



Clothing Recommendations and Temperature in Indian National Parks Region-Wise

1. 🐾 **Central India Parks** – *Bandhavgarh, Kanha, Pench, Tadoba, Satpura, Panna*

These parks lie in the heart of India and experience a wide range of seasonal variation—from bitterly cold mornings in winter to scorching heat in summer. Dense forests, dry deciduous woodland, and open meadows mean guests need layered clothing for both comfort and protection.

- a. **Oct 1 – Dec 1:** Light to moderate layers. Early mornings and evenings can be chilly, especially on open jeep safaris, so carry a fleece or windproof jacket. Days are pleasant; full-sleeved cotton shirts and trousers offer sun protection and comfort. Dust buffs, hats, and sunglasses help during drives.
- b. **Dec 1 – Mar 1:** Mornings can be very cold—temperatures often fall below 10°C, especially in Kanha, Satpura and Bandhavgarh. Layering is key: thermal base layers, warm jackets (preferably windproof), gloves, woollen caps, and thick socks are recommended for early safaris. Peel off layers as it warms up through the day.
- c. **Mar 1 – May 1:** Days become noticeably warmer. Light, breathable full-sleeved shirts and trousers help regulate body temperature while protecting against insects and sun. Stick to neutral earthy tones for wildlife viewing. A wide-brimmed hat and sunglasses are useful.
- d. **May 1 – Jun 30:** Extremely hot and dry, with daytime temperatures often exceeding 43°C. Prioritize comfort and protection: loose, breathable cottons in light colours, a wide hat, sunblock, sunglasses, and plenty of water. Safaris depart early and return by late morning to avoid extreme heat.



Temperatures in Celsius (°C) in **Central India Parks**

PARK/ Month	Bandhavgarh		Kanha		Pench		Tadoba		Satpura		Panna	
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
<i>January</i>	7	22	6	22	7	23	11	29	6	22	7	23
<i>February</i>	10	26	9	25	10	26	14	32	9	26	10	26
<i>March</i>	15	32	14	31	16	33	18	36	14	32	15	32
<i>April</i>	20	37	20	37	21	39	23	41	19	38	20	38
<i>May</i>	25	42	24	41	26	42	27	44	23	42	25	43
<i>June</i>	27	40	26	38	27	41	26	43	28	44	27	45
<i>July</i>	25	34	24	35	24	39	23	37	23	39	24	37
<i>August</i>	24	31	23	29	23	35	22	31	22	34	23	30
<i>September</i>	23	32	22	30	22	31	22	29	21	31	22	31
<i>October</i>	18	32	17	31	18	32	19	30	16	33	18	29
<i>November</i>	12	28	11	27	12	27	15	39	11	29	12	28
<i>December</i>	8	24	7	21	8	23	12	28	7	25	8	24

2. 🐘 Ranthambhore National Park

Ranthambhore, located in Rajasthan, is known for its dramatic landscapes, open terrain, and wide seasonal temperature range. From cold winter mornings to dry, searing summer days, packing the right clothing can significantly enhance your comfort on safaris.

- a. **Oct 1 – Dec 1:** This is a pleasant time to visit with cool mornings and warm afternoons. Light layers are ideal—pack full-sleeved cotton shirts, lightweight trousers, and a fleece or windbreaker for early safaris. Neutral earth tones like olive, beige,



or khaki help blend into the surroundings. A hat, sunglasses, and a dust buff or scarf will protect you during midday sun and dusty drives.

- b. Dec 1 – Mar 1:** Winter mornings can be very cold, sometimes below 5°C, especially in open jeeps. Warm clothing is essential—thermal inners, a padded or down jacket, woollen cap, scarf, and gloves are strongly recommended. Closed shoes and thick socks will help keep your feet warm. Layers can be removed by late morning as the temperature rises.
- c. Mar 1 – May 1:** This period marks the start of summer. Days are hot and dry, so light, breathable cotton clothing is best. Long sleeves and trousers offer sun protection. A wide-brimmed hat, sunglasses, and sunscreen are important. A scarf or face buff is helpful for dusty trails. Stick to neutral colours for wildlife viewing.
- d. May 1 – Jun 30:** Expect extreme heat with temperatures often exceeding 45°C. Wear loose, pale-colored cotton clothes to stay cool. Full sleeves help protect against sunburn. Bring a sunhat, sunglasses, and plenty of water. A cooling scarf or bandana is useful, and early morning safaris are the most comfortable during this season.

Temperatures in Celsius (°C) in **Ranthambore National Park**

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Min.	10	13	18	26	30	31	24	25	24	23	18	13
Max.	25	28	34	39	42	47	43	32	37	34	29	24



3. 🐾 Western India Parks – Gir, Velavadar

These parks are in the semi-arid and dry zones of Gujarat, known for dramatic climate shifts—from cold, dry winters to scorching, dry summers. The landscape is largely open, with sparse shade and strong sunlight for much of the year.

- a. **Oct 1 – Dec 1:** This is a pleasant time to visit—post-monsoon greenery lingers, and temperatures are moderate. Mornings and evenings can be cool, especially in the open landscapes of Velavadar. Light cotton shirts, full-sleeved tops for sun protection, a light fleece or jacket for early drives, scarves or buffs to block dust, and closed-toe walking shoes. Sunglasses and hats are essential in the open terrain.
- b. **Dec 1 – Mar 1:** This is peak winter and the most popular season for travel. Mornings can be quite chilly (especially in Velavadar where wind chill is strong), but days are sunny and dry. Warm layers for safaris—woollen caps, gloves, thermals, and insulated jackets. Breathable but warm base layers are helpful for early mornings. Don't forget sunglasses, lip balm, and moisturizer to combat the dry air.
- c. **Mar 1 – May 1:** The heat builds up quickly in this pre-summer window. Vegetation dries out, making wildlife sightings excellent but temperatures soar by noon. Breathable, light-coloured cottons; sun hats; UV-protective sunglasses; and high-SPF sunscreen. Carry a scarf or buff to cover your neck and face from dust and sun exposure. Hydration packs or water bottles are a must.
- d. **May 1 – Jun 15 (Gir only):** Gir remains open into early June, with Velavadar usually closed by this time. This is the hottest and driest time—days are scorching, and safaris can be challenging under the sun. Loose, ultra-light cotton clothing; wide-brimmed hats; cooling towels; strong sun protection; and hydration gear. Early morning and evening safaris are manageable, but mid-day heat can be intense.

Temperatures in Celsius (°C) in **Western India Parks**

PARK/ Month	Gir		Velavadar	
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
January	12	30	12	30
February	14	30	14	30
March	20	34	20	34
April	29	45	28	45
May	36	45	36	45
June	36	45	36	45
July	28	42	28	42
August	28	40	28	40
September	22	35	22	35
October	18	30	18	30
November	15	28	15	28
December	12	26	12	26

4. 🦌 **North & Himalayan Parks** – *Jim Corbett, Hemis, Great Himalayan National Park*

These parks include Himalayan foothills and high-altitude terrains, with significant elevation differences between parks. Corbett lies at a lower elevation with deciduous forests, while Great Himalayan and Hemis have alpine and subalpine landscapes with cold conditions well into summer.



- a. **Oct 1 – Dec 1:** Corbett sees cool mornings and dry conditions—layered clothing like cotton shirts, light sweaters, and scarves are ideal. Himalayan parks are colder; warm base layers and windproof outerwear are already necessary by November.
- b. **Dec 1 – Mar 1:** Jim Corbett experiences frost and fog; you’ll need **warm jackets, gloves, woollen hats, and insulated shoes.** In the Himalayas, temperatures can be sub-zero—pack serious winter gear: **thermals, parkas, trekking boots, and moisture-wicking wool layers.**
- c. **Mar 1 – May 1:** In Corbett, pleasant weather means cotton shirts and a light fleece are enough. Himalayan parks thaw slowly early spring still needs layering. Sun protection, hiking boots, and full-sleeved tops are practical for nature walks and trails.
- d. **May 1 – Jun 30:** Corbett becomes hot and dry—wear light cottons and wide-brimmed hats. In the Himalayas, snow persists at higher altitudes, but lower valleys are pleasant. Carry both cottons and one warm layer for the evenings. Sunscreen and UV-protection glasses are necessary due to high-altitude exposure.

Temperatures in Celsius (°C) in **North & Himalayan Parks**

PARK/ Month	Jim Corbett (Lowland)		Great Himalayan (Mid-Altitude)		Hemis (High-Altitude, Cold Desert)	
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
January	6	19	-5	5	-18	-9
February	9	23	-2	8	-19	-8
March	13	28	2	12	-13	-1
April	18	34	8	14	-7	5
May	22	38	10	20	-3	7
June	25	37	17	22	1	12
July	24	34	15	23	6	16



August	22	33	14	22	6	16
September	21	31	11	20	3	14
October	17	30	7	17	-5	6
November	11	26	2	12	-10	0
December	7	21	-5	6	-19	-9

5. 🐘 Eastern India Parks – *Kaziranga, Sunderbans National Park*

Eastern parks offer a completely different landscape—Kaziranga with its tall grasslands and wetlands, and Sunderbans with its tidal mangroves. The climate is humid, with foggy winters and early monsoons. Water-based safaris are common, so footwear and clothing should accommodate damp conditions.

- a. **Oct 1 – Dec 1:** In **Kaziranga**, expect cool mornings and dry air as the post-monsoon season sets in. A light fleece or jacket is ideal for early safaris, while cotton clothing suffices during the day. In **Sunderbans**, humidity lingers, and morning boat rides can be breezy—opt for breathable long sleeves and carry a windproof layer. Quick-dry or waterproof footwear is recommended in both parks, and insect protection is key, especially in the mangrove-rich Sunderbans.
- b. **Dec 1 – Mar 1:** **Kaziranga** experiences chilly, foggy mornings that call for a warm jacket, beanie, and gloves, especially during jeep safaris. By midday, light cottons are more appropriate. In **Sunderbans**, mornings are milder but still require a light fleece or windcheater on boats. Full-sleeved, breathable clothing and mosquito repellent are advisable throughout the day in both parks, particularly given the wet and wooded environments.
- c. **Mar 1 – May 1:** As summer builds, **Kaziranga** becomes dry and warm—lightweight, long-sleeved cottons protect from dust and sun during safaris. A scarf or buff is useful against heat and wind. In contrast, **Sunderbans** grows increasingly humid,



with dense vegetation—opt for airy but full-coverage clothing to guard against mosquitoes. Enclosed shoes are best for Kaziranga’s uneven terrain, while boat-friendly sandals work well in the Sundarbans.

- d. May 1 – Jun 30:** This is the hottest, stickiest season in both parks. In **Kaziranga**, the park is usually closed due to flooding, but if you're in nearby buffer zones, wear loose, sun-protective cottons and carry rain gear. In **Sundarbans**, high humidity and rain are common—light, quick-drying clothes and waterproof outerwear are a must. Anti-slip footwear is helpful on wet boats and walkways, and insect protection remains essential.

Temperatures in Celsius (°C) in **Kaziranga National Park**

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Min.	10	13	17	22	25	26	27	28	26	22	16	11
Max.	23	27	30	35	37	34	32	33	30	26	24	23

***Kaziranga is more inland and slightly cooler in winter; it also experiences heavy monsoonal flooding (closed June–October).*

Temperatures in Celsius (°C) in **Sundarbans National Park**

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Min.	12	15	20	25	27	28	28	26	27	25	19	14
Max.	23	26	30	34	35	33	32	30	32	32	29	25

*** Sundarbans is coastal and more humid, with less temperature variation but higher moisture year-round.*