



Explore
HORNBILL FESTIVAL

📍 Kohima, Nagaland 01 - 10 Dec. '25 📅



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Fixed Departures/Flexible Dates
Premium Homestays
Local Tours/Transfers



ITINERARY

 Day 1: Dimapur – Kohima

 Day 02: Khonoma Village Excursion and Kohima Sightseeing

 Day 03: Experience the Hornbill Festival

 Day 04: Experience Hornbill / Dzukou

 Day 05: Kohima to Dimapur – Departure



Comfortable/well-maintained vehicles



Comfortable homestays, attached bathrooms with geysers



Well-trained drivers/guides



Breakfasts



Inner Line Permits



24/7 Assistance



HORNBILL FESTIVAL

Hornbill Festival is the Northeast India's most spectacular cultural celebration. Held every December in Kisama, Kohima, it brings together all Naga tribes in a mesmerizing showcase of ancient traditions and vibrant heritage. Watch warriors in elaborate traditional attire perform captivating dances as rhythmic log drums echo through the hills. This "Festival of Festivals" offers an authentic glimpse into generations-old customs through colourful performances, intricate beadwork, and ceremonial displays. Indulge in Nagaland's unique culinary landscape – experience exotic local delicacies, traditional rice beer, and flavours unique to Nagaland. Explore handwoven textiles, bamboo crafts, and tribal jewellery created by skilled artisans. Beyond the cultural immersion, you get a chance to explore the stunning Naga Hills, traverse the mesmerizing Dzukou valley, visit traditional villages that take you back in time, and experience legendary Naga hospitality. The festival perfectly blends ancient traditions with modern elements, featuring rock concerts and contemporary cultural events. Hornbill Festival offers an immersive experience unlike any other in India, surrounded by breathtaking landscapes of rolling hills and mist-covered valleys. Your adventure into India's hidden cultural gem awaits!





WHY HILL ROVERS?

Since 2017, Hill Rovers has worked tirelessly to promote the cultural heritage of Northeast India. Known for our expertise in providing incomparable tours and transportation services tailored to the unique needs of this region, Hill Rovers has established itself as one of the, if not the best tour operator in the North East. Our dedicated team of professionals ensures that every journey is seamlessly organized, offering you a hassle-free experience from start to finish. We partner with local communities and businesses to promote sustainable tourism and provide authentic experiences for travellers. Whether you're an adventure seeker or a nature enthusiast, Hill Rovers has the perfect itinerary to satisfy your wanderlust in Northeast India.

HILL ROVERS HOMESTAY TOURS

While festivals in the region are known for their hearty campsites, Hill Rovers has brought to you a unique curated experience this season. Our package combines the perfect off-beat elements of a traditional camping experience with the comfort of cozy beds and warm showers, which trust us, you will sincerely appreciate in the biting cold Naga December! To top it off, we offer premium services to our clients, quality food options that can be customised to your needs, dedicated points-of-contact at each leg of the tour, and much more!

TOUR PLAN

Day 01: Arrival in Dimapur – Drive to Kohima

Your journey begins with your arrival in Dimapur, the gateway to Nagaland. After meeting your guide/driver at the airport or railway station, embark on a scenic drive towards Kohima, the capital city of Nagaland. The 3-hour ride ascends through lush hills and winding mountain roads, offering your first glimpse of the state's raw and unspoiled beauty. On arrival in Kohima, check into your hotel and unwind after your journey. Depending on your arrival time, you may explore the nearby local markets, famous for Naga handicrafts, fresh produce, and vibrant tribal attire. End your day with a warm local meal, soaking in the cool mountain air.



Day 02: Khonoma Village Excursion and Kohima Sightseeing

After breakfast, take a short but rewarding drive to Khonoma, Asia's first green village and a proud bearer of the Angami Naga legacy. Surrounded by terraced fields and deep forests, Khonoma stands as a symbol of conservation and tradition. Take a guided walk through the village, meet with local families, and learn about their eco-conscious living, forest protection practices, and the legacy of Angami warriors who once resisted British forces. Enjoy a traditional village lunch before heading back to Kohima. In the afternoon, visit the Kohima War Cemetery, a poignant World War II site nestled amidst pine trees, followed by the State Museum to explore artifacts and tribal history. Wind down your day with a local café visit or shopping for tribal jewellery and textiles in the city markets.

Day 03: Experience Hornbill Festival – A Celebration of Tribal Spirit

Wake up to the buzz of excitement in Kohima during the Hornbill Festival. After breakfast, head to the Kisama Heritage Village, where the festival takes place. This cultural spectacle brings together all 17 major Naga tribes in a grand celebration of their heritage, music, dance, and cuisine. Spend your day marveling at traditional performances, colorful tribal attire, indigenous sports competitions, and soulful tribal music echoing across the amphitheater. Wander through *morungs* (tribal huts), each telling a story of its people through architecture, weaponry, and oral traditions. Enjoy a lunch of traditional dishes, bamboo-shoot delicacies, sticky rice, and local rice beer. As the sun sets, the festival ground lights up with multi-genre music competitions/shows and cultural exhibitions. Hornbill festival brings artists of national and international fame to the same stage, culminating in an ultimate audience experience. Return to Kohima for dinner and a peaceful night's rest.

Note: For our first batch arriving on the 29th November, day-3 becomes more special as you will experience the inauguration of the festival on 1st December, which has its own extravagance!



Day 04: Dive Deeper into the Hornbill Festivities or trek to Dzukou

Another day dedicated to the immersive world of the Hornbill Festival. Begin the morning with a relaxed breakfast before heading back to the venue to witness fresh performances, processions, and art exhibits. Explore food stalls offering rare Naga ingredients, or try your hand at traditional archery, shooting, and handicraft workshops. Meet local artisans, participate in dance circles, and perhaps buy a handcrafted souvenir. In the evening, enjoy a bonfire at the heritage village or head back to the hotel to savor a quiet dinner and reflect on the rich cultural exchanges of the day. If the adventurer in you seeks thrill, a day-long trekking trip to the scenic Dzukou valley can be alternatively arranged on this day. Note that this activity incurs a slight additional cost. Call us for details!

Day 05: Kohima to Dimapur – Departure

Your final day in Nagaland begins with a relaxed morning. After breakfast, check out and drive back to Dimapur. If you depart at the right time, a stop at the Diezephe Craft Village near Dimapur can be included, which is known for its skilled weavers and woodcarvers. Arrive at Dimapur Airport or Railway Station for your onward journey, carrying with you unforgettable memories of Naga hospitality, culture, and the electrifying spirit of the Hornbill Festival.





Inclusions

- ✓ Shared Transport:
All transfers and sightseeing in AC vehicles
- ✓ Accommodation: Double- and triple-sharing rooms with attached bathrooms and geysers
- ✓ Meals: All breakfasts.
- ✓ Tours: Sightseeing in Kohima, excursion to Khonoma and Dzuleke
- ✓ Driver and fuel charges
- ✓ Inner Line Permits

Exclusions

- ✗ Festival Passes
- ✗ Any entry fee
- ✗ Lunches and Dinners
Dinners are available on request at extra charges
- ✗ Private Transport
- ✗ Personal Expenses
- ✗ Alcoholic Beverages
- ✗ Anything not listed in the inclusions

PACKAGE OPTIONS

- **STANDARD** - Itinerary and inclusions as listed above.
- **KAZIRANGA COMBO** - 7N/8D Guwahati to Guwahati tour including Kaziranga National Park. All transport/Jeep Safari/ Accommodation (CP) included.
- **STANDARD MODIFIED** - Same as 'Standard' but with Guwahati pick up and drop off.

NOTE -

1. Further customisations may be available on reasonable request. Additional charges may apply.
2. Batches start on 29th November 2025.
3. Detailed itineraries for 'Kaziranga Combo' and 'Standard Modified' are available on request.

PRICES (per person)

STANDARD - INR 25,999/-

MODIFIED - On request

COMBO - On request

FIXED-DEPARTURE BATCHES

29th Nov. - 03rd Dec.

03rd Dec. - 07th Dec.

07th Dec. - 11th Dec.



POLCIES

• **Booking**

1. For bookings made 60 days in advance, 25% of the package cost is required as an advance.
2. For bookings made 30 days in advance, 50% of the package cost is required.
3. For bookings made 30 to 20 days in advance, 75% of the package cost is required.
4. For bookings made 19 to 10 days, 100% of the package cost is required.
5. All balances to be cleared 10 days before start of the tour.

• **Cancellation period/charges**

6. More than 30 days from the date of arrival - 20% of package cost.
7. 29 - 20 days from the date of arrival - 40% of package cost.
8. 19 - 10 days from the date of arrival - 60% of package cost.
9. 09 days and beyond from the date of arrival - no cancellation/refunds permissible.

- **Availability** - Slots are limited and confirmations are subject to availability.

MEET OUR TEAM, YOUR TRAVEL EXPERTS!



Raj - Our operations expert with over seven years of experience in festival hosting.

Debojit - A trained hospitality specialist and the founding director of Hill Rovers.





Anshuman - Our logistics and management chief with his head in academia and heart in the hills.

"Our close connection and experience in this region truly sets us apart!"



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Call us for early-bird discounts!



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