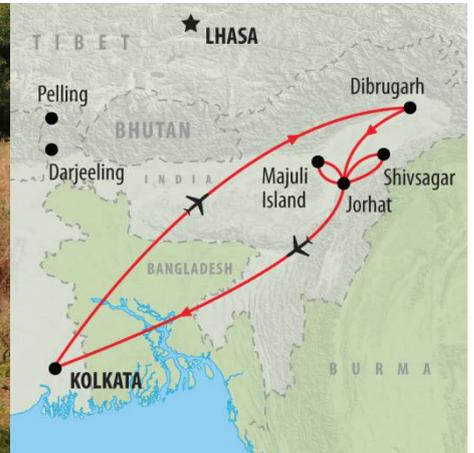


Adventures in Assam

10 days | Starts/Ends: Kolkata



Travel off the beaten track to the state of Assam in India's remote North East, known for its picturesque scenery, tea plantations and fascinating tribes. On this unique 10 day tour you will get the opportunity to visit tea plantations and WWII sites, explore ancient sites, encounter remote tribes, go wild at Jorhat Gibbon Sanctuary and visit Majuli - the world's largest river island. This is a slice of India not everyone gets to see!

HIGHLIGHTS AND INCLUSIONS

Trip Highlights

- Dibrugarh - Tea City of India
- The seemingly endless mountain ranges of nearby Burma and Tibet
- The Nampake tribal village with its Thai and Buddhist influences
- Stilwell Road, the Commonwealth War Graves of Digboi and Ledo airstrip, the last remnants of the Burma Campaign during WWII
- Jorhat - The largest city in the Assam region, surrounded by sprawling tea gardens

- Hoollongapur Gibbon Wildlife Sanctuary - Home to India's only gibbon population
- Local silk farm, historically one of India's most important industries
- Majuli Island - The world's largest river island
- Shivsagar - Silk farm, Ahom Dynasty temples, palaces and monuments

What's Included

- 9 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 1 traditional Assamese dinner
- 9 nights superior hotels (7 nights heritage tea bungalows) - standard hotels available upon request.
- Touring of Dibrugarh, Jorhat and Shivsagar
- Economy class flights - Kolkata - Dibrugarh and Jorhat - Kolkata
- Airport arrival and departure transfer
- Services of English-speaking Indian guides for all scheduled sightseeing
- Chauffeur driven air-conditioned vehicle
- Entrance fees to all relevant sights
- Touring of Mancotta tea plantation and factory and Banyan Grove tea plantation
- Excursion to Hoollongapur Gibbon Wildlife Sanctuary
- Excursion to Majuli Island

What's Not Included

- International flights and visas

- Laundry, drinks, items of a personal nature
- Tipping - an entirely personal gesture

ITINERARY

Day 1 : Kolkata

Once you arrive into Kolkata you will be met and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is free for you to enjoy at leisure.

Overnight - Kolkata

Day 2 : Dibrugarh

After a good night's sleep we depart for the domestic airport to board your flight to Dibrugarh arriving early afternoon. You will be met upon arrival and transferred to your hotel, afternoon and evening free. **Overnight - Dibrugarh (B)**

Day 3 : Tea Plantations



This morning we take a tour of the tea plantations and factory. The town of Dibrugarh, which is situated on the banks

Adventures in Assam - 10 days

www.onthegotours.com
 UK 020 7371 1113 info@onthegotours.com
 AUS 1300 855 684 aus-info@onthegotours.com
 NZ 0800 44 77 69 CAN 1 866 890 7038
 USA 1 866 606 2960 SA 0800 990 311

This information has been compiled with care and good faith. They give an accurate illustration of the proposed arrangements for this holiday. Circumstances beyond our control such as changes in local conditions, inclement weather or other reasons could force us to make changes to this itinerary. Any costs shown are subject to change, though are an accurate reflection of costs at time of writing. Please also note that visa requirements are subject to change and are the responsibility of the traveller and not that of On The Go Tours.

Adventures in Assam

of the Brahmaputra River, is known as the Tea City of India. Situated far to the north-east, this region is influenced by its proximity to Burma and Tibet, with seemingly endless mountain ranges and a rich tribal history quite different to the rest of India. You'll meet fewer foreigners here, giving you unhindered opportunities to explore the region's lush tea estates, rice plantations and mountain ranges. Put the kettle on: Dibrugarh is the largest tea exporting town in the country.

In the afternoon we visit the Namphake tribal village, seemingly stuck back in time, with heavy Thai influences the village is also home to the Namphake Buddhist Monastery. **Overnight - Dibrugarh (B)**

Day 4 : Rural Assam

Today we take an excursion to the historic WWII famed Stilwell Road (Ledo-Burma Road) named after US General Stilwell and built as an alternative to the Japanese Burma Road to supply the Chinese during the Burma campaign. Later we travel to Jagun, a small rural village capturing the essence of country life in India. Along the way we make stops at the Commonwealth War Graves of Digboi, the Oil Museum - paying homage to India's first production oil well, Ledo airstrip - another remnant of WWII, Tipong colliery and its steam powered trains before finishing in Stilwell Heritage Park. This evening we take part in a traditional Bihu celebration and enjoy a local Assamese dinner. **Overnight - Dibrugarh (B, D)**

Day 5 : Jorhat

Driving approximately 4 hours brings us to Jorhat City, the second largest city in the Assam region. Jorhat is surrounded by sprawling tea gardens and is home to the Tocklai Research Association, the largest and oldest tea research station in the world. Today spend the afternoon at leisure. **Overnight - Jorhat (B)**

Day 6 : Gibbon Sanctuary



Situated approximately 20 kms out of Jorhat is the Hoollongapur Gibbon Wildlife Sanctuary. Originally established in 1881 when land was put aside for the purpose of preservation. The area is rich in biodiversity and is home to the Western Hoolock Gibbon, India's only gibbon. The area is also home to other members of the primate family such as the Stump Tailed Macaque, Rhesus Macaque, Northern Pig-tailed Macaque, Eastern Assamese Macaque and Capped Langur. The park is also home to Indian elephants, tigers, leopards, boar and 219 species of bird. **Overnight - Jorhat (B)**

Day 7 : Silk Farms

This morning we take a visit to one of the local silk farms and silk weavers' villages. Silk is historically one of the most important industries in India and still is with over 700,000 families working in the trade. This afternoon we visit Shivsagar, the once capital of the Ahom Dynasty which ruled Assam for over 600 years until the arrival of the British. Located in the area are several ancient monuments, temples and palaces, all testament to the architectural skills of the Ahoms. **Overnight - Jorhat (B)**

Day 8 : Majuli Island



Today take an excursion to Majuli Island, India's largest river island and considered the largest in the world although others claim that

mantle is held by Bananal Island in Brazil. Shortlisted by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site the Majuli island is only accessible by ferry, due to this inaccessibility the culture and uniqueness of the people has been preserved and offers visitors a fantastic chance to experience old customs still intact. On the island we will visit the Vaishnavite monasteries, locally known as Satras and dating back to the 16th Century. We will also visit the agrarian Mishing tribal villages situated on the river banks before enjoying a local vegetarian lunch. **Overnight - Jorhat (B, L)**

Day 9 : Back to Kolkata

Transfer to Jorhat airport for your domestic flight to Kolkata. You will be met upon arrival and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the evening is free. **Overnight - Kolkata (B)**

Day 10 : Kolkata

Hotel check-out and included onward transfer to airport. **(B)**

PRICES / DATES INFO

Prices shown are 'per person', based on a travelling party of at least 2 adults. The 'Single supplement' applies for single travellers who require their own room and needs to be added to the per person price.

PRICES / DATES 2020

Date	Twin Share	Single
04 Apr	USD 4,945	USD 6,705

Adventures in Assam - 10 days

www.onthegotours.com
 UK 020 7371 1113 info@onthegotours.com
 AUS 1300 855 684 aus-info@onthegotours.com
 NZ 0800 44 77 69 CAN 1 866 890 7038
 USA 1 866 606 2960 SA 0800 990 311

This information has been compiled with care and good faith. They give an accurate illustration of the proposed arrangements for this holiday. Circumstances beyond our control such as changes in local conditions, inclement weather or other reasons could force us to make changes to this itinerary. Any costs shown are subject to change, though are an accurate reflection of costs at time of writing. Please also note that visa requirements are subject to change and are the responsibility of the traveller and not that of On The Go Tours.