

1]Dewalokam Farmstay Retreat , Karimannoor , Kerala-



Dewalokam is the organic ancestral farm of a welcoming Syrian Christian family. The name means "PARADISE" and the property certainly is that! This faultless farmstay is conveniently located only 90 minutes drive from Kochi airport, in the spice belt of Kerala, bounded by a placid river and nature reserve. Fruit, vegetables, spices, milk, and honey are all produced there. An extensive range of activities is available for guests, including spice walks, village walks, bamboo rafting, temple visits, cow milking, and swimming.

A stay at Dewalokam is a truly unique way to relax and unwind in our secluded and unspoiled heaven. You can enjoy their home grown produce freshly cooked as you sample gourmet traditional Keralan food, and also you can join professional chefs in the state of Kerala of the art kitchen in informal learn to cook sessions. You will be amazed at the natural beauty of the place , with a safe , clean river forming a natural boundary ,beyond which is a nature reserve, and the Nilgiri mountains, the area is a haven for wildlife. Watch 3 different types of Kingfisher darting across the river on a lazy raft ride.

If you appreciate the outdoors, there is plenty to see and do at Dewalokam. Take a guided walk around the estate, to observe, taste and smell the many cultivated and wild exotic plants and trees, whilst learning about their culinary and medicinal uses.

2]Konyak Tea Retreat , Mon District , Nagaland-



The host is the great-granddaughter of a tattooed headhunter, and she's actively involved in researching and documenting the various tattoo patterns of her tribe. The boutique farmhouse is located in the middle of a remote, privately-owned 250-hectare tea estate. However, tea isn't all that's grown there. The farm also has an orange tree orchard and organic vegetable garden. Guests can pick and eat during harvesting season (mid-November to December).

Tea Retreat is a simple, delightful homestay that enjoys a tranquil setting on the edge of a hill and is set amongst a lush 250-acre organic working farm that cultivates tea as well as oranges. Built using locally sourced materials, this stone cottage with its simple antique furniture made from cane and wood, and tribal paintings on the walls exudes a rustic, ethnic charm that complement its warm, homespun atmosphere. Accommodation is in two cosy bedrooms (one double bed, one twin-bed) with ensuite bathrooms and like in most Naga homes, the living room and dining room are attached to an open kitchen.

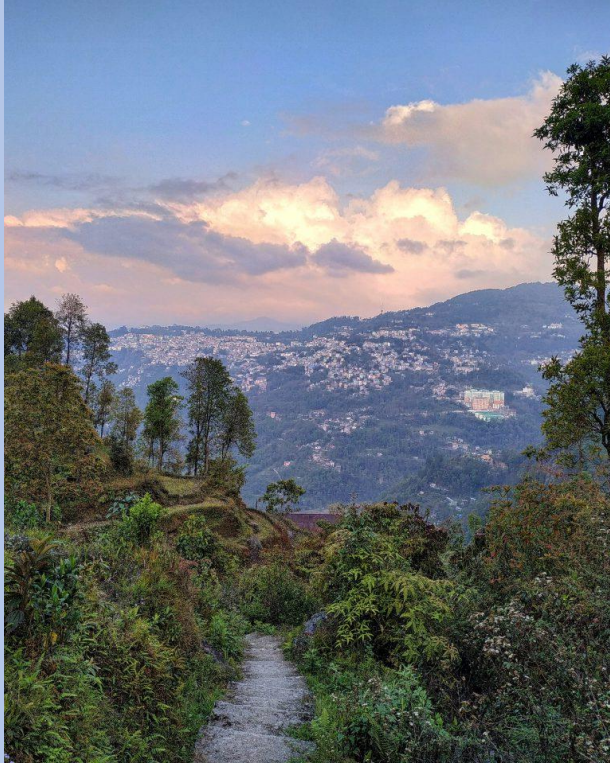


At Konyak Tea Retreat, the cuisine leans towards authentic Konyak delicacies and the home cooked meals are prepared using freshly sourced ingredients and recipes handed down through generations. Typical lunch / dinner menu usually features steamed rice, smoked meat, vegetables and bread (Indian style roti); while breakfast includes cereals, boiled eggs and fruits. This property is ideally located to discover the Longwa village, where you will have the opportunity to meet Konyak Nagas who were once ferocious headhunters. Other activities on offer at Konyak Tea Retreat include a farm experience where you will gain an insight into organic farming methods practiced in Nagaland; pick tea leaves (March / April) and oranges (mid-November and December) alongside estate workers and soft treks through surrounding forests to nearby waterfalls.

3] Enchanted Forest Farm , Gangtok , Sikkim-



The tranquil setting, deep inside the forest with a waterfall, and delightful hosts are totally worth it though! The farm is completely organic and the property is pretty much self-sufficient. There's a fish pond, cows and goats. If you're a music lover, you're also in luck. The host plays the guitar and loves a good jam session. Guest accommodations consist of three rustic yet elegant standalone cottages.



If you are looking for a rustic farm experience away from the madding crowd, Enchanted Forest Farm is the place to be. It is an 18-acre forest farmstay, located in Parbing(Ranka), a scenic village near Gangtok, Sikkim. It is a quiet and non-touristy getaway for those offbeat travellers and wanderers. It is a working farm with accommodation for guests. Guests are welcomed into the farm by the singing of birds and the sound of the enchanting waterfall nearby and of course – an invigorating fresh mountain air.

The farm provides guests with a serene ambience so that they can soak in its calmness and unwind. It is a perfect place for nature lovers who want a tranquil stay away from the hustle-bustle yet not so far from the town. You can see Gangtok town in all its glory as well as the lush green forest amongst the rolling Himalayan mountains that dots the landscape. As it is a forest farm, you get to see a lot of things happening here. We have an organic farm and therefore, we grow our own food. In that way, we are pretty much self-sufficient. Enchanted Forest farm provides guests with the right ambience for relaxation and fun.

4]Vanilla County , Kottiyam , Kerala

Kerala is one of the best places to experience village life in India. Vanilla County is a 75-year-old Dutch-style Heritage Plantation Bungalow nestled in the Vagamon Valley, The Western Ghats. The Western Ghats is one of the eight hot spots of biological diversity of the world. It is a UNESCO recognized world heritage site and contains a very large proportion of the country's flora and [fauna](#), many of which are only found in India and nowhere else in the world.



The bungalow is a family boutique inn set amidst the unspoiled rural countryside typical of the Western Ghats. This property is home to spices, vegetables, trees, and flora of many kinds. Nestled amidst lush green hills and gushing streams, our bungalow offers a perfect getaway from the hustle and bustle of the city. Food that is handcrafted with organic home-grown or locally sourced spices and products ensures that we serve a slice of our home, not compromising on safety or quality.



Here, guests can enjoy a complete village life, go on plantation walks, trekking, and visit other nearby villages.

5] Maachli , Sindhudurg , Maharashtra



Maachli is an ideal tourist destination in Monsoon for the people who love greenery. The very concept of "Maachli "originated from Monsoon itself as the farmers set up small huts (Which is called Maachli) to take care of their respective fields. A lot of Maachli's appear in the fields while taking a stroll on the grassland.

Situated in Sindhudurg district, Maharashtra, Maachli is among the best farmstay of India. The place is set in Parule village on the Konkan Coast, and is home to Maachli, meaning 'elevated huts'. Bhogwe and Tarkarli are the nearest beaches to the property. Accommodation here is offered in four hut-style rooms.

Their main concept behind the venture is to connect the human chord with nature! This concept stems from their founder, Mr Pravin Samant, a chemist by profession. Maachli is created to debut abundance of breeze, plants, fruits, natural fragrances and anything related to nature in your life!

Mrs. Priya Samant, one of the owners and hosts churns out day in and out, to offer delectable Saraswat cuisine to the guests. She strives hard to revive the old forgotten recipes of Saraswat cuisine. The ingredients, methods, fresh spices from the garden, the understanding of the science of storage and the chemistry of fire and earthen pots is altogether an experience for the visitors who love food. The menu is designed keeping in mind its ethnicity, medicinal value, nutritional value and natural diet. In our dining area called 'Pavhner', food is served on leaf plates. Earthen pots are used to serve food. We serve both vegetarian and non-vegetarian food with the best combinations considering the availability of the same. All the vegetables served here are organic and grown in the village itself. The Chool (mud-stove) is used to cook food which imparts a distinct flavour to the food.

6] Prakriti Farms , Rupnagar , Punjab



No region defines the Indian farming experience more verdantly than Punjab, dominated by miles of field. Prakriti farmstay is located at the foothills of the Shivaliks, less than an hour from Chandigarh and minutes from the Ropar wetlands. Whether you prefer the rustic thatch cottages or more luxe options, this places guarantees a rendezvous with the farms to remember.

Organic farming is key to the way of life at Prakriti and the property organises farm tours and short term volunteering opportunities as well. The farm is pet-friendly and every guest is required to plant a tree during their visit to the farms.