

### **Overview**

# Information on Malshej Ghat:

Malshej Ghat, a magical paradise nestled in the Western Ghats of Maharashtra, comes alive during the monsoon season, revealing its true beauty. As the rains grace the region, Malshej Ghat transforms into a breathtaking spectacle of nature's beauty. The ghat is adorned with countless waterfalls that gush down the mountains. The mist-covered valleys and lush greenery paint a picture of serenity, making it a haven for nature enthusiasts and photographers alike. One of the highlights of Malshej Ghat during the monsoon is its diverse birdlife. For adventure seekers, Malshej Ghat offers exciting trekking opportunities. The Aadrai Forest Trek, Kalu Waterfall Trek, Ganpati Gadad Trek, Naneghat Trek and Harishchandragad Trek are all based in the same region.

The monsoon season, from June to September, is undoubtedly the best time to experience the beauty of Malshej Ghat. So, pack your rain gear, embrace the monsoon spirit, and get ready to immerse yourself in the breathtaking landscapes and natural wonders of this monsoon paradise.

### Best Treks in Malshej Ghat for Monsoon:

- 1. Kalu Waterfall Trek: Kalu waterfall trek takes you for a thrilling adventure to reach the base of the Majestic Kalu Waterfall in Malshej Ghat, Maharashtra. You will be crossing multiple short river streams, walking admist a dense forest. Then crossing Kalu River which is the most thrilling part of the trek to reach the final destination Kalu Waterfall. This trek is easy grade trek suitable for beginners and offers a thrilling experience.
- 2. <u>Aadrai Forest Waterfall Trek</u>: Aadrai forest is a huge forest in Malshej region, Aadrai forest waterfall trek takes you to the top of Kalu waterfall and the same waterfall can be seen from multiple view points once you reach the top. This route has gained a lot of popularity in the last few years and every weekend there roughly 10000-15000 people visiting this route during monsoons. We have found a completely offbeat waterfall in the jungle and walk through a non crowded route to reach the waterfall. If you want to experience a non-crowded trek experience <u>click here</u>
- 3. <u>Harishchandragad Trek</u>: The initial part of the trek involves walking through dense forests, crossing streams, and ascending rocky patches. As you progress, you'll



encounter fascinating rock-cut steps and caves, including the Kedareshwar Cave Temple, dedicated to Lord Shiva. The views from the Konkan Kada are absolutely breathtaking, especially during sunrise and sunset, making it a must-visit spot for photographers and nature lovers. The trek also leads to other prominent spots on the fort, such as the Taramati Peak and the ancient temple of Harishchandreshwar.

- 4. Naneghat Reverse Waterfall Trek: The Naneghat Reverse Waterfall Trek is a unique experience that takes place during the monsoon season in the Western Ghats of Maharashtra. Naneghat is an ancient trade route known for its historical significance and breathtaking natural beauty. During the monsoon, as the region receives heavy rainfall, an interesting phenomenon occurs at Naneghat the "reverse waterfall." Instead of water flowing down the mountain, the strong winds and upward drafts create an illusion of water flowing upwards, defying gravity. Once you reach the top, you can witness the mesmerizing reverse waterfall phenomenon if the weather conditions are favorable.
- 5. Ganpati Gadad Trek: Located in the Western-Ghats Sahyadri mountain range, this hidden gem offers an thrilling experience that combines natural beauty, adventure, and spiritual significance. With its easy-moderate difficulty level, the Ganpati Gadad trek is suitable for both avid trekkers and nature enthusiasts. Ganpati Gadad are a group of 6-7 caves near Dhasai, known to be built by Pandavas around 2500 years ago. The trek route is full of lush green Valleys, a long stretch of fields, majestic waterfalls, beautiful streams, water cisterns and Mesmerizing Waterfall that gushes from the top of the caves.

#### Update as on August 08, 2024

The Monsoon rains have been a blessing this year, the weather is currently perfect for this Trek. Monsoon treks are designed for heavy rains. So, unless there is a ban by Gout, or the roads are completely blocked, the event is good to go. The batch conducted in August 04, 2024 has a great experience in the rains and water stream crossings.

**Beware!** Low-Cost trek groups often have large batch-size, this results in unsafe over-crowded trek experience which is not at all worth. <u>Mischief Treks</u> is renowned for conducting treks with a limited number of participants in each batch, this helps having a much better trekking experience.



#### **Events by Mischief Treks**

- <u>Group Tours</u> and Trips starting from Mumbai. Tours include option to book train tickets from Mumbai to the desired destination. *Link:* <u>Click here</u>
- One Day Treks in/near Mumbai. Morning to evening treks and Night Treks are scheduled every weekend based on weather conditions and on the basis of Best-Time to Visit. Link: Click here
- <u>Kaas Valley of Flowers</u> from Mumbai, also known as Kaas Pathar or Kaas Plateau. Explore the valley of flowers with one night and two night tour options. *Link:* <u>Click</u> here
- Rann of Kutch and Dholavira Tour. Explore the white desert of Gujrat with stay options for one / two / three night stay in tent or resort. Link: Click here
- <u>Statue of Unity Tour</u>. Get a tour planned to visit Statue of Unity in Gujarat as per your budget and travel dates. *Link:* <u>Click here</u>
- <u>Customised Tour Packages</u> from Mumbai. If you are looking to get a tour package customised as per your dates and budget this option provides you an opportunity to get the entire plan made as per your need. *Link:* <u>Click here</u>
- <u>Camping</u> and Stargazing. If you are looking for Bhandardara lakeside camping or wish to experience watersports like Rafting, Kayaking and lot more, Check out our camping options on this link. *Link: Click here*
- Waterfalls near Mumbai. If you are looking for exploring waterfalls near Mumbai for weekend trekking and adventure, we have the right set of waterfalls listed. Link: Click here

### Inclusions

- AC Pickup and drop from Mumbai
  (If opted for)
- · Breakfast and Tea
- Lunch (Veg and Jain)
- Gout / Local body charges as applicable
- Trek expertise charges
- Basic First Aid



# **Exclusions**

- · Any personal expenses such as soft drinks etc.
- · Any other expenses that are not mentioned above.

# Highlights

- Witness the majestic Kalu Waterfall, one of the highest waterfalls in Maharashtra, with a breathtaking plunge of around 400 feet.
- Crossing waterfalls, rivers and streams on our way
- Experience the scenic route of Malshej
- · Enjoy refreshing dips in natural pools
- Witnessing the Majestic Kalu Waterfall.
- · Experiencing Malshej ghat in it's peak beauty
- Trek through picturesque landscapes, including lush green valleys, mist-covered mountains, and pristine forests.