

JUNGLES OF CENTRAL INDIA

Jungles of Central India offer one of the most unique and diverse experiences in the subcontinent. The parks offers a diversity like none other – with about 350 species of birds and the region is an ideal destination to look for the following key species – Tiger, Leopard, Sloth Bear, Dhole (Indian wild dogs), Gaur (Indian Bison), rusty spotted cat (the smallest wildcat in the world), Indian Skimmer and the Russell Viper to name a few.

This program is specially designed for wildlife photography enthusiast to learn to get the best out of a safari in terms of photography. The tour would be led by a photographer who will share tips & tricks with regards to wildlife photography along with teaching amateur plus level education on wildlife photography which will cover:

- Planning for wildlife photography trip
- Understanding your gear and basics on predictive camera settings
- Session on basics of Macro Photography
- Post processing & fun with photography



- Introduction to the wildlife diversity of Central India
 - Searching for wildcats such as tiger, leopard, jungle cat and rusty spotted cat.
 - Canine species such as dhole (Asiatic wild dogs), golden jackal and the striped hyena.
 - Large prey base of gaur, sambar deer, Spotted deer, barking deer, four horned antelope, wild boars, blue bulls and blackbucks.





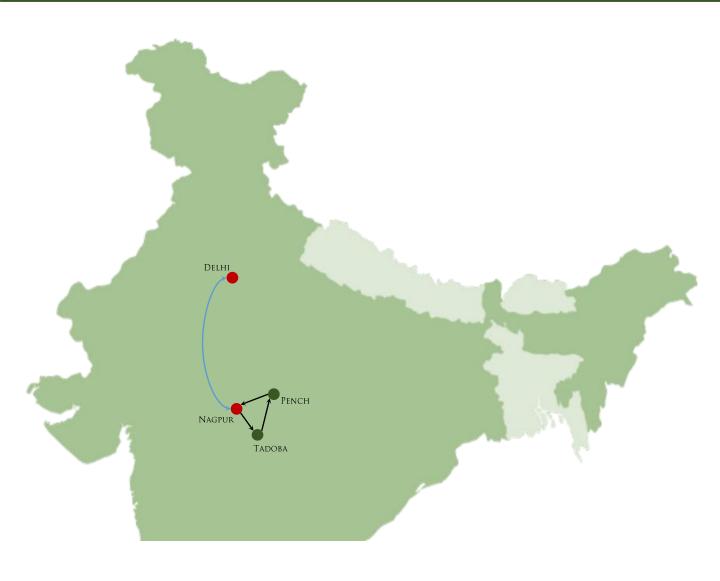
ITINERARY

- Day 1: Arrive in Delhi | Overnight in Delhi
- Day 2: Morning flight to Nagpur | Transfer to Bamboo Forest Lodge | Lunch at the lodge | A short photography overview before we embark on our first Safari in Tadoba this afternoon | Overnight at Bamboo Forest Lodge
- Day 3: Morning Safari in Tadoba Andhari Tiger Reserve | Before lunch we review some pictures and get an introduction to portrait & macro photography | In the afternoon we take another safari in the buffer forest | Overnight at Bamboo Forest Lodge
- Day 4: Morning & Afternoon Safari in Tadoba Andhari Tiger Reserve | review & post processing session with the photographer | Overnight at Bamboo Forest Lodge





- Day 5: Morning safari in Tadoba | After lunch transfer to Pench | Rest of the evening at leisure | review & post processing session with the photographer | Overnight at Pench Tree Lodge
- Day 6: Morning & Afternoon safari in Pench Tiger Reserve | review & post processing session with the photographer | Overnight at Pench Tree Lodge
- Day 7: Morning & Afternoon safari in Pench Tiger Reserve | review & post processing session with the photographer | Overnight at Pench Tree Lodge
- Day 8: Morning & Afternoon safari in Pench Tiger Reserve | review & post processing session with the photographer | Overnight at Pench Tree Lodge
- Day 9: After breakfast transfer to Nagpur | Catch a flight to Delhi and a connecting flight back home



ITINERARY MAP

Delhi – Nagpur – Tadoba Andhari Tiger Reserve – Pench Tiger Reserve – Nagpur – Delhi – Fly Out

Fight Transfer

Road Transfer

DRIVING DISTANCES

Nagpur Airport to Bamboo Forest Lodge: Road transfer 110 km (2.25 hours)

Bamboo Forest Lodge to Pench Tree Lodge: Road transfer 200 km (4.5 hours)

Pench Tree Lodge to Nagpur Airport: Road transfer 140 km (3.5 hours)

BAMBOO FOREST LODGE

The Bamboo Forest Safari Lodge is the newest unit of The Tree House Resorts. It is considered to be one of the three best lodges in Tadoba Andhari Tiger Reserve. Tadoba has shot into popularity over the last 7 years due to high number of tiger sightings. The park today is considered to have one of the best places to see the Bengal Tiger.

As Bamboo Forest Tadoba weaves its cocoon of rich natural delights and superlative man made luxury around you, it simultaneously handles the environment with the softest of kid gloves. Increased greening to offset human development and employment opportunities for locals are two of the multiple efforts that make sure you stay in an eco resort, true to every sense of the word.

The Bamboo Forest Safari Lodge is ideally located on the edge of the scenic Maasal Lake on Kolara Road, a mere 10 minutes' drive from Kolara Gate of Tadoba- Andhari Tiger Reserve. The Lodge offers ultimate comfort in its well appointed 700 sq ft. lake- facing villas and spacious suites in the cottages. The villas come with all the trappings of highend luxury resorts, with its large bed rooms, a large washroom, a powder room, a patio overlooking the lake, private gardens, and an open to sky large bath tub area surrounded by the greens, amongst others

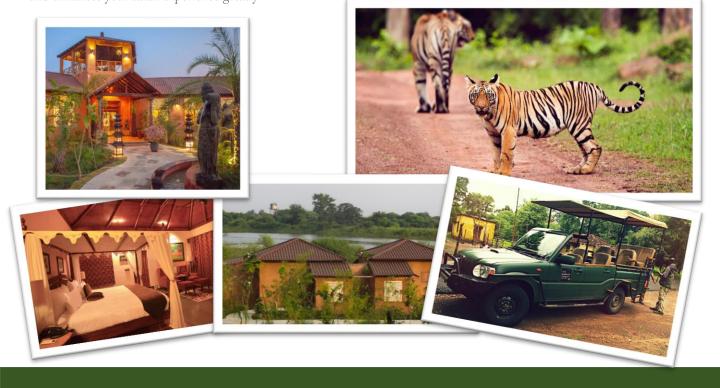
NATURALIST TEAM

Bamboo Forest Lodge Naturalists:

Akshay, Naturalist - Akshay hails from Bengaluru and is a Biotechnologist by profession, but as an enthusiastic wildlife lover has frequented the famous Bandipur, Nagarhole, BR Hills, and Bhadra Tiger Reserves in Karnataka. He has assisted the Forest Department of Karnataka in conducting tiger and elephant census and has actively participated in bird surveys across the Western Ghats of Karnataka. Akshay has also worked as freelance naturalist and environmental educator at various nature camps across the country.

Shail, Naturalist - He comes from the famed Kipling-land, Kanha, and has worked as a wildlife guide in the tiger reserve for over 15 years. During this period he has helped the BBC team to make a documentary on tigers here. He has also spent considerable amounts of in Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve too,. Shail brings all his experience of the Central India landscape to Tadoba, and enhances your safari experience greatly





PENCH TREE LODGE

Pench Tree Lodge is the refuge of the au courant, adventurous and eco sensitive 'Mowgli'. Their six well appointed tree houses are perched in the undisturbed 16 hectares of forested area in the small 'Sarrahiri' village of Pench in the Karmajhiri area. This is the first lodge to be set up in this underdeveloped zone and supports are conservation policy of not overcrowding areas and making them unsustainable with over exposure to tourism.

This luxurious abode in the jungle is perched on top of the Mahua trees and supported by stilts. Large French windows allow for an uninterrupted view of the deciduous forest and grassland and lets you observe the multitude of birds, butterflies and the wild animals at the lodge. Our guests have so far seen wild boars, civets, jungle cats, jackals and spotted deer as they sat sipping their morning tea or the evening sundowner on the private deck. Breaking away from the monotony of oft repeated safari lodgings, they have been designed with an eclectic mix of vintage and natural aesthetics.

NATURALIST TEAM

We are strongly believe that a traveling naturalists is important to all wilderness programs in India. He is your storyteller, astronomer, interpreter, friend, he ensures that there is no repetition of information when you change lodges or destinations. He is your guardian who ensures an enriching and fun experience during your visit.

Pench Tree Lodge Naturalists:

Chinmay Deshpande, Naturalist - It's been eight years now that Chinmay has been handling snakes. He has been into conservation and snake rescue which brought him his winning and learning experiences. Giving up a handsome job of IT after graduating in Computers Chinmay is now working towards his dream to be associated with wildlife in every way possible. The great story teller that this man from Nagpur is, his affection towards animals can be felt in his conversations and even in his animal-sensitive humour!



