

Lotus Destination Management Company

2017-2019 Tour Series



India Golf: 188 Years of Heritage & Tradition



Designed as a 7-day experience, this tour includes the following:

- ▶ 6 overnight stays in bungalows within our tour cities of Dibrugarh and Jorhat.
- ▶ Group arrival and departure transfers
- ▶ 3 meals daily and bottled water
- ▶ All transportation and sightseeing/entrance fees
- ▶ English-speaking tour guide throughout the tour and extension
- ▶ Government royalty

Join Us for Tea & Tee-Offs

India's golf heritage dates back to 1829. Golf was a popular sport in India for nearly 60 years before clubs were opened in the U.S. and other European locations outside the U.K. Among the favorite India destinations for golfers is Assam, one of the easternmost states in India. Assam's location provides guests a first-hand experience in a region whose culture has been influenced by its surrounding nations, including Tibet, China, Bhutan, Bangladesh, and Myanmar.

Enthusiasts will enjoy several rounds of golf at the Kaziranga Golf Resort while also experiencing some of Assam's most treasured sites including a local tea garden and production facility (if in season), the Jorhat Gymkhana Club, a Singpho village, Digboi's (the "Oil City of Assam"), and the Hoollongapar Gibbon Sanctuary.





“Golf...it is without a doubt the greatest game mankind has ever invented.”

~Arnold Palmer

■ DAY 1

Guests arrive in **Dibrugarh** and transfer to the Mancotta Heritage Tea Chang Bungalow. Owned by one of the oldest tea-growing families in Assam, this bungalow dates back more than 100 years and provides guests a welcoming refuge on the banks of the Brahmaputra River. In the evening, enjoy a traditional Bihu dance on the bungalow lawn.

■ DAY 2

Following breakfast, guests will enjoy a visit to a local tea plantation and garden. If visiting in season (April – November), guests will learn about the production process within a local facility. Following lunch, visit a nearby Assamese village to learn more about the lifestyle and culture of the local communities.

■ DAY 3

Following breakfast, guests will depart for **Ketatong** in the Margherita District where they will visit a Singpho tribal village. The historic Singpho tribe of southeast Asia shares a unique heritage with similar communities in Tibet and Myanmar. The Singpho society is well known for its beautiful and intricate weaving. Their handlooms and handicrafts are a key component of their existence. Every piece of clothing worn by tribe members is woven by hand. This community is also recognized for their traditional methods of tea manufacturing and brewing. It is rumored that the British drew upon this knowledge of tea from the Singpho people in sharing it with the rest of India. Following a

traditional Singpho lunch, guests will drive to **Digboi**, the “Oil City of Assam.” This marks the location where oil was first drilled in Asia during its colonial period. Visit the Digboi War Cemetery in memory of the WWII allied soldiers who lost their lives here followed by a tour of the Digboi Centenary (Oil Industry) Museum.

■ DAY 4

Following breakfast, guests will depart for the drive to **Jorhat** where they will check in at the Kaziranga Golf Resort. Located on the Sangsua and Gatoonga tea estates, Kaziranga is the first-of-its-kind golf and tea resorts, giving guests a true colonial experience. In the afternoon, explore the resort at leisure with the option to tee off for a round of golf. The evening will be spent at the resort.

■ DAY 5

In the morning, guests can enjoy a round of golf. In the afternoon, explore Jorhat, including a visit to the Jorhat Gymkhana Club, a sports club whose golf course is recognized by UNESCO World Heritage as the oldest in Asia, third oldest in the world.

■ DAY 6

Following breakfast, guests will enjoy a morning visit to the Gibbon Wildlife Sanctuary, home to India's only gibbons. In the afternoon, enjoy a final round of golf followed by a farewell dinner featuring a Jhumur dance by one of Assam's tea tribes.

■ DAY 7

Guests transfer to the Jorhat airport for their return flight.

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