



History:

It is said the name Sreemangal (or Srimangal) is named after Sri Das and Mangal Das; two brothers who settled on the banks of the Hail [Haor](#). A copper plate of Raja Marundanath from the 11th century was found in Kalapur. During an excavation at Lamua, an ancient statue of Ananta Narayan was dug out. In 1454, the Nirmai Shiva Bari was built and still stands today. Srimangal [thana](#) was established in 1912. The central town later became a [pourashava](#) in 1935. In 1963, two peasants were killed by police officers which kicked off the Balishira peasant riots. During the [Bangladesh Liberation War](#) of 1971, the [Pakistani army](#) reached Srimangal on 30 April setting houses on fire and committing atrocities against women. The [East Pakistan Rifles](#) camp and [Wapda](#) office premises were among the two mass killing sites. Two mass graves remain in Bharaura with a memorial in North Bharaura.

Economy and Tourism:

[Madhobpur Lake](#) is one of the main tourist attractions in the area,^{[3][4][5]} and is home to the [Great White-Bellied Heron](#), the only confirmed site in Bangladesh.^[6] The Baikka [beel](#) is also a nearby body of water and home to the [Large-billed reed warbler](#).^[7] Sreemangal has been nicknamed the *tea capital of Bangladesh*, due to the number of tea gardens in the area, and is the place of origin of the [Seven Color Tea](#). The [Bangladesh Tea Research Institute](#) in Sreemangal has made a number of contributions in evolving and standardising the quality of tea, and introducing its research findings to the [tea industry of Bangladesh](#).^[8] Pineapples from the Sreemangal area are known for their flavour and natural sweetness. In 2010, the [Hum Hum](#) waterfall was discovered and has attracted visitors from all over Bangladesh to Razkandi forest.



Ready to take a break from the hustle and bustle of the city? then set off for Sreemangal. Sreemangal (also known as Srimangal), an upazila of Moulvibazar in the northern-eastern Division of Sylhet, is the Tea Capital of Bangladesh. Sreemangal, is located at 24.3083°N 91.7333°E. It has 43,952 households and total area 450.74 km. As of the 1991 Bangladesh census, Sreemangal had a population of 230,889. Males constitute 51.76% of the total population, whereas, the females were 48.24%. Sreemangal has 9 Unions/Wards, 129 Mauzas/Mahallas, and 206 villages. It is a hilly area covered with tea estates.

There are small Tilas (hills) there. There are 47 tea gardens in Sreemangal. This little town is located about 200 KM northeast of Dhaka. It is one of the world's sources of high quality tea, contributing to 3% of the world's total production. However it doesn't stop there. Sreemangal is a prime eco-tourism destination boasting of its untouched flora and fauna. Stroll along endless tea gardens with breathtaking views of lush greenery on sloping hills, trek in several forests to see a multitude of species you only see in photos, experience bird watching, marvel in awe at one of the highest waterfalls in Bangladesh, discover an ancient palace, temples and mosques, and witness distinctive tribal cultures and lifestyles. Surely you will find the absolute serenity that Sreemangal guarantees to travelers from all over the globe.

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The Seven-Layered Tea

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Nilkantha Tea Cabin, located around 5 kilometers south of town near BGB (Previously known as BDR) camp, serves tea with visibly 7 different layers. Invented by a local, the 7-layered tea is an original delicacy from Sreemangal. Published and televised locally and in different countries in the world, this is a treat you wouldn't want to miss while in town. Sip each layer slowly and try to guess what each layer is for a really fun experience. One-layered to six-layered tea are also available.



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Once, Sreemangal was a part of the Tripura State. However, the great earthquake of 1897 caused a massive change in the physiographic of the area.



Tourist Attractions:

Nature has adorned Sreemangal with green trees. Its natural scenery is very charming which soothes one's eyes. The first tea garden in Bangladesh which named "Malni chhora tea garden" is also located here. Only one tea research institute in Bangladesh named BTRI (Bangladesh Tea Research Institute) is situated here. The terraced tea gardens, plantations and evergreen hills of Sreemangal are wonderful treats for the tourists. "Chakona" statue will attract and say you rest of the story. Also, don't forget to visit "Tea museum" in "British karighor" tea resort. Lawasara, Madhabpur Lake is nearest tourist spot to Sreemangal. Main attractions are the Lawachara National Park (tropical rainforest), Madhabpur Lake (the lake of lotus), Tea gardens, Monipuri & Khashia tribal villages, Baikkabeel (wetland of seasonal birds) and also the world famous 7 layer-color tea cabin.

Sreemangal is most famous for its 7 layers tea. You can also go to the "Nilkantha" tea stall near BDR camp here, where you'll get to see seven layers tea which is very uncommon tea in Bangladesh. Romesh Ram Gour, from Srimongol in the county's north-east Sylhet region, has become a local legend as the inventor of a multi-layer tea. He manages to get

seven of them (sometimes even 10) in one glass (around £1); all lining up like a dusky rainbow. Each sip delivers a different taste, from syrupy sweet to spicy cloves.

Restaurants:

Many hotels and restaurants are also located here in Sreemangal. One such is, Kutum Bari. It has an awesome Chinese Asian restaurant, better tasting food serving Vujon Adda, Good for a Modest Evening Snacks Shatkora Restaurant, Agra Continental Restaurant, Sathrong Restaurant and Mouthwatering Food supplier 'Shoshur Bari' Restaurant .

Hotels:

Jovago.net has many hotels and guest houses all over Sylhet and Sreemangal with different price ranges. Book now on Jovago Bangladesh and get the best prices.

**Tips:**

Visit Sreemangal for breathtaking views of sloping landscape wrapped with endless tea gardens. The rolling plains lie quietly and seemingly untouched in all its splendors. Large rubber gardens and lakes of Sreemangal instill a peace and tranquility in this region which attracts visitors from far fledged places..You may pick Bus or train from Dhaka to reach this town.