, Bone Rattling  
**Ideal for:** Adventure, Family, and friends  
**Ideal trip duration:** 2-3 days  
**Best Time:** September-March  
**How to reach:** The place is well-connected by roadways and railways. Durunto, Rajdhani, and Shatabadi ply between the two destinations.  
**Distance from Goa:** 421.8 kilometers  
**Stay options:**Treebo Maharaja Inn, Chikmagalur Homestay, Hotel Silver Suites

**GUJARAT**

**1. Ambaji Peak (Girnar)**

Ambaji Peak (Girnar) (1117m/3665ft) is a mountain in Gujarat. The prominence is 1098m/3602ft.

By elevation Ambaji Peak (Girnar) is number 1 out of 32 in Gujarat and number 1 out of 5 in Junagadh Taluka.

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Location : Junagadh Taluka, Gujarat, India.

Latitude : 21.527967.

Longitude : 70.527766.

Height : 3665 feet.

**2. Pāvāgarh**

Pāvāgarh (847m/2779ft) is a mountain in Gujarat. The prominence is 722m/2369ft.

By elevation Pāvāgarh is number 2 out of 32 in Gujarat and number 1 out of 1 in Halol Taluka.

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Location : Halol Taluka, Gujarat, India.

Latitude : 22.463498.

Longitude : 73.515401.

Height : 2779 feet.

**3. Guru No Bhokharo**

Guru No Bhokharo (796m/2612ft) is a mountain in India. The prominence is 380m/1247ft.

By elevation Guru No Bhokharo is number 3 out of 32 in Gujarat and number 1 out of 2 in Vadgam Taluka and number 1 out of 1 in Amirgadh Taluka.

By prominence Guru No Bhokharo is number 7 out of 32 in Gujarat and number 1 out of 2 in Vadgam Taluka and number 1 out of 1 in Amirgadh Taluka.

Location : Amirgadh Taluka, Gujarat, India.

Latitude : 24.203499.

Longitude : 72.65695.

Height : 2612 feet.

**4. Sarkāla**

Sarkāla (643m/2110ft) is a mountain in Gujarat. The prominence is 500m/1640ft.

By elevation Sarkāla is number 1 out of 1 in Paniya WLS and number 4 out of 32 in Gujarat and number 1 out of 1 in Dhari Taluka.

By prominence Sarkāla is number 1 out of 1 in Paniya WLS and number 5 out of 32 in Gujarat and number 1 out of 1 in Dhari Taluka.

Location : Dhari Taluka, Gujarat, India.

Latitude : 21.205605.

Longitude : 70.843162.

Height : 2110 feet.

**5. Handev Dongar**

Handev Dongar (641m/2103ft) is a mountain in the Western Ghats in India. The prominence is 333m/1093ft.

By elevation Handev Dongar is number 5 out of 32 in Gujarat and number 1 out of 2 in Kavant Taluka.

By prominence Handev Dongar is number 10 out of 32 in Gujarat and number 1 out of 2 in Kavant Taluka.

Location : Kavant Taluka, Gujarat, India.

Latitude : 21.991534.

Longitude : 74.076967.

Height :2103 feet.

**6. Venu**

Venu (625m/2051ft) is a mountain in Gujarat. The prominence is 547m/1795ft.

By elevation Venu is number 1 out of 1 in Barda WLS and number 6 out of 32 in Gujarat and number 1 out of 1 in Bhanvad Taluka.

By prominence Venu is number 1 out of 1 in Barda WLS and number 3 out of 32 in Gujarat and number 1 out of 1 in Bhanvad Taluka.

Location : Bhanvad Taluka, Gujarat, India.

Latitude : 21.866926.

Longitude : 69.747143.

Height : 2051 feet.

**7. Shetrunjo**

Shetrunjo (603m/1978ft) is a mountain in Gujarat. The prominence is 516m/1693ft.There’s a trail leading to the summit.

By elevation Shetrunjo is number 7 out of 32 in Gujarat and number 1 out of 1 in Palitana Taluka.

By prominence Shetrunjo is number 4 out of 32 in Gujarat and number 1 out of 1 in Palitana Taluka.

Location : Palitana Taluka, Gujarat, India.

Latitude : 21.484094.

Longitude : 71.795178.

Height : 1978 feet.

**8. Nandivela**

Nandivela (530m/1739ft) is a mountain in Gujarat. The prominence is 256m/840ft.

By elevation Nandivela is number 8 out of 32 in Gujarat and number 1 out of 2 in Gir WLS and number 1 out of 1 in Una Taluka.

By prominence Nandivela is number 11 out of 32 in Gujarat and number 1 out of 2 in Gir WLS and number 1 out of 1 in Una Taluka.

Location : Una Taluka, Gujarat, India.

Latitude : 21.039012.

Longitude : 71.115286.

Height :1739 feet.

**9. Kalo Dungar**

Kalo Dungar(462m/1506ft) is a mountain in Gujarat. The prominence is 456m/1496ft.

Kalo Dungar or Black Hill is the highest point in Kutch, Gujarat, India, at 462 m. It is located at 97 km from District headquarters of Bhuj and 25 km from nearest town Khavda.  
The Kalo Dungar is also famous for a 400-year-old Dattatreya temple.  
It is concluded that the vehicle hurtle down fast due to the more gradient of the slope.  
There’s a trail leading to the summit.

By elevation Kalo Dungar is number 9 out of 32 in Gujarat and number 1 out of 3 in Bhuj Taluka.

By prominence Kalo Dungar is number 6 out of 32 in Gujarat and number 1 out of 3 in Bhuj Taluka.

Location : Bhuj Taluka, Gujarat, India.

Latitude : 23.93479.

Longitude : 69.814252.

Height : 1506 feet.

**10. Kamla**

Kamla (406m/1332ft) is a hill in India. The prominence is 244m/801ft.

By elevation Kamla is number 10 out of 32 in Gujarat and number 1 out of 1 in Mahuva Taluka and number 1 out of 1 in Jesar Taluka.

By prominence Kamla is  
number 12 out of 32 in Gujarat and number 1 out of 1 in Mahuva Taluka and 1 out of 1 in Jesar Taluka.

Location : Mahuva Taluka, Gujarat, India.

Latitude : 21.384692.

Longitude : 71.806192.

Height :1332 feet.

**HARYANA**

### 1. Morni Hills

Morni Hills is the sole hill station in Haryana; hence, it is famous among the citizens of this state. Located at a distance of 35 km from Panchkula, this place is cooler than its neighbouring places, such as Panchkula and Chandigarh. Also, the overall weather in Morni Hills is very comfortable throughout the year and is an exciting option for a quick escape on summer days.

* **Best Time to Visit:**Throughout the year
* **Top Things to Do:**Trekking, nature exploration, and photography.
* **Top Places to Visit:** Tikkar Taal, Morni Fort, Thakurdwara Temple, Karoh Peak, etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 1,500 per person (1 Day)
* **How to Reach:** By air, road, and train.

Other than this famous hill station in Haryana, there is no option for tourists to explore the hills. However, you can travel a few kilometres to its neighbouring states for some exciting holiday options for a memorable trip.

## 2. Parwanoo

Parwanoo is located at a distance of approximately 30 kilometres from Chandigarh, which takes around 1 hour to reach. Moreover, this place is also easily accessible from other cities and has stunning views. This destination is known for its cable cars and is also a family-friendly place. Apart from enjoying the ropeway, there are also biking trails which are perfect for adventure seekers.

* **Best Time to Visit:** October to May
* **Top Things to Do:**Ropeway ride, mountain biking, trekking, etc.
* **Top Places to Visit:**Kali Mata Temple, Gorkha Fort, Dagshai, etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 27,000 per person (3 Day/2 Night)
* **How to Reach:** By air, road, and train.

### 3. Kasauli

If you want to stay near Haryana and yet enjoy scenic beauty, Kasauli is the perfect option. This place is undoubtedly one of the top hill stations near Haryana and is perfect for a family vacation. You can enjoy the bona fide beauty of nature with its rich flora and fauna. Kasauli was invented by the British and is located close to Shimla and Kalka. Additionally, if you are an adventure lover, there are hiking trails in the thick forests, and you can enjoy beautiful sunsets and meadows there.

* **Best Time to Visit:**Throughout the Year
* **Top Things to Do:**Hiking, toy train ride, camping, bird watching, and nature walks.
* **Top Places to Visit:**Lover’s Lane, Gilbert trail, Christ Church, Sunset Point, Tibetan market, Monkey Point, etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 4,000 per person (4 Day/3 Night – Accommodation cost)
* **How to Reach:** By air, road, and train.

### 4. Shimla

For Indians, Shimla is one of the most preferred hill stations, and its natural and scenic beauty completely justifies its popularity. Moreover, this place is easily accessible from nearly major cities such as Delhi and Chandigarh. It has plenty of temples and a legion of interesting places for exploration. If you like snow, winters in Shimla can be ideal for you, as during this time, Shimla boasts its beauty, and even months will not be enough to cherish it.

* **Best Time to Visit:**May to June and December to January
* **Top Things to Do:**Trekking, heli-skiing, camping, river rafting, ice skating, and paragliding.
* **Top Places to Visit:** Chadwick Falls, Shimla Heritage Museum, Hanuman Ji Statue, Sunset Point etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 10,000 per person (5 Days/4 Nights)
* **How to Reach:** By air, road and train.

### 5. Chail

Chail is located in the Solan district and is an ideal place for people who love to spend some solitary time in serenity. Moreover, this place is not only famous for its stunning beauty but also for its rich history. Chail is set against the Shivalik Hills and hence boasts its panoramic vistas, refreshing breeze and the world's highest cricket ground.

* **Best Time to Visit:**March to October
* **Top Things to Do:**Nature walks, camping, hiking and wildlife spotting.
* **Top Places to Visit:**Chail Palace, Sadhupul, Chail Wildlife Sanctuary, Kali Ka Tibba, Siddh Baba Mandir etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 10,000 per person (3 Days/2 Nights)
* **How to Reach:** By air, road and train.

### 6. Solan

Solan is located in the foothills of the Shivalik range, and it attracts tourists from around the country. As this place is not very popular among travellers, so you might, you might expect less frenetic tourists even in peak times. Apart from its scenic beauty, Solan is also famous for its mushroom cultivation and adventure activities. In winters, you can see snow here, and it becomes gorgeous to look at.

* **Best Time to Visit:**March to October
* **Top Things to Do:** Sightseeing, bird watching, forest walks, and trekking.
* **Top Places to Visit:**Gurkha Fort, Yungdrung Tibetan Monastery, Shoolini Mata Temple, Solan Brewery, Jatoli Shiv Temple etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 21,000 for two people (4 Days/3 Nights)
* **How to Reach:** By air, road and train.

### 7. Nahan

Nahan is an offbeat location in Himachal Pradesh and is approximately 86 kilometres away from Chandigarh. For those who seek a bit more than a simple vacation, Nahan is a complete package. This charming hill town is not only a haven for stunning natural beauty but also has many things to do. You may explore one of the several historic temples in addition to going on hikes.

* **Best Time to Visit:** September to mid-November
* **Top Things to Do:** Nature walks, boating, and camping.
* **Top Places to Visit:** Kalisthan Temple, Villa Round, Mall Road, Suketi Fossil Park, Renuka Lake, etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 7,000 per person (2 Days/1 Nights)
* **How to Reach:** By air, road and train.

### 8. Barog

Barog is one of the best places to visit if you are looking for offbeat destinations near Haryana. Barog is becoming an increasingly popular option among tourists seeking a weekend away from the pandemonium of the city because this gorgeous trip just takes about an hour. Also, this destination is still less congested compared to its other counterparts and is adorned with lush greenery and a soothing breeze.

* **Best Time to Visit:**October to January
* **Top Things to Do:**Nature walks, boating, and camping.
* **Top Places to Visit:**Kalisthan Temple, Villa Round, Mall Road, Suketi Fossil Park, Renuka Lake, etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 3,000 per person (2 Days/1 Nights)
* **How to Reach:** By air, road and train.

### 9. Nalagarh

Nalagarh is located at a distance of fewer than 65 kilometres from Chandigarh and is one of the best destinations for picnics. Nalagarh is ideal for a jaunt with your friends and family, and the Nalagarh Fort is this area's most well-known landmark. This historical masterpiece has now been transformed into a heritage property. You can enjoy the breathtaking views of the Shivalik Range and the Sirsa River from the top of Raja Bikram Chand's former palace, which will make your trip truly memorable.

* **Best Time to Visit:**October to March
* **Top Things to Do:**Hiking, mountain climbing, rappelling, river crossing etc.
* **Top Places to Visit:**Nalagarh Fort
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 4,000 per person (2 Days/1 Nights)
* **How to Reach:**By air, road and train.

### 10. Naldehra

Naldehra, a charming and unusual location, is located at a distance of approximately 136 kilometres from Chandigarh. This place will surely put you in the direct path of fiery sunsets and energising sunrises. The deodar trees surround this place, making it a relaxing place for a weary mind. Additionally, the 18-hole golf course is one of the nicest things you can do here, and if you want to have more fun, you can also play there.

* **Best Time to Visit:**May to September
* **Top Things to Do:** Horse riding, golfing, hiking, etc.
* **Top Places to Visit:** Tattapani, Kogi village, Shaily Peak etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 2,000 per person (2 Days/1 Nights)
* **How to Reach:** By air, road and train.

**HIMACHAL PRADESH**

### 1. Kasol- Enthralling Beauty

This small village of Himachal Pradesh is located on the Parvati river bank and has been gaining quite a lot of popularity. Kasol is equally loved by nature lovers, adventurists, and backpackers. It is located in the middle of Manikaran and Bhuntar and is one the best places to unwind yourself and have a relaxing time at!

**Major tourist attractions:** Parvati River, [Kheerganga trail](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/kheer-ganga-trek/), Tosh, and Malana  
**Best time to visit:** October to June  
**How to reach:**Since both the railway station and airport are prett far, its best to go by road. One can hire a cab, take a bus, or drive on their own till Kasol.   
**Things to do:**Kheerganga Trek, Manikaran Sahib Gurdwara, Shopping, Sar Pass Trek  
**Places to Stay:**The Himalayan Village, Parvati River Cottage, Hotel Sandhya

### 2. Kullu- Lush Greenery

Formed by **River Beas**—Kullu is one of the most photogenic valleys and **famous hill stations in Himachal Pradesh** bestowed with plush green meadows, orchards, and sparkling streams. Kullu is also adorned by many age old temples, hence rightly called the ‘valley of Gods’. This picturesque destination is famous for trekking, river rafting, and paragliding.

**Major tourist attractions**: [Kheer Ganga](https://traveltriangle.com/himachal-tourism/kasol/places-to-visit/kheer-ganga?utm_source=blog_bs), Hot springs at Manikaran, Himalayan National Park and [Temples of Raghunath](https://traveltriangle.com/himachal-tourism/kullu/places-to-visit/raghunath) and Bijli Mahadev  
**Best time to visit**: March to June to relish the stunning luxuriant beauty and December to February to enjoy snow  
**How to reach:**The best way is to take a flight till Kullu-Manali airport i.e the Bhunter Airport. It is located only 10 kms from Kullu.   
**Things to do:**Trekking Around Prashar Lake, Rafting In River Beas, Paragliding In Kullu Hills  
**Places to Stay:**River Site Guest House, Good Luck Guest House, The Woods Cottage

### 3. Kufri- A Romantic Destination

Kufri is amongst the most [popular tourist places in Himachal](https://traveltriangle.com/himachal-tourism/places-to-visit?utm_source=blog_bs) known for its romantic snowfall season. The little hill station is also a destination for adventurous snow sports like skiing. Witness the beauty of the snow-covered Himalayan Peaks and capture the most beautiful vistas through your lens.

**Major tourist attractions:**Skiing and snowboarding during winter; Himalayan Wildlife Zoo; Kufri Fun World offering thrilling sports like flying fox and go karting; and Annual Winter Sports Festival organised by HPTDC.  
**Best time to visit:** April to June and November to March  
**How to reach:**The quickest way is to take a flight till Shimla airport. It is 20 kms away. There is ample of public transport available right outside the airport.   
**Things to do:**Go Trekking In Rupin Pass, Enjoy Yak Rides, Go Trekking In Chail, Get Active At Kufri Fun World  
**Places to Stay:**Hotel Willow Bank, Hotel Ekant, Hotel Grand Sunset

### 4. Khajjiar- ‘Mini-Switzerland’ of India

The small town of Dalhousie, Khajjiar is generally considered as the mini-Switzerland in India. This place is a combination of lakes, landscapes, and forests. It is said to have attracted a lot of kingdoms, including those of Rajputs as well as Mughals. This is one of those **Himachal hill stations** which is visited by many to witness the sacred temples and indulge adventurous outdoor activities.

**Major tourist attractions:** Khajjiar Lake, Kalatop Wildlife Sanctuary, Golden Devi Temple  
**Best time to visit:** Anytime of the year  
**How to reach:**The nearest railway station is in Pathankot. It is well-connected to the station via road network. One can easily use public transport to cover the distance.   
**Things to do:**Jungle Safari, Trekking, Handicraft Shopping, Food Tour  
**Places to Stay:**Anjali Homestay, Ghar Cottages, Mud House Cottage

### 5. Mandi- Explore The Colonial Architecture

Known for its lush greenery owing to the presence of pine and deodar trees as well as tea plantation, Mandi is located at the Dharamshala-Kulu junction. The town is rightly called ‘Varanasi of Hills’ as well as ‘Choti Kashi’ as it has around 81 temples. Moreover, this town of Himachal Pradesh is also home to some palaces with colonial architecture and is also one of the highest hill station in Himachal Pradesh.

**Major tourist attractions:** Bhutnath temple, [Pandoh Dam](https://traveltriangle.com/himachal-tourism/kullu/places-to-visit/pandoh-dam" \t "_blank), Sunder Nagar, and Rewalsar Lake  
**Best time to visit:** April to October  
**How to reach:**It is best to take a bus till Mandi. The bus drops one right at the start of this destination, hence becomes the most feasible option.   
**Things to do:**Trek To The Gorgeous Prashar Lake, Camp Under The Stars In Barot Valley, Visit The Popular Shikari Devi Temple  
**Places to Stay:**Hotel Lomush, River Bank, Mid Way Tourist Resort

### 6. Tirthan Valley- A Nature’s Delight

This is one of the **hill stations of Himachal Pradesh** that is full of delightful spots and sceneries. This is no less than a paradise for nature lovers! Located at a distance of around 3 kilometers from Great Himalayan National Park entry, this place is visited by most tourists for the adventurous activities that are organized here.

**Major tourist attractions:** Serloskar Lake, waterfalls  
**Best time to visit:** March to June; October to November  
**How to reach:**The nearest railway station is in Ambala. From there one can catch a bus or book a taxi.   
**Things to do:**Tirath Trek, Jalori Pass-Raghupur Fort, Jalori Pass-Serolsar Lake Hike  
**Places to Stay:**Trishla Resort, JJ Resort, Sharda Resort, Green Alpine

### 7. Chail- Hikers’ Paradise

Popularly considered to be the hikers’ paradise, the town of Chail is a must visit for those who want to have a memorable experience while exploring the state of Himachal. This place is also known to have the highest cricket as well as polo grounds. If you want to take a break from the hustle bustle of the city, then planning a visit to this side of Himachal would undoubtedly be a great idea! This is one of the **unexplored hill stations in Himachal Pradesh**.

**Major tourist attractions:** Chail Wildlife Sanctuary, cricket ground, Kali temple  
**Best time to visit:** Anytime of the year  
**How to reach:**The nearest railway station is in Kalka. It is 77 kms away. One can board a bus or take a taxi to reach the destination.   
**Things to do:**Camping, Rock climbing, Trek from Chail to Gaura and Chail to Jhajja, Nature walk in pine forests  
**Places to Stay:**Living Stone Chail, Mountain View Resort, Treehouse Chail Villas

### 8. Palampur- A Pristine Land

About 5 years ago nobody knew where Palampur was, but gradually this small **Himachal Pradesh** **hill station** became quite popular amongst tourists and travelers. Palampur is a quaint and pristine hill retreat located at the foothills of Dhauladhar Ranges. The aromatic tea gardens, glittering and cascading streams, super comfortable weather, lush green pine forests and birds chirping in rhythms assure a super exotic and romantic holiday.

**Major tourist attractions:**Trekking up to Kangra Fort, Dhauladhar National Park and [Chamunda Devi Temple](https://traveltriangle.com/himachal-tourism/dalhousie/places-to-visit/chamunda-devi-temple" \t "_blank)  
**Best time to visit:** March to June and Mid-September to November  
**How to reach:**Palampur has a well-connected road network with all the major parts of the country. It is the best way to cover the distance between the two.   
**Things to do:**Go Paragliding, Trek To The Peak, Explore The Green Land, Enjoy A Picnic  
**Places to Stay:**RS Sarovar Portico, Hotel Orchid Resort, The Bliss

### 9. Lahaul- A Place For Backpackers

Lahaul is amongst those **hill stations of Himachal Pradesh** that is becoming increasingly popular amongst **bikers and backpackers**, and every backpacker should take a [Lahaul-Spiti trip](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/lahaul-and-spiti-trip/" \t "_blank) at least once in life. The stunningly beautiful and serene monasteries and gompas of the valley reflect a strong Tibetan culture, and the small hamlets, winding rivers and surrounding snow ranges contribute to form a rich and attractive topography. During winter months the roads to Lahaul remain completely frozen and blocked making it difficult to travel.

**Major tourist attractions:** Ki Gompa, Kunzum Pass, Dhankar Gompa and [Pin Valley National Park](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/pin-valley-national-park/)  
**Best time to visit:** May to September  
**How to reach:**It is best to take a train till Shimla and then from there, travel to Lahaul using the public road transport.  
**Things To Do:**Go for a picnic, tour the place on a bike, trek through the valleys  
**Places To Stay:**Gemoor Khar, Clifftop Cottages

### 10. Barog- A Scenic Charm

Barog is one of the **most beautiful hill stations of Himachal Pradesh** located near Kasauli on the **Shimla-Kalka highway**. More than its scenic charm, Barog is known for its haunted tunnel no 33, built by a British engineer who died an unnatural death while constructing the railway tunnel. Due to its slightly cool and pleasant weather round the year, this place has emerged as a popular hill station of Himachal quite fast.

**Major tourist attractions:**Dolanji Bon Monastery and Choor Chandni Peak  
**Best time to visit:** Round the year  
**How to reach:**One can take the Shilma-Kalka highway to cover the distance by road.   
**Things to do:**Camping Amidst Nature, Picturesque Location, Witness The Fossils  
**Places to Stay:**Wildflower Resort, East Bourne Resorts, Havens Resort

**JAMMU AND KASHMIR**

### 1. Manali – For Breathtaking Views

Settled in the middle of the snow-topped mountains of the Pir Panjal and the Dhauladhar ranges, Manali is one of the most famous hill stations in the nation. With stunning views, lavish green woodlands, rambling knolls covered with blossoms, spouting blue streams, and a scent of pines and freshness – Manali is breathtaking.

**Distance from Jammu:** 397 kms  
**Places To Stay:**Solang Valley Resort, Apple Country Resorts, Hotel Mountain Top, Royal Hadimba Palace, Woodstock Inn  
**Places To Visit:**Hadimba Temple, Manu Temple, Tibetan Monasteries  
**Things To Do:**Go On A Bike Ride, Trekking

### 2. Shimla – Known For Its Old World Charm

Situated at an altitude of 2200m, Shimla is the capital and the biggest city of Himachal Pradesh in India. Set in the midst of lovely slopes and woods, Shimla has been an exceptionally famous hill station among Indian families and honeymooners. The English adored this city so much that they made Shimla their late spring capital in 1864. Shimla still holds its old world charm with excellent architecture and holy places.

**Distance from Jammu:** 409 kms  
**Places To Stay:**Larisa Resort, Cottage, Meena Bagh Shimla, Radisson Hotel, Snow Valley Resorts  
**Places To Visit:**Summer Hills, Indian Institute Of Advanced Studies, Annandale  
**Things To Do:**River Rafting, Paragliding

### 3. Dalhousie – Get Mesmerized By The Internal Beauty

The tinsel town of Dalhousie is nestled away in the lap of Himachal Pradesh and is a bit of heaven for every explorer. It boasts of old world charm, hypnotizing views, pine-clad valleys, flower filled knolls and radiant foggy mountains.

This hill station was one of the most loved summer destinations of the Britishers and this is reflected in the magnificent Victorian style manors in this locale. Dalhousie is known for its picturesque magnificence has a number of mountains and streams that tourists must visit. Among them the most renowned are: Panch Pulla, Satdhara Falls and the Daikund Top.

**Distance from Jammu:** 172 kms  
**Places To Stay:**Shvetanjali, Aamod Resorts, Himalayan camping , DeepForest camps, Smart Hill Kalatop  
**Places To Visit:**Khajjiar, Rang Mahal, Ganji Pahari  
**Things To Do:**Trekking, Sightseeing

### 4. Dharamsala – Home Of The Dalai Lama

This place is popular as the residence of the Dalai Lama. Dharamsala is situated in Kangra locale. The city is divided as upper and lower divisions with various elevations. The lower division is simply the Dharamsala town though the upper division is prominently known as Mcleodganj. Make sure to visit the Kangra Valley which is set against the beautiful scene of the Dhauladhar ranges. Being a Tibetan center point, Dharamsala is viewed as probably the best spot to learn and discover Buddhism and Tibetan culture. It is one of the **nearest hill stations to Jammu**.

**Distance from Jammu:** 193 kms  
**Places To Stay:**Highland Village Resort, Unicorn holiday apartments, The Village Homestay, Shiva Home Stay

### 5. Sanasar – Offers Numerous Adventure Activities

Sanasar is one of the lesser known hill stations in the Jammu-Kashmir locale. It offers different activities such as paragliding, rock climbing, camping and trekking. The place is filled with lush greenery and is encompassed by massive conifer trees. Sanasar is named after the two nearby lakes and will offer you a more serene side of Jammu and Kashmir.

**Distance from Jammu:** 129 kms

### 6. Gulmarg – A Famous Skiing Destination

Situated at an elevation of 2730 m above sea level, Gulmarg is a famous skiing destination in the Pir Panjal Range. Encompassed by the snow-clad Himalayas, knolls of blossoms, and evergreen valleys, Gulmarg additionally has the world’s second-most elevated Gondola ride. There are a great deal of administrators in Gulmarg that offer courses of skiing, snowboarding and trekking. Known for its beautiful magnificence, Gulmarg has also been a centre for the shooting of many Bollywood films.

**Distance from Jammu:** 315 kms  
**Places To Stay:**Heevan Retreat Gulmarg, Hotel Affarwat, Nedous Hotel Gulmarg, The Khyber Himalayan Resort & Spa, The Rosewood  
**Places To Visit:**Gulmarg Biosphere Reserve, Strawberry Field, Ningle Nallah And Ferozepur Nallah  
**Things To Do:**Skiing, Gondola Ride

### 7. Mcleodganj – Little Lhasa

cleodganj is a hill station close to Dharamshala, popular among campers and trekkers. Otherwise called Little Lhasa and celebrated the world over for being home to the Tibetan priest Dalai Lama, Mcleod Ganj is a delightful town close to upper Dharamsala. Settled in the midst of great slopes and lavish greenery, this town is honored by an unmistakable Tibetan impact attributable to the significant settlement of Tibetans here.

Mcleodganj has one of the most hypnotizing views in the whole province of Himachal Pradesh and draws in a ton of visitors consistently. The towns of Dharamsala, Mcleodganj, Bhagsu Nag and Kangra are arranged near one another and visitors must cover every one of these places while going here. Visitors should likewise visit the beautiful Dal Lake and Triund.  It is one of the **closest hill stations from Jammu**.

**Distance from Jammu:** 193 kms  
**Places To Stay:**Shalom Backpackers McLeodganj, Hotel Norbu House, La Vaca India McLeodganj, Hotel Shiva Sanctuary, Hotel King Castle  
**Places To Visit:**Nechung Monastery, Dal Lake  
**Things To Do:**Boating, Trekking

### 8. Patnitop – A Hilltop Tourist Location

With all encompassing views on the snow topped pinnacles of the Himalayas, Patnitop is an ideal spot to encounter nature at its best and greatest. The place is adorned with activities like skiing and trekking, making it a well known destination. Sanasar, found 17 kms away is likewise popular for paragliding which is why it is one of the best **hill stations near Jammu**.

**Distance from Jammu:** 111 kms  
**Places To Stay:**Poonch House, Akas Resort Patnitop, Hotel Trinetra Resorts, Vardaan Hotels

### 9. Pahalgam – Untouched And Gorgeous Natural Beauty

Pahalgam is one of the **best hill stations near Jammu**. Famous for its splendid natural beauty, it is one of the most visited hill town. Aru Valley, Betab Valley, Kolahoi Glacier are some of the best [places to visit in Pahalgam](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/places-to-visit-in-pahalgam/). Not only this, this beautiful place also offers adventure trekking activities.

**Distance from Jammu:** 271 kms  
**Places To Stay:**Heevan Pahalgam, Eden Resorts & Spa, Pahalgam Premier, Volga Hotel, Hotel island pahalgam  
**Places To Visit:**Betab Valley, Mamal Temple, Aru Village & Valley  
**Things To Do:**Camping, Rafting, Golfing

### 10. Pulwama – Anand Of Kashmir

Looking for **hill stations close to Jammu**? Pulwama can be a good pick for you. Famously known as the Anand of Kashmir, the place has gorgeous waterfalls, beautiful valleys, apple orchards and more. If you are an adventure junkie, you must visit this place in winters to try skiing and snowboarding while in summers you can experience mountaineering and trekking.

**Distance from Jammu:** 247 kms  
**Places To Stay:**Hotel Six Seasons, DUSKWOOD LODGE, Hotel Shuhrah-I-Afaq, Four Points, Hotel Ashai

**JHARKHAND**

### 1. Ranchi

Ranchi ranks among the best-known hill stations in Jharkhand. From beautiful lakes and waterfalls to peaceful temples, this is a place for all. Ranchi hills are one of the major tourist attractions. The view from this hilltop is breathtaking. Moreover, this place is also famous for its water sports at Ranchi Lake.

* Best Time to Visit: September to May
* Top Things to Do: Adventure sports, visit waterfalls and temples
* Top Places to Visit: Ranchi Hills, Dassam falls, Jonha falls, Hudur falls, Ranchi Lake, and Birsa Zoological Park
* Average Cost of the Vacation: ₹ 800 - ₹ 7,000 (hotel cost for one night)
* How to Reach: By air, road and rail

### 2. Ghatshila

Located in the Purbi Singhbum district of Jharkhand, Ghatshila is located on the banks of River Subarnarekha. This is a very well-known hill station in this region. Ghatshila gained popularity as a weekend destination in West Bengal because Bibhutibhushan Bandyopadhyay, a famous Bengali writer, used to live here.

* **Best Time to Visit:**October to March
* **Top Things to Do:** Water sports by the riverside, explore ancient temples, and trekking
* **Top Places to Visit:**Phundungri Hill, Ghatshila Rankini Mandir, Burundi Lake, Dalma Wildlife Sanctuary
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 690 - ₹ 4,200 (hotel cost for one night), ₹ 2,000 - ₹ 3,500 (one-way trip)
* **How to Reach:** By air, road and rail

### 3. Jamshedpur

The ‘Steel City’ is another popular hill station in Jharkhand. Although it is an industrial city, there are certain places that are worth visiting. For instance, the Dalma hill ranges and pristine Dimna Lake can be a good picnic destination if you are located nearby.

* **Best Time to Visit:**October to March
* **Top Things to Do:**Visit lakes, parks, zoological centres and explore temples
* **Top Places to Visit:**Dalma Wildlife Sanctuary, Tata Steel Zoological Park, Bhuvaneshwari Temple, Ranking Mandir, Kalamandir
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 1,000 - ₹ 4,000 (hotel cost for one night)
* **How to Reach:**By air, road and rail

### 4. Dhanbad

Not many people are aware that the ‘Coal Capital of India’ is also a great hill station. Here you will also find dense forests, several waterfalls, and sanctuaries. If you wish to learn more about coal mining, you can visit the belts.

* **Best Time to Visit:**January to May and September to December
* **Top Things to Do:**Visit parks, trek, picnic at the lakeside, temple hopping
* **Top Places to Visit:**Bhatinda falls, Maithon Dam, Topchanchi Lake, Panchet Dam, Birsa Munda Park
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 1,000 - ₹ 4,000 (hotel cost for one night)
* **How to Reach:**By air, road and rail

### 5. Netarhat

Netarhat, also known as the "Queen of Chotanagpur”, is among the top hill stations in Jharkhand. With forests all around, this place is a favourite spot for hikers and trekkers. Nonetheless, the best part of Netarhat is its sunrise and sunset points. Generally, people use this place as a retreat during summer.

* **Best Time to Visit:**Throughout the year
* **Top Things to Do:** Watch sunset and sunrise from hilltop viewpoints, trek and explore waterfalls
* **Top Places to Visit:**Ghaghri Falls, Magnolia Point, Koel Viewpoint, Betla National Park and Pine Forest
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 2,000 (hotel cost for one night)
* **How to Reach:**By air, road and rail

### 6. Hazaribagh

Situated north of Chhotanagpur, Hazaribagh is one of the best hill stations in Jharkhand. Encompassed within the Kanheri Hills and lush forests, this is a great spot for spending a laidback weekend.

* **Best Time to Visit:** October to April
* **Top Things to Do:**Visit lakes and explore the wildlife sanctuary
* **Top Places to Visit:**Hazaribagh Wildlife Sanctuary, Canary Hill, Suraj Kund and Hazaribagh Lake
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 1,000 - ₹ 3,500 (hotel cost for one night)
* **How to Reach:**By air, road and rail

### 7. Deoghar

Deoghar is situated in the Santhal Paraganas of Jharkhand. It is one of the popular pilgrimage sites in India. Here you will find numerous ancient temples, including Baba Baidyanath temple. If you are religious or love to explore temples, this can be your ideal destination.

* **Best Time to Visit:**October to April
* **Top Things to Do:**Visit temples and hiking
* **Top Places to Visit:** Baidyanath Dham, Tapovan Caves and Hills, Naulakha Mandir, Basukinath, Satsang Asharm, Nandan Pahar
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 1,100 - ₹ 3,500 (hotel cost for one night)
* **How to Reach:** By air, road and rail

### 8. Giridih

Giridih stands for the "land of the hills". This place falls under the category of lesser explored hill stations in Jharkhand. Bordered by innumerable hillocks and lush forests, this is a surreal place for a short vacation.

* **Best Time to Visit:** October to March
* **Top Things to Do:**Trekking, hiking to waterfalls and exploring granites and coal mine belts
* **Top Places to Visit:**Madhuban, Parasnath Hills, Jain Museum, Usri Falls, Khandoli Park, and Jharkhandi Dam
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 1,000 - ₹ 2,800 (hotel cost for one night)
* **How to Reach:** By air, road and rail

### 9. Palamu

For every adventure seeker, Palamu is an ideal destination for a fun weekend getaway. This place is home to around 44 tigers and other endangered species. If you are interested in finding more about the rich biodiversity of this hill station, visit here.

* **Best Time to Visit:**October to April
* **Top Things to Do:** Explore forts, wildlife safari, and trekking
* **Top Places to Visit:** Palamu Fort, Lodh Falls, Betla National Park, Palamu Tiger Reserve, and Shahpur Village
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 1,000 - ₹ 3,500 (hotel cost for one night)
* **How to Reach:** By air, road and rail

### 10. Kiriburu

If you are someone who prefers to explore new and unknown places, Kiriburu is the ideal place for you. With the panoramic view, picturesque waterfall viewpoints and uninterrupted natural surroundings, everything becomes serene in this place.

* **Best Time to Visit:**July to December
* **Top Things to Do:**Explore viewpoints, watch sunsets, and visit the forests
* **Top Places to Visit:** Saranda Forest, Pundul Waterfall, Swapneswar Temple, Khandadhar Waterfall, and 700 Mount Meghahatuburu View Point and Sunset Point
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 800 - ₹ 3,200 (hotel cost for one night)
* **How to Reach:** By air, road and rail

**KARNATAKA**

### 1. Nandi Hills: For A Thrilling Road Trip

One of the most popular Karnataka hill stations is the legendary Nandi Hills – a Hilltop with an ancient fortress. Besides being picturesque and serene, it is popular amongst bikers who enjoy the ride to the top of the hill and the thrill of the zig-zag roads while riding down. Trekkers often take up the challenge of hiking up to [Nandi Hills](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/nandi-hills/).

**Where to stay:** Nehru house has well-furnished rooms available for tourists. There’s a vegetarian restaurant run by the Horticulture department.  
**Places of interest:** Amruth Sarovar – a beautiful lake. Tipu Sultan’s fort, Tippu drop, Secret passages.  
**Best Time To Visit:** Throughout the year  
**How To Reach:** The most convenient way to reach Nandi Hills is via car or by hiring a taxi.   
**Things to do:**Cycling, Take a walk along the hills, Paragliding

### 2. Coorg: Favourite Place Of Nature Lovers

Coorg is a scenic and soothing hill station in Karnataka. Besides the lush green slopes, one must also check out the quaint Namdroling Tibetan settlement nestled on the hills of Coorg. With nature’s bounty and a soothing weather, Coorg is the perfect recipe to destress with your loved ones, or even solo. It is also one of the best **Karnataka hill stations.**

**Where to stay:** Club Mahindra, Vivanta by Taj, The Tamara, The Windflower Resort and Spa, Orange County  
[**Places of interest in Coorg**](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/places-to-visit-in-coorg/)**:** You can visit the [Abbey falls](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/abbey-falls/), go rafting in the river Barapole and quad biking, visit Iruppu Falls, among other attractions in the **Coorg hill stations in Karnataka**.  
**Best Time To Visit:** December to February  
**How To Reach:** One can reach Coorg via Mangalore Airport or via Mysore Railway Station that happen to be the closest airbase and railway station respectively.   
**Things to do:**Dubare Elephant Camp, Madikeri Fort, Quad Biking, Wildlife Safari

### 3. Chikmagalur: Ideal For Coffee Lovers

Located at the foot of the Mullayanagiri Range, Chikmagalur is full of hills and gorgeous views. You can take a bicycle ride on the winding roads, trek up to the summit, camp under the blanket of stars, or just sit and gaze at the endless expanses of greens while sipping on a cup of piping coffee. Chikmagalur will make you want to give up your day job and retire, which is why it as among the most **famous hill stations in Karnataka**.

**Where to stay:** The Serai, Gateway Hotel, Kalgreen Valley resort, Silent Valley Resort  
[**Places of interest in Chikmagalur**](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/best-places-to-visit-in-chikmagalur/)**:** Sringeri Mutt, Trek up Mullayanagiri mountain, Kudremukh Peak, Hanuman Gundi Falls  
**Best Time To Visit:** September to May  
**How To Reach:** One can board state-run or private buses from the major cities like Mangalore, Hubli, Bangalore, and Hassan that are all connected to Chikmagalur.  
**Things to do:**Discover An Exotic Wonder, Enjoy A Stimulating Trekking Experience, Go For Trekking, Enjoy A Jeep Safari

### 4. Agumbe: For Pristine Waterfalls

Agumbe is the Cherrapunji of South India and is located 45 km from Udupi. The best hill station in Karnataka is famous for its adjoining rainforest, serene nature trails, and verdant slopes. It’s the perfect place to rewind with your kins or gang of friends so that you can enjoy your vacation to the fullest, something that makes this place one of the best **hill stations to visit in Karnataka**.

**Where to stay:** Agumbe doesn’t have any hotels. There are decent places to stay around 20 km from Agumbe like Hotel Advaith Lancer, Kalgreen Valley resort  
**Places of interest:** Check out the various species of reptiles, birds and animals in the rainforest. Koodlu Theertha Falls, Jogigundi Falls  
**Best Time To Visit:** November to January  
**How To Reach:**The nearest airport is that of the Mangalore Airport, and the nearest railhead is that of the Udupi Railway Station from where one can easily reach Agumbe.

### 5. Biligiri Hills: Explore The Mystic Place

Biligiri Hills is 120 kms from Mysore, which makes it one of the **top hill stations in Karnataka** for those who visit Mysore and wish to explore beyond **cold places in Karnataka**as well. The forests at Biligiri are teeming with wildlife and are a delight for nature lovers and wildlife photographers. Also, do not miss out on Chamrajnagar – the **coldest place in Karnataka** when in Mysore.

**Where to stay:** Aksaa BR Hills, Ambuja Farms, The Serai Bandipur, Lalitha Mahal Palace Hotel  
**Places of interest:** Visit the Dzogchen monastery, Himavad Gopalaswamy Betta, Biligiri Ranganatha Hills  
**Best Time To Visit:** November to March  
**How To Reach:**One can reach Bilgiri Hills via Bangalore airport or the nearby Chamarajanagar railway station.

### 6. Kemmanagundi: For Best Picturesque Views

185 km from Mangalore City, Kemmanagundi is among the most popular hill towns for the students down south. It falls under the Chikmagalur district on the **top hill stations in Karnataka map** and is an ideal summer retreat to beat the heat and destress amid the fruits of nature. It is a popular hill retreat for backpackers and youngsters who prefer budget travel. This place is also surrounded by some of the [best temples in Karnataka](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/temples-in-karnataka/).

**Where to stay:** Kemmanagundi Homestay, The Planters Court, Gateway Hotel  
**Places of interest:** The Z point at Kemmanagundi is worth a visit, The Bhadra Wildlife Sanctuary has a very well maintained forest, trek to the top.  
**Best Time To Visit:** September to February  
**How To Reach:** Those traveling by air can reach Kemmanagundi via Mangalore Airport, and those traveling by train, can reach this spot from Tarikere railway station

### 7. Gangamoola: Ideal For Photographers

Gangamoola is a hidden picturesque hill station and one of those **cool places in Karnataka**where you won’t be troubled by annoying crowds of tourists photobombing your pictures and seflies! Enveloped by dense forests and a misty climate, and it is the origin point of the three rivers Tungabhadra and Netravathi, the beauty of which make it one of the **best hill stations in Karnataka**.

**Where to stay:** SK Regency, Goodearth Homestay  
**Places of interest:** temple of Goddess Bhagavathi and a 1.8 m Varaha image inside a cave. Gangamoola cannot be visited during the monsoons.  
**Best Time To Visit:** December to February  
**How To Reach:** Reach the city of Sringeri or the attraction of Kudremukh first, from where one Gangamoola is located at a distance of about two kilometers

### 8. Kundadri Hill: Catch Hold Of Surreal Views

Kundadri is a huge monolithic rock sitting 3000 feet above mean sea level. The 360 degree views from the top are a sight to behold and attract wanderes from near and far! Kundadri is the perfect place to unwind and let go of all the worries of the world, and you may never want to leave! Without a doubt, it is among the **top hill stations in Karnataka for summer**.

**Where to stay:** Royal Orchid, Surya Comforts, River view farm stay  
**Places of interest:** Jog Falls, Mattur Lake, Sakrebailu Elephant Camp, Tiger and Lion Safari, Dabbe Falls  
**Best Time To Visit:** November to February  
**How To Reach:** Located at a distance of about 60 kilometers from the city of Udupi, Kundadri can be easily reached from here

### 9. Yana: Witness Rock Formations

Sitauted a mere 25 km from Kumta, Yana is among the most mesmerizing of all **top hill stations in Karnataka**. Surrounded by lush green forests and eye-warming slopes, Yana is best known for its caves and rock formations that draw vagabonds to this paradise year after year. It is a treat for nature lovers and hiking enthusiasts owing to its endless expanse of uncharted greens.

**Where to stay:** The best hotels in Kumta are Suragi Homestay, Sanskruti Resort, Om Beach resort  
**Places of interest:** Vishnu Theertha Lake, Nirvana Beach and Hedbandar beach near Kumta are worth a visit  
**Best Time To Visit:** October to January  
**How To Reach:** Boarding the train and getting down at the railhead of Kumta station would be the most convenient way of reaching Yana

### 10. Kodachadri: A Paradise For Trekkers

Kodachadri is wonderful hamlet for trekkers and hikers. While the climb will surely give you an adrenaline rush, the scenic views you’ll be treated to once you reach the top will take your breath away! Embrace nature at its best in the serene, less crowded hills of Kodachadri while you head out to explore the **best hill stations in Karnataka**.

**Where to stay:** The best places to stay in and around Shimoga are RNS Residency, Pragati Homestay, Soans Island  
**Places of interest:** Climb to the top and see the entire landscape of the western ghat stretch in front of you in [Kodachadri trek](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/kodachadri-trek/). Also, see the famous Jog falls  
**Best Time To Visit:** October to March  
**How To Reach:** Set at a distance of just 20 kilometers from Kollur, one can also reach Kodachadri from the cities of Kundapur and Shimoga

**KERALA**

### 1. Wayanad – For Mist Clad Mountains

With its mist-clad mountains and mountainous rivers, Wayanad is an idyllic destination for a weekend getaway. The majestic beauty, thick rainforest, dazzling waterfalls and spice plantations provide not just a lot to see but also loads of adventure sports to indulge in. Visit to decide if it is the **best hill station in Kerala**.

The [best time to visit Wayanad](https://traveltriangle.com/kerala-tourism/wayanad/best-time-to-visit) is from October to May. For a complete experience of this [hill station trip](https://traveltriangle.com/hill-station-tour-packages/) visit some of these places:

**Chembra Peak –** Make a race for the top with your family at the tallest peak in the region and catch the breathtaking view at the summit.

**Pakshipathalam –** Explore the deep caves here which are home to a wide variety of birds, animals and distinctive species of plants.

**Soochippara Waterfalls –** These relatively unknown falls are a treat for the eyes and provides a chance for rock climbing for the tourists.

**Kuruva Island –** An ever green forest on the tributaries of River Kabani with rare species of birds, orchids and herbs, this is an ideal picnic spot for a laid back afternoon.

**Muthanga Wildlife Sanctuary –** Visit the biggest abode of elephants in India with your family for a memorable time. Explore the sanctuary and spot various species of spotted deer, bison, tiger and wild bear. Entry timings are 6 to 9 am and 3 to 6 pm.

**Vythiri Village Resort –** Camping on the Chembra Peak, this resort offers a tranquil setting along with luxurious villas and tree houses to its guests.

**Banasura Hill Resort –** Spread across 15 acres of land amidst the lush greens of the Banasura Sagar Island, it is blessed with a natural stream which adds to the beauty of the resort.

**How to get there?**  
Nearest Railhead is Kozhikode railway station (110 km) and airport is Karipur international airport (100 km).

### 2. Munnar – For Thriving Tea Gardens

The famed [hill station of Munnar](https://traveltriangle.com/kerala-tourism/munnar/experience/hill-station)is as popular for its romantic locale as for it’s thriving tea gardens. And if you plan well, you can see the valley turn blue during the bloom of Neelakurinji, which flowers only once in twelve years. Valentine’s Day anyone?

[Best time to visit Munnar](https://traveltriangle.com/kerala-tourism/munnar/best-time-to-visit?utm_source=blog_bs) is October to November and January to May. While there is no end to beautiful spots here, the following are a must-see:

**Eravikulam National Park –** Hold hands with your loved one staring at Anamudi, the highest peak in south India. And don’t forget to see the rare epiphytic orchids, wild balsams and the famous Nilgiri Tahr. The entry time is 8 am – 4.30 pm. The park is closed from February to March.

**TATA Tea Museum –** Find how tea gets processed and taste a variety of teas while you are here. The entry time is 9 am – 4 pm. The museum is closed on Monday.

[**Mattupetty Dam**](https://traveltriangle.com/kerala-tourism/munnar/places-to-visit/mattupetty-dam?utm_source=blog_bs)**and lake –** An idyllic place to enjoy the serenity of nature and possibly spot wild elephants.

**Windermere Estate –** Set in bungalows that are a throwback to the yesteryears, this place is combination of old world charm and inexplicable natural beauty.

**KTDC Tea County –** Cosily nestled right in the middle of two hills, Tea County offers mesmerising views with warmth and luxury to its guests.

**How to get there?**  
The nearest airport is the Cochin International Airport (119 km) and railhead is Ernakulam Junction (120 km).

### 3. Vagamon – A Paradisiacal Hill Station

Encircled by a string of thee hills, Vagamon is a place of inexplicable beauty. With a combination of meadows, forests, and hills there is a lot of natural beauty to appreciate in this paradisiacal **Kerala hill station.** Go for a nature trails with your loved one to see untamed buffaloes and elephants bathing in the small waterbodies for a romantic afternoon.

Best time to visit Vagamon is in summer from March to May. It provides a mix of both exciting and relaxed tourist spots to visit on your trip:

**Kurisumala Dairy Farm –** Managed by Kurisumala monks this farm has the ambience of an idyllic country-side untouched by city life.

**Thangal Para –** Climb atop this hill to see the unique rock formations at the top and also walk through an ancient cave for some old fashioned thrills.

**Mundakayam Ghat –** Visit for not just a beautiful and serene sunset but also for thrilling adventure sports like paragliding.

**Vagamon Hide Out & Ayurveda Spa –** Surrounded by sparkling streams, lakes, tea gardens and cardamom plantations, this resort combines eco-friendly ambience with an ethnic spa.

**Spice Garden Farm resort –** Provides a relaxed and natural atmosphere to its guests with facilities like in-house Safari.

**How to get there?**  
The closest airport is Cochin International (120 Kms) and nearest railway station is Kottayam (64 Kms).

### 4. Ponmudi – An Enchanting Hill Station

Ponmudi is one of the enchanting **Kerala hill stations** near [Trivandrum](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/places-to-visit-in-trivandrum/) with narrow winding pathways which offers picturesque views to those who travel by road. With a beautiful array of mountain flowers, exotic butterflies and small rivulets, it is sight best enjoyed sitting next to your loved one.

Best time to visit Ponmudi is from January to March. Some of the places to visit here are:

**Golden Valley –** Take a dip in the crystal clear waters of River Kallar here followed by leisurely picnic with your partner.

**Meenmutty waterfalls –** If you are up for some exercise then make a trek from Kallar, through dense forests to see these beautiful waterfalls. The Forest Department provides a guide for tourists to reach the falls.

**Peppara Wildlife Sanctuary –** Visit the Peppara Wildlife Sanctuary which accommodates a variety of wild animals like Asian elephants, sambar, lion-tailed macaques, Malabar grey hornbills. The entry time is 8 am – 4 pm.

**Golden Peak –** Golden Peak provides a harmonious blend of the wooden and granite cottages with the mist-laden hills, giving the guests a unique experience.

**How to get there?**  
Nearest airport is Trivandrum International Airport (67 km) and railway station is

### 5. Silent Valley – A Preserved Beauty

For an atypical holiday experience that you will remember for years, visit the Silent Valley. Unlike many of the commercial hill stations, much of the natural charm here is still well preserved today and it is also home to a number of rare species and the Kurumbar Tribes. The best time to visit Silent Valley is December to April.

Silent Valley National Park is one of the most ecologically diverse areas on the planet with some flora and fauna which are found nowhere else in the world. Visit to get an opportunity to see over 34 species of mammals amongst which are the rare lion-tailed macaque, Nilgiri langur, Malabar giant squirrel and hairy-winged bat. Entry into the valley is allowed only from 8 am to 2 pm. Special permission is required to enter which can be obtained on the spot at the Forest Department office at Mukkali. You can rent a Jeep from Mukkali to the Valley for Rs 650.

**Vision Nature Resorts –** Located on the foothills of the National Park, it offers a comfortable stay combined with activities like bird watching, tribal village walk, plantation visit and fishing.

**Silent Valley Treetop Resort –** Situated in the tranquility of nature it offers a Ayurvedic centre for rejuvenating treatments to its guests.

**How to get there?**  
The nearest railway station is Palakkad (69 km) and airport is Coimbatore International Airport (91 km).

### 6. Idukki – For Natural Beauty

Idukki is one of the most nature rich areas of Kerala and offers diverse attractions like wildlife sanctuaries, spice plantations, mountain treks, and elephant rides among others. There are very few hill stations near Kochi and Idukki happens to be the closest one.

Best time to visit Idukki is from October to February. Travel to some of these places for an exciting time in this hilly paradise:

**Idukki Wildlife Sanctuary –** Visit this sanctuary, home to elephants, bison, sambar deer, jungle cats and various species of snakes including cobra, viper and kraits. The entry time is 9:00 am – 5:00 pm.

**Kalliyanathandu –** Indulge in some mountain climbing here, while experiencing a panoramic view of the forests.

**Idukki Arch Dam –** Click photographs at the world’s second great arch dam.

**Green Berg Resort –** Surrounded by acres of untouched natural beauty, the ethnic cottages at Green Berg offer an exceptional living experience with modern comforts.

**How to get there?**  
Nearest railway station is Kottayam (114 km) and airport is Madurai (140 km).

### 7. Thekkady – Rich In Flora And Fauna

Prepare to explore the wild side of Kerala at Thekkady. Uniquely rich and varied in its flora and fauna, this exotic hill station provides much to experience.

Best time to visit Thekkady is from September to May. Some of the places to visit here are:

[**Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary**](https://traveltriangle.com/kerala-tourism/thekkady/places-to-visit/periyar-wildlife-sanctuary?utm_source=blog_bs)**–** Home to many elephants, it is one of the prime attractions in Thekkady. Be sure to indulge in bamboo rafting, nature walk and the Tiger trail while you are here. The entry time is from 6:30 am to 5:30 pm.

**Vandanmedu –** Make sure to take an excursion through the wide spread of cardamom plantations here for an intoxicating experience.

**Kumily –** Go for a shopping spree in this town, nestled between the cardamom hills and popular for its spice trade.

**Murikkady –** With a panorama of cardamom, coffee and pepper plantations, this makes for an ideal picnic spot in Thekkady.

**Peppervine Hotel –** With an emphasis on contemporary architecture, this chic hotel offers view of the nearby Periyar tiger reserves and the spice plantations.

**Coffee Routes –** Exclusively zoned for nature reserves, this pristine property contains a fascinating variety of trees, flowering and medicinal plants providing an authentic experience to its guests.

**How to get there?**  
The nearest railway station is Kottayam Railway Station (68 km) and airport is Madurai (140 km).

### 8. Lakkidi – Explore The Place On Foot

Being small in size is one of the advantages of Lakkidi in Kerala. Also known as one of the most **famous hill stations in Kerala**, it is said that you can explore the entire place on foot and witness the captivating sceneries with your loved ones. Sounds enticing, doesn’t it?  
Best time to visit Lakkidi is during the winter season as there is minimal humidity and a pleasant weather. Here’s a list of places you can visit in this hill station:  
**Pookode Lake –** This freshwater lake is close to Lakkidi and also known for its charming backdrop amongst the tourists visiting this place.  
**Vellarimala –** This famous mountain range is closely located to the hill station falling within Wayanad district.

**Upavan Resort and Spa, Wayanad –** A breezy 3-star hotel with stylish rooms, restaurant and an ayurvedic spa to treat your soul.  
**The Wayanad Gate –** This relaxing 3-star hotel has contemporary styled rooms with a rooftop pool to revive your senses after a tiring day of exploration around the town.

**How to get there?**  
Kozhikode is the nearest train station which is around 95 Kms away from this hill station in Kerala.

### 9. Peermade – A Peaceful Getaway

This small yet humble **hill station in Kerala** sits peacefully amid the glorious lush sceneries all around. You have ample of options to explore here, such as Thrissanku Hills, Grampi and Peeru hills. This place is named after the famous Sufi Saint Peer Mohammed and adds more to the charm of Kerala.  
Best time to visit Peermade is during the summer season when the average temperature ranges from 15 to 5 degree celsius. Here are a few places that you can visit in this hill station.  
**Our Lady of Good Health Church –** This Roman Catholic church in Kerala is renowned for being served by the Congregation of the Missionary Brothers of Saint Francis of Assisi.  
**Valanjamkanam Waterfalls –** Even though this waterfall is a tiny one, it serves as a good halt to admire the scenic view while sipping a cup of tea at the tea shops here.

**Thrisangu Haven Resort –** This relaxing 3-star hotel offers mesmerizing views of the valleys around with a comfortable stay falling within your budget.  
**Misty Mountain Plantation Resort –** As the name itself suggests, this resort is known for the splendid mountain views and has an in-house restaurant with comfortable rooms and attached balconies.

**How to get there?**  
With approximately 75 Kms distance, Kottayam Railway Station is the nearest railhead to this hill station and Cochin International Airport is the closest airport from this place.

### 10. Malampuzha – For A Beautiful Experience

They say there is something in store for everyone in Malampuzha, which is why you cannot miss out on one of the **best hill stations in Kerala**. Explore the rock gardens or spot the various species of fishes at the fish-shaped aquarium here or simply visit the amusement parks for fun-packed holiday with your folks.  
Best time to visit Malampuzha is from the months of August to April. Check out the list of places that you can visit in this hill station:  
**Siruvani Waterfalls –** Located approximately 36 Km towards the west of Western Ghats, these waterfalls are a stunning sight to behold and the reservoir here was created in order to fulfill water needs of Coimbatore.  
**Fantasy Park –** An exciting holiday experience can be added to your vacay with a visit to this amusement park which has many roller coaster rides along with a food court and planetarium abode.

**KTDC Garden House –** A laid back holiday can be best enjoyed at this hotel which has basic amenities and offers budget accommodation with mountain views and an in-house restaurant.  
**Hotel Tripenta –** A 3-star hotel catering to a pleasant stay, providing all the basic amenities, this place can be your perfect stop at this hill station.

**How to get there?**  
Palakkad railway station is closest to this hill station with approximately 7 Kms of distance.

**MADHYA PRADESH**

### 1. Pachmarhi Hill: Queen of The Satpuras

Another name for Pachmarhi hill is “Queen of the Satpuras” which is in Hoshangabad district of Madhya Pradesh. It is called so because it is above the sea level of the Satpura range. Here it has a famous five cave commonly called Pandavas cave. It also contains a Priyadarshini waterfall which is likely falling from heaven. Here a Beautiful place called Apsara vihar, which is best suited for a family picnic. In this world, the most beautiful visualization is sunset. So, Rajendragiri sunset point gives the most fabulous sunset view. In 2009, UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization) declared that Pachmarhi park as Biosphere reserves. The total area is about 4981.72-kilometer square. Here many towns were created. In modern times, James Forsyth, who was the Captain of the British army, developed these towns which include beautiful colonial-style churches. The population is about thirteen thousand. The average weather is about 18-degree celsius For this hill cab is also available around rupees 5000.

**Nearest railway station:**Pipariya  
**Nearest airport:**Bhopal  
**Average cab fare:**INR 3500 – INR 5000  
**Cost of driving to the hill station:**INR 1000 – INR 1500  
**Route from Bhopal:**Start from Jail road towards Hoshangabad road. It leads to Indus Towne. Drive via Madhya Pradesh State Highway towards Pachmarhi Cantt road. Move straight and you will reach your destination.  
**Places to visit:**Satpura National Park, Dhoopgar, Bee Falls  
**Things to do:**Witness Duchess falls,  Visit shiva shrine, go picnic at Apsara vihar  
**Places To Stay:**Rajvihar, Hotel shrikrishna, Hotel Himalya, Chunmun Cottage, MPT Nandanvan

### 2. Mandu Hill: Known For Architectural Beauty

It is best known for architectural beauty, and it is a place for an ancient monument in India. It is present at the Malwa- region of western Madhya Pradesh. Here stone pillars ware surrounded with different entrance. Here it consists of a lake and palace which is best suited for the lovely couple to spend some romantic time. During the month between March and October, the climate was so pleasant. A resort called Malwa resort, which is famous for its accommodation and variety of food. Temples like Jain Temple, which is attracted by Islamic architecture. The famous United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) established that Mandu Hill as a “World Heritage Site”.For this hill, a cab is also available around the rate of 4000.

**Nearest railway station:**Ratlam  
**Nearest airport:**Indore, 100 km  
**Average cab fare:**INR 2000 – INR 4000 (One-way)  
**Cost of driving to the hill station:**INR 1000 – INR 1500  
**Route from Bhopal:**Start driving and turn towards the road that leads to Sehore and which inturn leads to Ashta. From Ashta take a turn towards Indore-Bhopal road. Then, take the national highway 52 to Mandu road. Continue on dhar mandav road and you will see your destination  
**Places to visit:**Hindola mahal, Jami masjid, Rewa kund  
**Things to do:**Absorb views from Mandu fort, seek blessings at Jain temple, witness beauty at Ship mahal  
**Places To Stay:**The City Villa, MPT Malwa Resort Mandu, Jahaj Mahal, Shivani Resort, Hotel Sai Gardena

### 3. Shivpuri Hill: To Embrace The Calm

It is one of the calmest places in India. In this busy world, it defines the meaning of peace. It is present at the height of 478 meters above sea level. It also contains Madhav Vilas Palace, which stands for its royal wealth and pride. This palace looks so stunning due to the red-pink colour and its smoothening architecture. Like the Ganga river, it also has a holy bathing place called Parihar. In ancient period it was in the hands of Mughal emperors. It also contains the heavenly Sanctuary called Karera Bird Sanctuary which gives pleasure to the eyes of ornithologists. Around 245 species of birds are present. It is also a home for wild animals such as tiger, elephant, monkeys and leopards and exotic blackbuck. In every area, there will be a local festival. For example, Diwali, Holi etc. Like the same Shiv, Chaturdashi is the most famous festival here. Here a great freedom fighter Tatya Tope was hanged to death. For this hill, a cab is also available around the rate of 10000.

**Nearest railway station:**Shivpuri railway station  
**Nearest airport:**Shivpuri airport  
**Average cab fare:**INR 6000- INR 10,000 (Round Trip)  
**Cost of driving to the hill station:**INR 2500 – INR 5000 (Round Trip)  
**Route from Bhopal:**Take Berasia Road which goes towards Bhopal road. Then, Drive straight on National highway 46 and you will reach Shivpuri  
**Places to visit:**Madhav National Park, Bhoora Khon Waterfall, Tatya Tope Memorial Park  
**Things to do:**Learn history at Madhav vilas palace, Bhadaiya kund tour   
**Places To Stay:**Siya Hotel & Garden, Ss Hotel, Hotel Sunrise, Hotel Sanskar Residency, MPT Tourist Village

### 4. Omkareshwar Hill: A Sacred Hill Station

It is one of the sacred hill stations. It is also called “Mini Varanasi”. It is present between the River Narmada and Kaveri. This place is in the form of ‘om’ because of the emergence of two valleys and a Narmada river at the centre. People of India believe that for more optimistic power can be gained in the temple called Ankleshwar temple. For the benefit of people, few hotels are present. There was a story that Lord shiva visit the Omkareshwar temple to sleep every night and so the people were doing Shayan aarti here. It is one type of 12 revered Jyotirlingas, and hence nearly thousands of people had been coming to this place. For this hill, a cab is also available around the rate of 4500.

**Nearest railway station:**Omkareshwar road railway station  
**Nearest airport:**Indore, 77 km   
**Average cab fare:**INR 2500 – INR 4500 (one-way trip)  
**Cost of driving to the hill station:**INR 1500 – INR 4500 (round trip)  
**Route from Bhopal:**Drive towards Kannod road. Then, take a turn towards Sanawad Omkareshwar road in order to reach your destination.  
**Places to visit:**Siddhanath temple, Kedareshwar temple, Ankaleshwar temple  
**Things to do:**Take blessings at the temples, witness the surreal beauty

### 5. Amarkantak Hill: Known For Greenery

This hill station is famous for its forest area. Another name is ‘Teerthraj’ which means that ‘the king of pilgrimages’. It has a unique speciality that the three rivers, namely the Narmada, Son and Johila have their origin in the mountains of Amarkantak. It is a place for trees of medicinal value. The green environment makes a person away from a pollution and busy world. It is one of the educational research places. The Indira Gandhi National Tribal University was declared by the parliament to provide education and research for the tribal communities. It consists of twenty-eight departments such as undergraduate, postgraduate and PhD. Here the population is nearly five thousand. For this hill, a cab is available around the rate of 6000.

**Nearest railway station:**Jabalpur, 200 km   
**Nearest airport:**Jabalpur airport  
**Average cab fare:**INR 4000 – INR 6000  
**Cost of driving to the hill station:**INR 2000 – INR 4000 (One-Way Trip)  
**Route from Bhopal:**Take Hamidia Road and turn towards Vidisha highway in Khejrabaramad. Head straight on the Bhopal-Vidisha highway and turn towards Amarkantak road in order to reach the destination.  
**Places to visit:**Mai ki Bagiya, Kapildhara, Kabir Chabutra  
**Things to do:**Sightseeing, marvel at the views

### 6. Tamiya Hill: An Offbeat Place

This hill station is situated near the Satpura National Park. In Pachmarhi, hill population is more. But in this station population is less when compared to Pachmarhi hill. So, it makes this hill station an offbeat place to visit with less crowd and more fun. It offers picturesque views and greenery that will soothe your soul in a different way altogether. It also contains the catholic church which is one of the main highlights to explore. Do not forget to add this to your itinerary while planning your  next weekend getaway.

**Nearest railway station:**Nagpur, 208 km  
**Nearest airport:**Nagpur, 185 km  
**Places to visit:**Patalkot, Tribal museum  
**Things to do:**Sightseeing

**MAHARASHTRA**

## **1. Matheran**

Literally meaning, ‘forest on the head’, Matheran is the nearest eco-friendly hill station from Mumbai. While many hill stations are falling prey to over-tourism which leads to excessive pollution, Matheran is spared, thanks to the law that doesn’t allow motorized vehicles on its roads. This Asia’s tiniest hill station is indeed big on all that it offers to travellers, which includes scenic viewpoints, long treks through forested areas, and a quaintness of its own. The cherry on the cake is the famous toy train ride (remains suspended during monsoons) which takes you up the hill through serene vistas. As you explore the hill station on foot or on a horse, the various trails lead to several vantage points from where you can have stunning views. Must try over here is the chikki, fudge and honey and must buy are walking sticks along with other paraphernalia. What’s more, in winters or post-monsoons, the misty silent walkways and forests indeed transport you to a world that seems absolutely fictitious.

## **2. Mahabaleshwar**

For most of the grandparents in Maharashtra, Mahabaleshwar has been their honeymoon destination. Such is the legacy of this Maharashtra’s favourite hill station. Literally meaning, ‘God of great power’, Mahabaleshwar is located some 285 kms. from Mumbai and 120 kms. southwest of Pune. There are many things that make Mahabaleshwar so popular…. Right from winding roads up to the hill station to cool breeze at all times; jaw-dropping vistas of hills and valleys – along with that of sunrise, sunset and anytime in between; an ancient temple of Lord Shiva; an adorable shopping street; the picture-perfect Venna lake, strawberries, and more… Don’t miss out on visiting the nearby Panchgani for adding on to your holiday fun and even Pratapgad, which is the witness to Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj and Afzhal Khan’s historic meeting that took place at the footsteps of this fort.

## **3. Lonavala-Khandala**

‘Aati kya Khandala?’ this question had indeed become an anthem for every youngster, especially in Mumbai and Pune when Aamir Khan asked it to Rani Mukherjee in the movie Ghulam. Mumbaikars and Punekars are indeed blessed with the twin hill stations of Lonavala and Khandala, which are just hop, skip and jump away from both the cities. Both Lonavala and Khandala are known for their pleasant and rejuvenating weather and beautiful green cover during the monsoon. Famous for chikki and fudge, just like Matheran, Lonavala and Khandala also boast some breathtaking sights of the valley and hills with tiny picturesque villages tucked in the folds. The very famous Bhushi Dam at Lonavala is a major draw during the monsoon. Places to visit nearby include, the Karla and Bhaja caves and the temple of Goddess Ekvira. Also, do not miss out on Sunil Kandaloor’s celebrity wax museum, a first of its kind in India, where you can click yourself with your favourite celebrities.

## **4. Malshej Ghat**

People throng Malshej Ghat in the monsoons to feast their mind, body, and soul on the verdant landscape and the gushing waters descending from the waterfalls. Located near the borders of Thane and Ahmednagar districts, Malshej Ghat is indeed a perfect place to experience how beautiful rains can actually get. The heavy downpour blended with morning fog, chilling air, and lush greenery all around, makes for a picture, which indeed seems to have escaped a painting. The region is also home to a variety of rich flora and fauna and especially to many different kinds of birds, especially flamingos which migrate here all the way from Rann of Kutch in Gujarat. Malshej Ghat is therefore as much a paradise for budding ornithologists too. Also, the icing on the cake is the nearby Naneghat – very popular for stargazing (given that the skies are clear) and two of the eight Ashtavinayak temples – Ozhar and Lenyadri, which are in close proximity.

## **5. Bhimashankar**

With its hills, waterfalls, forests, and an ancient temple housing one of the twelve Jyotirlingas…. Bhimashankar is a perfect place to blend spirituality, nature’s bliss, and adventure. Again, monsoon is the best season to indulge in the stunning natural beauty this hill station has to offer. Bhimashankar is also the place, where you can find the state animal of Maharashtra – Indian Giant Flying Squirrel or ‘Shekaru’ as it is locally known in Marathi. It is believed that the original Bhimashankar Shiva temple was built in 12th century AD and since then the temple has undergone many alterations over a period of time. Today, the temple is nestled in dense forests and serene environs, adorned by the cool breeze and the occasional chirping of birds, making it every pilgrim’s and traveller’s delight.

## **6. Bhandardara**

If a picture-perfect setting is what you are looking for on your weekend break, head to Bhandardara, located to the north of Ahmednagar district. Its landscape with a roaring waterfall, gushing waters from a dam, towering hills in the background and greenery all around, make it all look like the manifestation of a poet’s imagination. Bhandardara indeed makes you experience nature at its best. Favourite with families wanting to escape the hustle and bustle of urban life, it is also a hot-spot for the religiously inclined who visit the ancient Amruteshwar Shiva temple, famous for its uniquely interesting architecture. Other major attractions at Bhandardara include Wilson Dam and Arthur Lake.

## **7. Chikhaldara**

Although far away from Mumbai and Pune, all the way in the Vidarbha district, Chikhaldara is definitely worth its lost distance travelling. This one’s a roaring hill station, quite literally, for it has tigers in its vicinity! It indeed transports you a serene zone of rich flora and fauna, just perfect for you to unwind and reconnect with yourself. Chikaldhara is blessed with good rainfall as compared to other parts of Vidarbha. What makes Chikaldhara really special is the Melghat Project Tiger Area spread over an area of about 1,676 sq. kms. that surrounds it on three sides. The Project Tiger area is divided into several smaller wildlife reserves. The Melghat Project Tiger is home to about 700 species of plants, belonging to 400 genres and 97 different families along with a rich fauna which includes over 70 tigers and leopards each, 200 sloth bears, 1800 Indian gaurs and also several rare animals like the Flying Squirrel, Pangolin, Mouse Deer, Ratel, and Honey Badger.

## **8. Igatpuri**

A popular hill station in the Western Ghats located in the Nashik district, Igatpuri boasts some of the highest peaks in the Sahyadri range. A big draw for nature lovers and thrill-seekers, Igatpuri is home to the Vipassana International Academy, the headquarters of the world’s largest Vipassana meditation institute. Historic forts, waterfalls, rivers, mountains, and some magnificent vistas together make Igatpuri a hot favourite of trekkers, photographers, nature lovers, and all kinds of holidaymakers and also a popular weekend getaway from both Mumbai and Pune, especially in monsoons.

## **9. Gaganbavda**

Being one of the most beautiful hill stations in Maharashtra, it’s no wonder that Gaganbavda is attracting filmmakers from the Marathi and Hindi film industries big time. Located in Kolhapur, it offers a fantastic view of the Konkan coastal region and is also emerging as a favourite trekking destination. With quite a few villages in the state ending with the word ‘bavda’, Gaganbavda has been named so, owing to its great height from the sea level, as ‘Gagan’ means sky. In the monsoon, the chilling winds and a blanket of fog take over this scenic hill station. What’s more, just spice up your moments with a plate of hot ‘Bhajiyas’ (Pakodas) and a steaming cup of Chaha (Tea). Also, you can trek up to the Gagangad fort through dense forest, visit the mutt or monastery of Gangangiri Maharaj, a saint and also visit the artistic and mysterious cluster of Palsambe monolithic temples nearby.

## **10. Amboli**

One of the greatest hill station delights awaits you at the southernmost tip of Maharashtra in Sawantwadi, Sindhudurg. Amboli’s nickname as the ‘Queen of Maharashtra’ is just enough to give us an idea of its natural splendour. An ecological hotspot, cool, calm, and serene… Amboli turns majestic during the monsoons. Located at an altitude of about 690 meters above the sea level, its topography comprises dense forests together with a large number of waterfalls that multiplies in the rains. Amboli offers many vantage points to take in those magical vistas of hills and valleys around. What adds on to the beauty of Amboli is its very rich flora and fauna which includes many species of trees, plants, wild animals, birds, butterflies, frogs, reptiles, and more.

So, these were the top 10 hill stations in Maharashtra that you should go to at least once. Mind you, this isn’t an exhaustive list though. Maharashtra has many popular as well as lesser-known hill stations hidden in its various pockets and which definitely need to be on your bucket list, the next time you chalk out your [Maharashtra tour package](https://www.veenaworld.com/india/maharashtra-tour-packages/s). This year in the wake of the pandemic and the resultant lockdown, although we are missing out on all the monsoon fun which we would have otherwise indulged in at these blissful hill stations, let’s hope those happy days will be back very soon. The mountains will call again and we’ll head to them for sure.

**MANIPUR**

### 1. Kaina Hill Station

Kaina hill station is mainly located in the capital city of Manipur, which is Manipur. It has a beautiful landscape. You can view several spiritual tourists. The hill station is almost 921 metres above the main sea level. People from all over the entire country visit here for religious purposes.

The pious persons visit the temples located beside Kaina hill station. Just beside Kaina hill, there is the presence of a surreal hill station. In the surreal hill station, you can witness the traditional Manipuri dance which is called ras Lila. You can view this dance on every festive occasion.

### 2. Phangrei Hills

Mountain lovers will definitely visit Phangrei hills if they get the opportunity to visit Manipur. Travellers can enjoy trekking and hiking here. The cool weather will attract you from every aspect. Besides the Phangrei hills, there are several restaurants and hotels located.

All these hotels are too good for travellers. Phangrei hills are the best for watching the sunrise. The foggy ambience and breathtaking sunrise scene will make you feel excited. It is a beautiful spot for clicking pictures. In fact, several movies have been shot in these hill stations.

### 3. Khoriphaba Hill

If you want peace and a calm life then you must visit the Koriphaba hills. This hill is located in the main city of Manipur. The main attraction of this hill is that it has a tempting landscape. That is the reason several tourists come here. During the summer season, the hills are crowded with different travellers.

Lai Haroba festival is one of the important festivals of Koriphaba hills. So, religious people celebrate this festival with their vigour. The festival continues all night and everyone watches it. The main attraction of this festival is the classic local dances. People love to enjoy this festival.

### 4. Kangchup Hill

Those who are from the Northeast have probably all visited Kangchup hill probably. However, several people from other parts of the country also come here to enjoy the scenic beauty of the hills. This hill station is considered to be the best picnic spot, especially in the winter. The best thing to view in this hill station is the scenic beauty.

It is free from pollution and city life. If you are looking for an exhilarating withdrawal from your messy life then surely this is the must-visit hill station of Manipur you should be exploring. Beside the hill station, you can also find several hotels and restaurants.

### 5. Langol Hill Peak

When you are feeling terrible from extreme heat then pay a visit to Langol Hill Peak. This hill station will thrill you. People generally visit to escape the scorching heat during the summer season. The most interesting thing about this hill station is that it includes spectacular waterfalls, misty mountains and picturesque views.

Moreover, it gives a good glance of Imphal west. There are several festivals celebrated in the hill station. This hill station earns lots of money from tourists. It is the main attraction for selfie lovers. The locations are so beautiful that the pictures will automatically become good.

**MEGHALAYA**

### ****1. Shillong****

Start your hill ride with the most **popular hill station of Meghalaya** that proudly bears the headquarters of East Khasi Hills. Shillong is one of the best summer destinations to plan for a holiday. It get its name from an idol worshipped at the Shillong Peak known as ‘Lei Shyllong’. Settled at a height of 1496 meters this hill town is the best junction for experiencing all the surreal blessings a perfect hill station has to offer.

**Best Time to Visit:**

September to May

**Things to do in Shillong:**

* Witness three small waterfalls that merge into one wonder at Elephant Falls.
* Witness a wide aerial view of the Shillong city and the Himalayas from an elevation of 1965 meters at Shillong Peak:
* Sweet Falls: Witness the steepest mesmerizing falls of India.

### ****2. Cherrapunjee****

Cherrapunji

Cherrapunjee has been in our GK textbooks all along for being the heaviest rainfall region of India. But this ‘wetty planet’ situated at a distance of 50 km from Shillong serves as a **famous hill station in Meghalaya** for diverse adventures. It is locally known as Sohra. It has a perfect landscape covered with misty weather & lush green pathways you must explore.

**Best Time to Visit:**

May to September

**Things to do in Cherrapunjee:**

* Experience exotic panoramic views of snow-covered mountains across the hill station at Mawkdok Dympep Valley View Point.
* Witness the fourth highest waterfall in India titled Nohsngithiang Falls aka Seven Sisters Waterfalls in Cherrapunjee.
* Explore the natural wonders through a double-decker living root bridge.

### ****3. Mawsynram****

Mawsynram

Mawsynram is a small village situated in the East Khasi Hills district of Meghalaya, India. People might not bother who is the second rank holder for receiving the heaviest rainfall in India but I do! And now you’ll know as well. Mawsynram is recorded as the heavy rainfall region in the Guinness Book of World Records after Cherrapunjee.

**Best Time to Visit:**

Throughout the year.

**Things to do in Mawsynram:**

* Dive into the charming pool of sprawling, rocky banks possessing unique lotus-like rocks at Dwarksuid.
* Trek at the famous mountain peak of Lum Symper.
* Witness the exquisite Mawjymbuin Caves of Mawsynram.

### ****4. Nongpoh****

Nongpoh

Nongpoh is one of the **best-known hill stations in Meghalaya** lying just 51 km away from Shillong. Being a significant portion of Khasi Hills, this hill station is known for serving breath-taking views & peaceful seclusion to its visitors. Blessed with stunning rivers and luscious canopies it is the best place to visit in Meghalaya.

**Best Time to Visit:**

Throughout the year.

**Things to do in Nongpoh:**

* Tour the Bird watching hotspot of migratory birds at Nongkhyllem Sanctuary:
* Explore the exhilarating adventures of Thrills Fun Park featuring go-kart tracks & incredible water sliding swimming pools.
* Stroll along at the serene gardens, mowed lawns, aviaries lined with fabulous orchids at Lum Nehru Park.

**5. Tura**

Tura

Tura is a **popular hill station to visit in Meghalaya** to get in touch with the exotic wildlife beauty of Meghalaya. This hilly wonder situated in the West Garo Hills is regarded as the biggest city of Meghalaya. You must visit the Nokrek National Park pf Tura that features a wide collection of mountainous fauna such as leopard, golden cat, wild buffalo, pheasant, and many more. It is also a spiritual junction for locals to worship Goddess Durama, who resides in the hills of Tura.

**Best Time to Visit:**

Throughout the year.

**Things to do in Tura:**

* Experience the refreshing Rongbang Dar Waterfalls.
* Camp near the surreal Naphak Lake to enjoy fishing and bird watching adventures.
* Try Bird Watching tours at Siju Sanctuary.

### ****6. Jowai****

Jowai has been a constant residence for various tribal communities of Northeast India. Its abundance in culture & lush greenery makes it a perfect destination for summer holidays. Jaintia Hills is one of the major highlights of this **top hill station in Meghalaya** that you mustn’t miss. Overall it is a perfect hotspot for adventurous as well as relaxing activities to binge on your holidays.

**Best Time to Visit:**

February to May

**Things to do in Jowai:**

* Witness the tallest ancient collection of monoliths at Nartiang Monoliths.
* Try boating tours at the famous man-made historical Lake, Thadlaskein Lake.
* Witness the surreal waterfall located 2 kilometers inside the How’s highway titled Tyrshi Falls or try the nearby sports adventures of Krang Suri Falls & Umlawan Caves.

### ****7. Mawlyonnong****

Mawlynnong

Mawlynnong is a hilly town located in the East Khasi Hills district of Meghalaya. Highly famed for its clean environment it has been awarded as the cleanest village of Asia, in 2003 by Discovery India. Lying just 78 km away from Shillong this is one of the **best hill stations in Meghalaya** you must book for your holidays. No wonder it’s also known as ‘God’s own Garden’ to sum up its beauty in one phrase. Mawlynnong’s rich greenery & rejuvenating waterfalls diverging into small beautiful streams lined with elegant orchids make up for the best hotspot to land on your vacations.

**Best Time to Visit:**

Throughout the year

**Things to do in Mawlyonnong:**

* Witness a mysterious natural phenomenon at the Big Rock where a big rock is balanced on a tiny one.
* Capture the stunning waterfall views situated near Lapalang village in the East Khasi Hills.
* Visit the iconic Church of the Epiphany located in Mawlynnong.

### ****8. Dawki****

Dawki is a **well-known hill station in Meghalaya** to visit near the West Jaintia Hills. Situated just 95 km away from the capital city of Shillong, it is a perfect gateway destination to enjoy your summer vacations in India. It lies super close to the Bangladesh border as well. Don’t miss the Umngot river of Dawki that serves as a major tourist attraction for travelers. It is a perfect delight to experience the refreshing river that begins at Eastern Shillong Peak nestled 1,800 m above sea level.

**Best Time to Visit:**

May to August

**Things to do in Dawki:**

* Explore a branched master river cave that has many decorated high-level passages at Mawshun Cave.
* Feel the surreal views of Jaflong Zero Point nestled at the border location between India and Bangladesh.
* Camp near the Dawki river to get the wonderful insights of Shnongpdeng Village.

### ****9. Baghmara****

Baghmara is an **exotic hill station to explore in Meghalaya** near the South Garo hills. The place comprises some of the famous rivers namely Someshwari that you must take a visit. Lying in the southern part of Meghalaya this hilly wonder is located just 280 km away from Shillong. Baghmara Reserve Forest is inhabited by a plethora of fauna involving elephants, birds, and langurs. The popular limestone cave of Siju Cave is a major highlight of this hilly wonder.

**Best Time to Visit:**

February to June

**Things to do in Baghmara:**

* Attend the exciting Baghmara Tyisam Festival celebrated in December every year.
* Explore the unique bat caves embellished with stalagmites and stalactites at Siju Caves.
* Unravel the secrecies of a serene lake nestled on a hilltop at Dombeware Lake.

### ****10. Garo Hills****

Garo Hill is one of the most unknown places in Meghalaya to visit on your holidays. People who belong to the Garo community initially used to live here. Now it is a must-visit hill station in Meghalaya that you must binge if you wish to escape the chaotic life of the city. A pleasing view of the waterfalls & wonderful ways to stroll amidst the thick canopies of the hilly region is the major USP of Garo hills that make it worthwhile to visit.

**Best Time to Visit:**

Throughout the year

**Things to do in Garo Hills:**

* Explore multifaceted sights of Two famed mountain ranges – the Arabella range and the Tura range.
* Stroll across the beautiful pathways of Garo Hills, forming great Balpakram valleys of nature hard to ignore.

**MIZORAM**

### 1. Aizawl

Have you ever dreamt of a paradise on earth? Then, that dream is going to turn into reality at Aizawl. This is one of the oldest cities of Mizoram and attracts a lot of tourists because of the picturesque views it offers. The tranquil setup of this quaint town can leave your mind, body, and soul totally relaxed. This town has plenty of **Mizoram tourist places** for visitors. One can also choose to hike up to the nearby hilly areas for a panoramic sight of the whole town. If get a chance, attend the vibrant [Mizoram festivals](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/festivals-in-mizoram/) that take place in Aizawl.

**Places to visit:** Hmuifang, Tamdil Lake, Chanmari, Handicraft museum  
**Best time to visit:** November to March

### 2. Lunglei

Are you looking for a place to relax and unwind? A place far away from the hustle-bustle of the city; then go to Lunglei! This is one of the most breath-taking **Mizoram destinations**that deserve your attention and time. Its lovely landscapes and the scenic setting makes it one of the top places to see in Mizoram. There is a rock-like bridge structure in the village and thus, the name Lunglei is given to it.

**Places to visit:** Lunglei sightseeing, Khawnglung wildlife sanctuary  
**Best time to visit:** November to March

### 3. Mamit

Mamit is one of the top tourist attractions in Mizoram. There are a lot of attractions in this place and most of the wildlife enthusiasts love to go to Mamit. The Dampa Wildlife Sanctuary is one of the best attractions to visit here and you can spot peacock, Malabar pied hornbill, crested serpent eagle, and emerald-dove. If you love to be in the wild, this is the best place to visit. You can spot some of the rarest species like rhesus macaque and leaf monkeys too.

**Places to visit:** Saitlaw, West Phaileng, Pukzing  
**Best time to visit:** November to March

### 4. Kolasib

This is one of the best places to experience life away from the city. The crystal clear waters of River Tlawng and the Tamdil Lake would give an experience to remember for a lifetime. The lush green hills at the backdrop and the crystal clear water from these two water bodies make it a picture-perfect destination. So, this is one of the top Mizoram visiting places.

**Places to visit:** River Tlawng, Tamdil Lake  
**Best time to visit:** November to March

### 5. Reiek

Experience the lovely village life basking in the sun amidst the lush green fields of Reiek. For an offbeat experience in Mizoram, one must visit this village to enjoy to the fullest. If you are a traveler and want to feel every single second of your life then, this is the place you must live at for a few weeks. A walk in this village would leave you rejuvenated totally.

**Places to visit:** Reiek Village exploration

### 6. Vantawng Waterfalls

Mizoram boasts of having the 13th highest waterfall in the country, Vantawng waterfalls. This is one of the major tourist attractions in Mizoram. Watching the waterfalls gushing from a height between the valleys and the dense jungles is a sight to behold. The spectacular view of the [Mizoram waterfalls](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/mizoram-waterfalls/) can leave you in trance and give you an unforgettable experience.

**Places to visit:** Chhingpui Thlang  
**Best season to visit:** September to January

### 7. Falkawn Village

Are you ready to experience the true Mizoram? You must head to Falkawan Village. This is one of the best places to visit in Mizoram and it gives you a clear picture of the Mizo tribe and their lifestyle. This is a village that would give you an insight into the entire state of Mizoram and going on a cultural tour to this village is a must. Especially if you are interested in culture, history and some fascinating tales about a place then, Falkawan village is an apt destination in Mizoram.

**Places to visit:** Salvation Army Temple, Mizoram state museum  
**Best season to visit:** November to March

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### 8. Phawngpui

Experiencing a wide variety of fauna and flora in Mizoram is a common thing because the land is blessed with abundant greenery. However, if you are specifically looking forward to spending some really great time away from the chaotic city life then, you must go to Phawngpui. This is one of the top tourist attractions in Mizoram and you can spot some of the rarest of animals like the Goral, Serrow, and barking deer.

This place is also home to a lot of wild animals like leopards and tigers. For bird enthusiasts, this is one of the best places and you can spot Falcon, Sunbirds, Dark rumped swift, Mountain bamboo partridge, Oriental pied hornbill, Larks, and Pipits. This colorful village is going to make your trip all the more memorable. Apart from all these things, trekking in Phawngpui is one of the best [things to do in Mizoram](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/things-to-do-in-mizoram/).

**Places to visit:** Phawngpui Blue Mountain National Park, Chhimtuipui River, Sangau, Phawngpui Mountain  
**Best season to visit:** November to March

### 9. Tamdil Lake

If you are tired of your regular work and are looking for a break, then you must go to Tamdil Lake. This is one of the treasured gems in Mizoram and a lot of people go to this place for a peaceful holiday. The crystal clear lake surrounded by the dense jungle will delight you at the very moment you go to Tamdil Lake. The ambiance of green trees, clear blue sky and the clear water from the lake makes it a great place to unwind completely.

**Places to visit:** Mizoram State Museum, Solomon’s Temple  
**Best season to visit:** November to March

### 10. Hmuifang

A hill-station that can just make you go gaga over it the moment you visit is Hmuifang. This is one of those hill-stations in Mizoram that is frequented by a lot of tourists across the country. This is a perfect destination for all adventure enthusiasts as there are a number of things to do and places to visit when you are here.

Considered to be one of the best places to visit in Mizoram, Hmuifang is one of those places where one can experience and get to know the rich culture and heritage of Mizoram. There are a lot of cultural events that get organized here and if you are here during that time, do participate and have some great fun.

**Places to visit:** Dumboor Lake, Reiek Tlang, Vantawng Falls  
**Best season to visit:** November to March

**NAGALAND**

### 1. Kohima – Untouched Nature

The capital of Nagaland deserves to be on the must-visit list of everyone. Kohima, originally Kewhira, is pure bliss for anyone who loves being amidst untouched nature. It is located at a height of 1500 meters above sea level. It is surrounded by breathtaking mountains and forests. One can also indulge in adventures like trekking, hiking, and camping in this region. This place is home to the Angami tribe.  
While you are here, do visit the Commonwealth War Cemetery. It has graves of over 1400 soldiers who died fighting the Japanese invading India from Burma in World War 2. Other major attractions include the Japfu Peak and Naga Heritage Village among others.

**Must-See Attractions:** Kohima War Cemetery, Japfu Peak, Dzukou Valley, Kohima State Museum, Naga Heritage Village  
**How To Reach:** The nearest railway station and airport is located in Dimapur, which is nearly 74 kilometers from Kohima.

### 2. Dimapur – For History And Nature Lovers

One enters Nagaland through Dimapur, as the airport is situated here. This place, counted amongst the top Nagaland tourist spots, offers an equal amount of delight to both nature and history lovers. Watch out for Kachari ruins from the 10th century that stands in the backdrop of enthralling nature. There are plenty of locations you can visit in and around Dimapur to experience surreal nature or marvel at historically rich old ruins. This is one of the most popular Nagaland tourist places.

**Must-See Attractions:** Kachari ruins, Diezephe Craft Village, Rangapahar Reserve Forest, Dimapur Ao Baptist Church, Kuki Dolong Village  
**How To Reach:**Dimapur is well-connected by air, rail, and road.

### 3. Mokokchung – Mesmerizing Hills And Streams

This is the liveliest district of Nagaland owing to the beautiful traditions and festivals and hospitality of the vibrant Ao tribe who calls this place their home. Get ready to soak your senses in the beauty of the mesmerizing hills and streams. There are many wonderful places situated in and close to Mokokchung that will leave the traveler with tales to tell for years.

**Must-See Attractions:**Longkhum, Mokokchung Village and Park, Changtongya, Chuchuyimlang, Ungma village  
**How To Reach:** Mokokchung is nearly 105 kilometers from Jorhat in Assam and has regular connectivity by road from there.

### 4. Mon – Rich Tribal Heritage

One of the best tourist places in Nagaland, Mon is known for its refreshing ambiance. Mon belongs to Konyak Nagas, who believe themselves to be the descendants of Noah. The location of Mon is at an altitude of 897.64 m above sea level. In the entire state of Nagaland, Mon is considered to be the most fascinating and mystifying place because of its rich tribal heritage and uphill location. There is something in the air that pulls you and makes you dream with your eyes wide open here.

**Must-See Attractions:**Veda peak, Shangnyu Village, Longwa Village, Chui Village  
**How To Reach:**The nearest airport to Mon is either Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport or Dimapur Airport. If you are traveling via rail then the nearest rail head is in Guwahati and Dimapur.

### 5. Wokha – Exotic Flora And Fauna

As you reach Wokha, the hills and green landscape, constant in the state, turn livelier and prettier. You will find scores of plants bursting with multicolored flowers, juicy and fresh fruits and freely flowing rivers enchanting with their beauty. The tribe that resides here is the Lotha tribe.

**Must-See Attractions:**Mount Tiyi, Doyang River, Totsu Cliff, Tehurang valley  
**How To Reach:** The nearest airport and railway station is in Dimapur from where you can hire a taxi or board a bus to reach Wokha.

### 6. Khonoma Green Village – Serene Hamlet

If one wants to witness the result of a continued and harmonious responsible living, then Khonoma Green Village in Nagaland is that place. This village is brimming with clean, fresh air, a peaceful atmosphere, and an unspoiled environment. The Angami tribe lives in the village in huts made from natural and recycled resources. This is the tribe that earns its living through agriculture, handlooms, and weaving. This village is a living example of what a community with a combined effort can create. In this age of increasing climate change, visiting the village can make one more inspired to create such an environment for self and future generations back home.

**Must-See Attractions:**G H Damant Tomb Monument, Naga Heritage Village, Dovipie Inn  
**How To Reach:**The nearest airport and railway station is in Dimapur from where you can hire a taxi or board a bus to reach Khonoma.

### 7. Benreu – Home To Mount Pauna

Benreu in Peren district is total solitude. It is an unexplored village with 20 percent of its inhabitants being nature and animals. It is at a height of 1950 meters and sits across Mount Pauna, the third highest peak of Nagaland. Benreu is the home of the Zeliang tribe and also of rains and clouds owing to its heightened location. Apart from enjoying the quiet and beauty of nature, look out for the simple village life of the Naga culture here.

**Must-See Attractions:**Peren, Mt.Pauna Tourist Village  
**How To Reach:**The nearest airport and railway station is in Dimapur from where you can hire a taxi or board a bus to reach Benreu.

### 8. Meluri – Fascinating Rock Formations

Meluri is a small and quaint village lying halfway to Mt. Saramati in Kiphire district. This village is home to the Pochury tribe, known for its exceptional hunting skills. This village is a must-visit place in Nagaland not only because of its beauty but also for its fascinating rock formations. Do not miss the brine salt and cane furniture that is a specialty of this village. Also, don’t miss the Zanibu Peak that offers a magnificent view of Nagaland state and Mount Everest. This is amongst the famous tourist places in Nagaland.

**Must-See Attractions:**Dzudu Lake, Zanibu Peak, Shilloi Lake  
**How To Reach:**The nearest airport and railway station is in Dimapur from where you can hire a taxi or board a bus to reach Meluri.

### 9. Tuensang – Artistry And More!

Experience the mixed culture and traditions of the co-living tribes in Tuensang. This district will let you take away some of the most beautiful and artistically rich handlooms, handicrafts, artwork, and jewelry. Also get a taste of the interesting history of Nagas by visiting the Living Stone of Tuensang, 60 km away from Tuensang town.

**Must-See Attractions:** The Living Stone of Tuensang, Tsadang  
**How To Reach:**The nearest airport and railway station is in Dimapur from where you can hire a taxi or board a bus to reach Tuensang.

### 10. Longleng – Thrill-seekers Heaven

Longleng is a thrill-seekers heaven on earth. This district is accessible by road from Changtongya. The 34 km journey offers scenic views and an adventurous ride to motorists. The villages and markets that line the route look like they haven’t aged at all. They carry a mystic, era-old charm that adds to the beautiful natural scenes all around. Longleng is where Phom Nagas live, earn their living and celebrate the age-old traditions vibrantly. The tribe is known for its pottery, bamboo work and spinning skills. So you may find many artifacts to take back home here. A must-visit attraction close to Longleng is Dhiku River where you can relax and have fun family time.

**Must-See Attractions:** Dikhu River  
**How To Reach:**The nearest airport and railway station is in Dimapur from where you can hire a taxi or board a bus to reach Longleng.

**ODISHA**

### 1. Daringbadi: Kashmir Of Odisha

Known as the Kashmir of Odisha, Daringbadi is a quiet hamlet town dotted with lush green hills, cascading waterfalls, and pine forests. This is one of the ideal **hill stations in Odisha**which boasts several captivating valleys and plateaus where the abundant coffee plantation is practiced. Tourists can get ample scope to indulge in certain activities like trekking and jungle safari which makes it one of the adventurous hill stations in Odisha. You can also hike up the hill and lie down for birdwatching. Watching sunsets from the horizon, and enjoying a 360° view of the city is the best thing that couples can do while enjoying some privacy.

**What to see:** Gopalpur beach, Dhabaleshwar temple and beach, Sri Sri Sri Siddhi Vinayaka Pitha, Potagarh fort, Taratarini temple, and more.  
**Nearest railway station:**Ambodala, 70 km  
**Nearest airport:**Bhubaneshwar, 245 km  
**Average cab fare:**Rs 5096 – Rs 11130 (round trip)  
**Cost of driving to the hill station:**Rs 2,500 – Rs 3,000 (Round trip)  
**Things to do:** Picnic at Patudi waterfalls, Witness scenic views from Hill View Point, stroll at the tea plantations  
**Places to stay:**Utopia Resort

### 2. Dumuriput: A Quaint Village

Located 1000 meters above the sea level, Dumuriput is a quaint village, which features captivating hillocks and sprawling valleys and is actually one of the top hill stations in Odisha. Located between Kiraput and Sunabeda, Dumuriput offers a pleasant climate and is thus ideal for the exploration of the tourists. The town is quite renowned as a pilgrimage site, and people from different regions come here to delve into the religious mist. The famous Hanuman statue located here is a major attraction of the destination.

**What to see:** Sri Ram Temple, Tribal Museum, Koraput, Kolab Dam, Jagganath Temple, Koraput, Rani Duduma waterfalls, Koraput.  
**Nearest railway station:**Koraput, 12 km  
**Nearest airport:**Vishakhapatnam, 185 km  
**Average cab fare:**Rs 12,000 – Rs 15,000 (one way)  
**Cost of driving to the hill station:**Rs 5,000 – Rs 7,000 (Round trip)  
**Things to do:**Tribal museum tour, Hanuman statue visit  
**Places to stay:**Raj Residency

### 3. Mahendragiri: Second-Highest Peak Of India

Being the second-highest mountain peak of India, Mahendragiri is often associated with several mythological connotations and legendary facts. The destination is replete with rolling meadows, lush green hills amidst the clouds, and abundant wildlife and vegetation which makes it one of the most beautiful hill stations in Odisha. The biodiversity offered here is varied and would lure any nature lover out there. Tourists can indulge in activities like trekking, jungle safari, and carry on excavations. Besides, the area is teeming with temples and ancient ruins, which regards tremendous religious significance among the mass and catches the attention of the tourists.

**What to see:** The temples of Lord Shiva, Burakhat Pass, Gajapati district of Odisha, and more.  
**Nearest railway station:**Mandasa road railway station, 51 km  
**Nearest airport:**Bhubaneshwar  
**Average cab fare:**Rs.4090 – Rs 6,000 (one way till Ganjam)  
**Cost of driving to the hill station:**Rs 2,500 – Rs 3,000 (round trip)  
**Things to do:**Participate in Navratri, explore excavation sites, trekking

### 4. Taptapani: Enjoy Hot Springs

Encircled by several captivating hills, and surrounded by the dense forests thoroughly, Taptapani is one of the best [hill stations in India](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/offbeat-hill-stations-in-india/). It is quite famous for its hot spring and is said to have excellent medicinal properties. Though there is not much activity to try out for the adventure enthusiasts, everyone can visit here and soothe with the mesmerizing sunrise views from the hills. However, the town experiences a rich cultural influence, and the tourists can witness some tribal dance performances too.

**What to see:** Gopalpur-on-Sea Beach, Hot Water Spring, Deer Park, and more.  
**Nearest railway station:**Brahmapur, 56 km  
**Nearest airport:**Bhubaneshwar  
**Average cab fare:**Rs.4500 – Rs 6,000 (one way)  
**Cost of driving to the hill station:**Rs 2,600 – Rs 3,000 (round trip)  
**Things to do:**Enjoy in hot water springs, go trekking  
**Places to stay:**Hotel Ganesh Bhavan, Hotel Ganesh Bhavan and Srinivas Residency

### 5. Olasuni Hill: A Spiritual Place

With a plethora of cultural activities in its bucket, Olasuni Hill stands on the Cuttack border. The place is quite famous for its religious significance and the settlement of the Goddess Olasuni which makes it one of the religious hill stations in Odisha. If you happen to visit here during the occasion of Magha Ekadasi, you can surely avail of a bunch of cultural activities and witness the rituals. There is a common mythological belief among the locals and the mass, and it is said that the epics Mahabharata and Ramayana have their traces on them. It is quite a fascinating place for the explorers as the tourists can enjoy hiking up to the hill and exploring the dense forests.

**What to see:** Olasuni Temples, Olasuni Caves, Olasuni Hills, cultural dance performances, and more.  
**Nearest railway station:**Lalitgiri railway station  
**Nearest airport:**Biju Patnaik international airport  
**Things to do:**Sightseeing, Witness mesmerizing hill views  
**Places to stay:**Swayamsiddha Continental, Ambika Mandap and Hotel Kalinga Palace

### 6. Deuli Hills: Rock-Cut Hills

If you do not have any idea about the rock-cut hills, or twin hills, then you must visit Deuli Hills to explore the abundance of it. This is one of the best **hill station at Odisha** It preserves some fascinating ruins from the earlier monuments of Grand Stupa, along with some authentic laterite rocks. If you have a knack towards history, then you can find great historical relevance to the ruins of the city. Archaeologists can have fun too, to explore some excavation works here, which are almost carried out everywhere in the spots nearby.

**What to see:** Buddhist chambers, Gokarneshwara temple, historical remains  
**Nearest railway station:**Ganjam railway station **Nearest airport:**Biju Patnaik international airport **Things to do:**Sightseeing, Witness mesmerizing hill views, shopping

### 7. Dhenkanal: Ancient Town

Known as the ancient town of Odisha, Dhenkanal is famous for its cultural abundance and the beautiful blend of religion and history; it has to offer. The city also possesses a rich historical influence, and thus, traces of the 15th and 16th centuries can also be found. The tourists will get ample scope to stroll through the scenic city, and explore the numerous forts and palaces located here which makes it one of the beautiful hill stations in Odisha. The major part of the town is covered with dense forests, cascading waterfalls, and abundant flora and fauna, and remains dotted with wildlife.

**What to see:** Kapilash Temple, Deer Park, Science Park, Tikarapara, Gharial Sanctuary, Ganesh Khola, and more.  
**Nearest railway station:**Dhenkanal railway station **Nearest airport:**Bhubaneswar international airport **Things to do:**Sightseeing, Witness mesmerizing hill views, shopping  
**Places to stay:**Sai Residency, Hotel Sakuntala

### 8. Chandragiri: For Tibetan Culture

Located in the Gajapati district of Odisha, Chandragiri is famous for its Tibetan civilization and repletes with Buddhist monasteries, which makes it one of the spiritually enhanced hill stations in Odisha. It is often referred to as the “mini-Tibet” and features scenic beauty with lush green picturesque landscapes. It is the ideal place for nature lovers who gets ample scope to hike through the densely forested areas and trek through the beautiful mountain trails. Moreover, the local flea markets here are exotic, and the tourists can discover many souvenirs to bring back home. There are ample scopes of photography amidst the scenic hamlet, for the photographers too.

**What to see:** Buddhist monastery, horticulture plantations, cultural activities of the Tibetan refugees, and more.  
**Nearest railway station:**Brahmapur, 80 km  
**Nearest airport:**Bhubaneswar  
**Average cab fare:**Rs.4500 – Rs 6,000 (one way)  
**Cost of driving to the hill station:**Rs 2,800 – Rs 3,500 (round trip)  
**Things to do:**Witness tibetan monasteries, shopping, trekking

### 9. Tensa Hill: For Green Meadows

Located at a distance of 110 kilometers from Rourkela, Tensa Hill is settled at an elevation of 3,700 meters above sea level. The huge area is surrounded by sprawling green meadows and hills all around the destination and is one of the top hill stations in Odisha. Tourists can discover ample major attractions, and most of them have great historical and cultural significance. It is a quaint hill station and is best suited for couples who want to enjoy some privacy.

**What to see:** Shanti Stupa, hills, forests, and more.  
**Nearest railway station:**Barsuan railway station **Nearest airport:**Rourkela airport **Things to do:**Sightseeing, Witness mesmerizing hill views, shopping  
**Places to stay:**Hotel Maa Tarini, Hotel Adhar and Hotel New Mayur

### 10. Deomali Mountains: Most Serene

If your mind is craving for some serenity, the Deomali mountains, located at an elevation of 1,672 meters above sea level, then visiting the particular mountains can be the ideal destination for your vacation. Replete with picturesque hills and scenic greenland patches, the destination also serves as the highest peak in Odisha and is counted amongst the best hill stations in Odisha. The best time to visit the hills is either during summer or winter. Only during the rainy season, tourists can face problems due to bad roads at certain patches. Whether you are an adventurer, or a religious soul, the destination is going to cater to your senses with its sightseeing.

**What to see:** Sabara Srikhetra, Jagannath temple, Subai, Rani gumpha, Shiva lingam, and more.  
**Nearest railway station:**Koraput railway station **Nearest airport:**Vishakhapatnam airport, 158 km **Things to do:**Sightseeing, Witness mesmerizing hill views, shopping  
**Places to stay:**Raj Residency

**PUNJAB**

### 1. Panchkula

Panchkula, known as "the city of 5 canals", is one of the most beautiful places in Punjab. The area is surrounded by calm lakes, making the environment tranquil and soothing. In addition, the place is submerged in the greenery of a great Himalayan mountain range, so the diversity of nature is also abundant here. Therefore, to give a splash of freshness to your daily routine, you can visit the place and enjoy the serenity.

* **Best Time to Visit:**October to January
* **Top Things to Do:**Trekking to Morni Hill
* **Top Places to Visit:** Pinjore garden, Ramgarh fort
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 19000- ₹40000 (including transport, food and lodging )
* **How to reach:**by air, rail and road

### 2. Parwanoo

Parwanoo is also an unexplored hill station in Solan district, near the contour line of Haryana and Himachal Pradesh. The hill station is a perfect balance of city life and tranquillity. This is because, with the scenic beauty, you will see industrial working here. In addition to it, one of the main attraction points of this region is the Trikuta range with a high altitude of 2500m.

* **Best Time to Visit:**March to October
* **Top Things to Do:** Relaxing trip, enjoying the natural beauty, trekking to Timber trail, roaming around fruit orchards
* **Top Places to Visit:** Gorkha fort, Kalimata temple
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 27,359 - ₹ 30,065 per person (on twin sharing)
* **How to Reach:** By air, rail and road

### 3. Barog

If you are craving an adventurous trip, then Barog can be your destination. It is located in Chandigarh, near the Shimla-Kalka highway. With the scenic beauty of the hilly regions, you will also experience the remaining thrill of the ancient royal vibe here. In addition, Barog tunnel is known for its haunted buzz. However, the hill station is quite off-beat, so that you can find some peaceful alone time here.

* **Best Time to Visit:**October to January
* **Top Things to Do:**Enjoying the beauty of moonlit night on Choor Chandni Peak, camping with friends
* **Top Places to Visit:** Suketi Fossil Park, Dolanji Bon Monastery
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**
* **How to Reach:**By air, rail and road

### 4. Nalagarh

It is another famous location in the Solan district of Himachal Pradesh. The area is an extension of the Shivalik hills, and the Sirsa river flows over the region. Therefore, it is a source of abundant greenery and a soothing river view. In addition to it, the area has a royal aura to it. So you will have an all-in-one experience by visiting the place.

* **Best Time to Visit:** October to March
* **Top Things to Do:**Thrilling trip, royal remaining visit, enjoying nature
* **Top Places to Visit:**Nalagarh fort, Ramgarh fort, Yadavindra Gardens, Gobind Sagar Lake
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹6000 per person (for 3 days)
* **How to Reach:** By air, rail and road

Apart from the above popular hill stations in Punjab, there are a myriad of others in the neighbouring states. Let's dive into some of those places.

**RAJASTHAN**

### 1. Mount Abu

A picturesque place with magnificent architectural structures and luxuriant greenery, one of the small yet **famous hill stations in Rajasthan**, Mount Abu looks absolutely awe-striking during the daytime. Due to its gorgeous scenery and scenic backdrop of Aravalli Mountain, this pretty hill station receives thousands of visitors every year from all over the world. Besides the enchanting scenery, these famous hill stations in Rajasthan for couples also offer numerous temples to travellers, which are known for their architectural brilliance. Amidst these holy places, the Dilwara Temples are quite popular among tourists because of the intricate carvings and ornamented interiors.

Other than visiting the temples, you can spend some time alone in this beautiful hill station, too, by roaming in the forests. If you wish to, then you can also indulge yourself in watching the pleasant view of the sunset from the viewpoints of Mount Abu.

**Places to visit in Mount Abu**: Nakki Lake, Sunset Point, Dilwara Temples   
**How to reach:**Mount Abu is situated almost 163km away from the city of Udaipur. So, the most convenient way to go there would be either by bus or a car. **Best time to visit:**November to June**Things To Do In Mount Abu:**Explore the architectural structures   
**Places To Stay:**HG Grandiose Hotel, Sterling Mount Abu, Hotel Vishram, Hotel Swagat, Lasa Grand   
**Ideal Duration:**1-2 days

### 2. Guru Shikhar

Affectionately known as the Peak of the Guru, the Guru Shikhar Hill Station is widely considered by the tourists as a land of tranquility. Acknowledged as one of the most famous **hill stations of Rajasthan**, it was after the god, Dattatreya, who was staying on this place during his early days. Located quite close to the Mount Abu **hill stations in Rajasthan**, Guru Shikhar hill station offers excellent panoramic views to the visitors. Along with enjoying the beautiful scenery, you can also indulge in numerous adventurous activities, such as trekking, here. Because of being located far away from the bustling city life, the environment of this place also stays quite calm and serene.

**Places to visit in Guru Shikhar**: Dattatreya Temple, Guru Shikhar Peak   
**How to reach**: Guru Shikhar is located only 10.5km away from Mount Abu. So, if you are thinking to go there from Mount Abu, then a simple cab ride will do the job.   
**Best time to visit**: October to March   
**Things To Do:**Go trekking, Explore temples   
**Places To Stay:**The Raj Villas, Lake View Villa Mount Abu, Achal Resort, Wordsworth Lodge

### 3. Sajjangarh

Located atop a serene hill, the majestic palace of Sajjangarh looks quite enthralling with a mesmerizing mountain range as a backdrop. Established in the year of 1884, this beautiful place is considered to be an ideal summer haven for tourists, who are trying to stay away from the heat of summer. Branded as one of the top hill stations in Rajasthan by the tourists, the beautiful palace offers an exquisite panoramic view of the Udaipur city. From this palace, you will also be able to experience the breathtaking view of the Fateh Sagar Lake will stay in your memory for days. It is one of the beautiful hill stations of Rajasthan.

**Places to visit in Sajjangarh**: Sajjangarh Palace, Fateh Sagar Lake   
**How to reach**: The place is located only 11.4km away from the city of Udaipur. So, you can get into a taxi from the town for coming here.  
**Best time to visit**: November to February   
**Things To Do:**Enjoy the view of Fatehsagar Lake   
**Places To Stay:**The Raj Villas, Lake View Villa Mount Abu, Achal Resort, Wordsworth Lodge, Elegant 2BHK House

### 4. Achalgarh

Carefully nestled in the beautiful Aravalli range, Achalgarh looks like a subtle piece of paradise when viewed from the ground. Known as one of the **best hill stations in Rajasthan**, it is located only 11 km away from Mount Abu, which makes it an ideal weekend getaway from the nearby towns like Jodhpur and Udaipur. Most people generally travel to Achalgarh to experience the serenity of the mountains. However, if you have an adventurous mind, then you can also indulge in trekking here.

**Places to visit in Achalgarh**: Achalgarh Fort, Mandakini Lake, Achaleshwar Mahadev Temple   
**How to reach**: The Achalgarh hill station is situated at a distance of 173km from Udaipur. Therefore, it would be convenient for you to board a bus or a cab from the city.   
**Best time to visit**: November to February   
**Things To Do:**Trekking   
**Places To Stay:**Achal Resort, Lake View Villa Mount Abu, The Raj Villas, Elegant 2BHK House, Wordsworth Lodge

### 5. Ranakpur

Nestled in the elongated Aravalli Mountain range, Ranakpur is one of the small village **hill stations of Rajasthan**, which is known for its eloquent natural beauty. Besides these, this place also houses numerous historically important architectures, which are quite famous among people. Due to these reasons, most tourists consider this place to be one of the best places for a weekend getaway from the metropolises like Jodhpur, Udaipur, and Jaipur. Known as one of the best hill stations in Rajasthan, Ranakpur will transfix you with its ethereal landscapes and its beautiful Jain temples. So, if you are a nature-aficionado, then you will surely fall in love with this tiny piece of paradise.

**Places to visit in Ranakpur**: Ranakpur Jain Temple, Kumbhalgarh Wildlife Sanctuary, Chamukha Temple, Kumbhalgarh Fort   
**How to reach**: Ranakpur is located almost 162 km away from Jodhpur. So, you would have to either opt for a car or the bus services to come here.   
**Best time to visit**: October to February   
**Things To Do:**Explore architectures, Jain temples   
**Places To Stay:**Ranakpur Hill Resort, Chandra Hill Resort, Ideal Lake View Resort, Hotel Aranyawas, Roopam Resort   
**Ideal Duration:**1 day

**SIKKIM**

### 1. Aritar – A Pristine Hill Station

Located in Sikkim, Aritar is one of the underrated yet mesmerizing hill stations near Gangtok which is known across the country and the world for its pristine beauty. The place is also doused with several temples and monasteries that you can visit and explore on your own. This is considered one of the best spots for solo travellers. It is located in the eastern part of Sikkim and is quite an important town.

The fact that Aritar is an untouched spot, you do get to witness the beauty of nature at its primal fear. The vibrant greens and the tranquil gush of water around do make this a place worth remembering. It is also quite close to Gangtok, so you can make a trip out of it easily.

**Distance from Gangtok:** 68 km  
**Best time to visit:** Later summers or early winters  
**Things to do:** Witness the beautiful waterfalls and visit the temples and monasteries  
**How to reach:** You can take a private rental car from Gangtok  
**Special Attractions:** Que Khola Falls, Lampokhari Lake, and Mulkharka Lake  
**Places to Stay:**The Aritar Retreat, The Gyaltsen Home Stay, Mozaulay River Retreat

### 2. Lachen – Scenic Environment And Natural Beauty

Nestled in the beautiful northern part of Sikkim, Lachen is another one of the popular hill stations near Gangtok that you will notice around near Gangtok. The place is famous across the country for the Lachung monastery. The combination of the serene environment paired with the natural beauty of the place does make this a place worth spending your time in.

Majority of the people who do visit Gangtok visit Lachen as well. The place is a popular destination among the Buddhist tourists and is often visited by people who want some peace because of the small population of people around. Lachen is also known for the popular [Tso Lhamo lake](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/tso-lhamo-lake/). The natural beauty and the lush greenery and vegetation do make this a place worth visiting and being in.

**Distance from Gangtok:** 120.4 km  
**Best time to visit:** Winter months  
**Things to do:** Explore the nature, visit the Lachung monastery  
**How to reach:** Take a cab from Gangtok  
**Special Attractions:** Lachen Monastery, Shingba Rhododendron Sanctuary, and Zero Point Yumthang Valley  
**Packages Starting From:**₹ 14,966/-  
**Places to Stay:**Summit Panghen Metok Hotel, Delight The Fortuna Lachen, Delight Lachen Heritage

### 3. Yumthang Valley – Touches The Limits Of Beauty

Another one of the well known hill stations near Gangtok, in the north of Sikkim that is worth the visit is the [Yumthang Valley](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/yumthang-valley/). Also known as the Valley of Flowers, this is located very near to Lachen. The place is beautified with the presence of hot springs, rivers and the beautiful greenery of the area around. It is located 3564 meters above the sea level and offers some of the most breathtaking views that you just can’t miss out on.

The unique thing about the place is that it is believed that some of the hot springs around in Yumthang Valley have healing powers. The place is also closed for tourists in between December to March owing to the heavy snowfall it experiences. There are beautiful pine forests and a plethora of waterfalls around too that you can witness around and even during the journey to the Yumthang Valley.

**Distance from Gangtok:** 134.4 km  
**Best time to visit:** Anytime except December to March  
**Things to do:** Explore the hot springs and witness the waterfalls  
**How to reach:** Take a cab from Gangtok  
**Special Attractions:** Valley of Flowers and Yumthang Valley  
**Places to Stay:**Apply Valley Inn, Yarlam Resort, Padma Resort

### 4. Lachung – An Amazing Spot

Another one of the famous hill stations near Gangtok that is worth visiting in Lachung. Even this one is located in North Sikkim and accounts for one of the most popular sites to visit and explore. This is also the place where two tributaries, Lachen and Lachung meet. So, witnessing that can be a rewarding experience as well. The hill station is quite popular for the diverse range of waterfalls that it has. The view of the snow-capped majestic mountains that you can witness there makes this trip worth all the effort without any complaints.

If you visit during the season, you might also come across a wide range of apple orchards as well. This is also quite an amazing spot to indulge in some shopping, especially of the handmade crafts and items.

**Distance from Gangtok:** 115 km  
**Best time to visit:** Winter months  
**Things to do:** Witness the tributaries, waterfalls and the apple orchards, indulge in shopping  
**How to get there:** Take a private rental car from Gangtok  
**Special Attractions:** Zero Point, Yumthang Valley  
**Packages Starting From:** ₹ 14,966/-  
**Places to Stay:**Yarlam Resort, Snow Lion Mountain Resort, The Fortuna Resort

### 5. Yuksom – Base For Adventure



Another one of the underrated hill stations near Gangtok, Yuksom is nestled in the western region of Sikkim and the quaint village is known for its enigmatic and untouched natural beauty. It is located near the [Khangchendzonga National Park](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/khangchendzonga-national-park/" \t "_blank)and is covered in a thick blanket of greenery and vegetation. Yuksom serves as a popular spot and base camp for trekking journeys  in Sikkim.

The village also holds important historical significance as the first Chogyal was crowned here back in the year 1642. Apart from natural beauty, you can also visit several religious spots around. The Gurudongmar and Tso Lhamu monasteries are two of the most popular monasteries that are visited by tourists year-round. While there, make sure to visit and witness the popular [Khecheopalri Lake](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/khecheopalri-lake/" \t "_blank) as well.

**Distance from Gangtok:** 120 km  
**Best time to visit:** Winter or Autumn months  
**Things to do:** Explore the Khecheopalri Lake and the Gurudongmar and Tso Lhamu monasteries  
**How to reach:** Take a cab from Gangtok  
**Special Attractions:** Fam Villa, [Tashiding Monastery](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/tashiding-monastery/" \t "_blank), and Kanchenjunga Falls  
**Places to Stay:**Vamoosetrail Yuksom, Vamoose Mama’s Kitchen, Summit Newa Regency

### 6. Pelling – Heavy Dose Of Natural Splendor

If you want to be a cliché tourist and visit a hill station that every tourist visits, Pelling is the place you need to be in. The best thing about this place is its natural beauty and the kind of spots that you get to experience. It is located in the western part of Sikkim and is the second-largest tourist visited spot after Gangtok. The most important and popular site of attraction the Khangchendzonga and the peaks are surrounding that.

While you are there, make sure to visit the [Pemayangtse monastery](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/pemayangtse-monastery/" \t "_blank) as well which is one of the most popular sightseeing spots. If you want a heavy dose of both nature and adventure at the same time, Pelling is the spot that you need to visit and explore without fail.

**Distance from Gangtok:** 129 km  
**Best time to visit:** Winter months  
**Things to do:** Witnessing the Khangchendzonga peak and the Pemayangtse monastery  
**How to reach:** Take a private rental car from the city of Gangtok  
**Special Attractions:** Pemayangtse Monastery and Rabdentse Ruins  
**Packages Starting From:**₹ 11,119/-  
**Places to Stay:**Hotel Snow View on Cloud Nine, Delight The Touristo, BluBen Alpine

### 7. Legship – With An Abundance Of Natural Beauty

Legship is a hill town located in west Sikkim with an abundance of natural beauty. Located on the banks of Rangit river, Legship is blessed with a lot of natural springs, monasteries, temples and scenic views. A real treat to discover on your journey to an offbeat destination, Legship also contains trekking trails to satisfy your adventure lust. With a rich flora and fauna, your vacation could not get any better for a leisurely stay in paradise land.

**Distance from Gangtok**: 95 km  
**Best time to visit**: February to May; September to December  
**Things to do**: Visit the temples, monasteries and admire natural beauty  
**How to reach**: Hire a cab or private car to drive through the scenic routes of Sikkim which takes about 3-4 hours of travel.  
**Special Attractions**: Sanga Choeling Monastery, Bon Monastery, Bermiok  
**Places to Stay**: Magpie Pachhu Village Resort, Martam Farmhouse, Magpie The Chestnut Retreat

### 8. Geyzing – Beautiful Hamlet In The Hills

Geyzing is a small hill station in the western part of Sikkim and connected by a metalled road with Gangtok. Apart from getting widespread views of the Kanchenjunga peaks, Geyzing is mostly known for its spiritual side in the form of monasteries and temples. You will find a heavy influence of the Nepalese community here including in cottages, the food, people and items to buy in the markets.

**Distance from Gangtok**: 100 km   
**Best time to visit**:  April to June  
**Things to do**: Visit the Rabdentse Ruins and monasteries, bath at the waterfalls  
**How to reach**: Roads are the best option and either take a local bus which might take you more time than hiring a cab or taxi and reach within 4 hours.  
**Special Attractions**: Kirateshwar Mahadev Temple, Ralang Monastery  
**Places to Stay**: Chumbi Mountain Retreat & Spa, Hotel View Point, Monal Heritage Home

### 9. Zuluk – Village Above Clouds

Zuluk is a small hamlet located in the eastern part of Sikkim at a height of 10,000 feet above sea level at the Himalayan foothills. It is very popular by the phrase “village above the clouds” and rightly so. Catching a glimpse of the mountains from the village can be one of the best experiences during your  visit. The valley is guarded by lush green trees, viewpoints and trekking trails. The best part about [Zuluk sightseeing](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/zuluk-sightseeing/" \t "_blank) is that crowds are not its specialty, which is all the more reason to visit Zuluk.

**Distance from Gangtok**: 88 km  
**Best time to visit**: All throughout the year  
**Things to do**: Get picture-perfect shots from viewpoints and trek  
**How to reach**: Hire a cab from Gangtok and take all important permissions  
**Special Attractions**: Lungthung, Nathang Valley, Tukla, Memencho Lake  
**Places to Stay**: Zuluk Snowlion, Zuluk Sojourn Homestay, Mukhia Homestay Zuluk

### 10. Mangan – The Magical Place

The unexplored, pristine and magical hill station of Mangan is another top hill station near Gangtok that is simply a natural haven. The charming village has acres of forests, green trees, snow-covered mountains which will attract nature lovers and vacationers. Mangan is also popular among spiritual seekers with Buddhist monasteries and chants that overpower the area. The soul-soothing ambiance of this hill resort might just be the perfect vacation spot during summers.

**Distance from Gangtok**: 65 km  
**Best time to visit**:  April to July  
**Things to do**: Visit the heritage house, admire the natural splendor and get awesome views  
**How to reach**: Hire a jeep or taxi to reach Mangan or take a bus if you like to spend a little less  
**Special Attractions**: Shingba Rhododendron Sanctuary, Labrang Monastery, Sirijonga Yuma Mangheem  
**Places to Stay**: Munlom Nature Resort, Hotel Tamarind, Malawlee Homestay

**TAMILNADU**

## 1. Ooty

Situated at a height of 2240 meters, Ooty is famous as the ‘Queen of hill stations’. For all nature and mountain lovers, the idea of travelling to this serene and gorgeous hill station holds an attraction like no other. With lush green valleys, undulating hills, beautiful lakes, and panoramic views, Ooty tops the list of the best [honeymoon places in Tamil Nadu](https://www.veenaworld.com/blog/honeymoon-places-in-tamil-nadu-for-a-romantic-trip). Here, a thick layer of fog covering the abodes during spring, making the city look as striking as scenery from a beautiful painting. Also called Udagamandalam, Ooty has several interesting places like Rose Garden, Botanical Garden, Doddabetta Peak, Ooty Lake, Pykara Lake, Thunder World, Madumalai National Park, Tea Museum, Deer Park, Avalanche Lake, and a lot more.

## 2. Coonoor

Green hills, mists hovering over the deep valleys, majestic waterfalls, and lush forests swarming with wild creatures; Coonoor is the perfect place to experience natural beauty and charm. One of the most serene hill stations in Tamil Nadu, Coonoor attracts tourists with its subtle charm. Nestled at an altitude of 1850 meters and a short distance of 17 km from Ooty, Coonoor is a breathtakingly beautiful hill station with a peaceful and relaxing environment. The long-winding roads, numerous tea estates, and old colonial bungalows enhance the charm of Coonoor. Some of the major attractions of this delightful location include Dolphins Nose, Sim’s Park, Ketti Valley, St. Catherine Falls, Lambs Rock, Hidden Valley, and more. Remember, if you are at this hill station in Tamil Nadu and do not visit the Nilgiri tea estate, then you are going to miss out on a great experience.

## 3. Yelagiri

Nestled amid four hills at an elevation of 3,645 feet, Yelagiri is among the unexplored hill stations in Tamil Nadu. While the pleasant weather and serenity are the two most striking aspects of Yelagiri, beautiful landscapes, lakes, waterfalls, and misty mountains can leave nature lovers lost in the awe-inspiring beauty of this place. One of the quaint hill stations in Tamil Nadu, Yelagiri attracts visitors with its unparalleled scenic beauty of rustic villages, fruit orchards, green fields, and valleys. You can enjoy the peaceful vibes of the scintillating artificial lake of Yelagiri, visit the Velvan Temple and seek the blessings of god and rejuvenate your soul at the highest peak of Swamimalai at 4338 feet. Some other attractions at Yelagiri include Jalagandeeswarar Temple, Punganoor Lake Park, Telescope Observatory, Yelagiri Adventure Camp, Jalagamparai Waterfalls, Amirthi Zoological Waterfalls, and more.

## 4. Kodaikanal

Situated amidst the rolling slopes of the Palani Hills, Kodaikanal is one of the most popular honeymoon places in Tamil Nadu. With its mist-covered manicured cliffs, pristine lakes, gurgling streams, and cascading waterfalls; the picturesque beauty of Kodaikanal never fails to mesmerise visitors. Nestled at an elevation of 2,133 meters, Kodaikanal is relatively crowd-free and lets you enjoy peace, connect with untouched natural beauty, and feel a step closer to the grandeur of Mother Nature. Also referred to as the Princess of Hills, this beautiful town is home to some amazing places such as Pillar Rocks, Kodai Lake, Coaker’s Walk, Silver Cascade, Bryant Park, and Bear Shola Falls.

## 5. Kotagiri

One of the oldest hill stations in Tamil Nadu, Kotagiri is famous for its magnificent views, tea estates, coffee plantations, trekking trails, and rock climbing. Snuggled at the height of 1,847 meters, Kotagiri is a part of many [Tamil Nadu sightseeing](https://www.veenaworld.com/blog/tamil-nadu-tourism-top-sightseeing-places-in-tamil-nadu) packages. Surrounded by green hills and exquisite landscape of surreal imagination, Kotagiri is rated as the 4th coolest place in the state. Here, the pleasant weather, the stunning countryside, and the slow pace of life attract people who wish to have a relaxing break from the busy and chaotic city life. The highlights of this amazing hill station include Catherine Falls, John Sullivan Memorial, Longwood Shola Forest, Kodanad Viewpoint, Elk Falls, and Rangaswamy Peak and Pillars.

## 6. Yercaud

Perched in the Eastern Ghats in the Shevaroy Hills, Yercaud is an undiscovered treasure and a rejuvenating hill station in Tamil Nadu. Set at an altitude of 1,623 meters, this hill station is known for its unspoiled and pristine nature, orange groves, fruit and spice plantations, oak and sandalwood forests, and coffee estates. Enveloped under picturesque skies, with grey clouds above lush green forests, Yercaud is truly a paradise for nature lovers. Being one of the unexplored hill stations in Tamil Nadu, this beautiful small town attracts tourists with its untouched charm, fresh breeze, and quaintness. Here, you can visit Botanical Farm, Emerald Lake, Pagoda Point, Deer Park, Bear’s Cave, Silk Farm, Killiyur Falls, Tipperary View Point, and Shevaroy Temple.

## 7. Topslip

Situated at an altitude of 800 feet from the sea level in the Anamalai mountain range, Topslip is a famous hill station near Tamil Nadu. Bounded by the rivers called Uppar and Aliar, Topslip is blessed with nature’s vast wealth and pleasant weather. Sprawling lush green rainforests teem with marvellous wildlife, and there are picturesque valleys and river streams slowing freely through the hills; Topslip will leave you awestruck with its sublime beauty. Ranked as one of the coolest places in Tamil Nadu, Topslip is home to Catherine Waterfalls, Siruvani Falls, Monkey Falls, Anamalai Tiger Reserve, Wenlock Downs, Parambikulam Tiger Reserve, and more. You can enjoy jeep rides and elephant safaris in Anamalai wildlife sanctuary or go for the trekking around the forest along with a guide.

## 8. Kolli Hills

Covered in evergreen forests and nestled amid pristine mountain range, Kolli Hills is one of the best tourist places in Tamil Nadu. Situated at an altitude of 1400 metres, going for a trip to this hill station is an adventure in itself. With around 70 breathtaking bends and curves as well as the picturesque beauty on your way to Kolli Hills, this trip will give you the most wonderful experience. Also popular as Kolli malai, this popular hill station in Tamil Nadu is the perfect place to observe rich culture and historical significance. Here, you can visit the Arapaleeswarar Temple that attracts people with its Dravidian style architecture, enjoy trekking or stroll through the fruit orchards or coffee plantations. Some other attractions of Kolli Hills include Rock Pillar Viewpoint, Tampcol Medicinal Farm, Agasagangai waterfalls, Ettukai Amman Temple, Siddha Caves, and Vasalurpatty Boat House.

## 9. Javadi Hills

Located in the Eastern Ghats, Javadi Hills is one of the best hill stations in Tamil Nadu. With lush green surroundings and a serene environment, Javadi Hills is a hidden wonder of Tamil Nadu. It is one of the most beautiful tourist places and hill stations in Tamil Nadu, attracting people with unexplored hills and untrodden trails. Javadi Hills is an ideal spot for nature lovers, campers, trekkers, and passionate photographers. Here, you can capture rare wildlife, mesmerising sunrise and sunset points, and spectacular sights of lush green hills. Major attractions of the Javadi Hills include Beemanmadavu Waterfall, Komutteri Lake, and Kavalur Observatory.

**TELANGANA**

### 1. Ananthagiri Hills (75.3 km from Hyderabad)

Hyderabad to Ananthagiri Hills is a very popular road trip, and for many good reasons. Ananthagiri, one of the most visited hill stations near Hyderabad, is a land of dense jungles crisscrossed by fresh forest streams that often collude to form majestic waterfalls. The rough terrain makes this a preferred getaway, especially if you are looking to balance the chaos of Hyderabad with some primeval tranquility.

The hill station offers you a fantastic range of activities to engage in, alone or with family or friends. For starters, you can visit Anantha Padmanabha Swamy Temple, an important spiritual landmark, from which the entire range derives its name. After admiring the details of this South Indian temple’s architecture, you can head off to the nearby [Nagasamudram Lake](https://www.fabhotels.com/blog/lakes-in-and-around-hyderabad/" \o "Lakes in Hyderabad" \t "_blank). There are kayaks available or you can enjoy a nice stroll around the lake. There are also some trekking trails around the temple that you can explore. Prepare to be fascinated by the remnants of ancient human lives you are likely to come across in the forest of Ananthagiri Hills. From old fort ruins to ancient temples, this region’s long history is quite evident. Being one of the most accessible hill stations near Hyderabad within 100 km, Ananthagiri can be a perfect one-day trip if you do not have much time on your hands.

* **Location:**Vikarabad, Telangana
* **Activities:** Trekking, boating, nature Walks, photography
* **Must-visit Attractions:** Bhavanasi Lake, Vikarabad town
* **Book Hotels:**[Budget Hotels in Hyderabad](https://www.fabhotels.com/list-of-budget-hotels-in-hyderabad/) | [Couple Friendly Hotels in Hyderabad](https://www.fabhotels.com/list-of-couple-friendly-hotels-in-hyderabad/)

### 2. Srisailam (215 km from Hyderabad)

Looking for a cultural trip near Hyderabad with an added dose of hills and verdant scenery? If yes, Srisailam should be on your list. The route to Srisailam involves driving through plenty of forests, a far cry from the dusty, open Deccan landscape. Here, you will find caves and temples that give you a quick glimpse into India’s mystical past. First, head to the rugged hills to visit Ista Kameshwari Temple, an old Hindu place of worship, tucked deep in the jungle. Apart from its religious significance, the temple is also visited for its location in a scenic spot with many waterfalls and valleys. There are also many caves in this hill station near Hyderabad, some of which are quite accessible to tourists. Uma Maheshwaram Temple is another fascinating hill-top shrine in the ranges above Srisailam.  It is located close to many waterfalls and is surrounded by low peaks of the Eastern Ghats. Visiting a place of worship while being close to the wonders of nature – well, that’s a unique experience you won’t come by quite often. So, make the most of your trip!

Apart from the rich legacy, Srisailam is also home to many of India’s precious species. Nagarjuna Sagar-Srisailam sanctuary is home to tigers, leopards, various antelopes, crocodiles and dholes. A jeep safari here is recommended for everyone who wants to experience wildlife in close quarters. A large part of the hill areas near Srisailam overlaps with the Nallamala Range. The latter is more famous for its natural scenery and wildlife, compared to the cultural and religious attractions of Srisailam. Make a stop at Mallelatheertham, one of the most picturesque [waterfalls near Hyderabad](https://www.fabhotels.com/blog/waterfalls-near-hyderabad/).

* **Location:**Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh
* **Activities:** Cave exploration, trekking, wildlife spotting
* **Must-visit Attractions:** Mallikarjuna Temple, Srisailam Dam, Mallelatheertham

### 3. Nallamala Hills (233 km from Hyderabad)

Chronicled so often in the stories of the famous hunter Kenneth Anderson, Nallamala Hills are a lesser-known hill destination in Andhra Pradesh. The range is flanked by the Krishna and Pennar rivers; many streams and rivulets cut across the hills, carving numerous waterfalls into the terrain. While you are here, visit the calm waters of the manmade Cumbum Lake, which dates back to the 15th century, or interact with the local tribes, whose way of life is very distinct from that in the rest of the region. A couple of thousand-meter peaks, namely Bhairani Konda and Gundla Brahmeswara are prominent geographical landmarks near Cumbum, and you can climb to these summits for nice views of the countryside. This pristine hill station is part of a larger untouched wilderness area and tales of tigers and leopards are not too far-fetched.

There are also many rock formations on this hill station near Hyderabad that form an integral part of this unique landscape. If you are interested in natural sites, Ugra Stambham rock is worth adding to your itinerary. A visit here involves a forest trek, the perfect way to immerse yourself in these peaceful and emerald surroundings.

* **Location:**Stretches over Andhra Pradesh and Telangana
* **Activities:** Trekking, sightseeing
* **Must-visit Attractions:** Mahanadi Temple, Nagarjunasagar–Srisailam Tiger Reserve, Cumbum Lake

**TRIPURA**

### 1. Agartala – Capital City

Agartala is the capital of Tripura, is one of the largest cities in that state and one of the most popular places to visit in Tripura. The place is famous for its terrains which are full of green pastures, hills and beautiful valleys. The main attraction of this place is Ujjayanta Palace. You would require to plan at least two days if you wish to cover Agartala in detail. Ujjayanta Palace is a royal house built by Maharaja Radha Kishore Manikya in 1899. The palace is known for its architecture which has three domes, tiled floors, carved wooden ceiling, and beautifully crafted doors. Also, there is a Mughal style garden on the outside of this royal palace.

**How to reach:** Nearest airport is Agartala Airport from where you can take a taxi or cab to reach your destination in Agartala. The Agartala railway station has two expressways passing through it which connect the majority of cities right from Delhi up till Calcutta. If you plan your trip via road, then NH8 connects Agartala to the majority of cities in north India.

### 2. Amarpura – Ideal Picnic Spot

Amarpura is one of the best places to visit in Tripura and is considered as an ideal picnic spot. People often drive here over weekends to sit and pass their day on the banks of the Amar Sagar lake which is an artificial lake built in the 16th century. The city mostly stands on ancient ruins and also has a temple dedicated to Mangalchand (the eight-headed goddess). Also, if you go there during February, a fair is held to celebrate the month of flowers. There are two other lakes in this place – Dumboor Lake and Chobimura. Water Sports facility is also available in Amarpura. Other than this there are various other fairs and events held in this place to keep people visiting this place engaged all year round.

**How to reach:** Agartala Airport is the nearest airport from Amarpura (12 km away). The nearest railhead is also at Agartala. Various CNG based buses are available from nearby cities to come to Amarpura.

### 3. Melaghar – Vibrant Town

Melaghar is also a town located 50 km from Agartala. The place is famous for Neermahal which is situated in the middle of Rudrasagar Lake. The place has got very peaceful vibes. It is also famous for Durga Puja Festival. The entire town looked blessed when it is lit with beautiful lights during this festival. There are various puja pandals played across the roads and everybody seems to enjoy it. Another festival, which is dearly celebrated in Melaghar is Ratha Yatra which is held every year in July. To satisfy your spirit for shopping you can come down to Anandabazar which has everything right from daily staples to big showrooms to cater to all your needs. Other popular places to visit in Tripura include Veeramma Kali Mandir, Pagli Masi Temple, and Melaghar Kali Temple.

**How to reach:** The closest airport is Agartala airport from where you can hire cabs to reach Melaghar. The nearest railhead is also in Agartala. The city is also well connected via roads.

### 4. Kailashahar – Ancient Capital

Kailashahar is another town in the state of Tripura and is located very near to Bangladesh borders which makes it one of the best places to visit in Tripura. The town was the capital of Tripura in ancient times and have roots associated with Unakoti. The main festival of Kailashahar is Durga puja and the city is decorated with fancy lights and Goddess Durga pandals. The town is blessed with beautiful landscapes and lush green gardens. The main tourist attractions here are Lakhi Narayan Bari and Chouddo Devotar Temple. Also, there are several tea estates around the town. Some of them are managed privately and most of them are famous for organic tea that they grow here.

**How to reach:** The town is at easy access via roads. The nearest airport and railhead is located in Agartala.

### 5. Dharamnagar – Naturally Beautiful Landscapes

Dharamnagar is the second-largest city in Tripura next to Agartala and is located in the north part of Tripura. The place is known for naturally beautiful landscapes. There are several top-quality boarding schools located in this city. The temperature is always mild here, both in winters and summers. However, the place is adorned with very heavy rainfalls. The city is built over ancient ruins and is known for many famous historical monuments. Haflong is a famous tea garden which is known for its beauty and lies just a short distance from Dharamnagar. Also, Unakoti which is an ancient site with huge rock-cut images lies near Dharmanagar.

**How to reach:** Nearest airport is Agartala Airport, from where there are various state-run buses and trains available to Dharamnagar.

### 6. Udaipur – AKA Rangamati

Udaipur was earlier known as Rangamati and is a town in Tripura and is famous for its Sundari Temple which is one of the religious places to visit in Tripura. The place is located on the bed of artificial lakes and is at around 55 km from Agartala. Some of the artificial lakes located in his town are – Dhani Sagar, Bijoy Sagar, Jagannath Dighi, Amar Sagar. The city is located on the banks of the Gomai River and has several temples. But the most popular is the Tripura Sundari Temple, which is also part of 51 Shakti Peethas. There is a big lake beside this temple which is called Kalyan Sagar. Another famous temple here is Bhubaneshwar Temple. Because so many lakes are located in his city, it is also called the city of lakes. Book lovers can find their mecca in Nazrul Granthagar library in Udaipur which was christened after Nazrul Islam.

**How to reach:** The nearest airport is Maharana Pratap Airport, which is located just 20 km away from the city and has many domestic flights scheduled from almost all major cities. There is also a well-established bus service network to Udaipur from several cities in North India. The nearest railhead is located in the city, again with a vast network of rail lines.

### 7. Ambassa – Old Temples And Traditions

Ambassa is another beautiful city in Tripura and is very famous for ancient temples held in this place. The picturesque landscape and rich culture of Ambassa makes it one of the most popular cities in Tripura. A few places of attraction in this city are Pilak, Chabimura, Neermahal Palace, Ujjayanta Palace, Gumti Wildlife Sanctuary, Jagannath Temple. Many other temples in this city keep lit and you engaged while you are here. There is a massive juice plant in Nalkata which is around 38 km away from Ambassa and is one of the major attractions amongst tourists coming here. Also, several handicraft shops are located near to this juice plant.

**How to reach:** Nearest airport to Ambassa is Khowai Airport (60 km away). The nearest railhead is the Penchartal railway station. The nearest bus stand is in Teliamura which is in close vicinity to Ambassa.

### 8. Jampui Hills – Scenic Views

Jampui Hills are located in the Northern part of Tripura and is one of the most famous places to visit in Tripura. These hills are located at an altitude of 1000 meters above sea level. The place is blessed with beautiful valleys and splendid sceneries and is a land of juicy oranges. The top attractions of this city are Ujjayanta Palace, Sepahijala Wildlife sanctuary, and Chittagong Hills. The best time to visit Jampui Hills is in November. The sanctuary is full of a great variety of wildlife species and also has a research center. You can find as many as 150 different species of birds in this sanctuary.

**How to reach:** Nearest Airport is in Agartala which is situated 198 km from the city. The place is well connected via roads and the nearest railhead is Dharamnagar which is around 70 km away.

### 9. Unakoti – Timeless Ruins

Translating to ‘one less than a crore’ in English, Unakoti is one of the most intriguing**places to see in Tripura** for those who seek something unique. This place is sitting near the Kailasahwar town and is home to hundreds and thousands of massive structures that are rock-cut and spellbinding. This spot is home to numerous scattered ruins of the temples, making Unakoti a unique place with an ancient aura encircling the atmosphere.

### 10. Sepahijala Wildlife Sanctuary – Local Wildlife

For all the animal and plant admirers out there in the world, Sepahijala Wildlife Sanctuary is one of the exciting **places to see in Tripura**. This wildlife sanctuary is spread over approximately 19 kilometers and is home to some enchanting species of flora and fauna. There is an extensive variety of local and migratory birds that can be found here. The floors of the sanctuary are also covered with coffee and rubber plantations that are a treat for the eyes and soul both.

**UTTAR PRADESH**

### 1. Mani Parbat and Sugriv Parbat

Located in close proximity to Ayodhya, the Mani Parbat and Sugriv Parbat are favourites among tourists for their mythological importance. According to legends, when Hanuman was carrying the mountain with Sanjeevani for Lakhshman’s wounds, a portion fell at this place. As a result, it became a place of immense religious importance later on. So, if you love visiting mythologically important places, this is undoubtedly a great place for you.

* **Best Time to Visit:** Throughout the year
* **Top Things to Do:**Photography and nature exploration
* **Top Places to Visit:** Mani Parbat and Sugriv Parbat
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 500 to ₹ 1000 per person (1 Day)
* **How to Reach:** By air, rail and road.

### 2. Gokhar Hills

Gokhar Hill station in UP is famous for its iconic rock formation that perfectly curves waterfalls and caves. This is a great picnic spot for locals and also has opportunities for rock climbing. Additionally, this place is easily accessible from nearby cities such as Gwalior and Prayagraj, and it takes less than 3 hours to reach Gokhar Hill from Chitrakoot.

* **Best Time to Visit:**Throughout the year
* **Top Things to Do:**Photography and nature exploration
* **Top Places to Visit:** Alha Udal Chowk, Ram Kurd, Suraj Kurd Barichandrika Devi Temple and Shiva Temple at Katheswar.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 1,000 per person (1 Day)
* **How to Reach:** By air, rail and road

### 3. Khatri Pahar

Khatri Pahar is located in a small village of Shydha, which is at a distance of 24 km from Banda, located close to the Ken River. This place is located at a height of 259 m and is famous for a temple dedicated to Angleshwari Devi at the top. Moreover, this place also has mythological importance, and devotees flock here to seek blessings from the goddess. A mela is organised here on every Navaratri, and you can see a bevy of locals participating in the same.

* **Best Time to Visit:** Throughout the year
* **Top Things to Do:**Photography and nature exploration
* **Top Places to Visit:** Angleshwari Devi temple
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 500 to ₹ 1000 per person (1 Day)
* **How to Reach:** By air, rail and road

### 4. Chitrakoot

Chitrakoot is one of the top hill stations in Uttar Pradesh and is close to Lucknow city. This place has stunning views of nature and is a great place to visit on weekends. However, apart from the scenic beauty, this place mainly receives tourists for its religious importance. According to mythology, Lord Rama, Lord Lakshman and Goddess Sita spent their exile in this forest.

* **Best Time to Visit:**Throughout the year
* **Top Things to Do:** Photography and nature exploration
* **Top Places to Visit:** Ramghat, Kamadgiri Temple, Hanuman Dhara, Sphatik Shila, Gupt Godavari Caves, etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 1,000 per person (1 Day)
* **How to Reach:**By air, rail and road.

### 5. Govardhan Hill

Govardhan Hill is also known as Giri Raj and is located at a distance of 22 km from Vrindavan. According to mythology, this place has the same importance as Lord Krishna. Hence, devotees around the country visit here. Moreover, this hill is just 80 ft. tall with a circumference of 38 km, making it easy for senior devotees to climb.

* **Best Time to Visit:** Throughout the year
* **Top Things to Do:**Photography and nature exploration.
* **Top Places to Visit:** Mukharvind, Mansi Ganga, and Daan Ghati.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 500 to ₹ 1000 per person (1 Day)
* **How to Reach:** By air, rail and road.

### 6. Nainital

Nainital is one of the most serene hill stations located close to Uttar Pradesh. This destination is famous for its lush green mountains and an eye-shaped lake with a turquoise hue of water. Nainital’s panoramic vistas are no less than a dreamscape, and people visit to experience the placidity and natural view. In peak seasons, you might encounter frenetic tourists gathering for a glimpse of this wonderland. Moreover, it can be easily accessible from Uttar Pradesh, and as this place is also located close to Delhi, so you can find hassle-free modes of communication to Nainital. Ideally, you need around 2 to 3 days to explore this place, but you can spend more time if required.

* **Best Time to Visit:** March to September
* **Top Things to Do:**Photography, trekking, and nature exploration
* **Top Places to Visit:** Naini Lake, Jim Corbett National Park, Nainital Zoo, Snow Viewpoint, etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 13,000 per person (4 Day/3 Night)
* **How to Reach:**By air, rail and road

### 7. Mussoorie

Located at a height of 1900 metres, Mussoorie is a paradise for mountain lovers. This is popularly referred to as "The Queen of Hills" for its awe-inspiring vistas and tranquil atmosphere.

Besides this, Mussoorie is a popular destination among honeymooners and is also regarded as one of the most popular romantic destinations near Uttar Pradesh. Irrespective of climate and month, you will see tourists here all year round enjoying time with their friends and family.

* **Best Time to Visit:**March to June
* **Top Things to Do:** Photography, trekking, and nature exploration
* **Top Places to Visit:** Naini Lake, Jim Corbett National Park, Nainital Zoo, Snow Viewpoint, etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 13,000 per person (4 Day/3 Night)
* **How to Reach:** By air, rail and road

### 8. Lansdowne

When you think of a hill station, the tranquillity of nature generally comes to mind first, and Lansdowne will not disappoint you in this regard. The views of Lansdowne are undoubtedly breathtaking, and you will feel a step closer to nature. It takes less than 3 hours to reach Lansdowne from Najibabad, Uttar Pradesh, and communication from nearby cities is also swift and readily available. Nevertheless, prepare yourself to witness some exotic wildlife and iconic streets that are ideal for trekking and wandering.

Most importantly, although the temperature drops significantly during winter, the streets of Lansdowne look picture perfect, and you will not be able to resist taking photos.

* **Best Time to Visit:**October to January
* **Top Things to Do:**Photography, trekking, and nature exploration
* **Top Places to Visit:**Garhwali Museum, Bhulla Taal, Tiffin Top, Santoshi Mata Mandir, etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 10,000 per person (3 Day/2 Night)
* **How to Reach:**By air, rail and road

### 9. Almora

If you are seeking relief from the hustle and bustle of the city, Almora is an exciting destination for you. Most importantly, it can be easily reached from Uttar Pradesh, and you can experience a refreshing atmosphere with fresh zephyr.

This place is nestled in the Kumaon region of the Himalayas and offers plenty of destinations for sightseeing. You can hire a car to explore the nearby places and taste some of the delicious foods of the state.

* **Best Time to Visit:**April to June and September to November
* **Top Things to Do:**Photography, trekking, and nature exploration
* **Top Places to Visit:** Chitai Golu Devta Temple, Martola, Simtola, Jageshwar, etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 3,000 per person (2 Day/1 Night – Accommodation cost)
* **How to Reach:** By air, rail and road

### 10. Mukteshwar

Mukteshwar lies close to Nainital and can be easily accessed from Uttar Pradesh. This place is famous for its evergreen views of the mighty Himalayas, and if you are an adventure seeker, you can enjoy some here too!

Besides its scenic beauty, this is also ideal for religious people as the town has a 350 years old temple of Lord Shiva, making it special for tourists. Here you can also see picturesque cottages, lush meadows and scenic orchards that you can cherish even after the trip.

* **Best Time to Visit:** October to June
* **Top Things to Do:**Hiking, skiing, and nature exploration
* **Top Places to Visit:** Mukteshwar Dham, Chauli Ki Jali, Jain Mandir, etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 6,000 per person (3 Day/2 Night)
* **How to Reach:** By air, rail and road

**UTTARAKHAND**

### 1. Nainital- Witness The Scenic Beauty

Nainital is, without a doubt, the most popular name that you’ll find in this list of famous**Uttarakhand hill stations**. Situated at an elevation of 1,938 m above the sea-level, Nainital is the quaint and the **best hill station in Uttarakhand** that is best known for the Naina Devi temple & the [Nainital Lake](https://traveltriangle.com/uttarakhand-tourism/nainital/places-to-visit/nainital-lake) that lies amidst a forested valley.

**How To Reach:**

* **By air:** Pantnagar Airport (65 km away)
* **By rail:** Kathgodam Railway Station (34 km away)

**Places to visit:** Raj Bhavan, Naini Lake with boating facilities, Tiffin Top, Nainital Zoo, Naina Devi Temple, Hanuman Garhi, and ropeway rides  
**What’s nearby:** Bhimtal, Naukuchiatal, Sattal, and Ranikhet  
**Places To Stay:**The kumaoni karavan, Conifers Villa, J Resort Dolmar Nainital, Fern Villas, Pragati Resort  
**Best Time To Visit:**Throughout the year

### 2. Mussoorie- Gorgeous Snow Ranges

Thanks to the well-developed state tourism board and the safe routes, there are numerous**Uttarakhand** **hill stations**that most North Indians have heard of, if not visited already. One such name is of Mussoorie hill station. With an expanse of commanding snow ranges to its northeast and gorgeous Doon Valley & Shivalik ranges to the south, Mussoorie is the **best hill station in Uttarakhand**that appears like a little fairyland to the tourists.

**How To Reach:**

* **By air:** Jolly Grant Airport in Dehradun (54 km away)
* **By rail:** Dehradun Railway Station (33 km away)

**Places to visit:** [Kempty Falls](https://traveltriangle.com/uttarakhand-tourism/mussoorie/places-to-visit/kempty-falls" \t "_blank), Landour Clock Tower, Lal Tibba, [Gun Hills](https://traveltriangle.com/uttarakhand-tourism/mussoorie/places-to-visit/gun-hills), Library Point, Sir George Everest House, Cloud’s End, boating in Lake Mist, and paragliding around Mussoorie Lake  
**What’s nearby:** [Rajaji National Park](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/rajaji-national-park/), Benog Wildlife Sanctuary, and Benog Hill with Jwala Ji Temple atop  
**Places To Stay:**Hotel Nand Residency, The Dolina, Mussoorie Honeymoon Inn, Fortune Resort Grace, Rock Villa  
**Things To Do:**Trekking, Paragliding, Rafting  
**Best Time To Visit:**September to June

### 3. Dehradun- Plenty of Wildlife Havens

Mussoorie and Dehradun hill stations are two hill places in Uttarakhand that are often named together; mainly because the two lie only a few miles apart. And just like Mussoorie, Dehradun too invites couples, families, & solo travelers alike. The destination, highlighted by the scenic backdrop of Garhwal Himalayas, offers religious attractions, tourist points, and wildlife havens.

**How To Reach:**

* **By air:** Jolly Grant Airport (in Dehradun)
* **By rail:** Dehradun Railway Station

**Places to visit:** Mindrolling Monastery, Zonal Anthropological Museum, Robber’s Cave, Tapkeshwar Temple, Malsi Deer Park, Lachhiwala, and other places to visit in Dehradun  
**What’s nearby:** Chakrata hill station, Rishikesh, Haridwar, and Kalsi  
**Places To Stay:**Ramada Dehradun Chakrata Road, Hotel Sumangalam, Hotel Relax, Tapasya Home Stay  
**Things To Do:**Paragliding, Go trekking  
**Best Time To Visit:**Throughout the year

### 4. Auli- Ski Around

Auli in Uttarakhand is one of the top **Uttarakhand hill stations** that is more popular for its winter sports. The ski slopes – ranging between 2,500 m & 3,500 m above sea level – are among the best options for snowboarding and skiing in India. Furthermore, it lies adjacent to the shrine of Badrinath. It also offers panoramic views of some high Himalayan peaks including Nanda Devi, Kamet, Mana Parvat, and Dunagiri. Auli is a great place to witness **snow hill station in Uttarakhand**.

**How To Reach:**

* **By air:** Jolly Grant Airport (279 km away)
* **By rail:** Rishikesh Railway Station (250 km away)

**Places to visit:** Auli artificial lake, ski resort, Auli ropeway, and Gurso Bugyal  
**What’s nearby:** Badrinath, Joshimath, Chattra Kund lake, Chenab Lake, Nanda Devi peak, Trishul peak, and Vishnuprayag  
**Places To Stay:**Dwarika , Barahbeesh Villa, Kanasar Ecolodge, Apple Farm Stay, Zostel Homes Kotkhai   
**Things To Do:**Camping, Skiing, Cable Car Ride  
**Best Time To Visit:**Throughout the year

### 5. Chaukori- Explore The Tea Gardens

Chaukori hill station is one of those unexplored **hill stations in Uttarakhand** that offer unique views of both sunset & sunrise; something that can be attributed to its totally unpolluted environs. Located at a moderate elevation of 2,010 m above the sea level, this hill station offers a forest cover rich in pine, oak, & rhododendron trees, cornfields, and orchards. And then there are massive tea gardens to explore.

**How To Reach:**

* **By air:** Pantnagar Airport (205 km away)
* **By rail:** Kathgodam Railway Station (180 km away)

**Places to visit:** Arjuneswar Shiva temple, Kalinag, Bashukinag, Feninag, Pinglenag, Mostamanu temple, and Harinag temple  
**What’s nearby:** Patal Bhuvaneshwari cave, Kapileshwar Mahadev temple, Nakuleshwar Temple, and Ghunsera Devi Temple  
**Places To Stay:**The Misty Mountains, Hotel Border Way And Restaurant, Hotel Sunrise, Hardik Resort, Geetanjali Homestay  
**Best Time To Visit:**October to March

### 6. Dhanaulti- Explore The Temples

Dhanaulti is slowly catching up on the ‘fame’ scale with other famous **hill stations in Uttarakhand**, thanks to the easily available weekend getaway packages from Delhi. The serene hill town, nestled beautifully amid the lofty Himalayas, offers a range of opportunities to the travelers. While forts & temples make for decent sightseeing options, camping & other adventure activities cater to the nature lovers and the adventure junkies.

**How To Reach:**

* **By air:** Jolly Grant Airport in Dehradun (85 km away)
* **By rail:** Dehradun railway station (60 km away)

**Places to visit:** Surkanda Devi temple, Dashavatar temple, Deogarh Fort, eco-parks of Amber & Dhara, Barehipani & Joranda Falls, and Aloo Khet  
**What’s nearby:** Tehri, Kanatal, Dehradun, and Mussoorie  
**Places To Stay:**HOTEL PINE DHANOLTI, Ransuli Resort, ROCK GARDEN CAMP, Hotel Drive Inn, Garden Cottage  
**Things To Do:**Trekking, Valley Crossing, Sky Walking  
**Best Time To Visit:**September to June

### 7. Jageshwar- ****Tour The Indian Sculptures****

Famous or not, Jageshwar is the**best hill station in Uttarakhand** that holds importance on both historical and religious grounds. Over 125 temples, nestled amid the deodar forest, can be found here. Some of these date back to as early as the Gupta ages. These depict ancient Indian sculpture and have inscriptions from various ages.

**How To Reach:**

* **By air:** Pantnagar Airport (150 km away)
* **By rail:** Kathgodam Railway Station (125 km away)

**Places to visit:** Mrityunjay temple, Dandeshwar temple, Jageshwar Archaeological Museum, Jageshwar Mahadev temple, Jhanker Saim Mahadev temple, Lakulisa shrine, Mirtola Ashram, Kuber temple, and Airavat Gufa  
**What’s nearby:** Almora, Gwaldam, Chitai Temple, Binsar, Ranikhet, and Kausani  
**Places To Stay:**Jageshwar Inn, Jai Maa Tulsi Guest House, Thikalna Himalayan Retreat, Binsar Oak Paradise  
**Best Time To Visit:**Aprril to June, September to November

### 8. Kausani- ****Alluring Views****

Many of you might argue that there are other **hill stations of Uttarakhand** that deserve the said title more than Kausani. But the destination truly is beautiful and inspired Mahatma Gandhi to make the comparison for a reason. It offers alluring views of Bandarpoonch, Trishul, & Panchachuli peaks. Temples and other tourist attractions offer great sightseeing options. Furthermore, travelers can go for short treks & hikes from Kausani.

**How To Reach:**

* **By air:** Jolly Grant Airport in Dehradun (170 km away)
* **By rail:** Kathgodam Railway Station (135 km away)

**Places to visit:** Anashakti Ashram, Lakshmi Ashram, Sumitranandan Pant Museum, Kausani Tea Estate, and Rudradhari caves & falls  
**What’s nearby:** Gwaldam, Pinnath, Baijnath temple, Bageshwar, and Binsar  
**Places To Stay:**Aliya himalyan village, Hotel Deepraj, Xomotel Sunita Himalayan Paradise, Hotel Vishwanath  
**Things To Do:**Dine at the Garden restaurant, Visit Temples  
**Best Time To Visit:**April to June, September to December

### 9. Khirsu- A Fascinating Place

Situated at an elevation of 1,700 m above the sea level in the Pauri Garhwal district, Khirsu is undeniably one of the most beautiful **hill stations in Uttarakhand**. The mountain peaks are covered in forests of Oak & Deodar trees. The destination fascinates travelers with the views of the central Himalayas and the numerous temples found in & around the hill town.

**How To Reach:**

* **By air:** Jolly Grant Airport in Dehradun (145 km away)
* **By rail:** Rishikesh Railway Station (132 km away)

**Places to visit:** Ghandiyal Devta temple, Pauri, Devalgarh, Dhari Devi, and Ulkha Garhi  
**What’s nearby:** Garhwali Srinagar, Jwalpa Devi temple, Dhari Devi temple, Rudraprayag, Devprayag, and Adwani  
**Places To Stay:**Rishikesh Stay1, Hotel Hillson, IvyTop Resort, Riverside Resorts  
**Best Time To Visit:**March to June

### 10. Pauri- ****Stunning Sceneries****

Pauri is, perhaps, a slightly more popular brother of Khirsu. Just like Khirsu, this Garhwali hill station too has many revered temples. Its picturesque setting includes skyscraping mountains that remain covered in snow for many months. And when the rays of the sun first fall on these snowy peaks, the view so generated is beyond compare. Moreover, the destination offers many short hikes and some of the [best Himalayan treks](https://traveltriangle.com/blog/best-himalayan-treks/) including the Binsar Mahadev trek, the Tara Kund Trek, and the Dudhatoli trek.

**How To Reach:**

* **By air:** Jolly Grant Airport in Dehradun (133 km away)
* **By rail:** Kotdwara Railway Station (101 km away)

**Places to visit:** Ransi Stadium, Kandoliya temple, Nagdev temple, Chaukhamba viewpoint, and Kyunkaleshwar Mahadev temple  
**What’s nearby:** Khirsu, Devalgarh, Jwalpa Devi temple, Satpuli, and Danda Nagraja temple  
**Places To Stay:**BSR Farms, Hotel Hillson, IvyTop Resort, Riverside Resorts  
**Best Time To Visit:**November to April

**WEST BENGAL**

### 1. Darjeeling

Darjeeling is one of the favourite destinations of Bengalis and is adorned with some spectacular peaks and lush green tea gardens. When you walk on the streets of Darjeeling, you can smell the aroma of tea gardens in proximity and feel the fresh cool breeze from the mountains. Although monsoon is one of the least favourite seasons to visit any hill station, Darjeeling looks stunning after a rain session with dripping drops from the dense evergreen forests of Oak and Sal.

* **Best Time to Visit:** October to May.
* **Top Things to Do:**Trekking, paragliding, camping, photography, and nature exploration.
* **Top Places to Visit:**Himalayan Mountaineering Institute, Tiger Hill, Peace Pagoda, Happy Valley Tea Estate, and others.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 5,000 per person (3 Days/2 Nights)
* **How to Reach:** By air, rail and road.

### 2. Rimbik

Rimbik is best known among trekkers and is one of the most loved hill stations in West Bengal. This place is located in the Darjeeling district in the Singalila National Park area near river Rammam. Although the trekkers mostly visit this place, tourists can also visit Rimbik to see its stunning panoramic views and natural beauty.

* **Best Time to Visit:** March, October, and November
* **Top Things to Do:** Trekking, camping and nature exploration.
* **Top Places to Visit:** See Kanchenjunga and Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 5,000 per person (3 Day/2 Nights)
* **How to Reach:** By air, rail and road.

### 3. Sandakphu

Sandakphu is located in the Darjeeling district on the West Bengal and Nepal border. Every year thousands of trekkers from around the country gather here for a trekking experience like nothing other. Moreover, Sandakphu has the highest peak in West Bengal and provides a breathtaking view of nature and lofty mountains. So, if you love natural beauty and exploration, you must visit Sandakphu.

* **Best Time to Visit:** April to June and October to December.
* **Top Things to Do:** Trekking, camping, photography, paragliding and nature exploration.
* **Top Places to Visit:**Get stunning views of Everest, Lhotse, Kanchenjunga, and Makalu.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 2,000 per person (1 Day)
* **How to Reach:**By air, rail and road.

### 4. Kalimpong

Kalimpong is also one of the most preferred destinations in West Bengal during the summer months. Located at a height of approximately 4000 feet, Kalimpong is comparatively less strenuous to explore and is an attractive option for older individuals. Moreover, the freshness and stunning colonial architecture make this place an idyllic hill station to explore. While exploring Kalimpong, you will come by Deolo Hill, the town's highest point. Also, this is the heart of the town, and you can start your trekking journey from here.

* **Best Time to Visit:**October to May.
* **Top Things to Do:**Trekking, paragliding, camping and nature exploration.
* **Top Places to Visit:**Pine View Nursery, Army Golf Club, Graham’s House, Deolo Hills, etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 5,000 per person (3 Day/2 Nights)
* **How to Reach:** By air, rail and road.

### 5. Mirik

Similar to the other hill stations, Mirik is known for its beautiful mountains and sparkling lakes. You can get ample opportunity to keep yourself busy in the markets and explore nature. Also, you can visit the tea gardens and orange orchards and take stunning photos for your social media. Moreover, this place is easily accessible from the nearby cities by road, or if you want a more comfortable ride, you can hire a private taxi.

* **Best Time to Visit:**March, April, October, and November
* **Top Things to Do:** Photography and nature exploration.
* **Top Places to Visit:** Sumendu Lake, Don Bosco Church, Orange Orchards, and Bokar Monastery.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 6,000 per person (4 Day/3 Nights)
* **How to Reach:**By air, rail and road.

### 6. Kurseong

Kurseong is one of the best hill stations in West Bengal and is regarded as the "Land of White Orchids." This place is surrounded by the serene views of Mount Kanchenjungha and River Teesta, making it a perfect place to relax during a holiday. One of the most notable attractions of Kurseong is that this entire destination is surrounded by the tracks of toy trains, making it beautiful to watch. Moreover, one of the major attractions of Kurseong is Dow Hill, which is spectacular and is rumoured to be haunted. So, if you are feeling adventurous and love nature, this will be a thrilling place for you.

* **Best Time to Visit:**October to May
* **Top Things to Do:**Photography and nature exploration.
* **Top Places to Visit:** Hill Cart Road, Eagle Craig, Water Reservoir, Dow Hill Park, Giddapahar Viewpoint, etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 5,000 per person (4 Day/3 Nights)
* **How to Reach:**By air, rail and road.

### 7. Takdah

If you can't decide where to go in West Bengal, Takdah might be the one for you. This place is relatively less known to tourists, and even during peak time, you will not experience any frenetic situations. Moreover, Takdah is easily accessible from the nearby cities, and there are ample sightseeing spots there. The major attraction here is the tea gardens and the surrounding green mountains, which will easily make you fall in love.

* **Best Time to Visit:** September to May
* **Top Things to Do:**Photography and nature exploration.
* **Top Places to Visit:** Lamhatta Village, Takdah monastery, Mongpu, Takdah Orchid Center, etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 2,000 per person (2 Day/1 Night)
* **How to Reach:** By air, rail and road.

### 8. Sillery Gaon

Sillery Gaon is one of the best off-beat hill stations in West Bengal. This hamlet is located 96 km away from Jalpaiguri at an altitude of 6,000 ft. It gives an enchanting view of Mt. Kanchenjungha, with a green and clean environment. As this place is relatively unexplored, you can roam around to explore some undiscovered views of this place. Sillery Gaon is a paradise for nature lovers, and the entire area is covered with Cinchona Plantation, which is absolutely breathtaking to see.

* **Best Time to Visit:**October to May
* **Top Things to Do:**Photography and nature exploration.
* **Top Places to Visit:** View of the Kanchendzonga, Sangchen Dorjee Monastery, Ramitey viewpoint, Tinchuley, Damsang Fort, etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 2,000 per person (1 Day)
* **How to Reach:** By air, rail and road.

### 9. Sitong

One of the recently found gems of North Bengal is the small village of Sitong, perched at an altitude of 4,000 ft. This quaint place is surrounded by orange orchards and alpine forests and is relatively less visited by tourists. Besides this, if you are a fanatic traveller and have a yen to explore off-beat destinations, you must visit this place. Moreover, this place's calm and serene environment will captivate your senses for a tranquil trip.

* **Best Time to Visit:**November to December
* **Top Things to Do:**Photography and nature exploration.
* **Top Places to Visit:**Dilaram, Mahananda Wildlife Sanctuary, Mungpoo, Latpanchar etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:** ₹ 2,000 per person (1 Day)
* **How to Reach:** By air, rail and road.

### 10. Lava

Among all the West Bengal hill stations, Lava is one of the most popular choices. Lava is set to provide you with the splendour of nature and serenity away from home. This is undoubtedly one of the best places to visit for a relaxing time in lush greenery amidst the wilderness. It is one of the places in North Bengal highly influenced by Buddhism, which is visible from the monasteries that accentuates the beauty even more.

* **Best Time to Visit:** September to June
* **Top Things to Do:** Photography, hiking, trekking and nature exploration.
* **Top Places to Visit:** Pedong, Lava monastery, Rachela Pass, Kolakham, etc.
* **Average Cost of the Vacation:**₹ 3,000 per person (2 Day/1 Night)
* **How to Reach:** By air, rail and road.