

BRAHMAPUTRA CRUISE - WILDLIFE AND CULTURE. 10 NIGHTS DOWNSTREAM

The 10-night Jorhat to Guwahati Downstream River Cruise is perfect for wildlife enthusiasts , featuring visits to Kaziranga, Manas, and Nameri National Parks , and the Hoollongapar Gibbon Sanctuary. Activities include elephant and jeep safaris, forest and nature walks, a boat safari, and a 13 km river float. The cruise also offers three days of sailing through Kaziranga, island visits with yoga sessions, and rich cultural experiences such as tea estate tours, silk production, tribal performances, and visits to temples and villages. Set sail on an extraordinary 11-day journey aboard the MV Mahabaahu, exploring one of the world's most majestic and untamed rivers--the mighty Brahmaputra. This exceptional voyage is a spectacular natural history river cruise, unfolding the wonders of three National Parks and one Wildlife Sanctuary--Kaziranga, Manas, Nameri, and Holongapar Gibbon Sanctuary--each teeming with rare and endangered species. Encounter the Hoolock Gibbons, India's only apes, swinging through ancient canopies; witness the iconic one-horned rhinoceros, Bengal tigers, Asiatic elephants, and vibrant birdlife across the UNESCO World Heritage landscapes. Beyond the wilderness, discover Assam's cultural heart--tea estates, silk vi lages, tribal homes, and spiritual river islands-- while savoring moments of serenity through yoga, Ayurvedic welness, and sunset sails. From misty jungles to star-lit evenings on silver sands, this voyage reveals Assam's untamed beauty, rich heritage, and timeless rhythm along the Brahmaputra--a journey that's as soulful as it is spectacular.



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Day 1. Jorhat

Arrive Jorhat - Welcome onboard Arrive at Jorhat Airport (recommended arrival by 1400 hrs) and begin your journey of discovery along the mighty Brahmaputra. Settle into your elegant cabin and enjoy a light lunch as the adventure unfolds. In the afternoon, gain fascinating insights into Assam's rich wildlife and culture with an engaging orientation on the UNESCO World Heritage Sites--Kaziranga and Manas National Parks--along with glimpses of Hoollongapar Gibbon Sanctuary and historic Sivasagar. As the sun dips below the horizon, take in the tranquil beauty of the Brahmaputra during a serene evening sail. Later, gather in the Lounge for warm camaraderie



before indulging in a delightful semiformal welcome dinner
Meals: Lunch, Dinner

Day 2. Gibbons and Kaziranga

Into the Wild & Heart of Assam - A Day of Gibbons, Tea & Kaziranga wonders Begin your day with an early breakfast before venturing into the mystical Holongapar Gibbon Sanctuary, home to India's only Hoolock Gibbons and the elusive Bengal slow loris. Guided by expert naturalists, explore the lush forest canopies and discover the rich diversity of northeastern India's primates. Next, immerse yourself in Assam's tea heritage with a home-hosted lunch at a century-old planter's estate. Wander through expansive tea gardens, savor a tea-tasting experience, and meet the family behind this storied tradition--a l while spotting vibrant local birdlife. In the afternoon, embark on a thriling Jeep Safari in the Eastern Range of Kaziranga National Park (Agoratoli). Spend hours tracking the park's famous wildlife before returning to MV Mahabaahu at dusk. Relax in the lounge and conclude your day with a delightful sit-down dinner aboard.
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 3. Majuli

Majuli: Island of Art, Life & Nature Awaken to the songs of birds and the gentle rhythm of life along Neamati Ghat. Take a guided nature walk through waking vilages, home gardens, and riverside scenes, catching glimpses of fishermen, children heading to school, and the serene daily life of Assam. After breakfast aboard, sail towards Majuli, the world's largest inhabited river island. Explore the vibrant neoVaishnav culture through Gayan Bayan performances, Dashavatar dances, mask-making, and pottery demonstrations. Majuli's rich birdlife--open-biled storks, adjutant storks, whistling ducks, bar-headed geese, and weaver birds--adds a natural symphony to this cultural immersion. In the afternoon, sail towards a secluded island for a tranquil evening on untouched silver sands. Enjoy barbequed snacks by a bonfire under a starlit sky, folowed by a relaxing sit-down dinner aboard MV Mahabaahu.
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 4. Kaziranga

From Bamboo Homes to River Safari Wonders Begin your day with morning yoga on a deserted island, or take a leisurely stroll along the silver sands to awaken your senses. After breakfast, step into the world of the Mishing tribe, visiting their unique bamboo Chang Ghars on the Brahmaputra's floating islands. Witness traditional weaving, vibrant ethnic attire, and the warm hospitality of a community living in harmony with the river. Guests are invited to try on traditional garments and immerse themselves in this living culture. In the afternoon, return to the ship and sail towards Kaziranga's Eastern Range (Agoratoli). Embark on a thrilling boat safari along the riverbanks, spotting elephants, water buffalo, and a variety of birds and reptiles in their natural habitat. End the day aboard with a chef's cooking demonstration, a relaxing lounge hour, and a sumptuous dinner.
Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 5. Bishwanath Ghat

Weaving, Tea & the Spirit of Assam Start your morning with yoga on the Sun Deck as MV Mahabaahu sails through Kaziranga towards Bishwanath Ghat, a charming riverside vilage alive with weavers, fishermen, farmers, and boat makers. Witness the rhythmic music of looms as artisans create colorful fabrics, framed by historic temples and the scenic riverbanks. After sailing to Silghat, enjoy a relaxed lunch before exploring a cooperative jute mil, observing the transformation of golden fiber into sturdy products. Continue to a nearby tea estate,



where women pluck fresh leaves and the factory turns them into Assam's world-famous teas (Note: the tea factory is operational until mid-November and reopens after mid-February). Experience the vibrant local culture with a traditional Bihu dance performed by young vilagers. Conclude the day aboard with tea, snacks, and an engaging orientation on upcoming elephant and jeep safaris in Kaziranga's Central and Western Ranges, folowed by lounge relaxation and an early dinner. Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 6. Kaziranga

Into the Wild - Safaris in Kaziranga (UNESCO site) Wake up before dawn with a cup of strong Assam tea or coffee, accompanied by fresh fruits, dry fruits, and cookies. A short drive brings you to a Kaziranga resort to prepare for a morning elephant ride through the misty grasslands. Watch in awe as swamp deer, hog deer, Asiatic water buffaloes, and one-horned rhinos graze just meters away--a magical introduction to this UNESCO World Heritage Site. After breakfast featuring both continental and traditional Indian fare, embark on a jeep safari to explore more of Kaziranga's remarkable wildlife. Spot elephants, wild water buffalo, striped cats, swamp deer, and the park's iconic rhinos. After lunch, another jeep safari in the Western Range completes the day's adventure. Return to MV Mahabaahu at Tezpur, passing scenic paddy fields and winding Karbi Anglong bends. Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 7. Nameri Wildlife Sanctuary

Nameri: Wildlife Walks and Riverside Serenity Begin your day early with a light breakfast at 04:15 hrs, then drive to Nameri National Park. Cross the river by local ferry and start your guided nature walk through lush forests in search of rare wildlife: Bengal tigers, Asiatic elephants, clouded leopards, sambar, gaur, and more. Birdwatchers wil delight in spotting white-winged wood ducks, hornbils, black storks, ibis bils, bee-eaters, and babblers. For the adventurous, a rubber boat ride along 13 miles of gentle rapids on the Jia-Bhaireli River offers a scenic and exhilarating perspective of the park.

Return to MV Mahabaahu by 13:00 hrs for a hot lunch as the ship sails downstream. The afternoon is yours to relax with SPA, steam, sauna, Jacuzzi, Ayurvedic therapies, and beauty treatments. In the evening, immerse yourself in an Assamese-themed cultural experience, complete with traditional attire and an authentic Assamese dinner. Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 8. Dongra Ghat

Serenity on the River - Yoga, Sailing & Scenic Bliss en route to Dongra Ghat Enjoy a leisurely morning on board MV Mahabaahu--sleep in or start your day with yoga on the Sun Deck as the ship sails gracefuly towards Guwahati. Drift past charming riverside vilages and take in the narrowing Brahmaputra, framed by the hils and the serene Peacock Island, the world's smalest inhabited river island. Spend the day at your pace--indulge in SPA therapies, Ayurvedic treatments, massages, beauty treatments, or relax by the pool with a refreshing dip. Enjoy a sumptuous lunch on board before soaking in the golden hues of the river at sunset. The day concludes with lounge hour and a delightful dinner on board. Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 9. Manas Tiger reserve

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gather for a light breakfast before setting off on a scenic drive toward the magnificent Manas National Park, a jewel of Assam and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Arriving by 6:00 AM, we pause at a serene forest resort for a refreshing cup of tea before mounting elephants for a misty morning safari through the grasslands and sal forests of Bansbari Range. As the sun rises, keep watch for wild elephants, rhinos, buffalo, and perhaps a flash of stripes among the underbrush. After the ride, enjoy a hearty breakfast amidst nature, then quickly prepare for your next adventure -- a jeep safari through the wild corridors of Manas, flanked by the Bhutan Hils and crisscrossed by the Manas and Beki Rivers.

Manas is no ordinary forest. It proudly holds seven major conservation designations -- including Tiger Reserve, Biosphere Reserve, Elephant Reserve, and Bird Sanctuary -- making it one of the most ecologicaly diverse landscapes in al of India. The Jeeps drop us to the resort where we had breakfast. Now we enjoy a relaxed lunch and drive to the ship. MV Mahabaahu sails upstream immediately. Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinne

Day 10. Sualkuchi and Guwahati

Silk, Soul & Sails Begin your day with a rejuvenating yoga session from 08:00 to 09:00 hrs, embracing the calm of the Brahmaputra as MV Mahabaahu sails past the lush villages of Lower Assam. Enjoy a leisurely breakfast on board from 08:00 to 10:00 hrs while the everchanging river scenery unfolds around you. By late morning, arrive at Sualkuchi, the famed "Manchester of the East," renowned for its exquisite silk. Be greeted by tribal folk dancers before taking an e-rickshaw tour through silk weaving workshops to witness the artistry behind Assam's prized Muga and Eri silks.

Relish an authentic Assamese lunch, explore local shops, and perhaps pick up a few elegant souvenirs. Return to the ship as it sails to Pandu Port, Guwahati, for your final evening on the Brahmaputra. Savor the last golden sunset with a sundowner on deck, followed by a warm farewell dinner--Alvida Bhoj--celebrating unforgettable memories and the spirit of Assam. Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 11. Guwahati farewell

Farewell Assam After a leisurely breakfast, disembark MV Mahabaahu and transfer to Guwahati Airport for your onward flight. As you bid farewell to the mighty Brahmaputra, carry with you memories of close wildlife encounters, vibrant cultures, tranquil villages, and golden sunsets--a journey through Assam's untamed beauty that will stay with you forever. Meals: Breakfast



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VESSEL TYPE:

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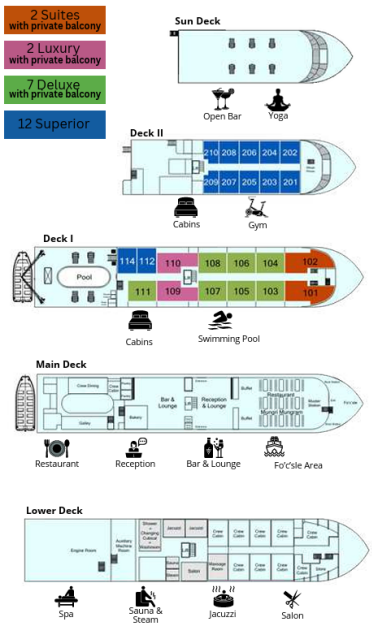
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The MV Mahabaahu offers 23 elegantly designed cabins, including two Suites, two Luxury Cabins, seven Deluxe Cabins with private balconies and 12 Superior Cabins. Each is air-conditioned, with spacious bathrooms and modern amenities Each is air-conditioned, with spacious bathrooms and modern amenities ensuring comfort throughout your journey. Large picture windows flood the rooms with natural light and frame stunning river views - sunrises that bathe the waters in golden hues, moonlit nights shimmering across the Brahmaputra and glimpses of country boats drifting by. Onboard, expansive public spaces invite relaxation - the open sun deck, shaded seating areas, a swimming pool deck with loungers and cozy corners to enjoy a drink while watching river life unfold. From mustard fields and bamboo groves to fishermen casting their nets and even rhinos and deer grazing by the banks, every moment aboard MV Mahabaahu is a window into the rich life of the Brahmaputra.



INSIDE YOUR SHIP



Deluxe cabin with balcony



Luxury Cabins with Balcony



Suites with balcony



Superior cabin





PRICING

24-Jan-2027 to 03-Feb-2027

Superior cabin	£2759 GBP pp
Deluxe cabin with balcony	£3399 GBP pp
Luxury Cabins with Balcony	£3649 GBP pp
Suites with balcony	£4199 GBP pp

11-Nov-2027 to 21-Nov-2027

Suites with balcony	£4259 GBP pp
Superior cabin	£2759 GBP pp
Deluxe cabin with balcony	£3449 GBP pp
Luxury Cabins with Balcony	£3669 GBP pp

23-Jan-2028 to 02-Feb-2028

Superior cabin	£2759 GBP pp
Deluxe cabin with balcony	£3449 GBP pp
Luxury Cabins with Balcony	£3669 GBP pp
Suites with balcony	£4249 GBP pp

ADDITIONAL CHARGES: 5% of cabin price pp