

Wild Life of South India (3 Nights / 4 Days)

HOW TO BOOK: Please email vasu@kwconferences.com giving your selection of tours and dates

Sale Price per person Twin Sharing including taxes: INR 51,675

Additional Cost including taxes if the double room is to be occupied without sharing: INR 20,660

Mysore is the second largest city in the state of Karnataka, India. The name *Mysore* is an anglicised version of *Mahishūru*, which means the abode of *Mahisha*. *Mahisha* stands for Mahishasura, a demon from Hindu mythology. The city is spread across an area of 128.42 km² (50 sq mi) and is situated at the base of the Chamundi Hills.

Mysore also lends its name to the Mysore *mallige*, the Mysore style of painting, the sweet dish Mysore Pak, the Mysore Peta (a traditional silk turban) and the garment called the Mysore silk saree.

Ranganatthittu Bird Sanctuary

Ranganthittu was formed as a result of a small dam across the river Cauvery in the 1600s. It is home to a great variety of birds and a few reptiles. It is said that the sanctuary is a sight to behold during the nesting season of the birds from June to November. The sanctuary is home to a wide species of birds including cormorants, darters, white ibis, spoon billed storks, open billed storks, painted storks, white necked storks, egrets, herons, terns, swallows, kingfishers, sandpiper etc. There are a few mammals in the sanctuary like fruit bats, bonnet macaques, palm civets, common mongoose and common otters. Maggar, the Marsh crocs make up the reptile population of the sanctuary.

The sight of fruit bats, crocodiles and birds flying around is a beautiful sight to watch. You can take a boat ride around the sanctuary and get a closer look at the birds and the crocodiles. The best season to visit the sanctuary is May-September and October.

Nagarhole National Park

Nagarhole national park (NNP), the enchanting 247 square-mile park in Karnataka has an astonishing abundance of wildlife including large mammals such as tiger, leopard, wild elephant, dhole (Indian wild dog), and gaur (Indian bison). Other species present are chital spotted deer, muntjac (barking deer), mouse deer, four-horned antelope, wild boar, sloth bear, hyena, mongoose, civet, otter, and more. The landscape is one of gentle slopes and shallow valleys. Dry deciduous forest trees are leafless in the summer rather than in the winter. There are grassy swamps where the soil is clayey, perennially moist, and which support a luxuriant growth of green grass all year. The change in terrain throughout the park is refreshing and the river system provides a unique wildlife viewing experience.

Nagarhole National park derives its name from the combination of two Kannada words. 'Nagar,' meaning snake, and 'hole,' meaning streams. True to its name, quite a few serpentine streams fork through the rich tropical forests of the park. Nagarhole Park was set up in 1955. The original forest was once an exclusive hunting ground for the erstwhile Maharajas of Mysore. The park has been recently renamed as Rajiv Gandhi National Park after the late Prime Minister of India.

Nagarhole National Park is counted among India's best wildlife parks. It has a large elephant and bison population. It also hosts a variety of animal species along with approximately 250 species of birds. On its northern confines is the Kabini River and on its southern fringes is the Bandipur national park. A dam on the Kabini River and its picturesque reservoir demarcates the two national parks. During the dry season (February. June), this artificial lake attracts a large number of animals, making it an ideal spot for sighting wildlife. Among reptiles, the marsh crocodile, monitor lizard, rock python and several other species are represented. Aquatic and terrestrial tortoises, frogs, toads and tree frogs and a myriad insects, including some very colourful butterflies, adorn this lovely southern jungle of India.

TOUR PROGRAM

Day 1)

Pre Date: May 22, 2015

Post Date: May 29, 2015

BANGALORE

Pick up on arrival from Bangalore Airport and drive to **Mysore**, the second largest city of Karnataka- also named as the Sandal wood city.

BANGALORE/MYSORE (150 km):

Program for this day depends upon the flight schedule.

Transfer to the hotel.

Lunch at the hotel.

Visit **Ranganathittu Bird sanctuary** (one of the true heaven for the migratory bird watchers) and **Srirangapattanam** (the land of Tipu Sultan), **Mysore palace**. If time permits visit the mammoth statue of **Nandi**.

MYSORE



Day 2)

Pre Date: May 23, 2015

Post Date: May 30, 2015

MYSORE/NAGARHOLE (100 km):

08:00 hrs: Breakfast

09:00 hrs: Check-out

Drive to Nagarhole, supposed to be the finest National Parks in the whole of South India. Transfer to the hotel.

12:30 hrs: Lunch in the hotel.

14:30 hrs: Safari through the shallow valleys and gentle slopes of the dense deciduous semi rain forest. If luck permits meet some of the gorgeous residents of the wild including Tiger, Leopard, Gaur (Indian Bison), giant Wild Boars, King cobra etc.

20:00 hrs: Dinner (may take your own time).

Listen to the shivering wild calls throughout the night.

NAGARHOLE



Day 3)

Pre Date: May 24, 2015

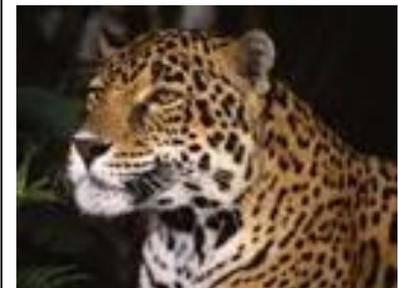
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NAGARHOLE:

Full day in the park

08:00 hrs: Morning drive into the park and experience a coracle tour in the **Kabini** river accompanied by a naturalist. The coracle is a native round-shaped boat used to view aquatic bird life.

NAGARHOLE



13:00 hrs: Lunch in the resort.

16:30 hrs: Hike through the forest and meet the wild animals face to face. Or take a jeep safari and discover the remaining wonders left.

19:30 hrs: Dinner at the resort.



Day 4)

Pre Date: May 25, 2015

NAGARHOLE/BANGALORE (236 km)/:

After leisure breakfast drive to Bangalore and transfer to the domestic airport. Later transfer to airport for flight to Hyderabad. (Program depends upon the flight schedule).

Day 4)

Post Date: June 01, 2015

Later transfer to airport for onward journey.

INCLUSIONS:

The tour cost includes:

- Arrival/Departure transfers, sightseeing, excursion as per programme by an air-conditioned Luxury Car/Coach with services of an English speaking guide for city tour.
- Hotel accommodation in a 5* category on twin sharing in standard room.
- All three meals included in the cost of the tour programme.
- Monument entrance fee wherever applicable.
- The rates/costs quoted above are inclusive of all taxes and Service Tax @ 2.58%.

*** Any increase in the Service Tax is payable by the guest**

EXCLUSIONS:

The tour cost does not include:

- Any additional accommodation not specified in the itineraries.
- Personal expenses like camera/video/handycam fee, laundry, telephone calls, tips,/gratuities , extra at the hotels etc. The cost also doesn't include room service, mini bar, any personal order of juice, tea, coffee, soft or hard drinks, etc.
- Any other services not specified above.
- Wherever, there is no 5* property available, accommodation will be provided at the highest category accommodation available there.

AIRFARES - if applicable will be additional at the time of booking. Airfares from destinations to Hyderabad OR Hyderabad to destinations are not included in the above mentioned costs/rates.