



WILDLIFE & NATURAL HISTORY TOURS

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BR Hills

2 nights

Summary

The Biligiri Rangaswamy (BR) Hills are located just to the east of the Nilgiris, with forested corridors connecting its natural areas to that of the Nilgiris and to the Western Ghats beyond. Although part of the Eastern Ghats, BR Hills's proximity to the Western Ghats and its altitudinal extent - rising close to 2000m in parts - have resulted in much shared biota with the biodiversity rich, wet forests of the Western Ghats.

BR Hills holds a significant elephant population, shared with the neighboring forests in the Nilgiris. The deciduous and evergreen forests here also hold typical representatives of megafauna of Peninsular India, including Tiger, Leopard, Gaur, Sambar, Sloth bear and Wild dog and a diversity of smaller animals. Typical Western Ghats species are most obviously noticed among birds - including Malabar Whistling Thrush, Nilgiri Wood Pigeon and Ruby-throated Bulbul among a checklist of over 200 species - and in its flora.

As is typical for south India's hill forests, BR Hills's forested valleys and mountainscapes are scenically beautiful and its local forest dwelling tribes and their traditional lifestyle adds to the charm of the location. An added allure of this location is its quieter, less touristy forest routes as compared to the more popular parks in the Nilgiris.

Dates

Please email us: contact@ficuswildlife.net for latest schedule

Please note that we can customise schedule for independent travel

Costs

From INR 12,500/person, ex-Bangalore)

Itinerary Outline

Day 1: Depart Bangalore 8 AM and arrive in BR Hills by 2 pm. PM Jeep Safari

Day 2: AM & PM Jeep Safari



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Day 3: AM nature walk. Depart by 11 AM and reach Bangalore in the evening.

Facilities

Accommodation: Log Huts in quaint resort with modern facilities

Food: Pan-Indian, with a few international dishes

Transport: Road transfers in Chevrolet Tavera or similar

Difficulty level: Easy to moderate for walks in uneven mountainous terrain

Best time to visit

October - May (ideal); June - September (good)

For Whom

Wildlife and wildlife photography enthusiasts; Bird enthusiasts

FYI and Guidelines

1. Weather: Updates based on dates of travel
2. Please bring your binoculars along - you will appreciate the sights of the forests much more with binoculars on hand. However, we will have a pair or two to share amongst us.
3. Please bring essential medication with you, since the local outlets are few and far between and may not always carry what you are looking for.

Terms and Conditions

1. Tour costs are per person based on twin sharing basis ex-Bangalore and is all inclusive (transport, accommodation, food, naturalist, safaris, guided walks and all taxes and fees). Please check with us on specific items to make sure if it is included in the published tour costs.
2. Maximum Group Size on this tour is 10
3. Bookings are confirmed only upon full payment of the tour cost and at least 1 month in advance from the proposed departure date
4. Our preferred mode of payment is through electronic transfers into our bank account. Relevant details will be provided to you once you are ready to make the payment. Alterna-



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tively we accept demand drafts/cheques in the currency of your choice.

5. If you are paying in foreign currency, we might have apply a currency surcharge on the published rates, if the INR appreciates against your currency at the time of payment.
6. In the unlikely event in which we are forced to cancel the tour we will refund you the entire booking amount. In case we are unable to conduct the tour due to circumstances beyond our control (for e.g. forces of nature, political conditions), we will make every effort to refund as much of the booking amount as possible.
7. In case you to cancel your booking more than one month in advance from the tour date, we will refund *at least* 50% of the tour cost (assuming tour costs are fully paid). The precise refund beyond this will be dependent on the refund policies of our travel partners that we use on tour. In case you cancel your booking less than 1 month from the start of the tour, we will refund 10% of your booking amount

Disclaimer and Emergency Contact

Participants should be aware of unlikely, but potential risks involved during wildlife tours and general travel. This may include, among other things, injuries or fatalities associated with general travel, snake bites, field activities and encounters with wildlife. We require that all tour participants sign this disclaimer that acknowledges the risks associated during our conducted tours and relieves us of any liabilities arising out of the same. This also acknowledges that you have read and abide by the terms and conditions mentioned in the document.

Name of participant:

Age:

Emergency contact person:

Relationship:

Tel no:

Email:

Signature and Date: