

NATURE SAFARI INDIA

CONSERVATION THROUGH TOURISM · ESTABLISHED 2000



EASTERN HIMALAYA · ASIA'S BIRDING FRONTIER

Birding in *North East India*

9 NIGHTS · 10 DAYS — NAMERI · SELA PASS · EAGLENEST

TRIPADVISOR TRAVELLERS' CHOICE

★ 5.0 · #1 of 146 in India · 2026

One of Asia's finest *birding frontiers*

Ten days through the eastern Himalayan foothills of Assam and Arunachal Pradesh, a region ornithologists rank among the richest birding grounds on Earth. The itinerary is built around three flagship habitats — Nameri's riverine forest, the alpine passes above Dirang, and the remote tented sanctuary of Eaglenest — chasing species found nowhere else, from the Bugun Liocichla to the Himalayan Monal.

Nameri opens the journey, 200 sq km of Himalayan foothill forest shared with Arunachal's Pakke Wildlife Sanctuary, and one of the world's best remaining strongholds for the endangered White-winged Duck, alongside hornbills, bee-eaters and the Green Cochoa. From there the road climbs to Sela Pass, at 4,200 metres among Asia's highest drivable passes, where Blood Pheasant, Snow Partridge and Himalayan Monal inhabit an alpine world of its own.

The circuit closes at Eaglenest Wildlife Sanctuary, reached only by tented camp, where more than 450 recorded bird species include the Bugun Liocichla — first sighted in 1995 and confirmed as a new species only in 2006 — alongside Ward's Trogon and the Rufous-headed Parrotbill, in a landscape still largely untouched by human settlement.



WHAT SETS THIS JOURNEY APART

- ◆ Seek the Bugun Liocichla, confirmed a new species only in 2006 and found nowhere else on Earth
- ◆ Track the endangered White-winged Duck through Nameri's riverine forest
- ◆ Alpine birding at Sela Pass, 4,200 metres and among Asia's highest drivable passes
- ◆ Three nights under canvas at Eaglenest, a sanctuary reached only by tented camp
- ◆ Over 450 documented species across three distinct Himalayan habitats

Foothill forest *to alpine pass*

At Nature Safari India, we believe your only job should be to immerse yourself in the magic of India. From booking internal flights and securing reservations to arranging private road transfers and every special request along the way, we take care of each logistical detail. Below, the destinations that shape this eastern Himalayan birding circuit.



Nameri National Park

200 SQ KM RESERVE · DAYS 2–4

Himalayan foothill forest on the Assam–Arunachal border, and one of the world's best remaining strongholds for the endangered White-winged Duck, alongside hornbills, bee-eaters and the Green Cochoa.

Eaglenest Wildlife Sanctuary

450+ SPECIES · TENTED CAMP · DAYS 6–8

A remote sanctuary with no permanent lodges, reached only by tent, sheltering the Bugun Liocichla, Ward's Trogon and the Rufous-headed Parrotbill across Bompu, Sesni and Sunderview.

Dirang & Sela Pass

4,200M ALPINE PASS · DAY 5

Pine, alder and chestnut forest rising to one of the highest drivable passes in the Himalayas, home to Blood Pheasant, Snow Partridge, Himalayan Monal and the Tibetan Serin.

Guwahati

GATEWAY CITY · DAYS 2 & 9

Assam's largest city on the Brahmaputra, the flight gateway between New Delhi and the eastern Himalayan foothills at either end of the circuit.

Delhi to *Nameri*

DAY

01

Arrive in New Delhi

On arrival at New Delhi Airport, our representative greets you, hands over all travel documents and escorts you to your hotel for an overnight stay.

DAY

02

New Delhi – Guwahati – Nameri

A morning flight to Guwahati, then the drive to Nameri to check in at the lodge, with time for evening birding around the camp. Overnight at the lodge.

DAYS

03&04

In Nameri

Two full days birding across 200 sq km of Himalayan foothill forest shared with Arunachal's Pakke Wildlife Sanctuary, seeking the endangered White-winged Duck alongside the Greater Adjutant, Green Cochoa, Wreathed Hornbill and Blue-bearded Bee-eater. Overnight at the lodge each evening.

DAY

05

Dirang & Sela Pass

An early drive to Sela Pass, 4,200 metres and among the highest drivable mountain passes in the Himalayas, for Blood Pheasant, Snow Partridge, Himalayan Monal and Grandala across pine, alder and alpine meadow habitats. Afternoon at leisure in Dirang. Overnight at the lodge.

Eaglenest & *homeward*

DAY

06

Dirang – Eaglenest

Morning birding around Dirang, then the 65 km, two-to-three-hour drive to Eaglenest. Check in to the tented camp, with no permanent lodges in the area, and an afternoon of birding nearby. Overnight at the camp.

DAYS

07&08

In Eaglenest

Full days of birding across Bompui, Sesni and Sunderview in a sanctuary of more than 450 recorded species, seeking the Bugun Liocichla, Ward's Trogon, Red-faced Liocichla and Rufous-headed Parrotbill. Overnight at the camp each evening.

DAY

09

Eaglenest – Guwahati

An early departure, driving back through the eastern Himalayan landscape and its tea plantations to Guwahati. Overnight at the hotel.

DAY

10

Fly Back

An early transfer to the airport for your flight to New Delhi and onward connection home, ten days and three Himalayan habitats' worth of sightings close behind you.

What your journey *includes*

Inclusions

- Accommodation in New Delhi and Guwahati on bed and breakfast basis
- Full-board accommodation in Nameri, Dirang and Eaglenest with safari access
- Entrance fees and birding guide charges at all three locations
- Airport and hotel assistance throughout
- All land transfers in air-conditioned Toyota Innova / Crysta
- All currently applicable taxes

Exclusions

- International and domestic airfare
- Still / video camera fees at monuments and national parks
- Expenses of a personal nature — tips, liquor, laundry, calls
- Travel insurance
- Anything not mentioned in the inclusions

WHY NATURE SAFARI INDIA

Journeys curated by experts

Bespoke wildlife tours tailored to you, so every day is shaped around your dream of the wild.

Seamless private planning

From touchdown to take-off, no surprises and no chaos — only quiet, complete peace of mind.

A dream, not merely a trip

We design each journey as a once-in-a-lifetime experience, held to the highest standard of care.

Naturalist depth, India-wide

Our in-house naturalists are storytellers of the jungle — among the finest trackers in the country.

Conservation with credibility

True to our motto, tourism that gives back — protecting habitats and supporting local communities.

Local expertise, remote access

Expert eastern Himalayan ornithologists and tented-camp logistics into terrain few operators reach at all.

A reputation for *the luxury of care*

TRIPADVISOR

5.0



166 reviews · #1 of 144 · Travellers' Choice 2026

TRUSTPILOT

5.0



Rated Excellent across 50+ guest reviews

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Everything was just perfect. The tour guide was always on site, reading every wish from our eyes. The organization did not allow for any uncertainties.

SEBASTIAN S · TRIPADVISOR

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From our first contact to our goodbye in Delhi, everything was seamless and professional, exactly as promised.

MICHAEL J. H. · TRIPADVISOR

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Camping at Eaglenest sounded daunting on paper — in practice it was the best-run few days of the whole trip.

GUEST REVIEW · TRUSTPILOT

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Five stars doesn't feel like enough. I travel the world for wildlife adventures, and this was one of the most professionally run teams I've ever worked with.

PHIL B · TRIPADVISOR

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Comfortable cars, careful drivers, and a team that treated us like old friends throughout.

GUEST REVIEW · TRUSTPILOT

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Our guide found the Bugun Liocichla on the second morning — a bird I genuinely never expected to see.

GUEST REVIEW · TRIPADVISOR



BEGIN THE JOURNEY

Customise this journey *for you*

Tell us your dates and the species you long to see, and we will return with a tailor-made itinerary designed entirely around you. Twenty-five years of expertise, our own boutique lodges, and a team that reads every wish — at your service from touchdown to take-off.



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