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TAMIL NADU, A HAVEN FOR NATURE ENTHUSIASTS

Tamil Nadu abounds in its geographical diversity, cultural diversity and biological diversity. This enchanting land in the extreme south of peninsular India offers much to the delight of any traveller. Known for its beautiful landscapes, lush forests, exceptional flora and fauna, Tamil Nadu is poised at redefining ecotourism by welcoming nature and adventure enthusiasts to Trek Tamil Nadu.

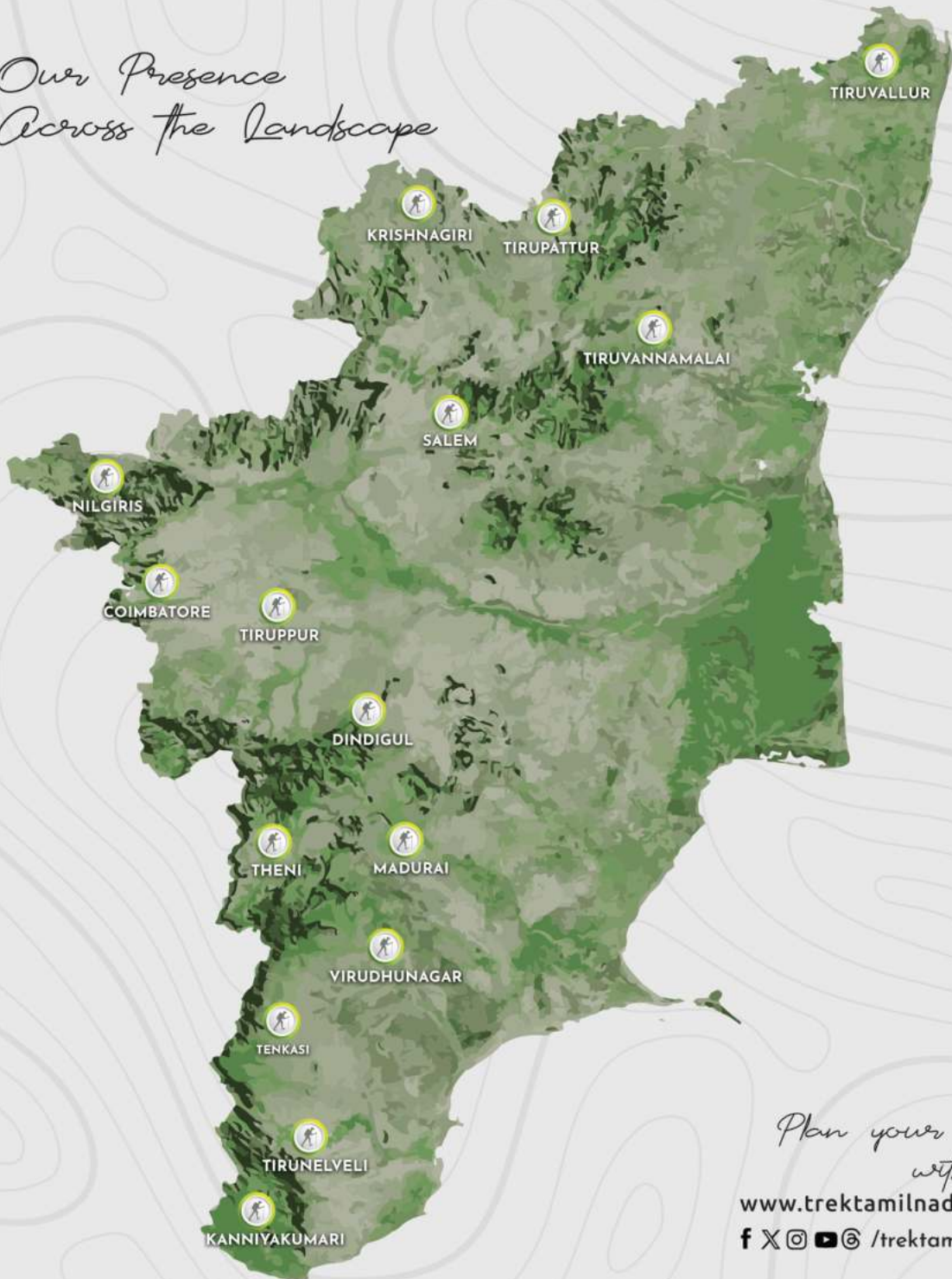
DISCOVER TAMIL NADU WITH TNWEC

Trek Tamil Nadu is a Government initiative launched with the aim of promoting responsible and sustainable tourism through trekking. Managed by the Tamil Nadu Wilderness Experiences Corporation (TNWEC), a State Government undertaking, this initiative emphasizes conservation and environmental awareness while offering an enriching experience for trekkers. It seeks to foster a deeper understanding of the natural world, promote sustainable practices and protect the state's rich biodiversity and cultural heritage.

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CAIRN HILL

THE NILGIRIS



2 Hrs



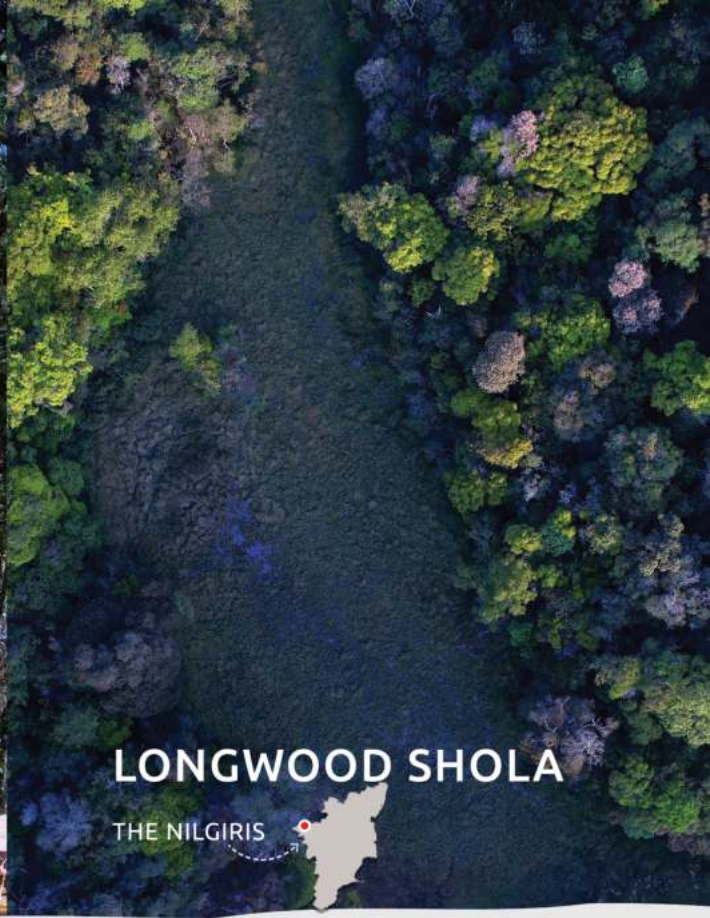
3 KM



EASY

Cairn Hill in Ooty is a great spot for a refreshing nature walk. The trail features tall and magnificent moss-covered trees, chirping birds, and obvious signs of rich wildlife. It hosts one of the oldest Cyprus tree plantations, raised in the 1860s. Importantly the microclimate here manifests a dip in temperature with respect to the ambient temperature outside. Don't miss the interpretation center, hanging rope bridge and the British Era watchtower.

- Highest Elevation : 2200 Meters above MSL (approx.)
- Forest Type : Plantation and shola forest
- Bus Stand : Ooty - 3 km
- Railway Station : Ooty - 3.5 KM
- Airport : Coimbatore - 90 km



LONGWOOD SHOLA

THE NILGIRIS



2 Hrs



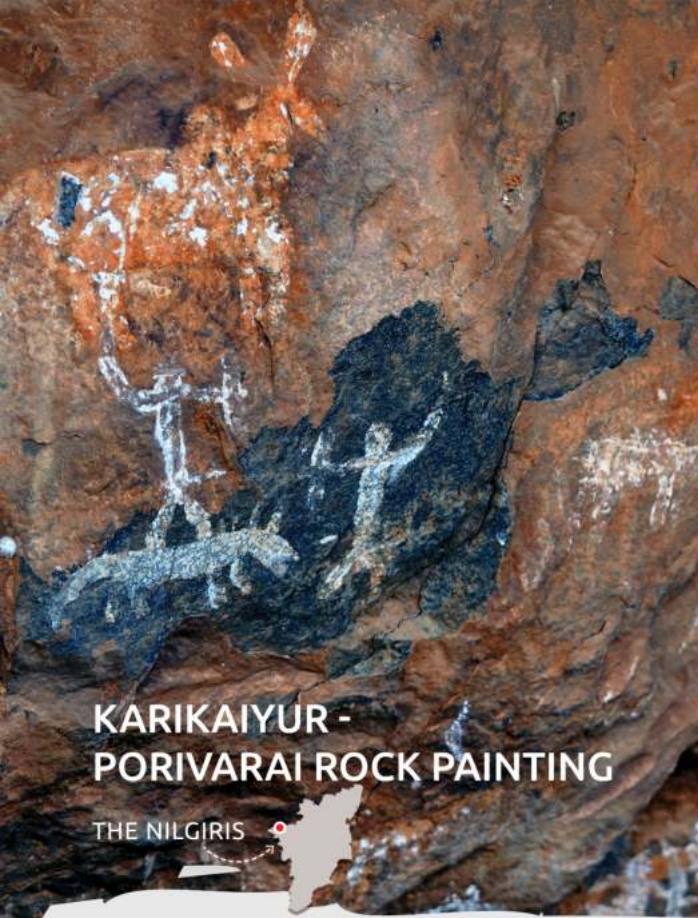
3.5 KM



EASY

Discover the scenic hills of Kotagiri and the diverse Shola forest ecosystem beaming with endemic species. This urban Shola forest resonates the success story of conservation with public participation. The Shola Reserve is recognized as an Important Bird Area (IBA) and a Ramsar wetland. Explore this trail that features marshes and streams filled with unique wildlife.

- Highest Elevation : 2250 Meters above MSL (approx.)
- Forest Type : Montane Wet Temperate Shola Forest
- Bus Stand : Kotagiri - 3 km
- Railway Station : Ooty - 32 km / Mettupalayam - 32 km
- Airport : Coimbatore - 68 km



KARIKAIYUR - PORIVARAI ROCK PAINTING

THE NILGIRIS



3 Hrs



6 KM



MODERATE

A trek to Porivarai Cave offers insight into prehistoric life. The location is at 40 kilometers from Kotagiri and accessible via a 3-kilometer hike. It features around 500 rock paintings from the Mesolithic age; the largest prehistoric rock art site in South India, showcasing animals, archers, battles, and spirals. The area is also known for its traditional honey-gathering methods from steep rocks.

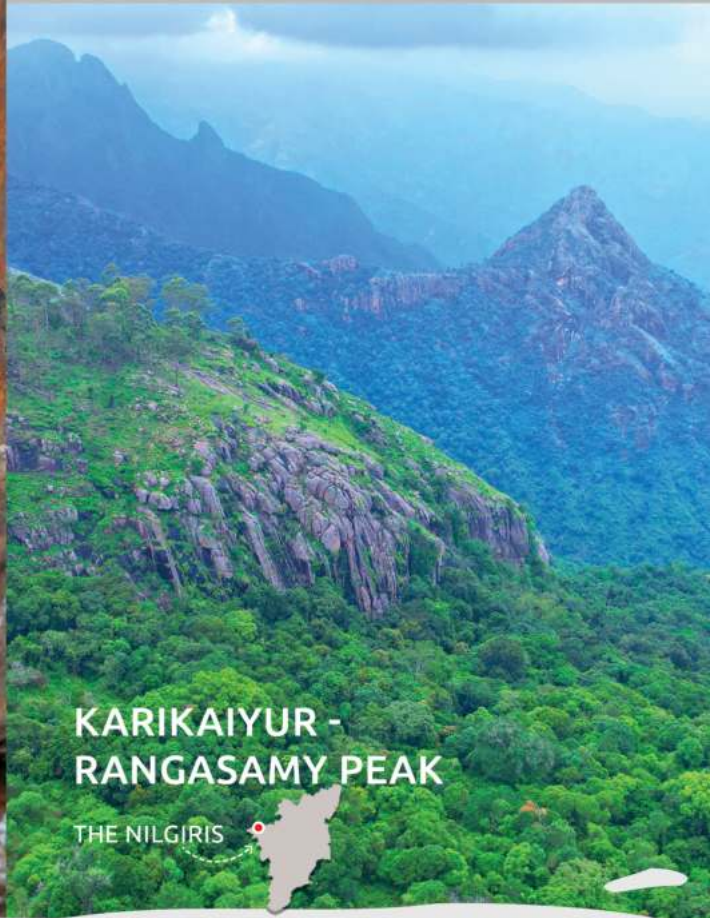
Highest Elevation : 1500 Meters above MSL (approx.)

Forest Type : Moist Deciduous Forest

Bus Stand : Kotagiri - 25 km

Railway Station : Mettupalayam - 54 km

Airport : Coimbatore - 90 km



KARIKAIYUR - RANGASAMY PEAK

THE NILGIRIS



4 Hrs



8 KM



TOUGH

Rangasamy Peak rises prominently in Kotagiri, Nilgiris, and is about 20 kilometers away from the town of Kotagiri. The trek to the majestic Rangasamy peak is a daring climb through lush forests and rich wildlife habitat. The destination rewards you with a scenic viewpoint that offers panoramic views of the surrounding landscape including forested hills and valleys. The trail is sure to offer a unique experience for nature enthusiasts, hikers and adventurers.

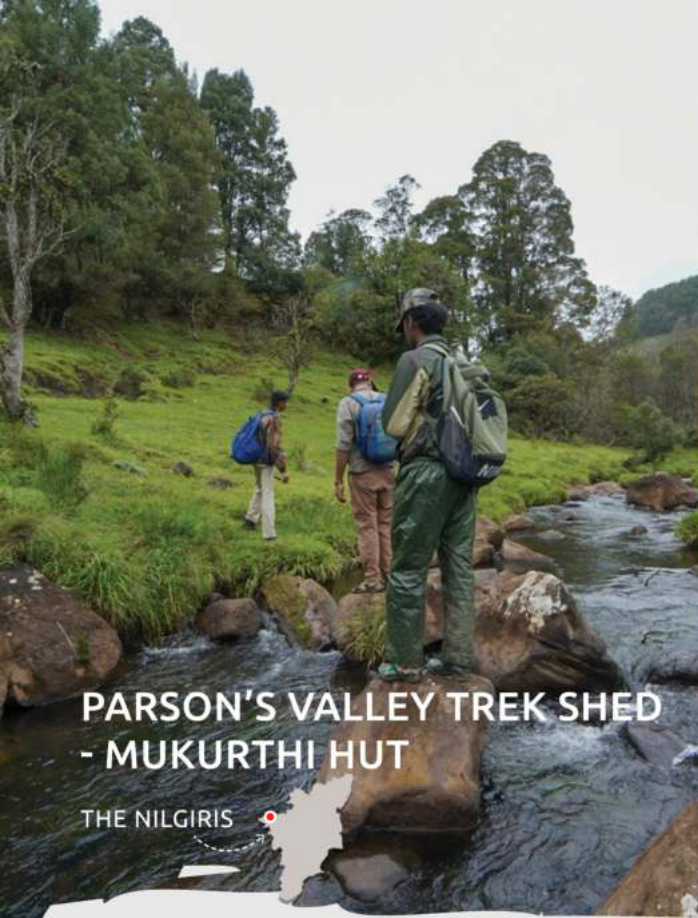
Highest Elevation : 2000 Meters above MSL (approx.)

Forest Type : Moist Deciduous Forest, Shola & Grassland

Bus Stand : Kotagiri - 22 km

Railway Station : Mettupalayam - 45 km

Airport : Coimbatore - 58 km



PARSON'S VALLEY TREK SHED - MUKURTHI HUT

THE NILGIRIS



PANDIYAR REST HOUSE - MUKURTHI DAM

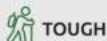
THE NILGIRIS



7 Hrs



20 KM



TOUGH



4 Hrs



5 KM



MODERATE

Discover this historic trail which ends at Mukurthi Hut, a colonial era establishment in a dense wildlife habitat having its own stories to unfold. Enroute, explore the thick Shola forests, man-made plantations of Pine, Eucalyptus and Wattle, rolling meadows and abundant wildlife. If the light is in your favor and you are a photography enthusiast, you will find stunning visuals.

Located just 38 kilometers from Ooty, Mukurthi Dam offers a serene atmosphere. The trek commences as a leisurely stroll through the fragrant pine forests, advances to vibrant woodlands and grassy hills, and culminates at a stunning viewpoint. The uphill trek transcending different elevations and vegetations will undoubtedly captivate every trekker, creating unforgettable memories.

Highest Elevation : 2512 Meters above MSL (approx.)

Forest Type : Shola Forest

Bus Stand : Ooty - 14 km

Railway Station : Ooty - 15 km

Airport : Coimbatore - 109 km

Highest Elevation : 2093 Meters above MSL (approx.)

Forest Type : Shola and Grassland

Bus Stand : Ooty - 32 km

Railway Station : Ooty - 32 km

Airport : Coimbatore - 117 km



AVALANCHE - KOLARIBETTA

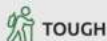
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8 Hrs



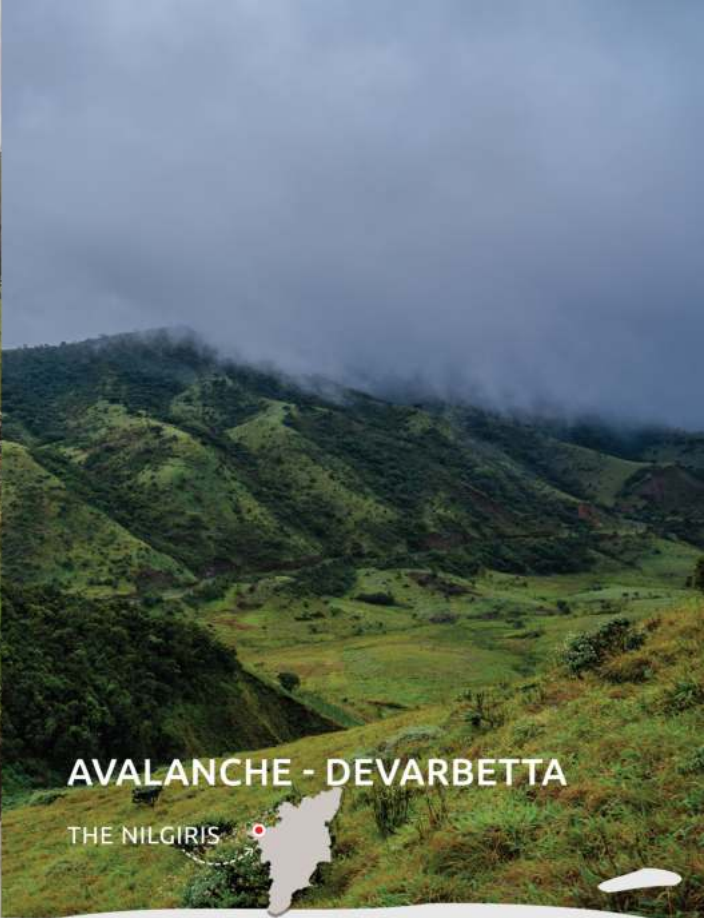
18 KM



TOUGH

Avalanche is about 25 km from Ooty, tucked away from the town's hustle and bustle. The misty mountain trail features dense forests, waterfalls, forest streams, and stunning wildlife. The trek route leads to Kolaribetta peak, the 2nd highest peak in Tamil Nadu next to Doddabetta. One of the most beautiful trekking trails of the state, it harbors a spectacle with its picturesque landscape views, pristine forest types, salubrious climate and many endemic flora and fauna.

- Highest Elevation : 2625 Meters above MSL (approx.)
- Forest Type : Shola, Open Grassland and Wattle
- Bus Stand : Ooty - 25 km
- Railway Station : Ooty - 25 km
- Airport : Coimbatore - 108 km



AVALANCHE - DEVARBETTA

THE NILGIRIS



8 Hrs



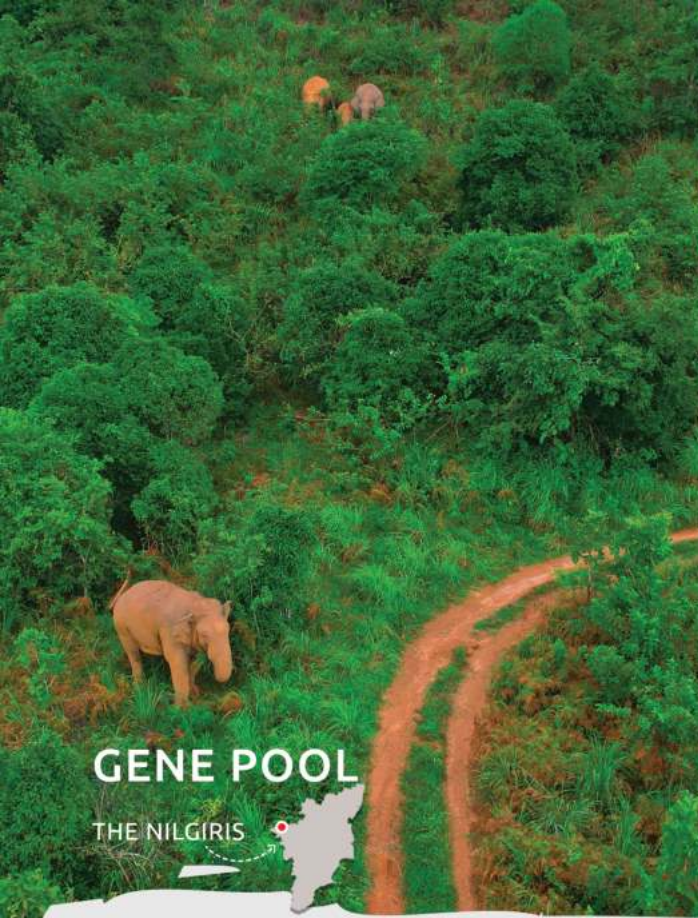
15 KM



TOUGH

Alight at Avalanche and get ready for an authentic trekking experience. The trek begins from the charming Cauliflower Shola and traverses through the expansive grasslands and exceptional Shola forests along winding paths. This challenging trek to the peak of Devarbetta promises a rewarding experience for nature enthusiasts and seasoned trekkers with mesmerizing views that unfold at every turn. Pack your gear and get ready to explore!

- Highest Elevation : 2538 Meters above MSL (approx.)
- Forest Type : Shola and Open Grassland
- Bus Stand : Ooty - 25 km
- Railway Station : Ooty - 25 km
- Airport : Coimbatore - 108 km



GENE POOL

THE NILGIRIS



4 Hrs



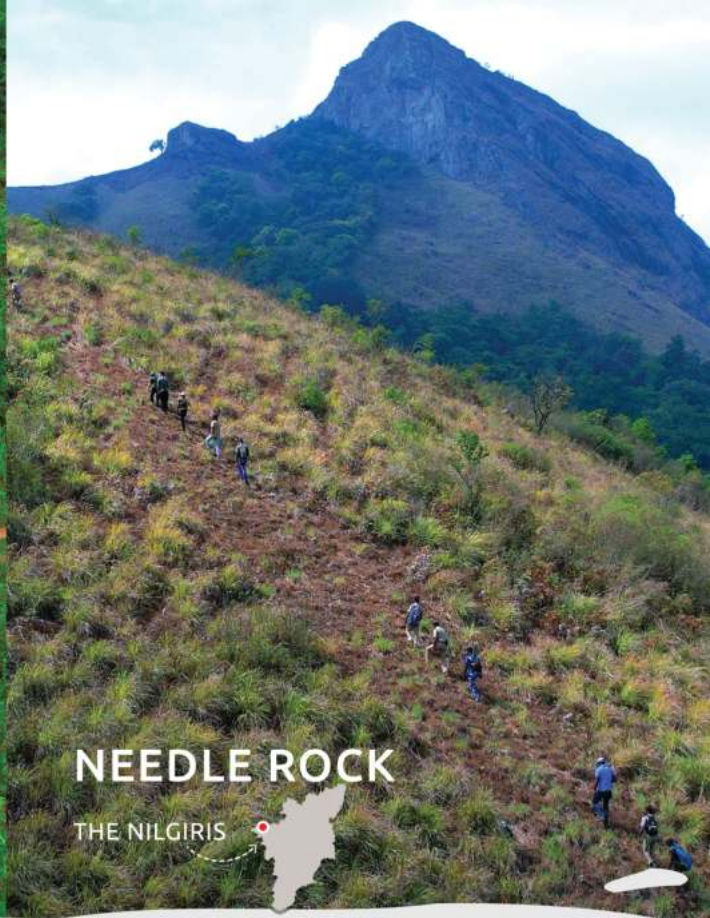
8 KM



EASY

Nestled on the Kerala - Tamil Nadu border, Gene Pool invites you to explore and appreciate its pristine nature trail and biodiversity, a part of Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve. Embark on a delightful hike through this thriving tropical forest ecosystem, notably a repository of endemism. If you're lucky enough, sighting a wild animal or a herd might add an unexpected thrill to your adventure. Experience the unique microclimate and connect with the wild!

- Highest Elevation : 940 Meters above MSL (approx.)
- Forest Type : Grassland & Evergreen Forest
- Bus Stand : Gudalur - 12 km
- Railway Station : Nilambur - 40 km
- Airport : Mysore - 118 km



NEEDLE ROCK

THE NILGIRIS



4 Hrs



4 KM

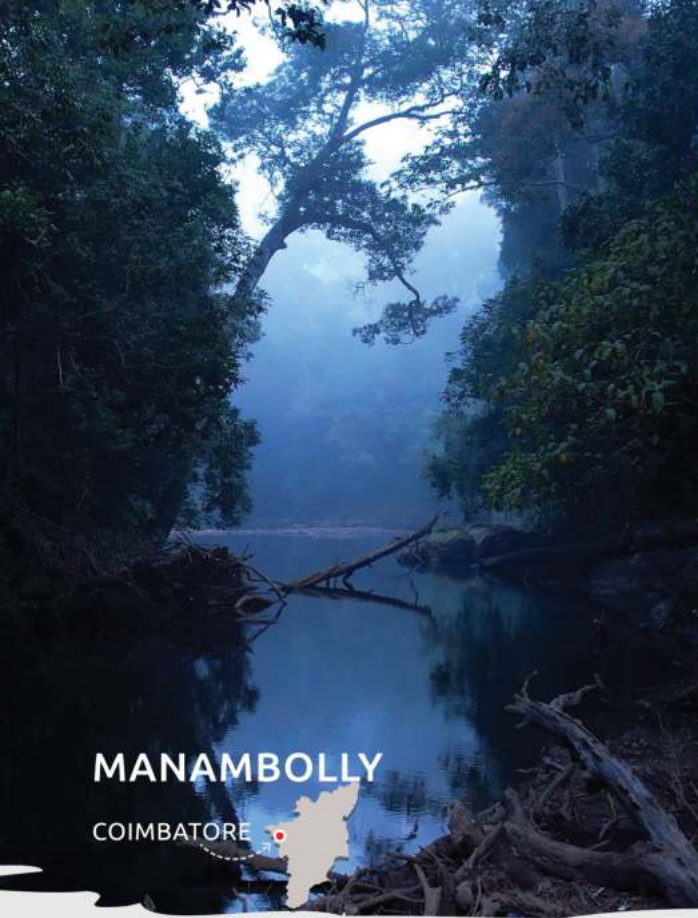


TOUGH

Just 51 kilometers from Ooty, this thrilling trek originating from Gudalur, is not for the faint of heart! The uphill trek crosses steep grassy hills and valleys teeming with wildlife. The moisture laden winds and stunning 360-degree views from the summit make it an unforgettable experience.

- Highest Elevation : 1530 Meters above MSL (approx.)
- Forest Type : Grassland & Shola Forest
- Bus Stand : Gudalur - 12 km
- Railway Station : Nilambur - 40 km
- Airport : Mysore - 118 km





MANAMBOLLY



 3 Hrs

 10 KM

 EASY

Explore the dark and deep Forests of Manambolly, nestled in the Anamalai Tiger Reserve between Sholayar Dam and Valparai. This vibrant habitat is a botanist's delight and home to the iconic wildlife such as Lion-tailed macaque, Great Hornbill, and Nilgiri tahr. With nearby attractions like Top Slip and Parambikulam, Manambolly is a serene getaway and a birder's paradise.

-  Highest Elevation : 1106 Meters above MSL (approx.)
-  Forest Type : Semi Evergreen to Wet Evergreen
-  Bus Stand : Valparai - 15 km
-  Railway Station : Pollachi - 72 km
-  Airport : Coimbatore - 122 km



TOP SLIP - PANDARAVARAI



 4 Hrs

 8 KM

 TOUGH

Embark on a trekking adventure at Topslip in the Anamalai Mountain Range. The climb traverses Karian shola, evergreen woodlands, sweeping grasslands and rocky boulders and summits at Pandaravarai Peak offering stunning 360-degree views. Scan the distant hill sides for the Nilgiri tahr, Indian gaurs and other wild animals. Enjoy the refreshing descent!

-  Highest Elevation : 1280 Meters above MSL (approx.)
-  Forest Type : Semi Evergreen Forest, Sholas and Grasslands
-  Bus Stand : Topslip - 36 km
-  Railway Station : Pollachi - 34 km
-  Airport : Coimbatore - 85 km



SADIVAYAL - SIRUVANI

COIMBATORE



 7 Hrs


 17 KM

 MODERATE

Sadivayal, located in the Coimbatore district of Tamil Nadu, is a paradise for nature lovers. The Siruvani trail is nestled in the scenic setting of Western Ghats slope and features the natural habitat of abundant wildlife, including elephants and big cats and diverse bird & butterfly species. The curious minds can also witness the fascinating change of vegetation with altitude, during the climb along the winding path.

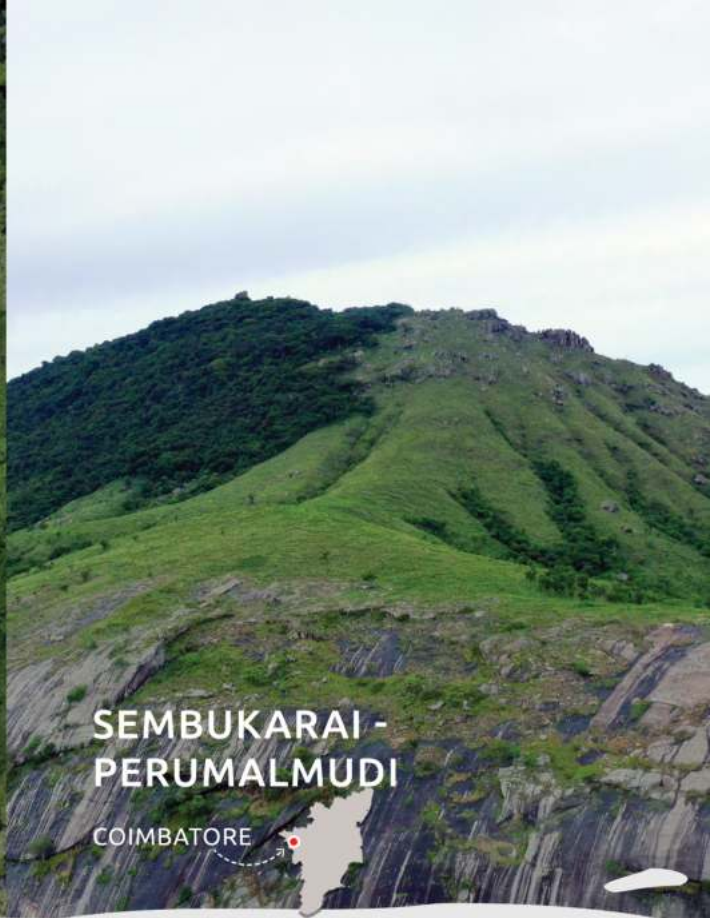
 Highest Elevation : 984 Meters above MSL (approx.)

 Forest Type : Deciduous to Evergreen Forest

 Bus Stand : Sadivayal - 1km

 Railway Station : Coimbatore - 29 km

 Airport : Coimbatore - 42 km



SEMBUKARAI - PERUMALMUDI

COIMBATORE




 5 Hrs

 9 KM

 MODERATE

Sembukarai, a picturesque tribal village about 18 km from Coimbatore, broadcasts a captivating trek cutting across a distinct landscape. Navigate through the deciduous and evergreen forests to finally ascend the rocky summit. Stunning panoramic views await, including the revered Perumal Mudi peak, adding a spiritual touch to your adventure.

 Highest Elevation : 1527 Meters above MSL (approx.)

 Forest Type : Dry Deciduous Forest & Semi Evergreen Forest

 Bus Stand : Gandhipuram (Coimbatore central) - 20 km

 Railway Station : Coimbatore - 20 km

 Airport : Coimbatore - 29 km



VELLINGIRI HILL

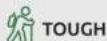
COIMBATORE



10 Hrs



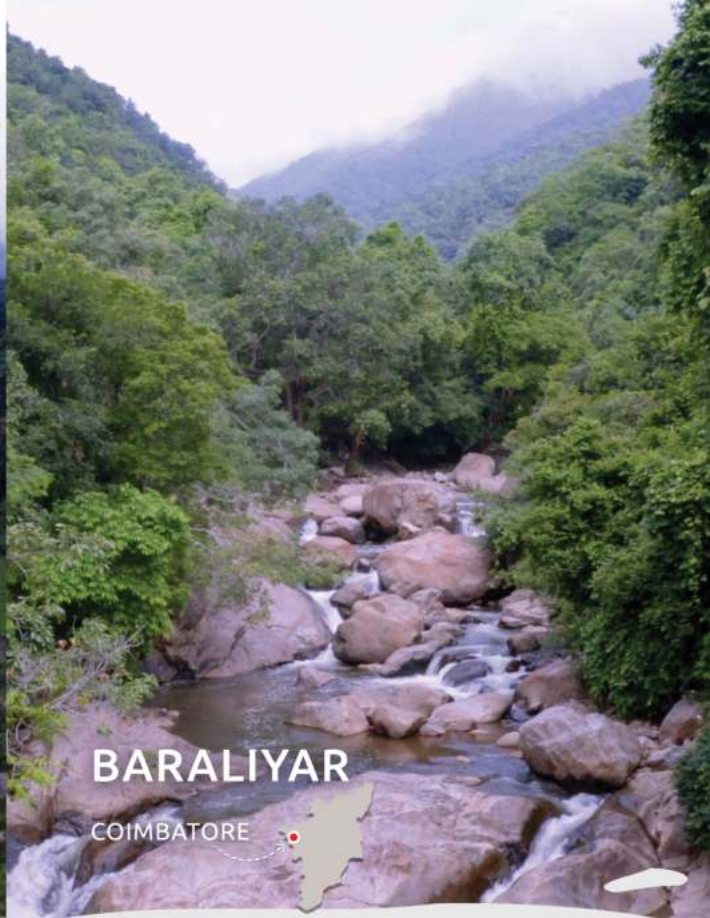
12 KM



TOUGH

The Vellingiri Mountains, located in the Western Ghats with the elegance of lush green landscapes and mountain vistas, devoid of hustle and bustle offers a divine experience. These majestic hills are the source of important rivers that sustain the local community. This tough trek gifts an exciting opportunity to experience diverse landscapes and native biodiversity. It's a tough trek that will test your limits and reward you with stunning views and contentment. Upscale your fitness level and join the challenge!

- Highest Elevation : 1850Meters above MSL (approx.)
- Forest Type : Dry deciduous forest & Semi evergreen Forest
- Bus Stand : Thaneer Pandhal - 1.6 Km
- Railway Station : Coimbatore - 33 Km
- Airport : Coimbatore - 43 Km



BARALIYAR

COIMBATORE



2 Hrs



4 KM



EASY

Baraliyar is a quaint town along the scenic Ghat road from Mettupalayam to Coonoor. Prepare for a gentle descent along a refreshing forest trail alongside a babbling stream. In the company of trekking Guides, observe the cues of nature and have a unique glimpse of the biodiverse forest ecosystem, fringing hill village and rural life.

- Highest Elevation : 923 Meters above MSL (approx.)
- Forest Type : Dry Deciduous Forest
- Bus Stand : Mettupalayam - 9 km
- Railway Station : Mettupalayam - 9 km
- Airport : Coimbatore - 45 km



ALIYAR (CANAL BANK)

COIMBATORE



3 Hrs



8 KM



MODERATE

Escape the bustle of the city and drive through the charming countryside of Pollachi to alight at the destination of Aliyar. Embark on a delightful walk along the forested banks of the Aliyar Project canal for an immersive experience. The trail boasts vibrant bird life and manifests myriad signs of animal activity, easily establishing a connection with nature.

- Highest Elevation : 475 Meters above MSL (approx.)
- Forest Type : Dry Deciduous Forest
- Bus Stand : Pollachi - 25 km
- Railway Station : Pollachi - 24 km
- Airport : Coimbatore - 74 km



CHINNAR CHECKPOST - KOTTAR

TIRUPPUR



2 Hrs



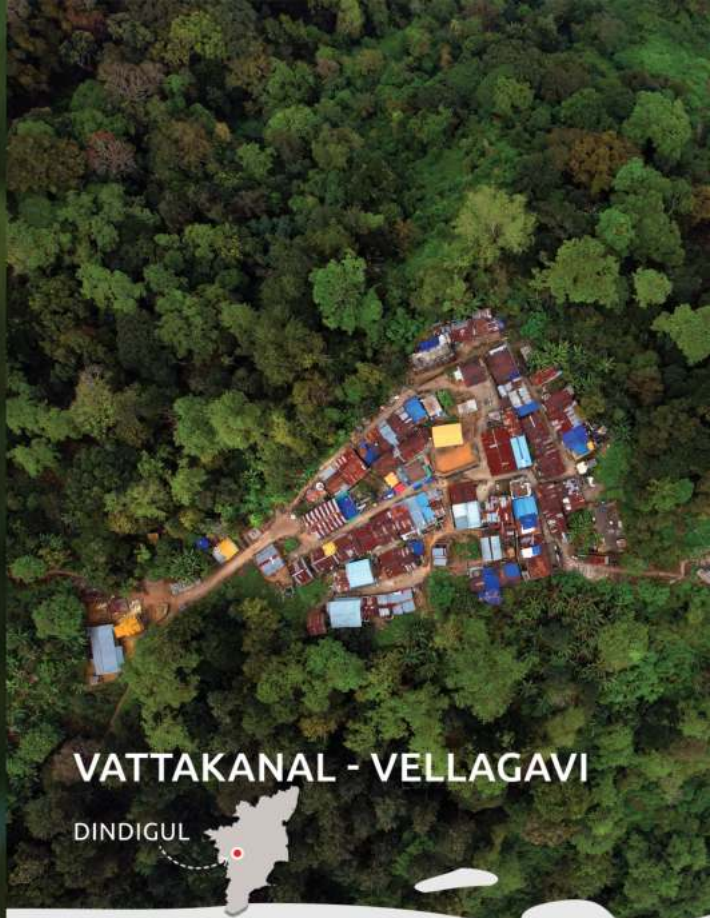
5 KM



EASY

Chinnar, located around 38 km from Udumalpet town, offers a curated trekking trail alongside an untamed river that promises to leave you spellbound. An ideal birdwatching and butterfly-spotting environment featuring diverse habitats, from scrub jungles to moist deciduous to riverine forests. Watch for the iconic Grizzled giant squirrel, a keystone species in the unique habitat.

- Highest Elevation : 470 Meters above MSL (approx.)
- Forest Type : Riverine forest
- Bus Stand : Udumalpet- 30 km
- Railway Station : Udumalpet - 29 km
- Airport : Coimbatore - 105 km



VATTAKANAL - VELLAGAVI

DINDIGUL



5 Hrs








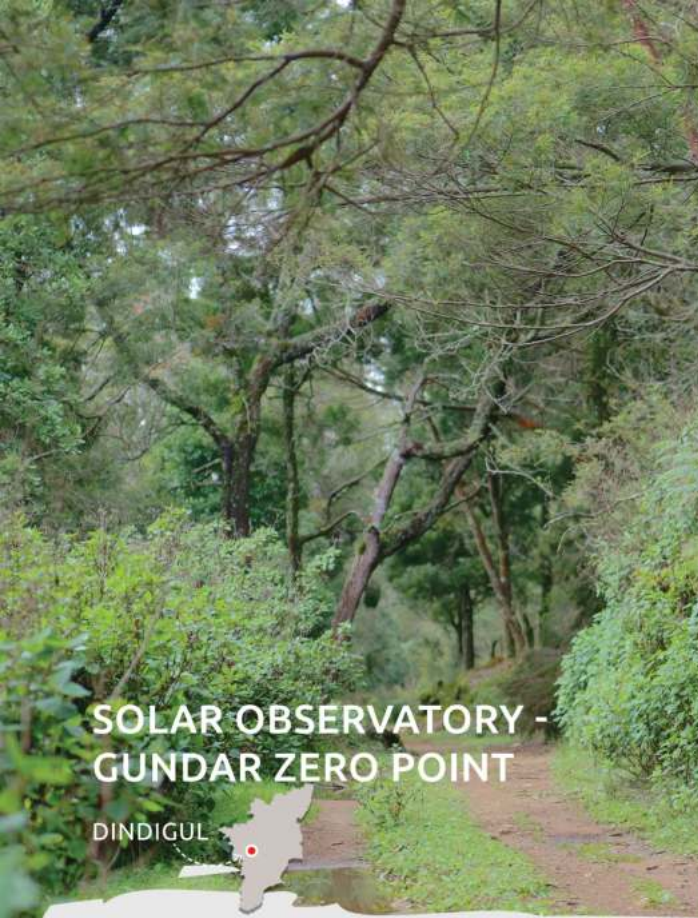
8 KM



TOUGH

The sacred forest village of Vellagavi perched on the charming Kodaikanal Hills is a sought after trek. This remote destination is accessible by a thrilling and equally challenging three-hour descent from Vattakanal. The serene environment, misty mountains, tiny houses, innocent faces, sacred deities and a primary school welcomes the visitors. The villagers nurture a deep connection to nature. Discover the beauty of everyday life in this idyllic community!

-  Highest Elevation : 1997 Meters above MSL (approx.)
-  Forest Type : South Indian sub-tropical hill savannah
-  Bus Stand : Kodaikanal - 6.5 km
-  Railway Station : Dindigul - 100 km
-  Airport : Madurai - 140 km



SOLAR OBSERVATORY - GUNDAR ZERO POINT

DINDIGUL



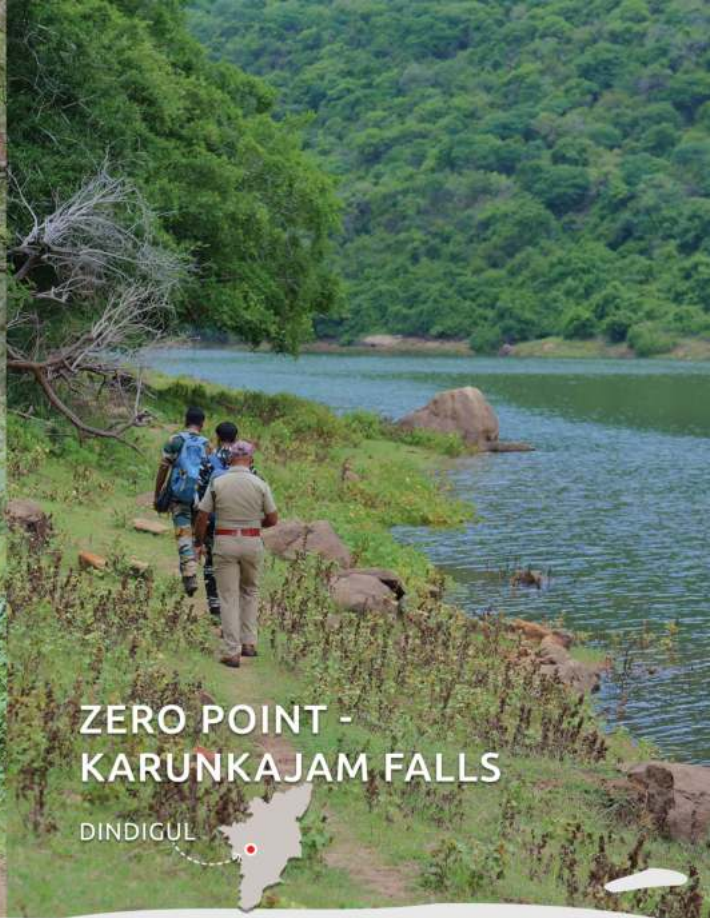
 4 Hrs

 10 KM

 MODERATE

A sought-after birding trail in the Kodaikanal Hills. The hike starts at the forest check post and passes through the Shola vegetation. The avian inhabitants like flycatchers and robins along with the spectacular butterflies will keep you engaged. Feel the misty mountain breeze as you advance to reach the magical waterfalls at Zero Point. Try not to miss the white-bellied blue robin, an endemic bird to Western Ghats.

-  Highest Elevation : 2346 Meters above MSL (approx.)
-  Forest Type : West coast tropical evergreen forest
-  Bus Stand : Kodaikanal - 2.5 km
-  Railway Station : Dindigul - 95 km
-  Airport : Madurai - 120 km



ZERO POINT - KARUNKAJAM FALLS

DINDIGUL







 2 Hrs

 4 KM

 EASY

The Kuthiraiyar Dam in Udumalpet is an attractive destination for trekkers and hikers. This easy trail starts from the dam zero point and moves along the elephant and deer habitat leading to a stunning waterfall surrounded by vibrant nature. You can enjoy spotting butterflies, identifying bird calls, and observing local wildlife. This dam is essential for the nearby villagers, meeting irrigation needs vital for their farmlands.

-  Highest Elevation : 480 Meters above MSL (approx.)
-  Forest Type : Deciduous Forest
-  Bus Stand : Palani - 22 km
-  Railway Station : Palani - 23 km
-  Airport : Coimbatore - 82 km



KUTLADAMPATTI FALLS - THADAGAI TRAIL

MADURAI



4 Hrs








8 KM



MODERATE

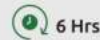
Embark on a trekking exercise at Kutladampatti just 30 kilometers from Madurai. Beside the renowned Kutladampatti waterfalls, climb up the hill to witness the serenity of a natural forest and wild stream. The exciting hike has to its credit, certain points of special interest such as a religious spot with scattered idols. The destination is about an hour away and descent thereafter. Enjoy nature therapy and return refreshed.

-  Highest Elevation : 967 Meters above MSL (approx.)
-  Forest Type : Dry deciduous and Moist deciduous forests
-  Bus Stand : Vadipatti - 3 km
-  Railway Station : Sholavandhan - 6 km
-  Airport : Madurai - 44 km



GUTHIRAYAN PEAK

KRISHNAGIRI



6 Hrs



11 KM



TOUGH

The trek to Guthirayan Peak is a thrilling and adrenaline-fueled challenge. Situated in Krishnagiri district, the trek offers a journey through diverse ecosystems and wild habitats and ends with a high mountain view point offering panoramic view. Guthirayan peak is the highest point of the Melagiri Hills. The dense tree cover and moderate climate experienced throughout the season eases the toughness of the trek. You'll encounter birds and butterflies that are unique to the region.

-  Highest Elevation : 1402 Meters above MSL (approx.)
-  Forest Type : Dry mixed deciduous, Bamboo brakes
-  Bus Stand : Denkanikottai - 33 km
-  Railway Station : Hosur - 56 km
-  Airport : Bangalore - 129 kms / Chennai - 313 km



BILIGUNDULU - RASIMANAL

KRISHNAGIRI



5 Hrs



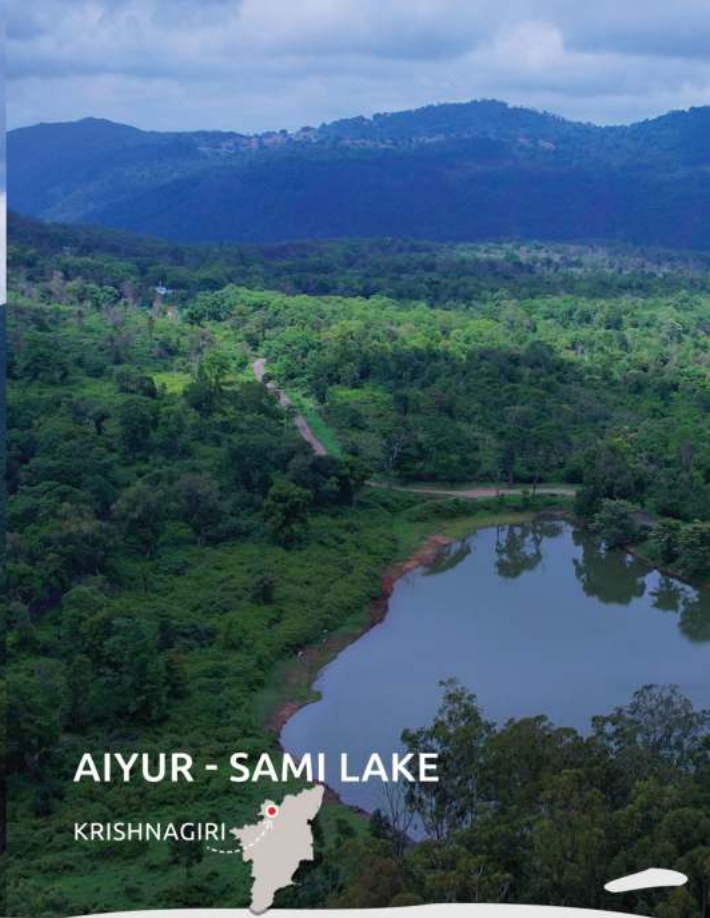
14 KM



MODERATE

Biligundulu, set in the picturesque Krishnagiri district, eagerly awaits exploration as a charming and remote village. The trail starts at Biligundulu on the banks of river Cauvery and follows the river course till the endpoint at Rasimanal forest camp shed. A leisurely stroll admiring the beauty of the gorgeous river and riverine ecosystem would be a sought-after activity for nature lovers and tourists alike.

- Highest Elevation : 328 Meters above MSL (approx.)
- Forest Type : Dry Deciduous Forest
- Bus Stand : Biligundulu - 1 km
- Railway Station : Hosur - 31 km
- Airport : Bangalore - 91 km



AIYUR - SAMI LAKE

KRISHNAGIRI



3 Hrs



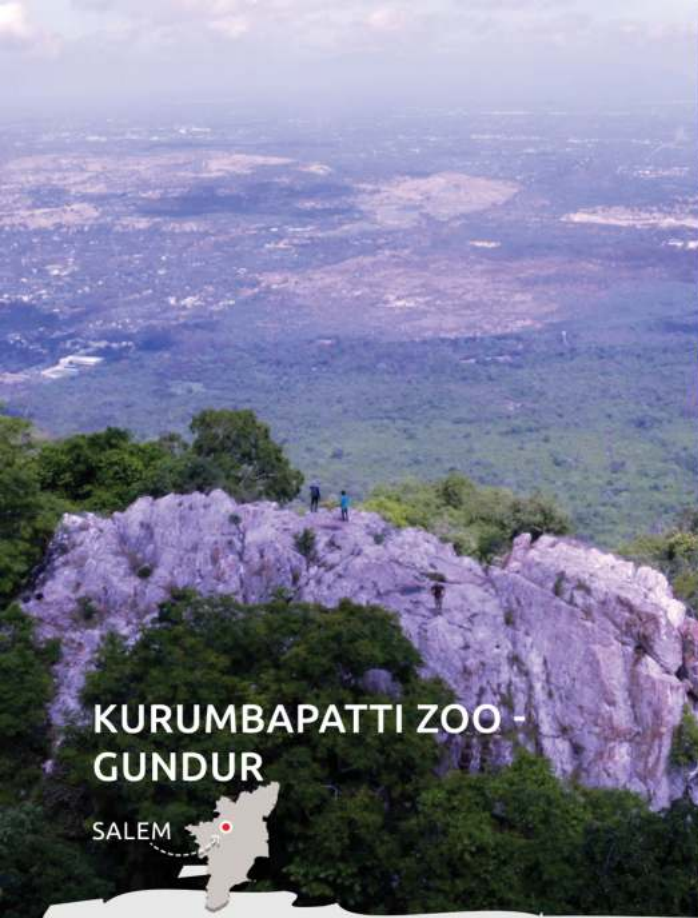
7 KM



EASY

Aiyur Ecotourism center offers a lovely walkway along deciduous forests and bamboo thickets connecting the beautiful lake known as Sami Eri. Evidences of wild animals like Elephant and Gaur are found along the path which engages the trekker. The exit point of the trek is the serene lake which enriches the experience.

- Highest Elevation : 1011 Meters above MSL (approx.)
- Forest Type : Southern moist mixed deciduous
- Bus Stand : Denkanikottai - 15 km
- Railway Station : Hosur - 39 km
- Airport : Bangalore - 109 km / Salem - 113 km



KURUMBAPATTI ZOO - GUNDUR

SALEM



3 Hrs



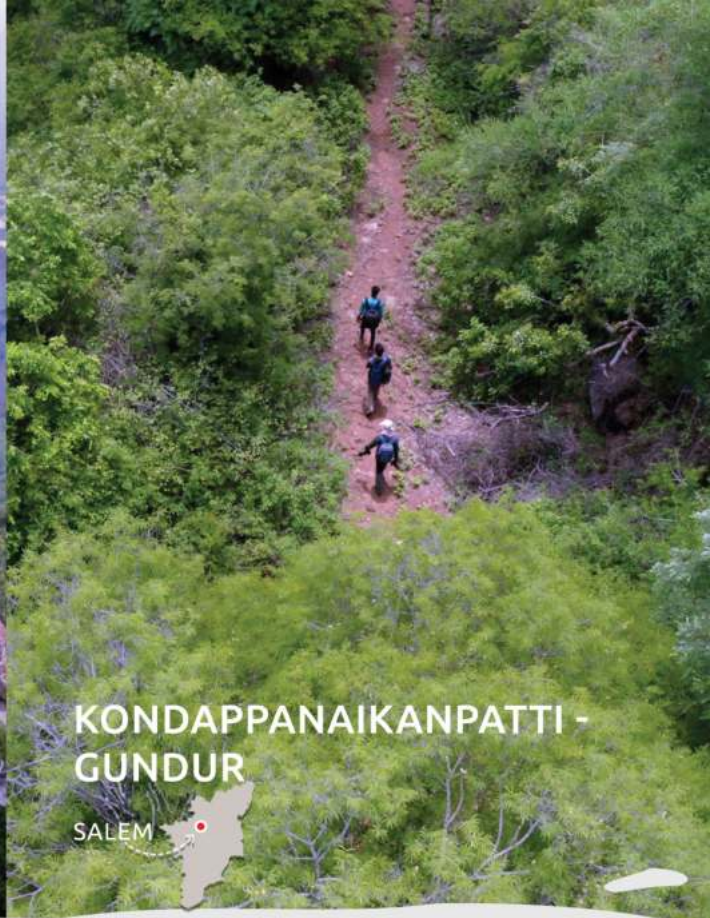
6 KM



TOUGH

Kurumbapatti Zoo, in Salem district of Tamil Nadu features a scenic trail through the forests of the Eastern Ghats. Along the way, visitors can spot and understand the native flora and fauna. The trail leads to a gigantic limestone rocky structure enroute with stunning views and ends at the Gundur village, where one can experience local village life.

- Highest Elevation : 975 Meters above MSL (approx.)
- Forest Type : Dry Deciduous forest
- Bus Stand : Salem - 11.5 km
- Railway Station : Salem - 13 km
- Airport : Salem - 25 km



KONDAPPANAIKANPATTI - GUNDUR

SALEM



3 Hrs



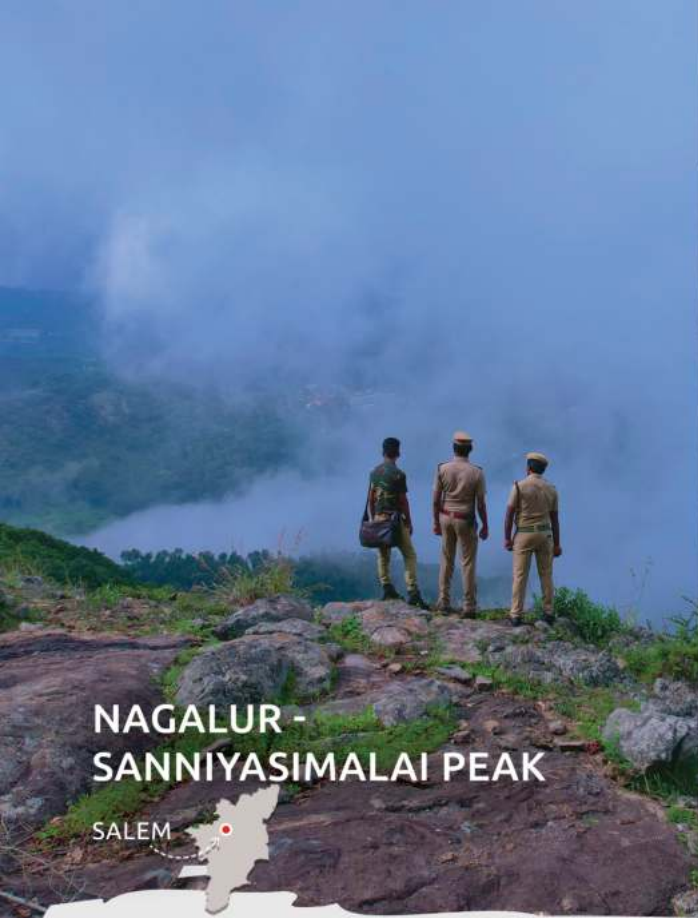
5 KM



MODERATE

Kondappanaickenpatti is a serene village located in the outskirts of Salem town. The trail originates from this village which is designed to give visitors an experience of rural life and have the feel of Eastern Ghats topography and vegetation. It offers a taste of indigenous life and customs and the opportunity to connect with nature. For a curious mind and a spirited heart, the trail offers so much more.

- Highest Elevation : 873 Meters above MSL (approx.)
- Forest Type : Dry Deciduous forest
- Bus Stand : Salem - 11.5 km
- Railway Station : Salem - 13 km
- Airport : Salem - 25 km



NAGALUR - SANNIYASIMALAI PEAK

SALEM



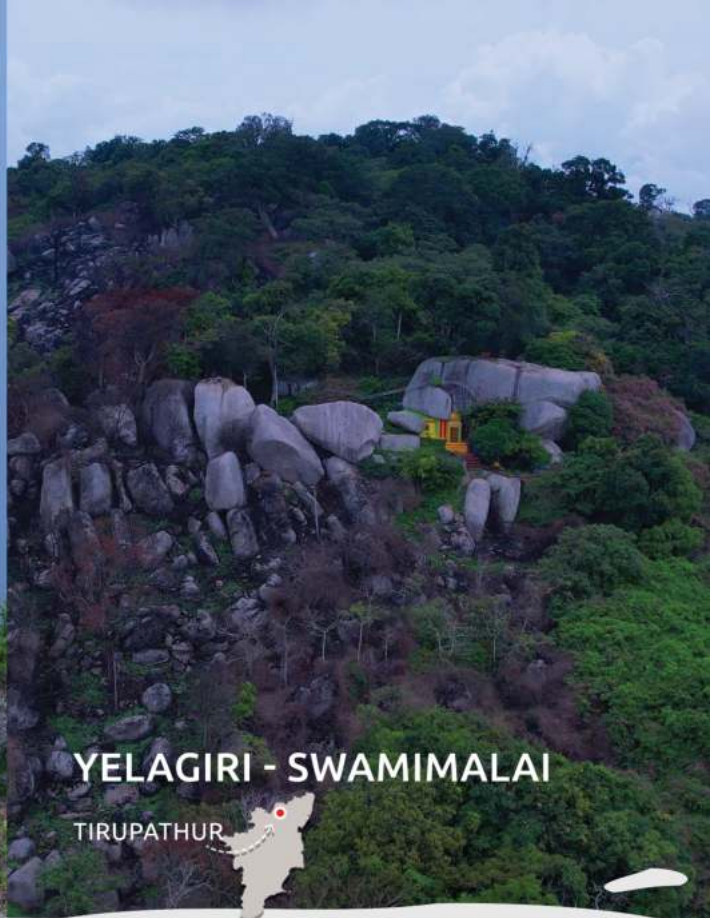
 2 Hrs

 5 KM

 EASY

Welcome to the Hill station of Yercaud situated in Salem district, Tamil Nadu. Alight at Nagalur village where the adventure begins. Step on to the Sanniyasimalai trail in the company of Guides and you can have a wholesome experience of trekking through the Eucalyptus plantations and verdant Shola Forest patch to reach the fern covered mountain viewpoint. Admire the rich biodiversity, the rocky peaks, Mettur dam-view and the valley beneath while breathing in the misty mountain air. You'll be delighted to know that this peak is the origin point of Sarabanga river, tributary of Cauvery.

-  Highest Elevation : 1594 Meters above MSL (approx.)
-  Forest Type : Semi Evergreen Forest and Shola Forest
-  Bus Stand : Yercaud - 2 kmt
-  Railway Station : Salem - 30 km
-  Airport : Salem - 46 km



YELAGIRI - SWAMIMALAI

TIRUPATHUR



 3 Hrs

 6 KM

 EASY

Make your vacation to Yelagiri Hill Station enriching and wholesome by adding Swamimalai trek to the travel itinerary. Swamimalai located in the Tirupathur district, is part of the Eastern Ghats mountain range. It's a short trek which starts at the tribal village of Mangalam and goes uphill amid lush green natural surroundings, enjoyable to both trekkers and families alike. The blooming trees, distinct bird calls and charming butterflies enroute keeps you engaged. The summit offers breathtaking views never to be missed.

-  Highest Elevation : 1319 Meters above MSL (approx.)
-  Forest Type : Tropical dry Deciduous forest
-  Bus Stand : Yelagiri Hills - 3 km
-  Railway Station : Jolarpettai - 25 km
-  Airport : Salem - 150 km



JALAGAMPARAI

TIRUPATHUR



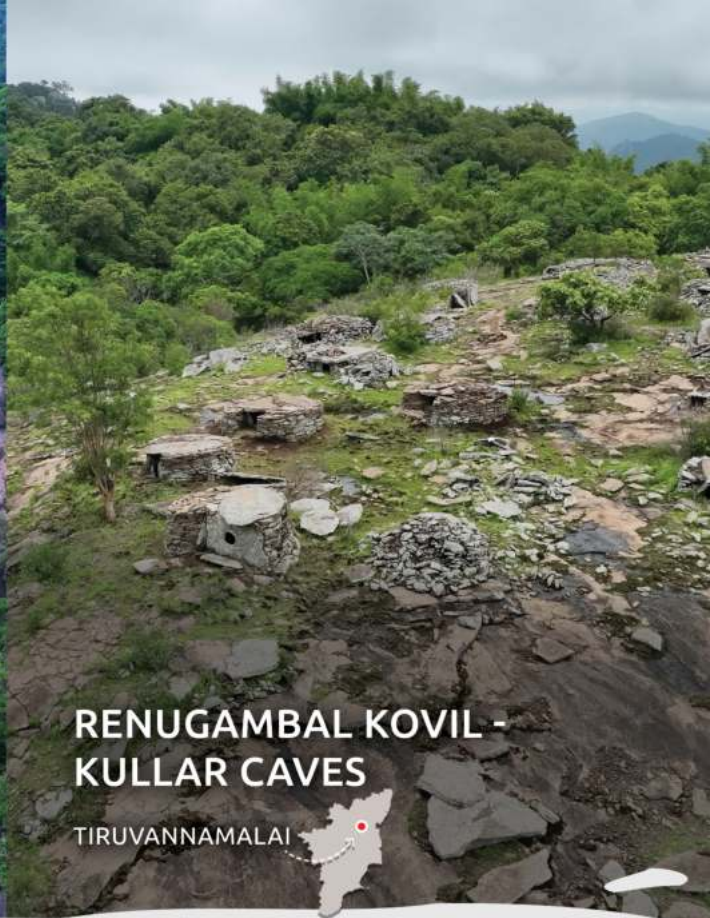
 4 Hrs

 8 KM

 MODERATE

Jalagambarai is a sought-after trekking destination in Tirupathur District. The trek starts with a leisurely hike from Yelagiri Hills, follows the stream course and leads to the popular Jalagambarai falls at the downhill. The path is known as a birding trail and a perfect destination for anyone looking to connect with nature.

-  Highest Elevation : 927 Meters above MSL (approx.)
-  Forest Type : Tropical dry Deciduous forest
-  Bus Stand : Yelagiri Hills - 3 km
-  Railway Station : Jolarpettai - 25 km
-  Airport : Salem - 125 km



RENUGAMBAL KOVIL - KULLAR CAVES

TIRUVANNAMALAI








 4 Hrs

 9 KM

 MODERATE

The Kullar Caves in Jawadhu Hills, Tiruvannamalai district, offer a demanding 9-kilometer trek. The route includes stream crossings and an uphill climb through diverse habitats leading to a site with ancient dolmens on a stunning mountain viewpoint. The tribal village closeby helps one to appreciate the tribal lifestyle & culture. It is an ideal trail for bird watchers, history buffs and trekking enthusiasts.

-  Highest Elevation : 887 Meters above MSL (approx.)
-  Forest Type : Tropical dry Deciduous forest
-  Bus Stand : Renugambal Kovil - 10 km
-  Railway Station : Polur - 27 km
-  Airport : Chennai - 143 km

GUDIYAM CAVES HERITAGE TRAIL

TIRUVALLUR



4 Hrs



9 KM

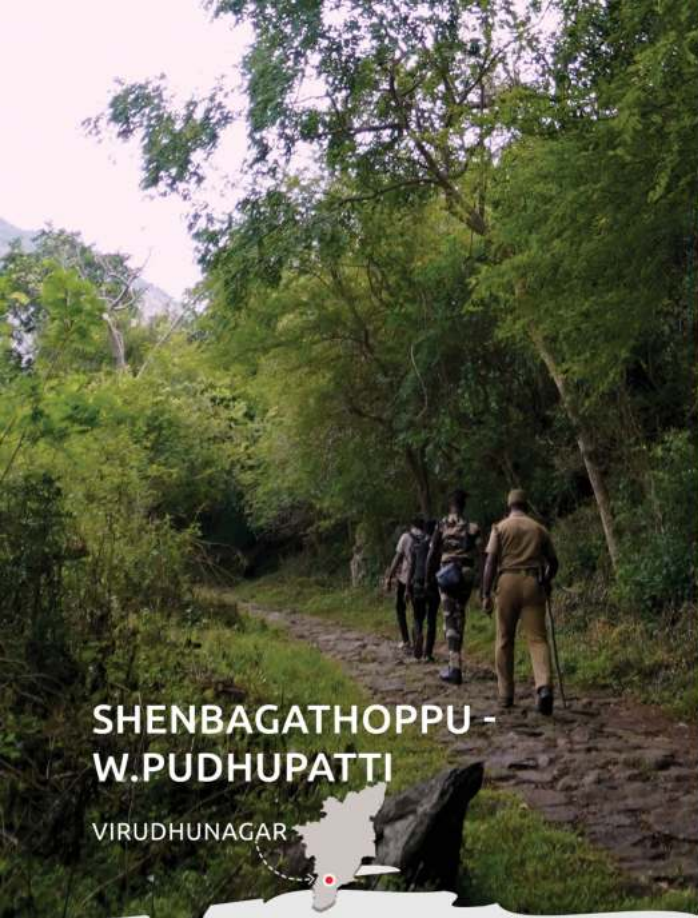


EASY

Situated in the Tiruvallur district around 60 km from Chennai, the Gudiyam Caves beckons you to the relics of stone age. These heritage caves manifests more than a trek destination to an archaeological marvel, providing insights into the lives of our stone age ancestors. Formed by natural processes, these limestone caves once were bustling sites of human activity, evident from the prehistoric stone tools and cultural artefacts.

- Highest Elevation : 141 Meters above MSL (approx.)
- Forest Type : Tropical dry evergreen forest
- Bus Stand : Tiruvallur - 22 km
- Railway Station : Tiruvallur - 24 km
- Airport : Chennai - 70 km





SHENBAGATHOPPU - W.PUDHUPATTI

VIRUDHUNAGAR



4 Hrs



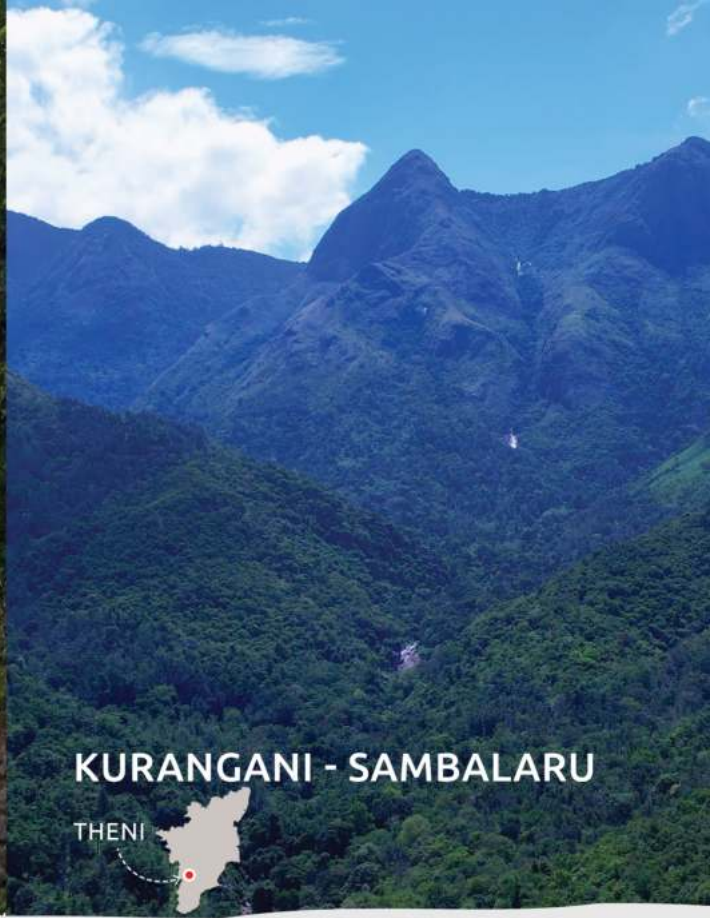
9 KM



MODERATE

The moderate trek route is located in the celebrated Srivilliputhur-Meghamalai Tiger Reserve, the 5th Tiger Reserve of the State. Trekkers can experience Deciduous to Riverine Forests on the trail which are home to unique species, including the rare Grizzled Giant Squirrel. Connected to the Meghamalai wildlife sanctuary, this tract is an essential corridor that protects big cats and supports the natural movement of diverse wildlife.

- Highest Elevation : 519 Meters above MSL (approx.)
- Forest Type : Dry Deciduous Forest and Riverine forest
- Bus Stand : Srivilliputhur - 10 km
- Railway Station : Srivilliputhur - 12 km
- Airport : Madurai - 85 km



KURANGANI - SAMBALARU

THENI



3 Hrs



5 KM



MODERATE

Kurangani, located in the Theni district of Tamil Nadu, offers a 5-kilometer moderate trekking route through lush green wild pastures, shola patches, water falls and stunning visuals. A watchtower located along the track provides panoramic views of famous Kolukkumalai hill top and nearby peaks.

- Highest Elevation : 988 Meters above MSL (approx.)
- Forest Type : Semi Evergreen Forest
- Bus Stand : Kurangani - 2 km
- Railway Station : Bodinayakanur - 18 km
- Airport : Madurai - 122 km





CHINNA SURULI - THENPALANI

THENI



6 Hrs








12 KM



MODERATE

Just a few hours from Madurai and 54 km away from Theni is the picturesque trek destination called Chinna Suruli falls. The trek begins at the Thenpalani checkpost and stretches over 12 km through the varied landscapes of the Ghats, from scrub forests to rocky topography to montane grasslands as you travel up. This scenic trail offers excellent opportunities for bird watching and wildlife spotting. Be on the lookout for the distinct Blue-faced Malkoha, and birds of prey as you gain altitude. Amidst all the endowments of this trail, the view of the cascading falls will make you spellbound and revitalised.

-  Highest Elevation : 1042 Meters above MSL (approx.)
-  Forest Type : Tropical Semi Evergreen Forest
-  Bus Stand : Chinnamanur - 15 km
-  Railway Station : Theni - 45 km
-  Airport : Madurai - 135 km



KARAPARAI

THENI



4 Hrs




9 KM



MODERATE


Karaparai nestled within the Megamalai Division of Theni District, offers a mesmerizing journey commencing with a beautiful stream where you occasionally witness the migration of butterflies like blue tigers and emigrants. Guided by a local storyteller, you will experience a gentle uphill traverse alongside diverse habitats and vibrant wildlife. The trek culminates with a rock climb to a breathtaking vantage point, offering panoramic views.

 Highest Elevation : 723 Meters above MSL (approx.)

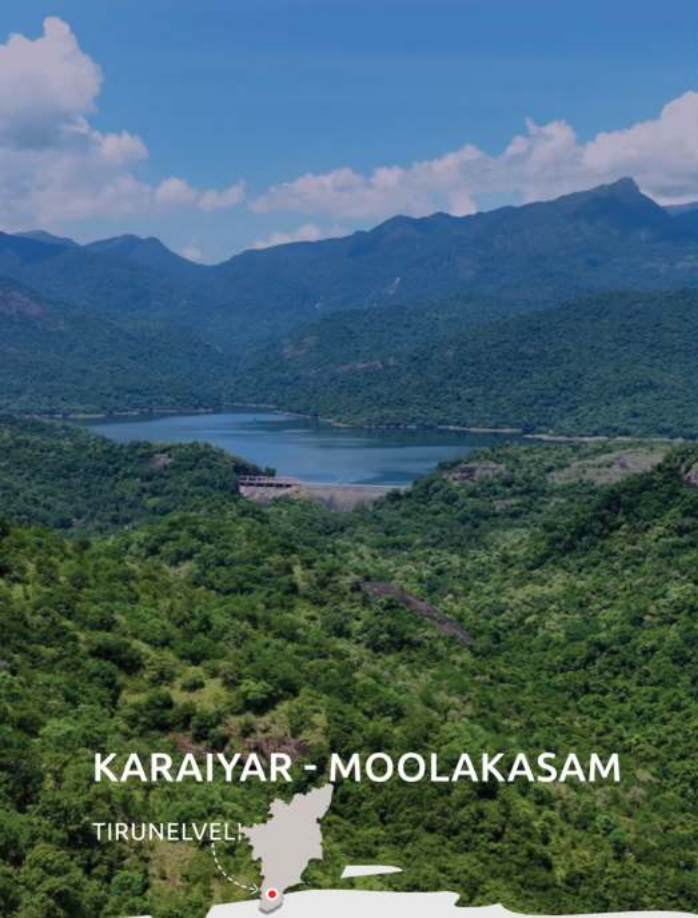
 Forest Type : Dry Deciduous forest

 Bus Stand : Velappar kovil Bus stop - 0 km

 Railway Station : Theni - 29 km

 Airport : Madurai - 92 km





KARAIYAR - MOOLAKASAM

TIRUNELVELI



2 Hrs





4 KM





MODERATE


Karaiyar to Moolakasam trek route, located in the Ambasamudram division of the renowned Kalakad Mudanthurai Tiger Reserve, presents a peaceful natural retreat. It's a moderate trek spanning 6 km along the unique evergreen forest ecosystem wherein the wildlife richness and intermittent water-spread areas add to the scenery and popularity of the trek. The breathtaking Agasthya Peak rises majestically in the distance. This area is perfect for nature enthusiasts, offering excellent birdwatching and butterfly spotting opportunities all through.

 Highest Elevation : 425 Meters above MSL (approx.)

 Forest Type : Tropical Evergreen Forest

 Bus Stand : Mundanthurai - 54 km

 Railway Station : Ambasamudram - 16 km

 Airport : Tuticorin - 94 km





KALLAR - KORAKKANATHAR KOIL

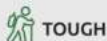
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3 Hrs






7 KM

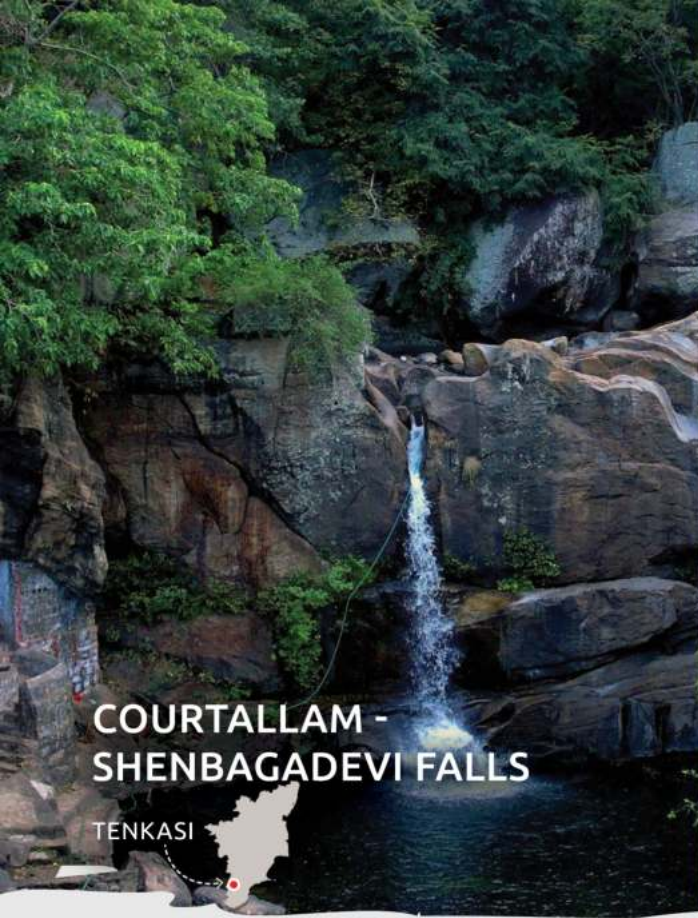


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Trekking along the serene trail amid the natural setting; you'll encounter a towering dam and a tranquil catchment area encompassing lush forests, home to myriad species of the famed Agasthyamalai Biosphere Reserve. Look for diverse aquatic wildlife like otters, freshwater crabs and fishes and high canopy species like the Square-tailed Bulbul, Hill Mynas and various pigeons. Feel enticed by the pristine flowing Kallar river beside an ancient temple. Take a moment to enjoy the peaceful atmosphere by the river which is sure to leave an indelible imprint.

-  Highest Elevation : 325 Meters above MSL (approx.)
-  Forest Type : Tropical Evergreen Forest
-  Bus Stand : Ambasamudram - 23 km
-  Railway Station : Tirunelveli - 50 km
-  Airport : Tuticorin - 99 km





COURTALLAM - SHENBAGADEVI FALLS

TENKASI








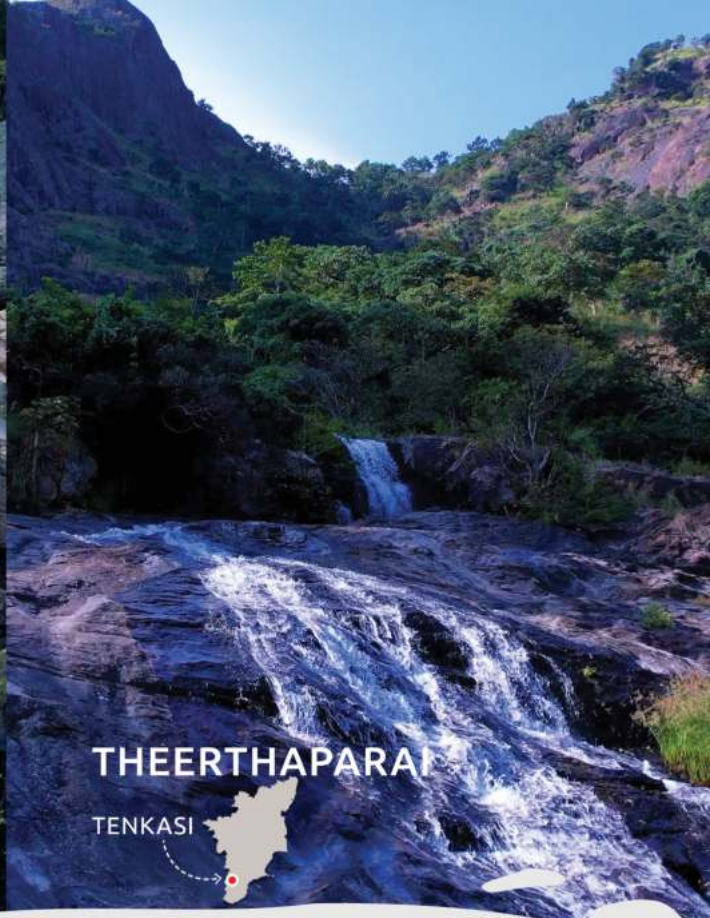
 2 Hrs

 4 KM

 EASY

Shenbagadevi Waterfalls is a stunning 42-feet cascade located within the evergreen forests, just 6.6 km from Tenkasi. The easy trek through the beautiful forest also captures attention by virtue of a few intriguing historic rock inscriptions. The rock-bordered pool at the end point with the fragrant Shenbaga trees and the Courtallam valley-view offers much delight to hikers and families. The destination is also of religious significance attributed to Goddess Shenbaga Devi.

-  Highest Elevation : 346 Meters above MSL (approx.)
-  Forest Type : Tropical dry deciduous and thorn forest
-  Bus Stand : Courtallam - 500 m
-  Railway Station : Tenkasi - 5 km
-  Airport : Thoothukudi - 100 km



THEERTHAPARAI

TENKASI







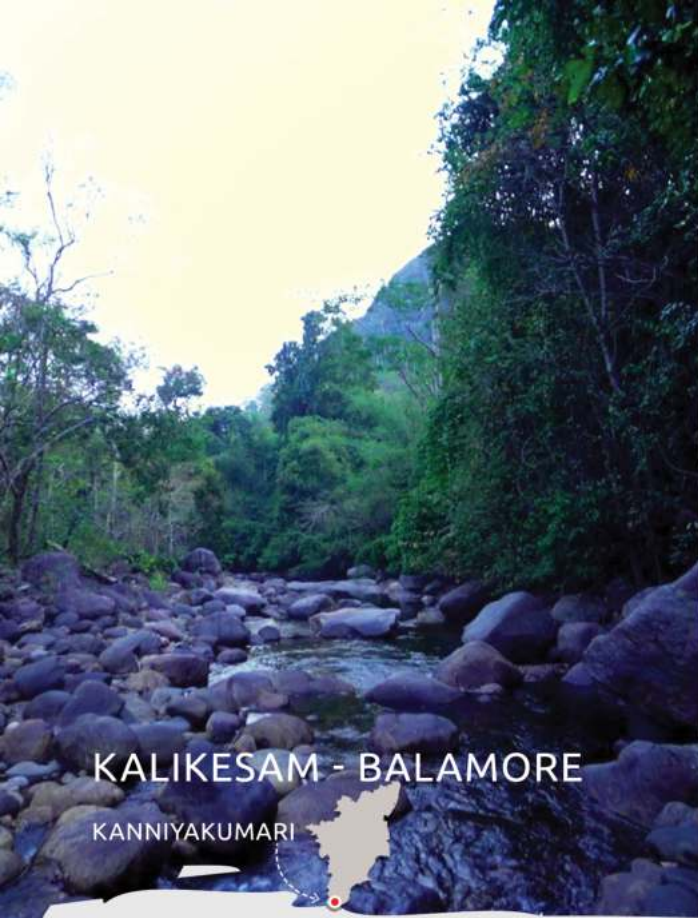
 3 Hrs

 6 KM

 EASY

Located in the Western Ghats slopes of the Tenkasi district, Theerthaparai is a lesser known scenic cascade plunging from a height of over 350 feet. This remote destination can only be reached on foot through the moderate and rustic forest trail. The trail is known for birds as one can spot various species, ranging from the prominent Hornbills to the tiny flowerpeckers. You'll also see the Southern Birdwing, the largest butterfly in the country in addition to several smaller species. The trek serves as a secluded getaway for those who wish to feel energised and overcome the stress of mundane life.

-  Highest Elevation : 425 Meters above MSL (approx.)
-  Forest Type : Tropical Deciduous Forest
-  Bus Stand : Vasudevanallur - 6 km
-  Railway Station : Sankarankoil - 26 km
-  Airport : Tuticorin - 121 km / Madurai - 120 km



KALIKESAM - BALAMORE

KANNIYAKUMARI



6 Hrs








14 KM



MODERATE

An exciting trekking adventure awaits you at Kalikesam in Kanniyakumari district! Step into the lush green expanse, breath in the fragrance of forest bloom, stroll through the woods and click pictures against the perfect backdrop. The trail leads from the river crossing at Kalikesam and prolongs underneath the tall forest canopy that boasts a rich flora, with rare and endemic plants, up till a large estate having fragrant clove, coffee, and spice plantations. Further up you can have a glimpse of untouched forests representing the unique Southern Western Ghats with stunning views all around.

-  Highest Elevation : 460 Meters above MSL (approx.)
-  Forest Type : Moist deciduous to Evergreen Forest
-  Bus Stand : Keeriparai - 2 km
-  Railway Station : Nagercoil Junction - 35 km
-  Airport : Trivandrum - 110 km





INJIKADAVU






KANNIYAKUMARI

 8 Hrs

 18 KM

 MODERATE

Injikadavu trail situated in the heart of Kanniyakumari wildlife sanctuary is an escape into wilderness. Embark on a jeep drive along the meandering road amidst plantations to reach the trek start point. The trek takes you through diverse forest types from deciduous forests to moist evergreen forests to grassland expanses, connecting a chord with nature. One would not imagine such an incredible forest wealth in Kanniyakumari district.

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-  Highest Elevation : 920 Meters above MSL (approx.)
 -  Forest Type : Deciduous to Evergreen forest and Grassland
 -  Bus Stand : Vadasery - 24 km
 -  Railway Station : Nagercoil - 27 km
 -  Airport : Trivandrum - 76 km / Madurai - 247 km





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