

5 Days and 4 Nights: Cherrapunjee, Mawlynnong and Dawki

Day 01: Arrival at Guwahati and head to Cherrapunjee, Meghalaya (Guwahati – Cherrapunjee:148 km)

Highlights:

Cherrapunjee, also known as Sohra, is a high-altitude town in the northeast Indian state of Meghalaya. It is known for its living root bridges, made from rubber trees and waterfalls that plunge from forested cliff tops. It is also known for its breathtakingly beautiful and serene landscapes.

Itinerary:

- Upon arrival your vehicle will be waiting for you at the airport and will take you directly to your destination.
- You can stop on the way at Nongpoh for coffee and loo break.
- You can stop at Umiam Lake to take some pictures of the view and relax for a while.
- Check in to your residence on arrival
- Spend the rest of the day at leisure.
- Dinner at your residence.

Day 02: Trek to Double Decker Bridge, Cherrapunjee (Cherrapunjee – Double Decker Bridge:21 km)

Highlights:

Use the day to explore the famous Double Decker Bridge which is an innovative way of using nature's abundance for connectivity. The bridges are man made by weaving in the aerial roots of rubber trees around a betel tree trunk placed across a stream. The roots kept growing out and entwining the trunk and the bridge is elongated to the desired place taking about 10-15 years to complete.

Itinerary:

- Have an early breakfast at your residence
- Start your trek upon arrival.
- Meet your guide at the start point
- Enjoy the serene beauty at the bridge
- If you're not too tired, you can trek up to Rainbow Falls
- Have some tea and noodles at the local shop
- Head back to the start point at the time advised by your guide
- Your car will be waiting for you to take you back to your residence

Day 03: Explore Cherrapunjee, East Khasi Hills (Cherrapunjee – Mawlynnong:81 km)

Highlights:

Engage yourself in exploring all the destinations Cherrapunjee has to offer.

Cherrapunjee is blessed with many waterfalls and caves which highly attracts tourists all year round.

One of the most photogenic waterfalls in Meghalaya is the Nokhalikai falls which is the highest in India and 5th highest in the world.

Post lunch, head to Mawlynnong, a small village in the East Khasi Hills of Meghalaya. It is often referred to as 'God's Own Garden' and has been acclaimed as "the cleanest village in Asia" in the year 2003.

Itinerary:

- Early breakfast and check out from your residence.
- Head out to explore Cherrapunjee.
- Explore the many waterfalls and caves in Cherrapunjee

Suggested places to visit: *The Seven Sisters Falls also known as Nohsnghiang Falls which form a seven segmented waterfall, Thangkharang Park, Mawsmi caves, garden of caves, Arawa caves, Dianthlen falls Nokhalikai Falls*

- Lunch at a local food stall.

- Head to Mawlynnong
- Check in to your residence on arrival.
- Dinner at your residence.
- Rest for the night.

Day 04: Explore Mawlynnong and Dawki (Mawlynnong - Dawki: 35 km) (Dawki – Shillong:81 km)

Highlights:

Use the day in exploring cleanest village in Asia and Dawki, a small town in Jaintia Hills nestled around clear and beautiful Umngot River. The road leading to Dawki is a thrilling experience passing through deep gorges and ravines. The cool, moist air brushes over your face will refresh and revitalizes you on your way to Dawki. It is a centre of trade between the 2 countries – India and Bangladesh as it is located in the border.

Head to Shillong, the capital of Meghalaya, in the evening. Shillong is the home to numerous waterfalls, exciting mountain peaks, crystal clear lakes, breathtakingly beautiful golf course and museums. Apart from the natural beauty, Shillong also acts as the gateway to Meghalaya, the state famous for heavy rain falls, caves, tallest waterfalls, beautiful landscapes and amazing people and culture.

Itinerary:

- Early breakfast and check out from your residence.
- Head out to explore Mawlynnong.
- Spend half of the day exploring Mawlynnong village and the living Root Bridge.
- Have lunch at the village and then head to Dawki.
- Spend the afternoon at Dawki. You could consider boating on the clear waters of the Umngot river.
- Head to Shillong in the evening.
- Check in to your residence on arrival.
- Dinner at the residence.

Day 05: Depart Today (Shillong – Guwahati:118 km)

Itinerary:

- Breakfast at your residence and check out
- Head to Guwahati airport
- You can stop at Nongpoh for coffee and loo break on the way down.
- Have a safe flight back!