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Ukhrul, in Manipur, is one of the prettiest and most underrated parts of the country. The place is studded with stunning pastures, cascading waterfalls, and glittering lakes all throughout. With mesmerising vistas, a pleasant climate and unique indigenous aspects of its ethnic roots, Ukhrul is nestled amidst the hills and lakes of Northeast India. This place is not just visually alluring but the authentic culture of the Northeast and the home-like hospitality of the tribes, all secretly conspire to make Ukhrul slide into your checklist of must visits. Travelling to this place is intriguing as one can truly feel the calmness and beauty of nature. Ukhrul has numerous tourist spots; hence, for all that travel can offer, the places in Ukhrul altruistically shower more than what one can discern. Here are some of the places you can sneak-a-peek into and definitely must visit when in Ukhrul.  
  
Best Time To Visit Ukhrul Ukhrul has a pleasant climate all throughout the year; hence, making it a year-round destination. The summer months are more favourable than the winter months though, as the winter temperature ranges from a minimum of 2°C to a maximum of 15°C. The summer months have an average temperature of 20°C-25°C.

How To Reach Ukhrul By Air: The closest airport to Ukhrul is located at Imphal, which is at a distance of about 105 km from the town. Frequent cab services are available from the airport. By Rail: The nearest railway station to Ukhrul is located in Dimapur, Nagaland, which lies at a distance of about 314 km from the town. The station is the major railhead that serves both the states of Nagaland and Manipur and is well connected to other parts of the country. By Road: The Imphal Interstate Bus Terminal is the nearest bus station to Ukhrul that connects Ukhrul to all the major parts of the country.

**2. Shirui Kashong Peak**

**Shirui Kashong peak** is one of the finest peaks to visit in Ukhrul. It is a little more popular than the Khayang peak because it is more easily accessible. The altitude of this hill rises upto 2835 meters above sea level. Apart from the beauty of its altitude, the peak seems to be painted with colourful flowers. These flowers bloom on the hilltop in the months of *May-June*. The major attraction being the blooming of the rare *Lilium mackliniae*. This place is not just famous for its colourful beauty, but also the plants and herbs found here. Many of these have medicinal values and therefore, it attracts a number of scholars each year for research purpose.

## 4. Khangkhui Cave

The **Khangkhui cave** is a remarkable natural limestone cave. The cave consists of two large chambers, five tunnels and one large hall. There are many legends behind this cave. Many believe that the cave was once inhabited by a Devil king who had two wives. The two chambers belonged to his two wives while he rested in the royal bedroom located in the northern end of the hall. According to the legend, the hall is where the king used to hold all his meetings and important discussions. This cave also has a very relevant connection to the history. The villagers took shelter in these caves in World War II.

## 5. Nillai Tea Estate

Another marvellous place to visit in Ukhrul is the **Nillai tea estate**. This is a place where green tea is grown. The tea grown here is hand-plucked and sun-dried. It enriches the medicinal qualities of the leaves. The special feature of these leaves is that the right flavour comes only when they are boiled the second time! Apart from the unique features, the greenery seen here is definitely a treat to one’s eyes. Seeing so much of lushness will surely make your heart feel good and the neat rows of tea plants will make you never want to leave the place.

Visiting Ukhrul once will make you want to visit it over and over again. The beauty, the nature, and the facts as well as the history have the power to make you want to see more and know more. **Ukhrul will definitely capture a special place in the hearts** of every nature or adventure lover.