

Sikkim

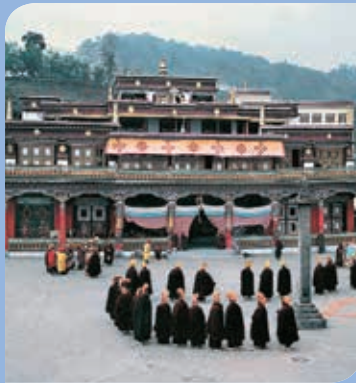
TOURIST MAP

Not to Scale



- Town & Village
- ▲ Mountains & Peaks
- ▲ Hills
- ☪ Rivers, Lakes & Water Bodies
- ▬ Hills

- ▬ Rhododendron Trek
- ▬ Singalila Trek
- ▬ Kanchendzonga Trek
- ▬ Monastic Trek



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Just Heaven

The Limboos' call it Sukhim - 'New House'; for the Bhutias seeing those endless tracts of paddy fields it was Denzong, 'The Valley of Rice'. But its original inhabitants - the Lepchas, understood this land best - for them it was simply 'Ney-Mayel-Lyang' - "Hidden Paradise".

Spread over 7096 sq km, it enfolds the upper valley of the **Teesta River**, the major tributary of the mighty **Brahmaputra River**. Its southern borders with West Bengal are shared with the **Rangit** and **Rangpo Rivers**; the **Singalila Range** acts as a natural barrier with Nepal in the west and the **Dzongkha**



North Sikkim

Range runs along the borders from the north to the north east. Elevations range from 270 m above sea level in the south to over 8589 m in the north and north-western region.

This land of intense natural beauty, imbued with a mystic aura, is steeped in legends and history. The profusion of lofty peaks, holy lakes, ancient monasteries, orchid nurseries, heli-tours and stunning trekking routes make Sikkim a multi-dimensional holiday destination.



M.G. Marg, Gangtok

Gangtok (1676 m), the capital city in the east district, is the seat of governance and the primary hub of commercial activity. The drive up the Teesta gorge to this prettily located first town of Sikkim is spectacular. The pile of white water rafting equipment near the river bank, at one point, reminds you how popular this tumultuous waterway is becoming for adventure sports enthusiasts. Situated a short distance from it is the ancient **Rumtek Monastery**. The town is a convenient base for trips to the ethereal environs of the mystical **Tsomgo Lake** and **Nathu La**.

Flower-filled meadows and hot springs, splendid vistas and tribal culture lure travellers to the north district - just perfect for cultural tours and tribal village visits.

Orchid





Khecheopalri Lake

The stunning environs of the west district are adventure sports country. There's white water rafting down the **Teesta** and **Rangit** rivers and trekking through rhododendron forests amongst the mountainous tracts. The misty, fairytale-like village of **Pelling**, the great tourist attraction, has sensational views of Mt Khangchendzonga. Close by is the sacred, prayer-flag encircled **Khecheopalri** (wish fulfilling) **Lake**.

Some of the oldest monasteries in Sikkim are located in its south district, which is the starting point for treks to **Maenam** and **Tendong Hill**. This is mountain biking country and a haven for naturalists.

Temi Tea Gardern



Recommended Tourist Circuits

- 1. Pemayangtse-Yuksam-Kewzing-Ravangla-Temi Tarku-Gangtok-Singtam-Rangpo-Teesta-Siliguri.
- 2. Namchi-Nayabazar-Chakung-Soreng-Buriakhop-Varsey-Hilley-Uttarey-Dentam-Bermiok-Legship-Tatopani-Sikip-Namchi.

ACCESS

Bagdogra is the nearest airport. Gangtok has no air or rail connection to the town. You have to take the train up to New Jalpaiguri or Siliguri and then continue your journey by road. An alternative is to take the daily helicopter service to Gangtok.

TEMPERATURE

Ranges from Min 5.3°C to Max 28°C (average)

BEST TIME TO VISIT

March to May and September to November



Gangtok

Perched at a height of 5500 ft, Gangtok - ‘top of hill’ - lures visitors with its fabulous views of magnificent Mt. Khangchendzonga. Its strategic location, a strong Buddhist presence and heady cultural offerings are a tempting insight into this stimulating land. Sample some of its treasures before heading out of town to savour Sikkim’s other delights. One of the most delightful ways to do this is to sign up for one of the heli-tours. A good time to be here is around Buddha Purnima (May) to enjoy the famous Saga Dawa festivities. Walking in colourful procession, the holy monks carry the holy books of Buddha’s teachings from the Tsuk la khang Monastery in the palace to different parts of town.

Chorten, Gangtok





Mane Chokering-Rabong

Namgyal Institute of Tibetology

This world-renowned centre for Buddhist philosophy and religion, the Namgyal Institute of Tibetology is the world's largest treasury of invaluable old Tibetan books and manuscripts on science, medicine, astrology, etc. It attracts Buddhist scholars from around the world.

The centre also has a wide range of Lepcha and Sanskrit manuscripts and scrolls of ancient vintage. The museum attached to it contains over 200 icons, old thangkas and some ritual vessels amongst the various objects of art on display. Upstairs you can observe the cataloguing and restoration of these treasures. **Timings:** Open 10 am - 4 pm. **Entry fee** ₹ 10.



North Sikkim

Directorate of Handicrafts and Handlooms

You can spend a leisurely time at the Directorate of Handicrafts and Handlooms. You can see craftsmen in the process of weaving, woodcarving and painting typical Sikkimese designs. Handsome souvenirs to take home are hand-woven carpets, blankets, shawls and carved magnolia-wood tables.



Carpet motif

Himalayan Zoological Park

Covering an area of 205 hectares, the Himalayan Zoological Park (8 km) is the semi-natural habitat of the endangered red panda, barking deer, spotted deer and bear. **Entry fee:** ₹ 25

Timings: 10 am - 4pm

Wood carving





Lachen Monastery

Enchey Monastery

One of the most important monasteries of Sikkim and the Nyingma order of Buddhism, the Enchey Monastery (5 km) is constructed on a site blessed by Lama Druptob Karpo, a revered tantric master reputed for his power to fly. Over 200 years old, Enchey has within its precincts many icons and religious artifacts of great veneration and antiquity.



Mt. Khangchendzonga

Khangchendzonga Viewing

Tashi View Point (8 km) is a popular picnic spot offering grandstand views of Khangchendzonga. The Enchey Monastery too has one of the best views of the entire mountain range.

EXCURSIONS



Nathu La Pass

Tsomgo Lake and Nathu La Pass

You can drive up to the hallowed, oval-shaped glacial **Tsomgo Lake** (3780 m) to enjoy its mystical environs, (It's just 38 km from Gangtok) yak rides and red panda spotting. In winter, these snowfields are breathtaking. Your travel agent will arrange entry permits to **Tsomgo** - daily trips.

This holds true for the historic **Nathu La Pass** (14200 ft) too, as by the late afternoon, it generally gets enveloped in mist. (Open Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday only) Recognised local travel agencies arrange transport and handle all the details.

Rumtek Monastery

The picturesque 24 km drive from Gangtok to the impressive **Rumtek Monastery** takes you through some of the prettiest areas around the town. This lavishly built monastery is said to be a replica of the Tsurphu Monastery of the Kagyupa order, in Tibet. It is an important Buddhist pilgrimage site, but visitors can imbibe of the tranquil air and beautiful location while

Tsomgo lake





Annual festival at Rumtek Monastery

soaking in the significant cultural elements, which make it a must-visit.

When the Chinese occupied Tibet, His Holiness Gyalwa Karmapa, the 16th incarnate of the original Gyalwa Karmapa of Tibet and head of the Kagyupa sect of Buddhism, took refuge in Sikkim. The Chogyal of Sikkim gifted him some land to establish a new monastery.

With its beautiful traditional architecture, carved and painted woodwork, magnificent murals and treasures of manuscripts and icons, Rumtek is a splendid example of the Tibetan monastic art in Sikkim. It is now the residence of His Holiness and the headquarters of the Dharma Chakra Religious Centre. The monastery also offers employment, education and medical help.

The **old Rumtek Monastery** (now entirely renovated), built in the reign of the fourth Chogyal, is a short distance away. A Sikkimese lad who learnt his trade from the lamas has embellished it with monastic paintings in the traditional style. Enshrined here is a stone slab marked with the footprint of Guru Padmasambhava.

Jawaharlal Nehru Botanical Garden

Stop over on your way to the Rumtek Monastery at the **Jawaharlal Nehru Botanical Garden** established here in 1987. This entire tract comprises of virgin temperate forestland rich in oak and about 50 varieties of trees.

Pal Zurmang Kagyud Monastery

Just 20 km out of Gangtok is the Pal Zurmang Kagyud Monastery at Lingdum. The present Gharwang Rimpoche is the 12th successive incarnation of the glorious emanation of Zurmang Gharwang. It is reputed for its exquisite architecture.

Bakkhim

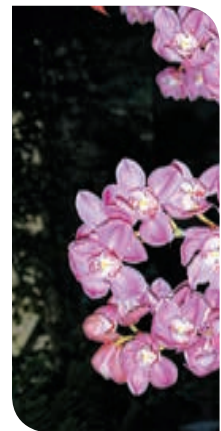
Bakkhim, the base for **Dzongri**, is a feast for the senses with more than 20 varieties of rhododendron. The lush green environs are a riot of colours and medley of shades. Bakkhim is also the base for mountaineers and trekkers going to **Dzongri** 10 km away. Take time to breathe in the scented air and enjoy a few moments alone soaking in this serenity. The crisp air charges you and the close-up views of the Khangchendzonga range mesmerise.

Dzongri

Home of the **red panda**, black khaleej pheasant and the yellow-necked woodpeckers, the fascinating mountain trail up to **Dzongri** is a trekker's delight. In the season, the slopes are aflame with great varieties of rhododendron.



Orchid



Orchid



Red Panda

Situated at an altitude of over 3962 m, it offers the most fascinating view of the Khangchendzonga massif. Sunny, crisp mountain air or swirling mists – it's magical up here anytime. Rhododendrons drench the glades. Just opposite is the **Pandim Peak** (6890 m) cloaked in thick snow. At Tsoka, before Dzongri, the villagers are prosperous and the fields well maintained; some of the villagers are said to have travelled to Switzerland to learn about high altitude farming, so now they've set up ginger, potato and cabbage farms – though the village may be short on power supply!



Masked dancer

About 7 km way from Dzongri is the Khangchendzonga base camp established by Darjeeling's Himalayan Mountaineering Institute.

Pemayangtse

The 17th century **Pemayangtse Monastery** (Perfect Sublime Lotus) of the Nyingmapa order is perched at a height of 2085 m surrounded by snow-capped mountains. Soak in the haunting beauty of Khangchendzonga and its retinue of peaks, it is Sikkim's second oldest monastery. Enshrined within are numerous ancient icons and objects of worship. Its walls and ceilings are embellished with bright-hued frescoes of gods and demons. Pemayangtse is an ideal base for trekking to Yuksam (1630 m) where the Nyingmapa order of Tibetan Buddhism was established and where Sikkim's first Chogyal was crowned in 1641.

Nearby, **Rabdentse**, with its ruined palace, was once Sikkim's capital.

Thangka at Pemayangtse Monastery





Chorten at Tashiding Monastery

Tashiding Monastery

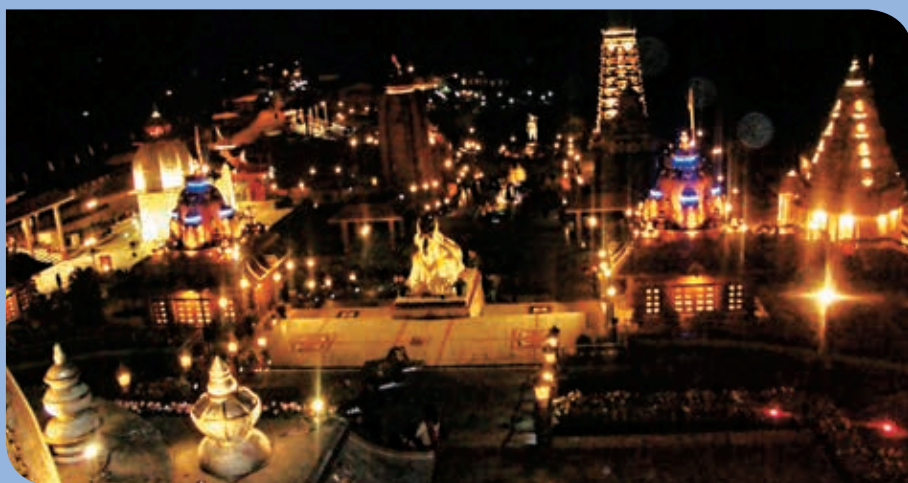
Up a steep track, perched atop a conical hill, close to Pemayangtse, is Sikkim's most venerated shrine, the **Tashiding Monastery**, built in 1716. Countless prayer-flags whisper in the breeze as you approach this holiest of holies. Sikkimese believe that just a glimpse of the nearby, famous chorten (stupa) of the holy lama **Thongwa Randol** (saviours by mere sight), is powerful enough to cleanse you. The sonorous repetition of Om Mani Padme Hum fills the air. Every spring, thousands of devout Buddhists trek to Tashiding to participate in the **Bhumchu Festival** and sip the sacred water from a sacred bhumpa (water vessel).

Yuksam

Literally means the "meeting of three great lamas" who came from Tibet and established the Nyingmapa order of Tibetan Buddhism here. They also consecrated the first ruler of Sikkim here. It is also the entry point of the **Khangchendzonga National Park**. **Yuksam** is the base for mountain climbing course organised by the Himalayan Mountaineering Institute, which also has its base camp at Chourigang near Dzongri.

Young lama





Solophok Chardham

*Siddhesvara Dham,
Solophok*

A sacred pilgrim point for the Hindu devotees Solophok Chardham will shortly feature a massive statue of Lord Shiva. It is expected to be as big as the statue of Guru Padmasambhava that you see on the facing summit of Samdruptse Hill. The new feature will enhance its attraction as a tourist spot.

Ban Jhakri Falls

Just 4 km away from Gangtok en route to Ranka, you will come upon the sparkling waters of Ban Jakhri Falls set in the splendid expanses of the Ban Jhakri Falls Energy Park. The shamanistic theme of the park is well represented by ethnic sculptures and figurines of the Jhakri culture spread over 2 acres.



Ban Jhakri Falls

Samdruptse

In the Bhutia language Samdruptse means 'wish fulfilling hill' and what makes this hill such an important site is the great statue of revered Guru Padmasambhava which lies on the summit. At 135 feet, it is the world's highest statue of the legendary Guru who we also know as Guru Rimpoche. Sikkim had attained the blessings of the Guru over 12000 years ago and the foundation stone for the site of this statue was laid in October 1997 by no less a person than His Holiness the Dalai Lama himself. An iconic presence of the patron saint of Sikkim the statue took three years to be completed. Plans are afoot to make Samdruptse an international pilgrimage centre once the meditation huts, ropeway library, guest house, public amenities, parking yard etc, around the towering statue are in place. The message of love, compassion, peace and harmony is aimed to spread throughout the world from this historic hill.



Guru Padmasambhava

Shopping

Plunge into the plethora of hand-woven carpets with traditional and modern designs, thangkas, Lepcha-weave bags, purses, woodwork, Sikkimese dresses, large cardamoms, caps, scarves, jewellery, Sikkimese spirits and liqueurs. Take home the famous silver 'Dragon Rings' available with most jewellery/souvenir shops. Also popular are 'Choktse', collapsible wooden tables with hand-carved designs.

Lal Bazaar, Super Market and New Market are the main shopping areas. There is also a thriving 'foreign goods' market. Hone your bargaining skills. Government emporia have fixed rates.

Popular Shopping Outlets

Directorate of Handloom and Handicrafts Showroom; Nayuma Women's Co-operative Society; M.G. Marg; New Market; Lal Market; Super Market, Shambu Jewellery, Tibet Road; Babu Kazi Sakya & Son, New Market; Snow White, M.G. Marg; Punney Raj Sakya, New Market.



Ornaments with dragon motif

Traditional Jewellery



Fairs and Festivals

Sikkimese festivals are held according to the Buddhist calendar so the months of the English calendar given are approximate. One of the most intriguing dance forms is the **Chhams**. These are ritual dances of the lamas, which feature colourful masks and quaint musical instruments and are held at various monasteries during the festivals.

JANUARY/FEBRUARY LOSOONG (SIKKIMESE NEW YEAR)

Full of joy and dazzling festivity. **Guthor Chham** is held at Rumtek Monastery two days before Losar.

FEBRUARY/MARCH TASHIDING BHUMCHU

The holy water (consecrated by Ngadak Sempa Chempo, one of the founders of Buddhism in Sikkim) is distributed to devotees. The water is believed to have curative properties.

JUNE SAGA DAWA

The Triple Blessed Day is the holiest of Buddhist festivals. It was on this day that Lord Buddha was born, achieved Enlightenment and attained Nirvana. It is marked with a procession of holy books carried from the monastery in the palace, to various places in Gangtok town.

JUNE TSE-CHHU CHHAM

Tse-Chhu-Chham is held at Rumtek Monastery. It presents eight manifestations of Guru Padmasambhava, fondly known as Guru Rimpoche. A mask dance shows episodes from his life and his fight against evil.

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER DRUKPA TSESHI

Drukpa Tseshi celebrates the first preaching of the four Noble Truths by Lord Buddha. Marked by day-long prayers and observed in all monasteries.

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER PANG LHABSOL

Pang Lhabsol unique to Sikkim, celebrates its guardian deity, Khangchendzonga. Lamas portray the deity with fiery-red face-masks with a crown of five skulls, riding a snow-lion.

DECEMBER KAGYED DANCE

Kagyed Dance is performed at Enchey, Phensang, Phodong, Rumtek and Ralong Monasteries, two days before **Losoong** (Sikkimese New Year). The dance is a solemn affair with cosmic episodes in between. It symbolises exorcism of evil and ushering in of peace and prosperity.

Adventure Sports



Trekking in Yumthang North Sikkim

Sikkim is a paradise for adventure sports lovers. Its fabulous topography offers a dazzling variety of adventure options. Go climbing, trekking, enjoy river rafting, try mountain biking, take a yak safari or thrill to the joy of hang-gliding.

There are more staid options such as special interest tours like exploring the world of orchids, wildlife and butterflies or just meandering leisurely down sylvan trails, not far from snowy peaks.



Skiing, Yumthang

Yak Safaris/Rides

A truly unique experience, yak safaris offer visitors an excellent vantage point for exploring the gorgeous tourist hubs of the Dzongri Area and Tsomgo Lake. Call any registered travel agent for details and tours.



Yak on the Singhalila Trek

Trekking

One can get the treks booked from the recognised travel agents/tour operators who supply all the equipment. Since the more rewarding treks are in altitudes from 6000 ft to 14000 ft, or higher, you must ensure that you are physically capable.

Sikkim plays a very supportive role to global eco-friendly

tourism trends. When you are out in the countryside either bury your waste deep, or repack it and carry it away for suitable disposal. Trekkers' huts are located at Pemayangtse, Khecheopalri, Yuksam, Tsokha, Dzongri, Thangsing, Zemathang, Chaurigang, Tashiding, Varsey, Yangang, Ravangla, Sang and Sikip. Small hotels are coming up at many base-stations and places en route.

Recommended Treks

THE MONASTIC TREK (March-May, October-December)

Pemayangtse-Sangacholing-Khecheopalri-Dubdi-Sinon-Tashiding-Ralang.

THE RHODODENDRON TREK (March-May)

Naya Bazar-Hilley/Soreng-Varsey-Dentam-Pemayangtse.

THE KHANGCHENDZONGA TREK (Mid March – Mid June/ Oct. – Dec)

Yuksom – Bakhim – Tsoka – Dzongri – Thangsing/Bikbari/Kokchorong – Lamuni/Chaurigang – Goechala/Rathong glacier and back.

SINGALILA TREK (Mid May – October)

Uttarey – Chewabhanjang – Dhor (Wahong) – Sikkim Megu – Dafey Bhir – Gomanthag/Boktok – Taygyapla – Bikbari – Dzongri Tsoka – Yuksam

TOSAR LAKE TREK

Mangan – Naksuk – Sohar Dhe – Sohar Antsok – Patam – Tosar Lake – Mayong Tar – Kale – Mangan

CHEWABANJYANG TREK

Uttarey – Chewanbanjang – Dhund-Sikkim meghu – Gomathang – Yangsap – Big Bari Khola – Dzongri – Yuksam or Gochala

MEANAM HILL TREK

Rabong – Meanam – Ballydunga – Ralang

TENDONG HILL TREK

Dentam – Tendong – Namchi

THE CORONATION TREK (October-December)

Rumtek-Sang-Yangang-Ravangla-Tashiding-Yuksam

KASTURI ORAR TREK (Mid March-Mid June/October-December)

Yuksam-Dzongri-Thangsing-Kasturi Orar-Labdang-Sinon-Tashiding

SAMARTEK TREK

(Mid March-Mid June/October-December)

Singhik Dak Bungalow in North Sikkim-Kodong-Dokshing-Tsen Khong-Lenchok-Samartek-Pakchong-Kungo-Kulung Nae (cave) Gungramgampo-Singhik Dak Bungalow

RINCHENPONG/SORENG TREK

(April-June/October-December)

Kaluk-Rinchenpong Dak Bungalow-Rigsum Gumpa-Kaluk-Sribadam-Zhandi Dara-Soreng

HIMALAYAN TREK (April-June/October-December)

Namchi (base camp)-Tendong-Damthang-Ravangla Maenam-Bhaley Dhunga-Yangang-Sinchuthang-Bermiok-Parbing-Namchi

Contact recognized local travel agents for bookings

Travel Agents Association of Sikkim (TAAS)

Taas Office : Near Janta Bhawan

Palzor Stadium Road

Gangtok : 737101

Tel: 03592-220842

Website: www.taas.org.in

Water Sports

White water rafting and kayaking trips are arranged on the Teesta and Rangit Rivers. You can get in touch with a good travel agent for bookings.

RIVER RAFTING

October - December (Best season)

TEESTA EXPERIENCE

Makha-Sirwani-Bardang-Rangpo

RANGEET EXPERIENCE

Sikip-Jorethang-Majitar-Melli

KAYAKING

This thrilling sport is conducted on the Teesta

Heli Tours

A truly special and thrilling experience is the discovery of Sikkim's glorious charms through the Sikkim Mountain Flights.

The Sikkim Helicopter Services (SHS) use five-seater helicopters for these mountain flights. Great views and photo opportunities!

Flight Operational Areas

WEST SIKKIM FLIGHT (5 PERSONS)

Duration: Around 55 minutes

Fare: ₹ 66,000 (5pax)

Route: Gangtok-Singtam-Geyzing-Yuksam-Dikchu-Gangtok

Landmarks: Rumtek Monastery, Temi Tea Estate, Rabang/Maenam Hill, Tashiding, Pemayangtse Monasteries, Waterfall near Yuksam, Khangchendzonga.

YUMTHANG FLIGHT (4 PERSONS)

Duration: Around 65 minutes

Fare: ₹ 78,000 (4 persons)

Route: Gangtok-Mangan along Teesta River to Chungthang-Lachung-Yumthang-Gangtok

Landmarks: Khangchendzonga Range, Lachung Monastery, Waterfall and Lake near Lachung, Yumthang Valley. Also enjoy viewing grazing yak herds.

KHANGCHENDZONGA FLIGHT (4 PERSONS)

Duration: Around 75 minutes

Fare: ₹ 90,000 (4 persons).

Route: Gangtok- Mangan - Chungthang- Lachen- Zemu Glacier -Green Lake-Lachen-Gangtok

Landmarks: Teesta Valley between Mangan and Lachen, Lachen Monastery, Zemu Glacier, Green Lake, views of Khangchendzonga Range, including close-ups.

GANGTOK JOYRIDE (5 PERSONS)

Duration: Around 10 minutes

Fare: ₹ 7,590 (5 persons)

Route: Around Gangtok

Landmarks: Khangchendzonga Range, Rumtek Monastery, Gangtok Ridge

GANGTOK – BAGDOGRA

Duration: 35 mins

Timings: (5 persons) 11 am, 11.45 am; 2:15 pm and 2.30 pm

Baggage: 10 kg

Body weight: 75 kg (max.)

Fare: ₹ 2,200/- per person

Flights are subject to weather conditions; confirm operations and other details from Sikkim Tourism Development Corporation (Gangtok)

Tel: 03592-222634

Helipad Tel: 03592-225277

Fax: 03592-225647

Gangtok STD Code: 03592

Getting there

BY AIR

Nearest airport Bagdogra (124 km)
Taxis Private taxis are available at the airport and Siliguri for transport to Gangtok. Fare: ₹ 1,500.

Indian Airlines, M.G. Marg
Tel: 03592-225057 Fax: 229150

Jet Airways, M.G. Marg
Tel: 223356, 228653

Helicopter Service. Daily Helicopter Service - Gangtok-Bagdogra-Gangtok
The helicopter connects with flights from Delhi and Kolkata, and leaves for Gangtok between 1pm and 3pm.

GANGTOK – BAGDOGRA

Duration: 35mins Timings: (5 persons)
11 am, 11.45 am; 2:15 pm and 2.30 pm; Baggage: 10 kg; Body weight: 75 kg (max.) 35 Minutes Fare: ₹ 2, 200 per person

For more details contact the counter at Bagdogra Airport, or any of the Sikkim Tourist Information Offices.

BY RAIL

Nearest railhead

New Jalpaiguri (125 km)
Reserve rail tickets at the Sikkim Nationalised Transport (SNT) bus stand counter (Tel 222014, 222131) where there is a special quota for trains at New Jalpaiguri Railway Station. Book

well in advance, especially during the holidays.

BY ROAD

From Siliguri, one can start for Gangtok on NH 31 and then branches off to NH 31 A from Sevoke, 20 km from Siliguri. The main link between Gangtok and the rest of the country is through Siliguri (110 km). One can also go to Gangtok from Darjeeling (98 km) and Kalimpong (75 km). Driving to Gangtok from Siliguri, Kalimpong or Darjeeling is exhilarating, with the highway hugging the Teesta River for long stretches, passing through forests. On a clear day, a trip to or from Gangtok can be combined with picnics at beautiful spots en route.

Accommodation

DZONGU HOME STAYS

Contact : Dr. N.T. Lepcha

Mobile: 09434179160

Mr. Mika Lepcha **Mobile:**
09434061387

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KEWZING HOME STAYS

Contact : Mr. Jigme Bhutia

Tel: +91-3595-260141

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YUKSOM HOME STAYS

Contact : Mr. Pema G. Bhutia,

Mr. Kinzong Bhutia

Tel: +91-3595-241211(O)

Mobile: 09832452527, 09733158268

Email: kcc_sikkim@hotmail.com

HEE-BERMIOK HOME STAYS

Email: nksubba37@yahoo.com

www.heebermiok.com

LACHEN HOME STAYS

Contact : Local Tour Operators

ASSANGTHANG MODEL

VILLAGES

Contact : Local Tour Operators

KABI HOME STAYS

Contact : Kabi Endeavours

Tel: Tashi: +91 94743 48991

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MANIRAM HOME STAYS

(SOUTH SIKKIM)

Contact : Himat Tamang

Tel: 09733391476

Email: himaltamang@gmail.com

Information Offices

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M.G. Marg, Gangtok

Tel: 03592-203425, 221634

Fax: 205647

Sikkim Tourist Information Counter

PO Namchi, South Sikkim

Tel: 03595-264557

Sikkim Tourist Information Counter

Rangpo Tourist Lodge, PO Rangpo,
East Sikkim

Tel: 03592-240818

Sikkim Tourist Information Counter

Bagdogra Airport

Tel: 0353-2698030, 2698036

Sikkim Tourist Information Counter

SNT Colony, Hill Cart Road, Siliguri

Tel: 0353-2512646

Sikkim Tourist Information Counter

4/2 Middleton Street Kolkata

Tel: 033-22817905

Sikkim Tourist Information Counter

New Sikkim House,

14 Panchsheel Marg,

Chanakyapuri, New Delhi

Tel: 011-26115346, 26115171,
41680421

The normal working hours of the information offices in Gangtok are 10 am to 4pm. During the tourist season, they are open from 9 am to 7 pm. The airport counter is open during flight timings.

Boating in Aritar Lake

