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A CWH TRIP TO SINGALILA
NATIONAL PARK ON SIKKIM-
NEPAL BORDER. 7 - 13 APR



THE RED PANDA EXPEDITION

On the border of Sikkim and Nepal lies the Singalila national park, a sanctuary for the eastern Himalayan rhododendron, bamboo and oak trees. But what it is best known for is the Himalayan firefox or the Red Panda, the close to extinction mammal of the region. For the last many years, conservation efforts by the local villagers supported by the Red Panda network have finally paid off and there are now close to 70 Red Pandas recorded in the wild here. We go to the park, travel by foot and on special Land Rovers and with the help of trained trackers, search for the Red Panda. The most special trip of 2019.

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

- Homestays and tea houses.
- Tracking the elusive Red Panda
- Rhododendrons in bloom
- If lucky, views of Kangchendzonga and Everest.

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A BRIEF OVERVIEW



Singalila National park

The 80 sq km of the lush green forest lies in the Indian territory and along with the forests of Nepal, form an ecological hotspot. Home to more than 600 species of birds and mammals, along with diverse flora.



In search of the Red Panda

The native population of the park has been trained to track the Red Pandas in their wild habitat. Over foot and in Land rovers we follow the signs and scan the thick forests for the elusive animal.

ITINERARY: 7 DAY TRIP, 5 DAYS OFF WORK (1 WEEKEND)

7 APR	Fly into Bagdogra and from the airport drive to Mirik ~ 2 hours. Plan to arrive in Bagdogra latest by 2:30 pm.	Mirik is a bustling town and a convenient stopover on our way to Singalila national park. We stay the night in a local homestay.
8-12 APR	We enter Singalila national park today at Maneybhanjan. ~ 2 hours. The next 3 days are spent inside the park as we travel by foot and by Land Rovers to track the elusive Red Panda.	8 April – From ManeyBhanjan to Tumling and stay in a Tea House. 9 -11 April – Move further inside in the park and with the help of expert trackers look for Red Pandas. We will stay in homestays throughout. 12 April – Early morning we go for an excursion to Sandakphu, right on the border of Sikkim and Nepal. By evening, back to Tumling.
13 APR	Time to come back. We drive back to Bagdogra to catch the return flight.	Book your return flight from Bagdogra after 1 pm.

COST FOR THE TRIP:

Stay and food

On twin sharing basis in guesthouses and homestays. All meals except when in transit.

Guides and trackers

4 trained Red Panda trackers and a local guide will accompany us.

Transportation

From Bagdogra airport to Singalila and back in 3 Innovas. Land Rovers inside the park.

The cost of the trip =
Rs 47000/- per person
including all taxes.

Note: The group size will be limited to 12. Bookings are done on first come first serve basis and hence no deadlines. Confirm your place by making the full payment in advance. Read our [cancellation policy](#) and fill the [release document](#).

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WHAT TO GET ALONG?

April in Sikkim is spring at its best. Days alternate between clear, pleasant weather to cold and rainy and temp ranges from 10 to 25 degrees. We will pack accordingly. Layering is key and a warm sweater, woolen socks, cap and a shawl along with waterproof jacket on top will be sufficient. Make sure you bring all essentials along as we will not have the opportunity to buy anything there. Detailed checklist on signing up.

MAKING A CONTRIBUTION:

There is always a way of giving back to the place and people where we go for our holidays. Through homestays, we make the most direct and telling contribution to individual families in this region. We are organizing this trek with a group of guides and trackers of this area. You can also support local handicraft weavers by buying your woolens from the locals directly along with other produce.

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GIFT THIS TRIP

You can choose from gift vouchers starting from Rs 5000. Write to us with the name of the receiver and the denomination of the voucher.

NOTE

All CWH trips have a strict no-alcohol policy. And no packaged noodles.