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TRAVEL IN THE INDIAN SUBCONTINENT  
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## ADRENALINE RUSH!

There's nothing like the high that comes from soaring the thermals, scaling a mountain, kayaking through an archipelago or diving into a reef.

The rush of adrenaline is accompanied by a sense of accomplishment, which reminds us why it's so important to step out of our comfort zone and into uncharted territory. Because that's where the discovery lies.

From mountain biking through Bhutan, trekking in Nepal, rafting in India, surfing in Sri Lanka or diving in the Maldives – the beauty of the Indian Subcontinent is that it's made for adventure.

Motorbiking into the mountains is another incredible way to explore the secret valleys, high passes, and zig-zag trails across the Himalayas. Or take a mountain biking trip along the Sri Lankan coast, through paddy fields, coconut groves, and tea gardens. Head off the beaten path into remote jungles and marine ecosystems, full of incredible biodiversity.

Every adventure is a journey that explores a new part of your being. So why wait? Let's start today.

Best regards  
Manan Mahajan





HIGH ON ADRENALINE

# OFF THE GRID

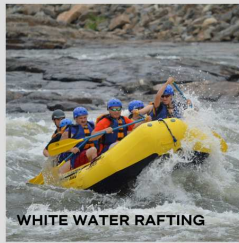
ADVENTURES OF A LIFETIME



NEPAL  
EVEREST BASE CAMP

Nepal is not just another destination – it's a milestone for the true traveler, and even more so for the adventurous soul who wants to experience raw nature at its best.

For souls such as these, the Everest Base Camp trail is a rite of passage. Walk in the footsteps of Edmund and Hillary as you venture out into the depths of Nepal's Himalayan region. It will take your breath away – literally, as you scale lofty heights on this journey. The views are subliminal, enormous mountain peaks, smooth glaciers, and craggy rock faces punctuated by Sherpa villages, monasteries, strings of prayer flags and gushing streams. The air is clear, clean, pristine and with every step you feel like you're scaling new heights. This is the expedition of a lifetime and a fantastic guide, friendly porters, and comfy accommodations make all the difference. That's where we come in. Ask us now to know more!



WHITE WATER RAFTING



MOUNTAIN BIKING



JUNGLE SAFARIS



PARAGLIDING

# AMAZING ADVENTURES IN *Nepal*



ZIPLINING



*Let's Go!*

OUR  
ADVENTURER'S  
CALENDAR

The latter half of the year is a great time to bring out that adventurous spirit and explore the incredible range of activity available to those who choose to step out on the wild side!

AUGUST:

Mountain biking and Motorbiking in Ladakh

If the open road calls to you, then August is an incredible time to strap on your helmet and head out on that epic journey from Manali to Leh. Whether you're mountain biking or motorbiking, this is the journey of a lifetime.

NOVEMBER- MARCH

Whale watching on the Galle Coast

Explore the magnificent whale migration as these beautiful sea creatures make their way to the Indian Ocean on their annual winter migration. From boat safaris to snorkeling and diving, the south coast of Sri Lanka is a water-lover's paradise.

JANUARY - FEBRUARY

Skiing In Kashmir

Strap on your skis and grab your gear. It's time to hit the powder on the ski slopes of Gulmarg and Auli.



# ATALI GANGA

## YOUR BASE CAMP FOR ADVENTURE

*Rishikesh*



Set against the backdrop of thick forest, a gushing river and the mountain slopes, Atali Ganga is run by adventurers, for adventurers. Its location is ideal for those who want to go white water rafting, mountain biking, hiking, kayaking, rock climbing and more.

With twenty two cottages, spread over a large estate, each with gorgeous views, Atali Ganga is ideal for those who like being in nature. Whether you're an adventurous family, a bunch of friends, or a sports group, the property has all the facilities you need.

Looking for an adventurous venue for your team-building mission? This is the place. Ask us now to know more!

### PLANTATIONS & ESTATES

## PLANTATION BUNGALOWS

DARJEELING  
BINSAR



**Glenburn Tea Estate**  
Darjeeling  
#01

After a day spent hiking around the forest and tea trails of Darjeeling's countryside, Glenburn is the perfect place to come home to. Enjoy delightful home-cooked meals, gorgeous rooms full of old world charm, discreet and attentive service, and of course, many cups of Glenburn's fabulous tea! From fishing to biking to walking, there's an array of activity available here.



**Mary Budden Estate**  
Binsar  
#02

If you want to explore the earthy spirituality and pristine nature of Kumaon, then there is no better place to park yourself than this gorgeous hideaway in the midst of Binsar Wildlife Sanctuary. The Mary Budden Estate is a colonial era bungalow, overlooking a vast swathe of the mountains. Go birding, hiking, biking and visit local hamlets, village temples and more.

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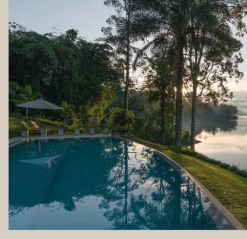
CEYLON  
TEA TRAILS

BOGAWANTALAWA VALLEY  
CASTLEREAGH LAKE



Norwood Bungalow  
Hatton  
#03

With gorgeous views overlooking the valley, surrounded by thickets of bamboo, the Norwood Bungalow epitomises the colonial charm of Sri Lanka's tea country. Elegant furniture, fire places, and excellent service transport you back to another era. Walk, hike and bike through the tea country, and soak up the beauty of the valley. Then come home to Norwood to unwind.



Summerville Bungalow  
Hatton  
#04

With a stunning infinity pool overlooking Castlereagh Lake, few places offer the kind of serenity that you experience at Summerville. It's the perfect base from where you can explore the tea gardens and trails that wind through the tea estates. A leisurely bike ride around the lake, or a delightful hike through the tea trails, dotted with waterfalls and woodland, makes your stay sheer delight.



Deep Dive  
Maldives

The marine ecosystems of the Indian Ocean are utterly unique. If you're a diver and like to explore tropical reefs, then a trip to the Maldives is a dream just waiting to happen. The island archipelago is home to numerous aquatic species, ranging from brightly coloured parrot fish to stingrays.

The Maldives is full of lagoons with incredible biodiversity so if scuba diving is not your thing, then simply don a snorkel mask and explore the array of marine life beneath. You'll be fascinated by turtles, dolphins, rays, and a whole host of fish.

The Maldives is also a great place for watersports like kayaking, water-skiing, surfing and windsurfing. And what we love most is that the tropical waters are always warm and inviting. The Maldives has a variety of resorts and hotels suited for every kind of traveler. So whether you're a solo traveller, a couple, or a family with kids, ask us now to discover more!



### COORG AND THE NILGIRI BIOSPHERE



### RAINFOREST RAMBLE

The Nilgiri Biosphere is a unique ecosystem, so much so that it's a UNESCO World Heritage site. Home to several hundred species of rare birds that are endemic to this region, its a tropical rainforest with tons of wildlife. From mountain biking to rafting, hiking to spelunking, you will explore a vast variety of terrain, and also discover a fabulous array of wildlife. From Malabar Giant Squirrels to the Lion Tailed Macaque, this is one rainforest that needs to be explored.



### MIHIRGARH



### RIDING THROUGH RAJASTHAN

The Marwari horses of Rajasthan are famous. Mihirgarh is where some of the finest Marwari horses are bred, and where you can experience the rugged beauty of western Rajasthan on horseback. Depending on your riding capability, you may opt to go out for a morning canter, or enjoy a full itinerary which involves riding your horses during the daytime, and camping out in the countryside at night. For those who love horses and riding, this is the experience of a lifetime.



# STEPPING OUT ON THE TRAIL BHUTAN



## TREKKING IN BHUTAN

Trekking through Bhutan is an epic adventure, one that should be on every adventure traveler's bucket list—but wait! Who says you only have to go once? The beauty of Bhutan is that it has the ideal terrain for not one but several treks, and each one will take your breath away.

Bhutan is one of those mystical destinations — a kingdom hidden within the folds of the Himalayas. But if you want to explore its true beauty, both natural and cultural, then do it the Bhutanese way and head out into the mountains on foot. What we love about Bhutan is that there are trails for every level of trekker — from easy trails like Jumolhari to challenging paths like the Snowman's Trail. And now that the Trans-Bhutan Trail is open, there's a whole lot more to explore! Ask us now.

## BLAZING A TRAIL



## BHUTAN SPIRIT SANCTUARY

### IMMERSED IN BHUTANESE WELLBEING

*Paro*



After a trek through Bhutan's rugged mountain landscapes what better way to unwind than with a complete immersion in Bhutanese Wellbeing? Head over to the Bhutan Spirit Sanctuary in Paro, the ideal place to indulge your body, mind and soul in complete wellness and tranquility. Ease away your aches and pains as you enjoy a series of traditional therapies, treatments and massages. Clear your mind with yoga, and dine on delicious healthy cuisine, freshly prepared with local ingredients. Indulge your senses in traditional Bhutanese activities like archery, pottery, and art. Take mindful walks across the property, and onto the surrounding hillslopes. If you like, meander into Paro itself, and of course, make that final trek to Tiger's Nest, Paro's world famous monastery. This is a stay that will stay with you long after you return home.

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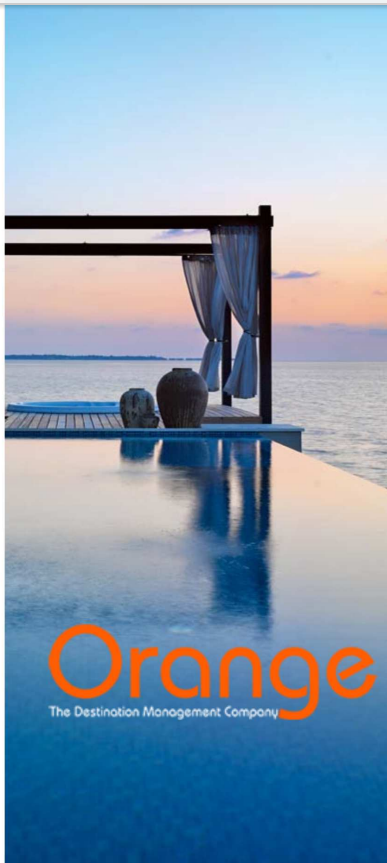
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