

spice route

THE INFLIGHT MAGAZINE

**Celebrate
the season
of Love**





FOUND THE RIGHT FARE?

**LOCK IT NOW FOR 48 HOURS* AND
BOOK LATER WITH**

SpiceLock

STARTING AT JUST

₹99/-*

**AVAILABLE ON DOMESTIC
AND INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS.**



**NO FARE
SURGE**



**48 HOURS OF
HOLD TIME**



**LOCK WITHOUT
PASSENGER NAME**

Opt for SpiceLock and enjoy worry-free travel. You can lock your fare at a nominal fee by booking directly only on www.spicejet.com.

Hurry, so that you can relax while deciding on travel dates.

*Available on flights where travel date is 7 days & beyond for domestic flights and 15 days & beyond for international flights.

www.spicejet.com | +91-124-4983410

*T&C apply.



FROM THE CMD'S DESK



AJAY SINGH
Chairman and Managing Director

DEAR READERS,

Welcome aboard SpiceJet!

The New Year has kicked off on a high note with plentiful optimism and promising opportunities. Giving wings to the aspirations of the people of the beautiful State of Meghalaya, we are excited to announce exclusive non-stop flights connecting Shillong with the National Capital.

Our flights won't just provide seamless connectivity but help unlock the tremendous tourism potential of the North-Eastern State, which has earned the sobriquet – Scotland of the East! Known for its rolling hills and natural scenic beauty, Meghalaya is known for its renowned tourist attractions, stunning beauty and unique culture. Our non-stop flights will provide hassle free connectivity giving a big boost to travel and tourism in the State.

We are also delighted to add new flights to and from Goa's new Manohar International Airport in Mopa which will serve as an important entry point into North Goa for domestic as well as international tourist and travellers.

Domestic air traffic is setting new benchmarks and records and there can be no better news than this for the Indian economy. Domestic passenger traffic registered a stupendous annual growth of 47.05% in Calendar Year 2022 as compared to the previous year.

This growth would have been unimaginable a year back and I am sure that we will touch newer heights in 2023. While the growth in air travel is being attributed to various reasons such as pent-up demand and revenge travel, it also indicates the immense potential for the growth of the aviation sector in the country and more importantly the improving eco-system of infrastructure and airlines making air travel more accessible.

SpiceJet's unmatched performance amongst Indian carriers continues. In December 2022, SpiceJet, yet again, registered the highest passenger occupancy (load factor) of 92.7%. I am proud to share that we have maintained our undisputed market leadership in passenger occupancy by clocking the highest load factor for every single month in 2022!

I would also like to share my unreserved congratulations to the entire team of the Indian blockbuster movie, RRR. Director SS Rajamouli and team have made us proud by winning the Golden Globe and the Critics Choice Awards and getting a much deserved Oscar nomination in the 'Best Original Song' category. Congratulations on your well-deserved success! You're an inspiration, Mr. Rajamouli! I wish you and the team the very best for the Oscars.

I would also like to acknowledge my colleagues at SpiceJet for their dedication and hard work which enabled us to win the "Best Cargo Carrier" award from leading industry body ASSOCHAM, at the 14th International Civil Aviation Conference & Awards.

I am confident that 2023 will be an exciting year filled with opportunities for all of us. As for our esteemed passengers, we look forward to delighting you with the best services and experience aboard SpiceJet.

Jai Hind!

Table of contents



34 TRAVEL IN THE SEASON OF LOVE

Plan a cosy holiday with your loved ones and make unforgettable memories

02

10 BROADSHEET

Mark your calendar with the best events of the season



22 NETWORK

Let's go bird-watching



44 HOMEBOUND

Discover the romance of Udaipur



Cover

Time is the greatest gift you can give to your loved ones and what's better than a vacation away from the busy, everyday life! This image perfectly encapsulates the spirit of this season! Come, let's celebrate love!

spice route

Volume 16 | Issue 163 | February 2023

PUBLISHER

Maxposure Media Group

CEO and Managing Director **Prakash Johari**

Head Office | Maxposure Media Group India Pvt. Ltd.

#TheAddress, Plot No. 62, Okhla Industrial Area,
Phase III, New Delhi-110020, India

Phone: + 91 11 4301 1111, Fax: +91 11 4301 1199

Advertising: info@maxposuremedia.com

INDIA OFFICES

Bengaluru | One Co.work, Level 2, Sony World Junction,
80 Feet Road, Kormangala, Bengaluru - 560034;
Phone: +91 9036118899

Mumbai | 506-508 Durga Chamber, Veera Desai
Extension Road, Andheri (West), Mumbai - 400053;
Phone: +91 9820463341

Kolkata | 132A, S.P. Mukherjee Road, 1st Floor,
Kalighat, Kolkata - 700026; Phone: +91 9088456286

Chennai | Inspire Workspace Gulecha Towers,
158, 2nd, Arcot Rd, Vadapalani, Chennai,
Tamil Nadu - 600026; Phone: +91 9840861133

INTERNATIONAL OFFICES

USA | 22 Jericho Turnpike, Suite 108,
Mineola New York 11501
E-mail: usa@maxposuremedia.com

Singapore | 51 Goldhill Plaza, #07-10/11,
Singapore 308900
E-mail: singapore@maxposuremedia.com

Malaysia | 9 Jalan Tunku, 50480 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
E-mail: malaysia@maxposuremedia.com

Bangladesh | Profficio 2nd floor, 4 Mohakhali Commercial
Area Dhaka 1212, Bangladesh
E-mail: bangladesh@maxposuremedia.com

UAE | Dubai Media City, Building No. 8, Premises No.
523, Fifth Floor, Dubai, UAE
E-mail: uae@maxposuremedia.com

Italy | Lungotevere Flaminio 26, 00196 Rome, Italy
E-mail: italy@maxposuremedia.com

The 'Spice Route' magazine is published by Maxposure Media Group Private Limited ("Publisher") for exclusive circulation on commercial flights operated by SpiceJet. All articles, advertisement, content, images and photographs published herein are created by the Publisher and/or contributor at their own discretion and do not necessarily represent the views of SpiceJet. All rights, title and interest (including intellectual property rights) in and to the materials shall vest either with the Publisher or any contributor (including SpiceJet, in certain cases) of such materials. The Publisher is solely liable for any claims for breach of intellectual property rights by any third party in relation to materials appearing in the SpiceRoute magazine (except such materials and content which have been created by SpiceJet, in which case SpiceJet or its service providers shall be liable for such claims). SpiceJet shall bear no liability for any article, content, advertisement, advertorial, image or photograph appearing in any issue of this magazine including any content which is communal, indecent, gender discriminatory, caste-creed discriminatory, racist, defamatory or libelous to any person, organisation, etc., except in case of content which has been created by SpiceJet. All materials are strictly copyrighted and all rights reserved. No part of the publication may be reproduced in whole or part without prior written permission of the copyright holder, Publisher and SpiceJet. All articles marked as 'In Focus' in the magazine are advertorials/advertising support.

Maxposure | FIPP
Member

Website: maxposuremedia.com | CIN No. U22229DL2006PTC152067

SpiceJet
Red. Hot. Spicy.

CE



Spider®

Locks & Accessories

An ISO 9001:2015 & 14001: 2015 Certified Co.

A Wide Range of Products

Locking Devices
Door / Window Hardware
Furniture Hardware
Glass Hardware
Kitchen Hardware
Fasteners

Spider Metal Products Pvt. Ltd.
Aligarh | Bengaluru

✉ info@spiderlocks.com
🌐 www.spiderlocks.com
☎ +91 89370 00555



Contents

54

VOYAGE

The charm of Sri Lanka, an island paradise

50

LIMELIGHT

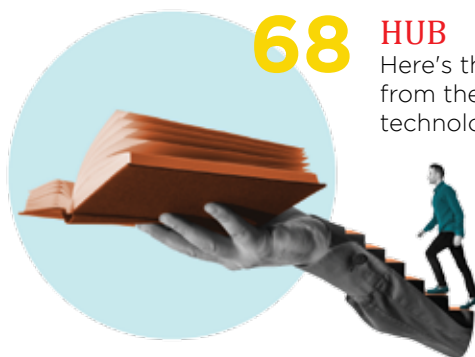
Television personality and model-actress Malaika Arora on fitness, food and loving life



68

HUB

Here's the latest from the world of technology



MONTAGE

It's time to 'take a hike', literally! Explore these stunning deep valleys and canyons in India

62



SPICEJET REDHOT

- 08 Social media
- 20 SpiceVacations.com
- 30 Spice products
- 72 News
- 74 My town
- 76 Stars of SpiceJet
- 78 Onboard menu



POLICE



www.policelifestyle.com

✉ distribution@torerocorp.com | 📞 +91 8100759500

TORERO CORPORATION PVT LTD | DISTRIBUTION OPPORTUNITIES IN BACKPACKS, LUGGAGE , LEATHER GOODS & GIFTS

HIGHEST BENCHMARKS OF ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

GALGOTIAS UNIVERSITY

Leading in the “**World of Quality Education**”

To achieve leadership position in education, **requires consistent results** across Academic Excellence, Research and Placements.

Galgotias University has achieved highest benchmarks across all leading educational milestones ...

NAAC A+

..... Accreditation in First Cycle

This landmark accreditation further testifies

**The Quality of Research,
World Class Infrastructure,
Top Placements and
Academic Excellence**



This makes Galgotias University the **only private university in Uttar Pradesh** with the **highest NAAC score** and the **second highest amongst state private universities in the entire country** with a NAAC score of 3.37 out of 4 awarded by NAAC.

The most authentic autonomous rating institution of UGC, Ministry of Education, Government of India.

We will continue to **carry forward the vision** of our **Honourable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji of making India a Vishvaguru** and the dream of our **Dynamic Honourable Chief Minister of UP Shri Yogi Aditya Nath Ji of making the State of Uttar Pradesh a truly Global Knowledge Superpower.**

**Grade
PLATINUM
BAND
A++
OBE RANKINGS 2022**

Galgotias University **Ranked in PLATINUM BAND (GRADE A++)** for Institution of Academic Excellence OBE Rankings 2022

Achieves excellence in quality education, & implementation of the latest teaching-learning methodologies, including the outcome-based education models.

**NBA
NATIONAL BOARD
OF ACCREDITATION
ACCREDITED
Tier 1**

The **Highest Benchmark of Academic Excellence, Placements & Research** for B.Pharm and MBA

Students who graduate in the accredited programmes during the validity period of accreditation will be deemed to have graduated with an NBA accredited degree.

**nirf
NATIONAL
INSTITUTIONAL
RANKING
FRAMEWORK**

Galgotias University **Ranked #59 in India** (Pharmacy Category) by NIRF (National Institutional Ranking Framework) 2022

#97 Management **#147** Engineering

TOP RANKED BY
INDIA
TODAY

Galgotias University **Ranked#1**, in
India in Academic and
Research Excellence
as per India Today - MDRA
Best Universities
Survey 2022.



Galgotias University **School of**
Law Ranked #3 in
India in Academic
Excellence by INDIA
TODAY- MDRA
Survey - July 2022



Galgotias University has been listed in the Band
"Excellent" for "Innovation & Entrepreneurship Development".
Under University & Deemed to be University (Private / Self Financed)
(Technical) in the AIIRA Ranking 2021.

Ranking#2

in Uttar Pradesh

Ranking#46

in India



राष्ट्रीय परीक्षा एजेंसी
National Testing Agency
Excellence in Assessment

Thank You India! for **your continuous trust** in us,
Yet another milestone in our glorious success story.

Galgotias University is amongst **top 8 most preferred universities** in the
country as per **CUET (Common University Entrance Test)** applications.
Galgotias University **received record breaking 399,373 applications.**

#GetYourSelfPlaced[™]



GALGOTIAS
UNIVERSITY

(Under the Uttar Pradesh Private Universities Act No. 12 of 2019)

For CAREER-FOCUSED UG / PG / Ph.D. DEGREES in

- Computing Science and Engineering
- Electrical, Electronics & Communication Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Design
- Education
- Nursing
- Liberal Education
- Media and Communications Studies
- Law
- Agriculture
- Basic & Applied Science
- Finance & Commerce
- Medical & Allied Sciences
- Business
- Hospitality & Tourism
- Polytechnic

For the complete list of programmes offered and to apply online
visit: <https://admissions.galgotiasuniversity.edu.in>
www.galgotiasuniversity.edu.in



Plot No.2, Sector 17-A, Yamuna Expressway, Greater Noida, Gautam Buddh Nagar,
Uttar Pradesh, India. Call @ +91 98101 62221, +91 95828 47072, 0120-4370000



Buzz On Social Media

@flyspicejet - Team Spicejet especially Sarita and Aayush Dixit from Gwalior Airport helped us and really appreciate their assistance.

@sid2884

@flyspicejet This is to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation for the wonderful ground staff Ms. Ishrat that they have at the Sxr international airport in India. She is very helpful, great assistance provided to my parents who were travelling alone. Bless up

@Amir_Qazi

Thank you @flyspicejet for the smooth check in process. Special thanks to Mr. Robin Singh and @AyushAbhishek21 @gwaliorairport PNR-T615SR

@MayankS76810072

@flyspicejet At the gwalior airport, the staff service was very helpful. One can easily go through the entire boarding process without any difficulty if you are travelling for the first time. Mentioning the staff @AyushAbhishek21 PNR - DI1MVH

@RajikaJain25

@flyspicejet at gwalior airport check in was very smooth and the staff is also very good. Specially @AyushAbhishek21 explained very well regarding my queries and Anushka Bajpai checked in very smoothly Thankyou spicejet. PNR-BEPFQQ

@18abhi99

@flyspicejet staff service at Gwalior airport is commendable and needs appreciation...check in was pretty smooth by Anushka bajpai & ayush Abhishek...thank you so much. PNR: TIQWGH

@insp_aman

@flyspicejet Mohammad rouf in Srinagar airport has helped me a lot with the check-in.

@rakesh_arcot

@flyspicejet We had the most unique pilot announcements on our flight to Goa. In all my years of existence, I've never heard this kind of a pilot. He did manage to put a smile on our faces. What do you think? #pilotlife #Pilotspeaker #Airport #Airdrop #FLIGHT #funny #trends

@BushraSatkhed



@flyspicejet @SpiceClubSG truly delighted with the flight SG481 (31st Jan) both cru members serving to me at seat no 21A. It is always delightful experience being gold member. Special thanks for arranging sugar free tea...much appreciated

@rkumar02

@flyspicejet Your captain is killing it on your delhi to Srinagar flight, by keeping the mood light, surely the future is bright! #captaincool #intothenewyear

@AasthaRastogi93

FIND YOUR FAVOURITE AIRLINE WITH **@FLYSPICEJET** ON TWITTER & FACEBOOK

PGDM 4.0@GIMS

IDEA TO EXECUTION

INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIONS



HLACT
UNITED KINGDOM
ACCREDITED

LSUS
SHREVEPORT



The programme offers dual specialization in :

- Marketing
- OB & Human Resource Management
- Finance
- Information Technology & Business Analytics
- Logistics & Supply Chain Management
- New Age Startups & Entrepreneurship
- International Business

Skill Augmentation Certifications (SACs)

- Power BI & Data Visualization
- Digital Marketing & Social Media Marketing
- Design Thinking & Entrepreneurship
- Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS)
- Foreign Language (French/German)
- Blockchain Technology
- Yellow Belt Six Sigma
- Marketing Analytics
- Business Analytics
- HR Analytics
- HR Compliances
- Financial Modeling
- Elective Based Certifications*

Immersion Programme



Breakthrough

Group placements in
International Companies
"A conscientious journey towards success."



Placed at a magnificent package

₹27.61 LPA : ₹70.00 LPA : ₹23.31 LPA

OUR RECRUITERS



**Approvals/
Accreditations**



and many more

ADMISSIONS OPEN : PGDM | MBA | MBA (Health Care & Hospital Management) | MBA (Business Analytics)

Plot No. 7, Chanakya Block Knowledge Park-II, Greater Noida | www.gims.net.in | Toll Free 1800-274-6969

10



Where: Mahalaxmi Lawns, Pune



Events



When: Feb 3-19
Where: Faridabad,
Haryana

SURAJKUND INTERNATIONAL CRAFTS MELA

Celebrating regional and international crafts and traditions, the Surajkund International Crafts Mela combines art, culture and music. Browse through handlooms, paintings, wood works, pottery, stonework, terracotta, and cane and grass products. The event premises also houses an open-air theatre where artistes from around the world showcase their traditions. The focus this year is on Northeast India.



KALA GHODA ART FESTIVAL

Considered the largest multicultural festival in India, Kala Ghoda Art Festival is an annual event celebrating art with numerous and varied sections spanning cinema, architecture, dance, food, heritage, literature, stand-up comedy and music. With the gathering of artistes, performers and crafts persons, the festival brings the Kala Ghoda area of south Mumbai to life with its many interactive activities, colours, pomp and show.



When: Feb 4-12
Where: Mumbai, Maharashtra



ROSE FESTIVAL

A rose by any other name would smell as sweet. Follow the fragrance to the Rose Festival in the month of love. Here, activities include flower display and photography competition, among others. Also enjoy various cultural programmes and musical events at the festival. This year, for the first time, a light and sound show is proposed to be included in the celebration.



When: Feb 24-26
Where: Chandigarh



VINTAGE & CLASSIC CAR EXHIBITION & DRIVE

If you are a lover of all things old, then this is your chance to see the royal gems of the bygone era at the 23rd edition of Vintage & Classic Car Exhibition & Drive. Head to the Pink City to witness the vintage glory of classic cars that will drive through the heritage city. Cars from all over India are participating in the event.

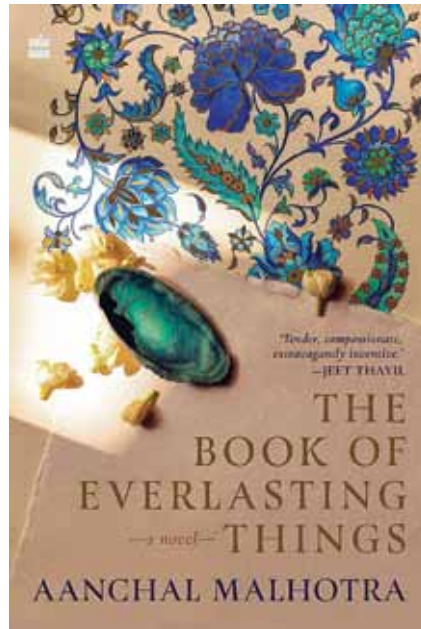


When: Feb 25-26
Where: Jaipur, Rajasthan

Books | Sports

THE BOOK OF EVERLASTING THINGS

Author and historian, Aanchal Malhotra's *The Book of Everlasting Things* is a story of Samir Vij and Firdaus Khan. Drawn by an intoxicating smell, Samir first locks eyes with Firdaus through the rows of perfume bottles in his family's *ittar* shop. Over the years that follow, the perfumer and the illuminator of manuscripts fall in love, their story written in dark and delicate ink. Torn by Partition, duty and desire, the lovers move farther away from one other but must decide how much of their memories to hold on to. The book spans continents and generations, braiding the threads of the past to the future, lingering like the notes of an unforgettable perfume.



SUPER BOWL LVII

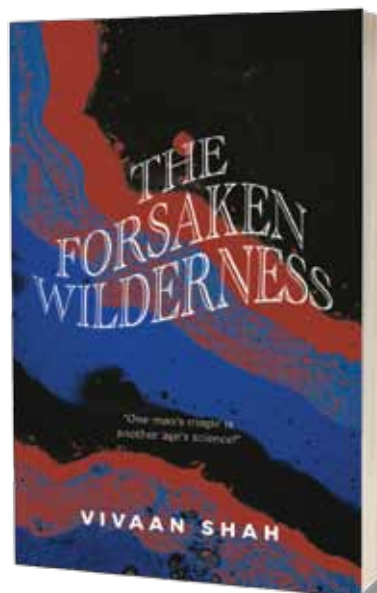
Said to be the biggest night for football fans in the US, Super Bowl LVII is a football championship game in the United States between the two best professional football teams in the National Football League (NFL). It is worth noting that the entertainment quotient remains high. Super Bowl is as much known for its commercials as much for its halftime show. Singer Rihanna has been confirmed to take the main stage to perform a medley of her greatest hits.



When: 5:00 am on Feb 13 (IST)
Where: Glendale, Arizona, the US

THE FORSAKEN WILDERNESS

Actor-writer Vivaan Shah's new book, *The Forsaken Wilderness*, is a science fiction-horror novel about an expedition to a treacherous mountain in the Himalayas that has never been scaled. It follows a civil engineer who decides against his better judgement to accompany professor Chaturvedi, a mountaineer of some repute, and Shera, a Garhwali ex-guide, on non-navigable pathways, through impenetrable forests, past sights, sensations and phenomena that are entirely inexplicable. They reach the top only to find a temple of immeasurable antiquity possessing an architectural ingenuity far surpassing human intelligence. Shah is also the author of the crime novels *Living Hell* and *Midnight Freeway*.



2023 ICC WOMEN'S T20 WORLD CUP

The eighth edition of the much-anticipated ICC Women's T20 World Cup is here. Australia are the defending champions. Sri Lanka, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and Bangladesh have qualified in Group 1 while England, Ireland, India, West Indies and Pakistan have qualified in Group 2.



When: Feb 10-26
Where: Cape Town, Paarl and Gqeberha (South Africa)

POLOS & TEES



Travel | Lifestyle



DASTAAN-E-KATHAK: THE STORY OF A STORYTELLER

Commemorating the birth anniversary of one of the world's greatest maestro artists and storytellers, Pt. Birju Maharaj, the World Kathak Day is celebrating the interdisciplinary philosophy of the art form on February 4, 2023! The event will be held over two days, starting February 3, and will see renowned artists in attendance such as maestro vocalist Pt. Sajan Mishra, eminent musician Pt. Hariprasad Chaurasia and Indian filmmaker and poet Muzaffar Ali, among others. Enjoy it at Sunder Nursery, New Delhi.

SERENITY AND SERENDIPITY AT GANDHISAGAR FLOATING FESTIVAL

Explore the serenity of the Gandhisagar Dam in Mandsaur, Madhya Pradesh, at a unique floating festival to be held from February 1 to April 30, 2023. Enjoy staying in cosy tents by the vast dam, various types of adventure activities, nature trips, village visits, a floating market and also live cultural shows on a floating stage! So, plan a trip to experience the thrill of the Gandhisagar Floating Festival on the Chambal River!



THE PALACE OF DREAMS IN THE GOLDEN DESERT

Nicknamed 'camel country', the city of Bikaner in Rajasthan boasts some of the world's best riding camels! It is also a city that displays its ancient opulence through palaces and forts, built of red sandstone, that have withstood the passage of time. Blending the rich heritage of Bikaner with its immersive hospitality, the Brij Gaj Kesri is opening with 41 palatial rooms set amidst green gardens of *neem*, *khejri* and *sheesham* trees. The modern-day manor house also has a spa, library and an outdoor pool for those looking for a quite retreat.



Admissions Open - 2023



 **Merit Scholarships/Freeships worth Rs. 1.3 Crore offered for all MBA programs.**

- MBA (Hospital and Health Management)
- MBA (Pharmaceutical Management)
- MBA (Development Management)
- Master of Public Health
(Cooperative program offered by Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health (JHSPH), USA & IIHMR University)
- Master of Public Health (Implementation Science)
- Ph.D.
- Executive Master of Hospital Administration
- Executive Master of Public Health

International Collaborations



Apply with
CAT/XAT/NMAT/MAT/CMAT/ATMA/IIHMRU-MAT score

Business India



THE UNIVERSITY STANDARDS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



EW EDUCATION WORLD



Prominent Recruiters



17.22 LPA
(Highest Package)

Contact us: +91 91459 89952 | +91 93588 93199 | +91 93588 93198 | +91 90019 19777
1, Prabhu Dayal Marg, Near Sanganer Airport, Jaipur - 302029, Rajasthan | Website: www.iihmr.edu.in | Email: admissions@iihmr.edu.in

Travel | Lifestyle



THE GLOW FROM WITHIN

Prep up that skin for make-up and no-make-up days! Mac Cosmetics is launching its new skincare offering in the Indian market in February this year. The highlight is the new, gel-like hybrid product 'Hyper Real Serumizer', a multitasking fluid designed to be used with or without makeup. It also works as a stand-alone skin treatment. A cleansing oil and moisturising balm are also in the pipeline.

KHUSH RANG BY ANJUL BHANDARI

Re-imagining the traditional embroideries of Awadh - *chikankari* and *mukaish* - Khush Rang by Anjul Bhandari celebrates the joy and happiness of new beginnings with pop colours and her signature craft. Inspired by the vibrancy of a bride, the Lucknow-based designer is taking an experimental route with a new range of colours, which include gunmetals, greys and lilacs along with pinks, yellows, greens and ivory.



THE AGE-OLD TRADITION OF YUM CHA

Choose from the exquisite Yum Cha menu by Yauatcha Kolkata, the all-day dim sum and tea house. The Cantonese experience includes a range of Yauatcha's signature dim sums - shiitake mushroom dumpling, vegetable crystal dumpling and vegetable chive dumpling, among others. The dim sums can be paired with a select range of flavourful teas like Assam, jasmine or ice wine tea. Yum Cha translates to 'drink tea' and is a Cantonese tradition of sipping tea with your loved ones while gorging on an elaborate spread of dim sum.



IBA - Bangalore

IBA Ranked among Top 1% Institutes
in India with Track Record of
Excellent Placements



Top Education
Brands 2020 by
Business World



IBA Bangalore is **19th** among the
63 B-Schools (out of 5000+ B-Schools in India)
to get an International Accreditation

IBA Rankings

- **23rd** All India by CSR (Competition Success Review) 2022
- **28th** All India by Outlook India B-School Survey 2022

IBA Advantage

- **Dual Specialization Course** (HR, Finance, Marketing, Operations, Retail, International Business, Entrepreneurship, Business Analytics & E-Biz)
- Student Community from **24+ States** and more than **18%** students upto 5 years of experience
- **Scholarships & Awards** worth **₹ 6.54 crores** for meritorious students
- **Six Sigma Green Belt** Certification by KPMG
- **Capstone** Business Strategy Course, CAPSIM (USA) (also offered by Harvard, MIT, IIMs to their students)
- Specialization courses taught by Senior Practitioners
- Live **Project Management** Course
- Art of Living **Yes+ Program** to handle Stress
- Foreign Study Tour for **Global Exposure**
- **Business Laptop** to Access Databases for Case Studies & Data Mining



Awarded as
Best Education
Brands 2022 by
Economic Times



APPLY ONLINE: www.iba.ac.in
IBA accepts scores of CAT / XAT / CMAT /
MAT / ATMA / NMAT / GMAT / GRE / GATE



Disclaimer: IBA uses scores of above mentioned Tests for admission in PGDM Programme. The Testing Bodies neither have any role in selection process nor in conduct of the PGDM Programme.

**Indus Business Academy
(IBA), Bangalore**
www.iba.ac.in

Lakshimpura, Thataguni Post, Kanakapura Main Road, Bengaluru 560 062
E-mail: admissions@iba.ac.in
Ph: +91 93424 10271, +91 81978 62131, 080-2608 3703

23rd Batch PGDM 2023-25

Two Year Full Time Residential Programme

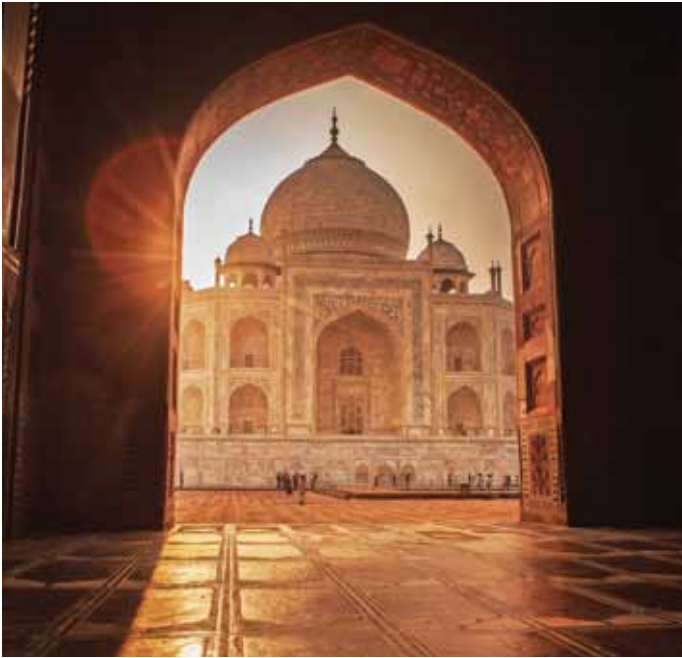
Approved by AICTE (Ministry of Education, Govt) &
IACBE (Recognised by CHEA, USA)

Excellent Career Opportunities Placements 2022-23

 Bangalore, Karnataka Suchit Acharya	 Rohtak, Haryana Sonia Saini	 Srinakulam, AP Desilla Surya narayana	 Raipur, Chhattisgarh Raunak Srivastava
 New Delhi, Delhi Shivam Sharma	 Bihar, Rajasthan Hitesh Kumar	 Bairapada, Odisha Samata Sahu	 Kolkata, WB Nirta Rathi
 Kolkata, WB Akshay Muralidharan C.K.	 Panjim, Goa Giselle Joia Fernandes	 Tadepalligudem, AP Varre Sri Harshitha	 Coimbatore, TN Aravinda Seshadri
 Biltra, Bihar Ravi Raushan	 Chennai, TN Sabari Vassan G.	 Rudrapur, Uttarakhand Ashi Goel	 Bhagalpur, Bihar Vikas Kumar Roy
 Mandapalle, AP Revanuri Prasanth	 Kolkata, WB Tiyasha Talukder	 Bangalore, Karnataka Prarthana Venkatesh	 Bengaluru, Odisha Swagat Kumar Sabat
 Jharsuguda, Odisha Dipti Agrawal	 Jaipur, Rajasthan Lakhan Pratap Singh Chauhan	 Kolkata, WB Shouvik Chowdhury	 Deoria, UP Ritik Bisen
 Kolkata, WB Udita Dam	 Guwahati, Assam Samujjal Dutta	 Raipur, Chhattisgarh Anu Upadhyay	 Salem, TN Arulanand R.

Disclaimer: 'Past record is no guarantee of future job prospects'

Travel | Lifestyle



AN ODE TO ART AT THE TAJ

Celebrated from February 18 to 27 at the magnificent Taj Mahal, the Taj Mahotsav has a special focus on the artists, celebrating their exquisite art from carpets of Kashmir and wood/stone carvings of Tamil Nadu to silk and *zari* work from Banaras and marble and *zardozi* work from Agra. The festival also highlights the crafts and cuisines of the country and features cultural performances and music. The annual 10-day event takes place at Shilpgram near the eastern gate of the white-marble monument in Agra.

THE CLASSICS AT ELEPHANTA

Come February and the Elephanta Caves near Mumbai come alive with dance and music, highlighting the art and cultural heritage of the UNESCO World Heritage Site. The tentative dates of the event are from February 13 to 15. The event sees classical dances and musical performances by renowned artistes under the open sky. Take a serene boat ride from the Gateway of India in Mumbai to reach the Elephanta Islands.



WHAT'S ON YOUR SHELF

Whether you are a beauty aficionado or not, these new launches from e.l.f. cosmetics will leave you feeling lit from within! From versatile eye shadow formulations to new additions to the holy grail putty range, there are exciting new launches from the brand that is sure to make its way to your makeup vanity this season. Stock up on No Budge Shadow Stick, Putty Blush, Perfect Finish HD Powder and Illuminating Mist & Set to play up those peepers and get that island glow.



KALINGA INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY (KIIT)

Deemed to be University

(Established U/S 3 of UGC Act, 1956), Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India

25 Silver Jubilee
Years 1997-2022
SOIL TO SILVER

20th
Among Indian Universities
Assessed by NIRF, Govt of India
nirf

Rank **1**

Among Self-Financing Institutes of India

Tier 1
Accreditation
Washington Accord
NBA

A++
NAAC

ABET
ABET (US)
Accreditation

IE The Institution of Engineering and Technology

KIITEE

2023

APPLY ONLINE NOW

Through KIIT Websites

www.kiitee.ac.in

www.kiit.ac.in

No Application / Examination Fee,
Computer Based Online Test

Continuous learning



ENGINEERING
COMPUTER APPLICATION
ARCHITECTURE **LAW**
SOCIAL, FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT
& HUMAN SCIENCES **RURAL MANAGEMENT**
LANGUAGE **AGRIBUSINESS**
MANAGEMENT **MASS**
BIOTECHNOLOGY **COMMUNICATION**
CHEMICAL TECHNOLOGY **PUBLIC**
FASHION **FILM** **HEALTH**
TECHNOLOGY **& MEDIA SCIENCES**
SPIRITUALISM & APPLIED SCIENCES
YOGIC SCIENCES **NURSING SCIENCES**

THE World University Rankings 2023

301-400

Computer Science

401-500

Engineering

601-800

University Ranking

CAMPUS PLACEMENT 2022 HIGHLIGHTS



750 +
companies



6000 +
job offers



95%
students
already placed



₹52 Lakhs
highest CTC
offered*



2000+
paid internship
opportunities

Director, Admissions : Admission Cell, Koel Campus, Po- KIIT, Bhubaneswar-751024, Odisha, India,

Ph: 8080 735 735, Fax : 0674 - 2741465, Email :admission@kiit.ac.in



KIIT (Deemed to be University) has only one permanent campus in Bhubaneswar, Odisha.
It has no other campus / off campus anywhere else in the country and globe.



Plan your holidays with SpiceJet's pioneering initiative SpiceVacations, and enjoy end-to-end travel solutions at discounted rates

20

SPICEVACATIONS

BOOK NOW AT: [VACATIONS.SPICEJET.COM](https://vacations.spicejet.com)

Planning a holiday has never been this easy or pocket friendly! Visit SpiceVacations, powered by SpiceJet, a one-stop shop for discounted flight fares and hotel bookings. Take your pick from a vast network of domestic holiday destinations, and book your flights with the right bundle of services to ensure an effortless journey. With hand-picked hotels recommended by holiday experts – you have much to benefit from SpiceVacations. On the website, search for the best hotels from more than 35,000 properties across India; and have a great experience while saving money. There are hotels to suit all budgets – luxury and affordable. In addition, backpackers can add comfort to

their travels without spending a lot. You need to simply decide on the theme of your vacation, such as pilgrimage, honeymoon, heritage, wildlife, beach or hills, and the travel solutions platform throws up a wide variety of deals in terms of location, hotel arrangements among others.

Another outstanding feature of the website is the section that offers actual reviews by travellers, which can help you with real-time tips and insights into the destination before you land.

So, get on board with SpiceVacations and experience the perfect holiday!

Upto 40%* Instant Discount on Flight + Hotel Bookings

NO PROMO CODE REQUIRED

*T&C apply



POWERFUL VASTU CORRECTIONS WITHOUT ANY DEMOLITION FOR INDUSTRIES, OFFICES & HOUSES

Internationally Renowned Vastu Expert Vimal Jhajharia, along with his son Vikas Jhajharia, has created a revolution in the field of Vastu Shastra. Their expertise in providing 'Vastu Remedies without Demolition' has earned them the faith and praise of millions of people in more than 40 countries across the globe.

Vimal Jhajharia and Vikas Jhajharia (MBA from Australia) have delivered many lectures, conducted workshops, seminars and have widely travelled and provided consultancy on major projects already in operation without any changes or modifications. They are currently providing consultancy in the USA, UK, Australia, Canada, China, Hong Kong, Singapore, Thailand, South Africa, UAE, and South America, among others.

Both of them have been felicitated several times for their outstanding knowledge on Vastu & have also won several awards of national and international repute.



AWARDED IN DUBAI AS THE MOST
INFLUENTIAL VASTU EXPERT UNDER
50 YEARS OF AGE



AWARDED TIMES ICON OF THE
YEAR 2017 BY TIMES OF INDIA



AWARDED "THE BEST INTERNATIONAL
VASTU GURU" BY BOLLYWOOD DIVA
KANGANA RANAUT IN THAILAND

HERE IS AN EXTRACT OF AN
INTERVIEW WITH THEM AND
THEIR CLIENT TESTIMONIALS:

What exactly is your famous Vastu Shankha Yantra and how cost effective is it?

Based on the principles of Vastu, the Vastu Shankha Yantra is an original conch shell used to potentially rectify any kind of land, Vastu or energy defects without making any modifications. It can potentially save a lot of time and money as it is used to create positive energy in places having major Vastu defects without changing the looks and beauty of the place.

Does the Vastu Shankha Yantra really work for prosperity in factories and industries?

Yes, we have a big list of successful clients including businessmen, entrepreneurs, doctors, scientists, professionals, architects, interior designers, etc giving testimonials on our website.

Endorsing the Vastu Shanka Yantra is industrialist Sushil from New Delhi. He says, "My son and I are running a factory but were not getting the desired results. We came to know about Vimalji and Vikasji through one of their articles in inflight magazines. Upon showing them the factory, we immediately realised our north was blocked and all the heavy machinery was placed along the north wall. We then got the Vastu Shankha yantras placed at certain places on Jhajhariaji's recommendation. Now, every new factory of ours is made under their able guidance and we also recommend them to all our friends and relatives."

Can Vastu Shankha Yantra also help in selling a property?

Yes, we do a lot of Vastu correction for builders and developers and also individuals whose properties have been stuck for a long time and which are not getting sold because of some or the other Vastu defect. Vouching for success is Satish from Bangalore who was trying to sell his four acres property for two years. When we saw the property, we saw it had multiple corners & it was not a proper rectangle or a square. We then positively charged this property by placing our Vastu Shankha Yantras in various corners to help correct the magnetic field of the property and hence creating positive energy in the atmosphere.



Vimal Jhajharia along with his
son Vikas Jhajharia



Vastu is protection against unforeseen circumstances. It is used to increase personal energy in health, wealth and relationships of a person.

In an office, it is used in the north to increase money inflow. In a house, it is used in the east direction for better health & relationship among family members.



BIRD-WATCHING

NALSAROVAR BIRD SANCTUARY

This bird sanctuary in Gujarat is a serene marshland that is home to a large number of indigenous birds and attracts a large number of migratory species in winter



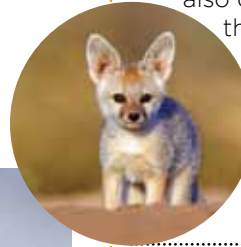
A tranquil oasis nestled near Ahmedabad, Nalsarovar Bird Sanctuary encompasses a lake, a marshland with shallow waters and lagoons speckled with around 300 islets. A paradise for avian lovers, the sanctuary is home to flocks of indigenous birds and around 250 migratory species pass through it in the winters. A touring circuit can be created from Nalsarovar to Thol Lake Sanctuary, another birding hotspot, around 60 km away.



The best time to visit is from November to March

WHAT TO SEE

At the sanctuary, one can spot ducks, geese, eagles, spoonbills, cranes, pelicans and flamingos, best seen at daybreak and dusk. Wild asses and black bucks are also commonly seen in this region. You can also spot mongoose, jungle cat, Indian fox, jackal, wolf and hyena here.



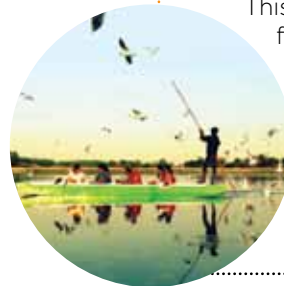
The largest wetland sanctuary in the state and one of the biggest in the country, the Nalsarovar Bird Sanctuary is a Ramsar site, a wetland designated of international importance.

Don't miss: Plan a dawn trip to the sanctuary to watch the sun rise over the lake. Better still is to enjoy a morning boat ride

WHAT TO DO

This sanctuary is ideal for day picnics with family and friends. Enjoy a scenic boat ride in the lake with a birding guide or enjoy a horse ride at the lakeside.

Image: img.itinari.com


WHAT'S NEARBY

Ahmedabad is around 60 km away, and at about 40 km is Lothal, an archaeological site. Almost 4,500 years old, it was an important part of the Indus Valley civilisation.



The nearest airports are Ahmedabad and Bhavnagar. SpiceJet connects direct and one-stop flights to Ahmedabad from Delhi, Goa, Jaipur, Pune, Bagdogra, Bengaluru, Patna, Leh and Kolkata, and many other cities. SpiceJet, also connects exclusive direct flights to Bhavnagar from Mumbai and Pune. Book now at www.spicejet.com



BIRD-WATCHING

KEOLADEO NATIONAL PARK

Formerly known as the Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary, the Keoladeo National Park in Rajasthan is one of the world's most important bird breeding sites



Encompassing a vast, lush expanse of grasslands, woodlands, swamps and wetlands, the Keoladeo National Park houses around 375 bird species and other wildlife. The park was recognised as a UNESCO World Heritage site and is a designated Ramsar site. Once a royal duck-hunting reserve, the national park is considered as one of the most important wintering areas for a large numbers of water birds that arrive from Afghanistan, China, Turkmenistan and Siberia. While its visiting members attract most of the crowd, the park is also well-known for large numbers of non-migratory resident birds.

23

Don't miss

There are many routes inside the park. Take the ones near the swamps for more sightings

WHAT TO SEE

The park was known for being a breeding ground for the rare and elusive Siberian crane. It also attracts other threatened species such as the imperial eagle and the greater spotted eagle. You can spot species of herons, ibis, spoonbills, storks and cormorants. Other than birds, watch out for deer, nilgai and more wildlife.



The best time to visit the park is in winter, between October and March

WHAT TO DO

You can walk, rent a cycle or hire a rickshaw to go around the park. Most of the rickshaw drivers are trained guides. Enjoy a boat ride and visit the old Shiva temple.



WHAT'S NEARBY

Visit Agra, home to the Taj Mahal, about 50 km away. Also explore the beautiful palaces and forts of Alwar and Jaipur that are about 100 km and 185 km, respectively.



The nearest well-connected airports are Jaipur and Delhi. SpiceJet connects direct and one-stop flights to Jaipur from Delhi, Jaisalmer, Udaipur, Amritsar, Guwahati, Goa, Pune and many other cities. Also, enjoy flights to Delhi from Nashik, Shirdi, Guwahati, Jaisalmer, Jodhpur, Pune, Kanpur, Srinagar, Dharamshala, Bagdogra and Khajuraho and other popular destinations in India. Book now at www.spicejet.com

BIRD-WATCHING

RANGANATHITTU BIRD SANCTUARY

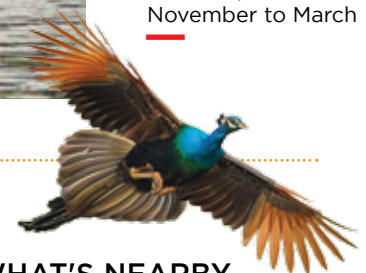
Located on the banks of river Cauvery, the Ranganathittu Bird Sanctuary in Karnataka is a paradise for bird watchers



Located near the quaint Srirangapatna town, the Ranganathittu Bird Sanctuary is home to colonies of over 170 species of birds that live near the river banks. Cormorants, open billed storks, painted storks, ibis, and spoonbills are some of the common birds seen here. In winter, they are joined by a host of migratory birds. It was recently declared a Ramsar site.



You can visit during the nesting season of birds, from June to November, or in winter, from November to March



WHAT TO SEE

Apart from birds, you can spot small animals such as civets, mongoose, in the forested areas. If lucky, you will catch a sight of the crocodile, flying fox and macaques.



Don't miss
Lookout for a glimpse of otters and crocodiles in the waters while boating

WHAT TO DO

Enjoy a guided boat tour in the river, during which trained staff will help you spot the birds



WHAT'S NEARBY

Mysuru is just 18 km from the sanctuary and Bengaluru is around 130 km away. Spend a day in Srirangapatna, about five km away, a river island enclosed by the Cauvery River. Tipu Sultan's Summer Palace is located here. Visit the ancient Ranganathaswamy temple.



The well-connected airport is Bengaluru. SpiceJet connects direct and one-stop flights to Bengaluru from Pune, Goa, Bagdogra, Gwalior, Srinagar, Kolkata, Patna and many more cities in India. Book now at www.spicejet.com

Best seat in the sky.

UPGRADE TO *SpiceMax*
STARTING @ ₹799.*



SEAT WITH
EXTRA
LEGROOM



MEAL WITH
BEVERAGE



PRIORITY
CHECK-IN



PRIORITY
BOARDING



PRIORITY
BAG-OUT

BOOK ON WWW.SPICEJET.COM OR OUR MOBILE APP.
TO UPGRADE, CONTACT YOUR NEAREST CABIN CREW.

www.spicejet.com | +91-124-4983410

*T&C apply.

BIRD-WATCHING

BHIGWAN BIRD SANCTUARY

Popularly referred to as the 'Bharatpur of Maharashtra', the Bhigwan Bird Sanctuary turns into a spectacular birding paradise every winter



Located on the backwaters of the Ujani Dam near Pune, the backwaters around the Bhigwan Bird Sanctuary attract a large number of migratory birds, including the greater flamingo. Also spot brown headed seagull, moorhen, cormorant, spot-billed duck, northern shoveler and osprey western marsh harrier. Emerging as an offbeat hotspot for birders, Bhigwan hosts nearly 230 species of birds. While, in winter birds can be seen everywhere here, one of the most popular points is Diksal, a few kilometres away from Bhigwan. Do not miss the 'flamingo point'!

Don't miss:

Head to Kumbhargaoon village nearby. Here, local fishermen protect the birds and often act as tour guides



Visit between December and March, to sight the migratory birds

WHAT TO SEE

The sanctuary turns all shades of pink as large flamboyance (groups) of flamingos arrive every winter. The sanctuary is also the breeding and nesting ground for the river tern. You can also spot the spoonbill, greater-painted snipe, painted spur fowl, along with the remarkable peregrine falcon here.



WHAT TO DO

Explore on foot or hire a boat for a guided tour. Several Pune-based groups conduct photography trips to Bhigwan.



WHAT'S NEARBY

Pune is about 100 km away. Visit the ancient Palasdeo temple, submerged in the dam and only visible in summer. Another ancient temple, Bhuleshwar, is an hour-long drive away.



The nearest airport is Pune. SpiceJet connects direct and one-stop flights to Pune from Srinagar, Kolkata, Kochi, Ahmedabad, Goa, Chennai, Dharamshala, Jaisalmer, Bagdogra and many more destinations in India. Book now at www.spicejet.com

monsoon
SALON

INDIA'S Fastest Growing Salon Chain

Delhi | Uttar Pradesh | Haryana | Bihar | Jharkhand | Punjab | Manipur | West Bengal |
Telangana | Bhubaneswar | Gujrat | Meghalaya | Maharashtra | Rajasthan | Ladakh |
Assam | Madhya Pradesh | Odisha | Andhra Pradesh |

For
Franchise
Inquiry franchise@monsoonsalon.com

Contact
us
+91 9654784567

www.monsoonsalon.com

Follow us on



BIRD-WATCHING

DEBRIGARH WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

Nestled by the Hirakud dam, the Debrigarh Wildlife Sanctuary in Odisha is an offbeat picturesque forest area known for birding



28

Untouched and hidden between the Hirakud Dam and Reservoir, the Debrigarh Wildlife Sanctuary is an offbeat hotbed of biodiversity and birding destination. The sanctuary is popular for easy sightings of birds and animals and more than 230 species of birds can be found here. The area attracts a significant number of globally-threatened species and has been recognised as an Important Bird and Biodiversity Area (IBA). During winter, hundreds of migratory birds also arrive. History says, these dense forests had once given refuge to noted freedom fighter Veer Surendra Sai during his fight against the British.



WHAT TO SEE

Birds like the black-winged stilt, a variety of pratincole, red-wattled lapwing, Pallas' fish-eagle, and other species of eagles have been spotted here. Wildlife like bisons, wild boars, sambhar and antelope are also abundant. Also explore the scenic dam and reservoir.



The sanctuary offers a panoramic view of the Hirakud Dam. Go boating and watch the birds from close quarters.

WHAT TO DO

You can explore the forest on a guided walking tour or go trekking. Vehicle safaris are also conducted. There are several waterfalls in and around the forest that can be explored. Or you can soak in the grand views of the Mahanadi River delta. While the sanctuary can be a day-tour from Sambalpur, a night stay at the Debrigarh Nature Camp run by the Odisha Forest Development Corporation is worth the time.



The best time to visit the sanctuary is during winter, from October to March

WHAT'S NEARBY

Cultural hotspot Sambalpur is nearby. Enjoy the local music and dance and shop for the famous Sambalpuri sarees.



The nearest airport is Jharsuguda. SpiceJet connects exclusive direct and one-stop flights to Jharsuguda from Delhi, Hyderabad, Mumbai, Ahmedabad, Jaipur, Srinagar, Patna, Jodhpur and many more cities in India. Book now at www.spicejet.com



LET THE BEGINNING BE SPECIAL.

BOOK A PRIVATE CHARTER FOR DESTINATION WEDDING
AND KEEP THOSE JOYFUL MOMENTS PRIVATE. FOR YOUR
PRIVACY, COMFORT AND SAFETY, BOOK NOW.

THERE'S A CHARTER FOR EVERYONE



Q400
BEST SUITED FOR
SMALL GROUP TRAVEL



BOEING 737
BEST SUITED FOR A GROUP TRAVEL
OF UP TO 200 PASSENGERS

For bookings: www.spicejet.com | charters@spicejet.com

INNOVATIONS FOR Comfort & Convenience

From offering maximum privileges at minimum price to special fares for special people, SPICEJET brings you a slew of benefits to make your travel more convenient and memorable



1 SPICEMAX: MAX COMFORT AT MIN PRICE

Now get the best seat in the sky with SpiceMax and enjoy extra comfort and more privileges. Apart from a more comfortable and spacious seating option with significantly extra legroom, you will be offered a delicious meal with a beverage.

Avail of priority services and a lot more to make your travel extra special! All this is for a modest add-on fee starting from INR 799 for domestic flights and INR 1,599 on international routes. Please note that prices may vary as per flight. As they say, it's not the destination but the journey that matters. So book your SpiceMax seat and upgrade your flying experience.

2 SPICE CAFÉ

We love pampering you with choices. So, we have brought you a feast in air. Choose from the wide variety of hot meals and delicious snacks on SpiceJet flights. From sumptuous sandwiches, ready-to-eat items, munchies and beverages, you can buy a variety of refreshments on board.

Delightful hot spreads for breakfast, dinner, lunch, and snack times are available on pre-booking. So, take your pick when you book your SpiceJet ticket. These hot meals are prepared, packed and served to you with utmost caution and under strict safety protocols. Apart from the main meal of the day or sandwich, you can also prebook chef's choices and special meals such as Jain meal, meals for diabetics, gluten-free meals, fruit platters, low-calorie salads, etc. Didn't we say you would be spoilt for choice?



3 SPICELOCK

Here's an offering from SpiceJet that can make flying with us even more cost effective and smart. SpiceLock lets you hold your ticket at the same price for 48 hours, as you take time to make your decision. If you have found a ticket at the right fare, hold it with SpiceLock, so as to ensure that you are protected from surging prices and selling out of tickets. What makes it even more exciting is that you can lock the fare with or without passenger names and book only if your travel is confirmed. Available on both domestic and international routes, SpiceLock is applicable only on bookings made through www.spicejet.com and mobile app.





SPICEPLUS: EXTRA BENEFITS AT NO EXTRA COST

Travelling with safety, comfort and convenience is a choice. With SpicePlus, you can save time with Priority Services like shorter and quicker queues at check-in, quicker and smoother boarding, and lesser waiting time with preferred baggage delivery. You also get to enjoy the convenience of your choice of preferred seat and a meal with a beverage. Add SpicePlus to your booking and get all these benefits for a starting price of just INR 400. Visit www.spicejet.com to book SpicePlus.

YOU 1ST

For all of us at SpiceJet, you always come first! With this special offer, you can skip the queues and avail of premium services like priority check-in, priority boarding, and priority baggage delivery at a nominal price of just INR 399 on domestic routes and INR 650 on international flights.



EXTRA SEAT: OWN YOUR SPACE IN SKY

Introducing the all-new way of flying where you can create your own private space by booking an Extra Seat or a Private Row to enjoy a contact less and stress-free flying experience. You also get to enjoy a host of time-saving services like priority check-in, priority boarding, and priority baggage delivery. And since you have extra space, you also get to carry more with up to 10 kg baggage allowance worth INR 4,500 free. So, sit back, relax and enjoy a contact less, stress-free flying experience.



DOUBLE DELIGHT: SEAT + MEAL COMBO

A great flight can be made even better with a hearty meal enjoyed in the comfort of a seat of your choice, and at discounted rates! Avail of this double delight only on pre-booking. This add-on starts at INR 499 for domestic routes and INR 599 for international flights. It is only available on our website and mobile app.



8

TAXI, PLEASE!

We want you safe and at ease not only in the air but also on the ground. Book SpiceJet's Taxi Service for a seamless end-to-end passenger experience - travel stress-free to and from the airport. The taxi service comes with multiple benefits such as zero cancellation fee and no waiting time with 100 per cent confirmed and sanitised cabs every time you ride. The service is available at all major domestic airports and in Dubai, offering unmatched doorstep convenience. Additionally, you also get instant cash-back on completing your ride with SpiceJet's Taxi Service.



9 VISA SERVICES

Flying to an international destination has never been easier, with SpiceJet bringing you an easy visa process service.

Apply online with the simplest and most convenient visa application process for visas to the UAE, Saudi Arabia, Thailand, Bangladesh, Hong Kong, Sri Lanka, the UK, Singapore, Schengen and many more countries.

VISA2FLY

FOREX SERVICES

Never be hassled again for any international currency while planning a trip abroad. SpiceJet introduces a foreign exchange service for its passengers. These services are powered by BookMyForex. Now, buy Foreign Currency online from the comfort of your home. Choose from more than 35 currencies, including US Dollars, Pound, Euro, Thai Baht, etc. Set a 'rate alert' and get notified when the forex rate reaches the expected level. You can choose from a wide variety of forex services, including buying or selling foreign currency, buying or reloading your forex card, or even transferring money abroad.



12 SENIOR CITIZENS

We care for our elders and won't let them down. That's why SpiceJet offers all senior citizens above 60 years of age up to 14 per cent discount on

base fares. The discount is applicable on domestic flights for both one-way and return journeys and only on direct bookings made through SpiceJet website, mobile app and reservation centre. The bookings made under this fare are changeable and refundable, but are not transferable.



32

10

SPICEFLEX FARE

We want you to transfer your worries to us and fly stress-free. Book with SpiceFlex Fare and enjoy the flexibility of changing your travel plan without worrying about the change fees. Along with this you also get some amazing and never-seen-before benefits like unlimited free date change, sandwich, and also a preferred seat. For passengers flying from Delhi or Mumbai, a free RT-PCR Test can also be availed.

This fare can be booked from SpiceJet website, mobile app, reservation centres, airport, and through travel agents. Select this fare on the Flight Selection page and avail the associated benefits.



FOR STUDENTS ONLY

The life of a student is not easy as you prepare for your future and the country's too. While some of you may be stranded away from home, others may be struggling to carry extra luggage while moving cities. To make flying easier for students, SpiceJet has introduced special fares and offers. Students can enjoy up to 10 per cent discount on base fares and will get to carry 10 kg of extra baggage at no extra cost. Valid on bookings made online at SpiceJet website, mobile app or through reservation centres.



14 HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS

Here's how we salute the doctors, nurses and paramedics who keep us healthy. SpiceJet offers them a 30 per cent discount on base fares. The discount is valid on bookings made online at SpiceJet website and mobile app. The discount is applicable on domestic flights for both one-way and return journeys.



15 FRIENDS & FAMILY

Get up to 25 per cent off on base fare when you book for four or more people together. You can avail of the discount when you book for up to nine passengers. The discount is valid on bookings made at SpiceJet website, mobile app or through our reservation centre, on domestic and international flights for both one-way and return journeys. Changes or cancellation of tickets booked under this fare can only be done through SpiceJet's reservation centre. Cancellation shall only be permissible if a minimum of four passengers are retained in the booking.

16 ARMED FORCES

For the brave men and women of the Indian Armed forces who are keeping the nation safe, SpiceJet offers up to 21 per cent discount on base fares. The discount is valid on bookings that are made online at SpiceJet website, mobile app or through our reservation numbers. It is also available at select airport ticketing offices. The discount is applicable on domestic flights for both one-way and return journeys. The bookings made under this fare are changeable and refundable, but are not transferable.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

SpiceJet has a host of benefits to offer government employees. You can enjoy complimentary seats, excluding those under SpiceMax. Even the extra comfortable SpiceMax seats can be booked at a 25 per cent discount. Avail complimentary meals - vegetarian or non-vegetarian. Change of date or cancellation of tickets booked under this offering can be done at a nominal fee of INR 500. You can also enjoy the convenience of You 1st service at a 50 per cent discount. This is valid on bookings made on SpiceJet website and mobile app.

TRAVEL IN THE *Season of*



34

This Valentine's month give the gift of a cosy holiday. Fly off to any of these offbeat destinations to make priceless memories that last forever

TEXT: BINDU GOPAL RAO



Love

KOLUKKUMALAI, TAMIL NADU

Imagine sipping a piping hot cuppa on the hills that are home to the highest tea plantation in the world! At Kolukkumalai, turn this imagination into reality. As you drive uphill from Suryanelli, a distance of around six km, the rolling greens of the Kolukkumalai Tea Estate play hide-and-seek with the white mist. Located about 38 km from the tourist hotspot Munnar, it's serene and secluded. The mist-enveloped plantation is a dreamy treat, perfect for a romantic break or a family holiday.

At the heart of this green countryside is an old tea factory that you can explore on a guided tour. You can also trek to the view point, the Kolukkumalai spring water source, Garudamalai or try climbing the Arahara mountain. Savour a steaming cup of fragrant tea and bring back batches as souvenirs of your visit. You can stay inside the estate and experience one of the most stunning sunrises in this part of the country. Go for cosy walks or try the adventure of outdoor camping amidst nature.

35

Images are for representational purposes only



Take note: When you are here, visit the Chinnakanal Waterfalls (about 15 km away) that drops from an astounding height. The Pampadum Shola National Park (about 70 km away) is home to some endemic species of fauna and flora.

Nothing makes the sparks fly quite like a quaint vacation. Travelling with your significant other or spending quality time with your family and friends is the best way to strengthen your bond and create lasting and loving memories. In this month of love, here's a list of picturesque off-grid destinations to enjoy a special trip away from the hustle and bustle of everyday life.



December
to February
is the best
time to visit



Image: Ajmal M (IG/ajmal_phoneographer)



DOOARS, WEST BENGAL

An undisturbed and lush stretch of forest land at the foothills of the eastern Himalayas lies Duar or Dooars, meaning 'door', referring to the region being the gateway to Bhutan from India. Divided by the Sankosh River into the Eastern Dooars (Assam Dooars) and the Western Dooars (Bengal Dooars), this is where you can head to for an escape into nature. The dense forests teem with wildlife, as rolling tea gardens touch the horizon, interlaced by babbling rivers. The region is especially known for its wildlife, some of which you can explore at Jaldapara National Park (the largest such in Dooars), Gorumara National Park, Buxa Tiger Reserve, Chilapata Forest and Chapramari Wildlife Sanctuary. The Jaldapara National Park is home to the rare one-horned rhinoceros along



The weather is most pleasant from October to February



Take note: Checkout South Khayerbari (Khairbari), an animal rescue centre, and do not forget to explore the tea gardens



Image: wbtourism.gov.in

with the Indian bison, leopards, spotted deer, hog deer, wild boars and numerous reptile and avian species. Rhinos can also be spotted at Gorumara along with the grand Asiatic elephants.

Spend quality couple time in peaceful Jayanti, a small forest village encircled by Jayanti River and picturesque hills. For a taste of history, make a trip to Buxa Fort, known for the ruins of a detention camp used by the British for detaining Indian freedom fighters. Bond with your close ones over angling, camping and hiking at Murti, a stunning locale by the banks of the Murti River.



The nearest well-connected airport is Bagdogra. SpiceJet connects direct and one-stop flights to Bagdogra from Mumbai, Guwahati, Bengaluru, Delhi, Jaipur and many more cities in India. Book now at www.spicejet.com



The best time to visit Mahabalipuram is from October to February



MAHABALIPURAM, TAMIL NADU

A slice of ancient heritage standing by the brilliant blue sea, Mahabalipuram (Mamallapuram), known for its group of exquisite rock-cut temples from the 7th and 8th centuries, exudes infinite charm. But the UNESCO World Heritage site is equally well-known for its sun-kissed beaches and an endless coastline! Just around 50 km away from the state capital Chennai, Mahabalipuram is a perfect weekend getaway!

One of the most prominent monuments here is the two-towered Shore Temple, overlooking the Bay of Bengal. Believed to be one of the oldest temples in southern India built



Take note: Make a pitstop at the Adivaraha Cave-Temple dedicated to Varaha, an incarnation of Lord Vishnu and do not miss the intricate elaborate relief sculptures here



with granite, it was constructed under king Narasimhavarman II.

Explore 'Arjuna's Penance', a giant relief on stone, 'Five Rathas' (five chariots) an exquisite specimen of India's monolithic rock-cut architecture and 'Krishna's Butterball', an enormous stone ball, which is also a popular photography spot.

The former French settlement of Puducherry (Pondicherry), around two hours away, is a perfect romantic getaway. Enjoy its

bohemian-chic vibes, streets lined with bougainvillea-draped houses, wellness resorts and sumptuous cuisine with your better half or gang of friends.



The nearest well-connected airport is Chennai. SpiceJet connects direct and one-stop flights to Chennai from Port Blair, Srinagar, Mumbai, Pune, Shirdi, Jaisalmer, Goa, Dharamshala and many more cities in India. Book now at www.spicejet.com



Gulmarg is a year-round destination. Visit between December and February to enjoy snow. In summer, experience a pleasant sunny weather and green landscape

38

GULMARG

It doesn't matter how many images of pristine white Gulmarg you see. Your jaw will still drop at the first sight of the powdery slopes of this scenic valley cocooned by the mighty snow-clad Himalayan range. While in summer, it's a dreamland of fresh green meadows and verdant valleys carpeted with wild blooms, and lives upto its name "a meadow of flowers", in winter, Gulmarg is magical! Even if you do not ski, there is a lot to enjoy in the white wonderland and its famous slopes. Hike, trek and experience a ride in the gondola, the highest of its kind in the world. Breathe in the fresh crisp air and feast your eyes on the surrounding beauty as the cable car glides above hills and valleys and appears to get lost in mist



Take note: Check out the Strawberry Valley and live the dream of picking fresh strawberries if you are here between March and July. Pony rides are available

and clouds. Nothing can be more romantic and cosy! Head to the Gulmarg Biosphere Reserve to see rare species of fauna and flora, including the shy and endangered musk deer. The Alpathar Lake, an ode to nature, cocooned by lofty peaks, can be reached via a hike. The

reflection of the mountains on the water surface, which freezes over in the colder months, is a sight to behold. While there is a long list of must-dos in Gulmarg, you can choose to just cosy up in a resort by a warm fire and share a few moments of togetherness. One of the most popular honeymoon destinations in India, Gulmarg makes you fall in love!



The nearest airport is Srinagar. SpiceJet connects direct and one-stop flights to Srinagar from Delhi, Mumbai, Jammu, Bagdogra, Chennai, Patna and many more cities in India. Book now at www.spicejet.com





Image: commons.wikimedia.org

CHITRADURGA FORT, KARNATAKA

This is a stunning fort that holds in its heart ancient secrets of love and war. Located around 200 km from Bengaluru, stands the grand Chitradurga Fort, an offbeat destination that will take you down the pages of history. Life here is centred around the fort, which is believed to be among the country's strongest and is famed for its sophisticated water harvesting system. Locally known as Elusuttina Kote (meaning the fort of seven circles), it once served as the center of Deccan's politics. There are several mythologies associated with this place. According to one local lore, a legendary duel between Bhima (one of the Pandava brothers of the epic *Mahabharata*) and the demon Hidimbasura is said to have taken place here. It's also said that the demon's sister fell in love with Bhima. The two got married



Take note: Visit Chandravalli, an archaeological site that boasts ancient caves and temples. Also make a trip to Vani Vilas Dam, Karnataka's oldest, around 40 km away



and had a son. Another brave tale celebrated here is that of Obavva, a woman, who is said to have single-handedly warded off an attack by invaders.

Within its precincts are several temples and the Onake Obavvana Kindi (*kindi* is the local word for hole), named after Obavva.

While it is said to be one of the strongest hill forts in India, Chitradurga also offers panoramic views of the surrounding hills, the water tanks inside and the verdant greenery. Sitting in the Vedavati River valley, the fort is a picture of calmness. Spend some time in peace here, reliving history and human tales of solidarity and valour.



October through April is the best time to visit



The nearest airport is Bengaluru. SpiceJet connects direct and one-stop flights to Bengaluru from Pune, Goa, Bagdogra, Gwalior, Srinagar, Guwahati, Delhi and many more cities in India. Book now at www.spicejet.com



40

MANDARMANI, WEST BENGAL

An endless stretch of sand, countless colonies of sand bubbler crabs painting the golden beach red, and soft waves of the Bay of Bengal gently kissing the shore – all this and more await you at serene Mandarmani. Located in West Bengal's Purba Medinipur district, Mandarmani is touted to be the longest drivable beach in India (check with locals, though). You can walk or go for a morning jog, as the dawn breaks and fishermen from the nearby village sail in with their pre-dawn haul. You can even buy some of the

**At Mandarmani,
a section of the
beach has been
barricaded to
protect the red
crabs from human
interference,
making it easy to
spot them**



Take note: If you are a foodie, this is where you can indulge in some of the best seafood, especially fish and enjoy delicacies of the region



The most apt time to visit is from October to February



fresh catch from the fishermen and the kitchen staff at your accommodation, in all likelihood, will happily prepare a delicacy with it! Mandarmani, however, is not for a busy holiday. Come here to relax by the sea, count the waves, watch the sun and listen to the wind rustling through the trees lining the beach. Losing track of time is the goal!



The well-connected airport is Kolkata. SpiceJet connects direct and one-stop flights to Kolkata from Bangkok, Port Blair, Pune, Bagdogra, Mumbai, Bengaluru, Kanpur, Goa and many more destinations in India. Book now at www.spicejet.com



The best time to travel to Majuli is from October to February



MAJULI ISLAND, ASSAM

If you are planning a unique escape into the watery world this Valentine's Day, make a trip to Majuli, said to be the world's largest inhabited river island. Situated on the mighty Brahmaputra River, Majuli is a green paradise, dotted with quaint villages sitting on the banks of the water. Boats ferry people and goods, weaving their way between green farmlands and homes that are dramatically perched on stilts. Majuli is also home to astounding art heritage, including the stunning handcrafted masks. The major attraction here are the monastery-like *satras*. A tour of a few *satras* will offer a glimpse of the culture of the island through artefacts, literature,



Take note: Majuli is a birding hub and attracts enthusiasts from across the world. Some of the birds you can see here are white-backed vulture, spot-billed pelican and greater adjutant stork



The fine *muga* silk, a textile heritage of Assam, is abundantly used in the clothes made in Majuli

arts and crafts. Some of the *satras* that deserve a visit, include Kamalabari (Kamalabari) for ornate ceiling work, performing art, museum and historical artefacts; Auniati, which is home to several monks and Samaguri, where elaborate masks are made by hand for dances and story-telling.

Hop onto a boat to ride like a local or follow a cycling trail. Plan a day out with the locals learning the tricks of mask-making. Set a sunset date and experience one of the most ethereal dusks.



The well-connected airport is Guwahati. SpiceJet connects direct and one-stop flights to Guwahati from Delhi, Mumbai, Jaipur, Bagdogra, Udaipur and many more destinations in India. Book now at www.spicejet.com



42

KARJAT, MAHARASHTRA

One of the most engaging adventure activity hubs in Maharashtra, Karjat is known for trekking, river rafting and hiking. After an adrenaline high, feast your eyes on the lush green Sahyadri hills dotted with silver waterfalls, caves, forts and many sunset and sunrise points. A perfect destination for a short trip to escape the rush of city life, Karjat is a picture-perfect spot of green. In monsoon,

**A great
trekking
option
at Karjat
is from
Vavarle to
Matheran**



Take note:

Explore the Ulhas River Valley, the Kothaligad Fort, the Kondana Buddhist caves and the Bhimashankar temple. Around 20 km away is the popular vacation spot Matheran.



Karjat is at its best during monsoon. The weather is pleasant between September and February

it's dreamier, with the pinnacles of the hills lost in the clouds and rain-fed rivulets streaming down verdant slopes. Its pleasant weather and clean air has made it a burgeoning health resort destination as well. Nearby, you can visit the ancient rock-cut caves and the imposing Maratha forts.



The nearest well-connected airport is Mumbai. SpiceJet connects direct and one-stop flights to Mumbai from Bagdogra, Jaipur, Srinagar, Varanasi, Jodhpur, Jaisalmer, Dharamshala, Jabalpur, Guwahati, Udaipur and many other destinations in India. Book now at www.spicejet.com

ZERO CANCELLATIONS. ZERO TENSION.



SPICEJET'S 'TAXI SERVICE'. FOR AIRPORT DROPS AND PICK-UPS.

Book SpiceJet's Taxi Service and travel stress-free to and from the airport. A 100% confirmed, on-time and sanitized cab is assured at all times.



100%
CONFIRMED
CABS



ZERO
CANCELLATION
CHARGES



SANITIZED
CABS



ZERO
WAIT TIME



INSTANT
CASHBACK



HASSLE-FREE
TRAVEL

For lowest flight fares, book on spicejet.com or call +91-124-4983410.

*T&C apply.

A LIVING ROMANCE

HIGHLIGHTS



MUST VISIT

Said to be one of the best in India, the Udaipur Solar Observatory is a must-visit. It's surrounded by water, which helps in reducing air turbulence and it has a wide range of telescopes.



MUST DO

To get a glimpse of Rajasthan's rich art and craft, visit Shilpgram, a rural handicraft complex on the outskirts of Udaipur.



TRAVEL TIP

Visit Udaipur during the annual Mewar Festival (to be held in March/April this year) to experience the glorious traditions of Rajputana brought alive.

The grand City Palace, where a boat ride is a must-try experience



With resplendent palaces hugging the banks of mystical lakes and timeless lanes winding through charming bazaars, Udaipur beckons you to fall in love

TEXT: VIJAYA PRATAP



Map not to scale



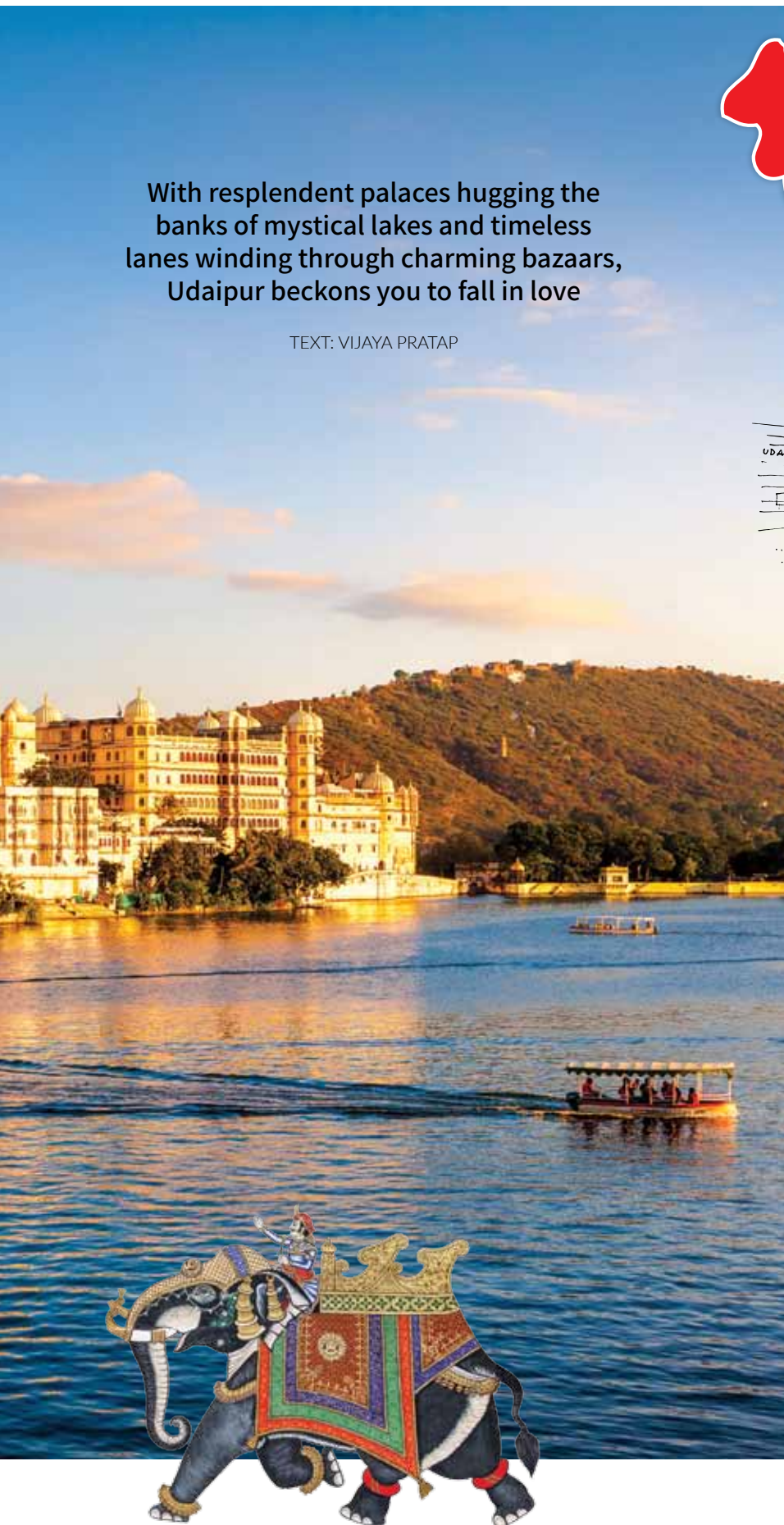
45

A dreamy palace snuggled beside a serene lake. Old ornate houses, revered temples, vibrant bazaars and secrets from the past echoing through winding streets. Nestled in the lap of the mighty Aravalli range, Udaipur is charm incarnate!

This resplendent city in Rajasthan, also known as the Venice of the East, has something to offer every tourist. Catch the last rays of the golden sun as you glide on a lake in a cosy boat, break bread with dawn as an exotic hill-top palace reveals itself from behind a veil of mist. Or match the rhythm of folk dancers inside an ornate *haveli* (house).

CITY PALACE

The most popular attraction of Udaipur, the City Palace, is a majestic architectural marvel towering over Lake Pichola. The balconies, cupolas, and towers of the palace give a wonderful view of the lake and the surrounding city. The collective efforts of many kings over centuries, this complex





TRY THESE

A boat ride in Lake Pichola is a must. Reflecting the purple mountains on its mirror-like blue surface, it's magical. Boats leave regularly from Rameshwar Ghat in City Palace. They take you to Jagmandir Island, where you can spend some time before taking any boat back.

Plan a day trip to the majestic 15th-century Kumbhalgarh Fort, just about two hours by road from Udaipur. The fort is perched high on the Aravalli Range with its walls stretching till the horizon. It's said it has one of the world's longest walls. It is also the birthplace of Mewar's legendary king Maharana Pratap. On the way back, stop at Ranakpur Jain temple complex.

If you are a car lover, see the royal vintage car collection within the grounds of the Garden Hotel.



The island palace of Jag Mandir

includes four major and several minor palaces with beautiful courtyards, pavilions, terraces, corridors, rooms and gardens. A part of the palace is now preserved as a museum displaying royal artefacts.

The main entrance is through the triple-arched Tripolia gate with eight marble porticos. It is said kings were weighed under this gate in gold, the equivalent amount of which was distributed among the public. Inside the complex, marvel in awe at Suraj Gokhda, or the balcony of the sun; Mor Chowk, known for its exquisite peacock glass mosaics and Chini Chitrashala, noted for its blue and white ceramics. Don't miss the light

and sound show organised here every evening.

LAKE PALACE

The Pichola Lake's surroundings and the several islands within the lake have been developed over the centuries, with palaces, marble temples, mansions and bathing *ghats* (stepped bank). Among these, the jewel is the Lake Palace (now converted into a heritage hotel) in the middle of the lake, said to be the most photographed monument in India, after the Taj Mahal. The Lake Palace was originally called Jag Niwas and served as a summer palace. The walls are made of black and white marble and adorned with



GALLERIES OF AWE

The City Palace houses several popular galleries that showcase silver items, paintings, sculptures, textiles and palanquins etc. Located inside the Fateh Prakash Palace, which has been converted into a hotel, is the Crystal Gallery that boasts of the largest private collection of crystal ware in the world. The Crystal Gallery showcases an astounding collection of crystal ware from around the world! A carpet woven with gold and silver threads and studded with precious stones is certainly the showstopper!



The strikingly beautiful Lake Palace



The most apt time to travel is winter, from October till March. But the city is also one of the top monsoon destinations in India

Udaipur's Jaisamand Lake is said to be the second-largest man-made sweet water lake in Asia

semi-precious stones and ornamented niches. Gardens, fountains, pillared terraces, and columns line its courtyards.

JAG MANDIR

Jag Mandir is a fairy-tale palace built on an island in Lake Pichola. Also called the Lake Garden Palace, the royal family used it as its summer resort and for hosting get-togethers. Interestingly, some say Mughal emperor Shah Jahan drew inspiration from it to build the Taj Mahal. Lit up at night, the palace is magical!



Looking for Material Handling Solutions ?

Since 1985, Light Lift India Pvt. Ltd. an ISO 9001-2015 has been Manufacturing & Exporting Material Handling Equipment like E.O.T. / H.O.T. Cranes, Electric Wire Rope Hoist, Chain Pulley Blocks, Jib Cranes, Goods lift, Hydraulic Hand Pallet Truck, Hydraulic-Scissor Lift Table, Manual/Electric Stackers, Winches etc.



Scissor Lift



Electric Wire Rope Hoist



EOT Crane Single/Double Girder

www.lightlift.com



Light Lift India Pvt. Ltd.

An ISO 9001 : 2015 Certified Co.

D.U.N.S. No. 65-047-9561

Plot No. 52, Sector-27A, Faridabad-121003, (Haryana), INDIA. | CIN: U51103HR2008PTC038090

Mob.: 98110 85687, 93107 08980. | E-mail: info@lightlift.com, mktg@lightlift.com

Light Lift (Pvt) Ltd, Sri Lanka (P V 00202927)

Registered
with Railways,
MECON
& other
Govt. Deptt.'s

Things to Know

EAT

Udaipur is a gastronome's delight. Start your day with *poha* (snack made of beaten rice flakes) and during the day feast on street delicacies like *mirchi bada* (snack made of chillies), a variety of *kachoris* (deep-fried savories) and traditional sweets like *ghevar*, *mawa mishri*, *laddoo* and *halwa*. Don't miss the iconic Rajasthani *dal-baati-churma* meal. Do have a meal at any of the lake-facing roof-top cafes.



SHOP

While Rajasthani, the state government emporium, offers a variety of traditional handicraft items, you should explore the tiny shops lining old streets for unique handmade items. From tie-dye fabrics and clothing, to leather footwear, silver jewellery and striking home décor items, these busy markets are an experience. There are many near the City Palace entrance.



SAHELIYON KI BARI

Specially designed as a garden for a queen and her entourage, this green retreat on the banks of Fateh Sagar lake is a feast for the eye. Along with a small museum on Indian history, it has several attractions such as marble elephants, fountains, kiosks and a lotus pool.

SAJJAN GARH

Situated on the outskirts of Udaipur, the Monsoon Palace is a dream built in white marble. Perched on top of a hill like a fairy-tale castle, it was originally an astronomical centre, but later served as a monsoon palace and hunting lodge. From here catch the setting sun and spectacular views of the city. The James Bond film *Octopussy* was shot here. At the foot of the hill is the Sajjan Garh Wildlife Sanctuary.

JAGDISH TEMPLE

An important landmark in Udaipur, this much-revered temple is dedicated to Lord Vishnu. With carved pillars, graceful ceilings and



Museum displays inside Bagore ki Haveli

painted walls, the three-storied temple is a majestic structure.

ART AND CULTURE

Every evening, the gracious Bagore ki haveli (an old and ornate residence), at Gangaur Ghat, hosts a colourful show of Rajasthani folk dances. Spend some time at the beautiful *ghat* and watch the mesmerising show of dusk. As the sun dips, the city comes to life with glittering lights twinkling magically, rippling on the lake's surface.

NATURE LOVERS

For birdwatchers, there is Arsi Vilas on a small lake island. A sanctuary for a variety of birds, it was once used as an ammunition depot.



WELCOME TO
THE HOUSE OF FINEST
TRADITIONAL
ROYAL JEWELS

BK

JOHARI BAZAR
JEWELLERY | SILVERWARE | WATCHES

E17, Third Floor, South Extension II,
New Delhi 110049



BRANDS AVAILABLE


BIKANERSTATE
JEWELLERS
A Branch of Bikaner


AABHUSHAN

 **HALLMARK STERLING & CO™**

PM
PETER MINUIT®
NEW YORK
OWN A PIECE OF NEW YORK

FOR LEASING OF COUNTER AT JOHARI BAZAR, PLEASE CONTACT
info@bkjoharibazar.com | +91 98713 43099



'BE IN LOVE WITH YOURSELF'

From being one of India's first celebrity VJs, to making Bollywood dance numbers iconic and drool-worthy and from challenging societal norms to setting new fitness goals, Malaika Arora believes reinvention is the key to success. Here's a free-wheeling conversation on what moves her

TEXT: AARTI KAPUR SINGH

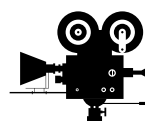
50

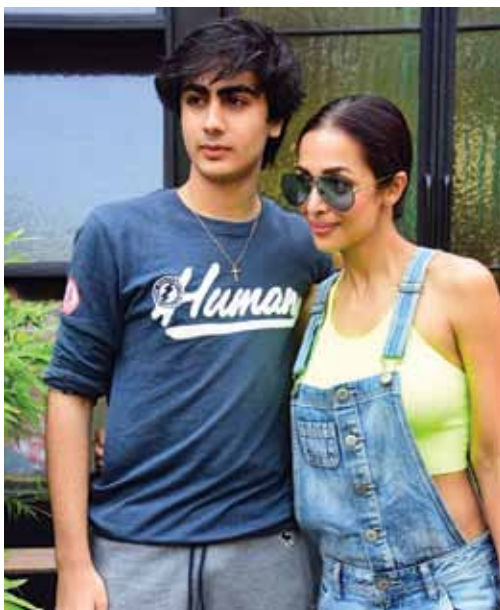
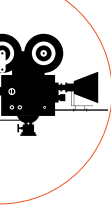


Image: masala.com

The only rule Malaika Arora has followed in her life is to follow her own rules. Whether it is dancing atop a train to the song "*Chaiyya Chaiyya*", or being one of India's first female VJs and storming male bastions - she has never shied away from taking a leap or more of faith. Despite the fickle nature of showbiz, Arora has survived close to three decades in Bollywood. And now, the VJ, model, actor, dancer, television show host, and fitness diva, has unapologetically opened the doors of her home and life to get fans to 'move in' with her, in an OTT series *Moving in with Malaika*.

The 49-year-old is not only among the highest-paid judges on Indian reality TV, but can give many divas, almost half her age, a run for their shimmies. Arora swears by two elixirs to keep her in shape: "One is my *mamma's* scolding and the other is a *methi* [fenugreek] concoction I drink every morning religiously!" So, this is what the stunner does: "Take a glass of water and soak one tablespoon each of *methi*, *ajwain*





Arora
with
her son
Arhaan



Image: ottplay.com

"I believe that the first and most important person to love is you, yourself! We often tend to ignore our own self, both emotionally and sometimes even physically. But self-love is very important."

[carom] and *jeera* [cumin] seeds in it. Let it sit overnight and the next morning, strain this drink and have it. The soaked seeds can be added to any curry."

This probably is the secret of not just the way she looks, but the multiple hats Arora sports. "I am in a very happy and contented space in life. I am focussing on Malaika Arora Ventures to support young entrepreneurs, many of whom are women who have found a new sense of purpose after emerging from the pandemic. It

has been interesting to connect with a wide spectrum of people and engage with their ideas and visions. Many of their projects align with my areas of interest, whether fashion, food, wellness, or lifestyle and it's wonderful to have the opportunity to give other innovative individuals a launch-pad of sorts," she says.

In a heart-to-heart chat, she talks about fitness, food and favs.

You wear many hats. Which is your favourite identity?

That I am Arhaan's mom! That's the 'role' I love the most and I am most proud of. As a mother, I am not a 'helicopter', buzzing around him constantly, but I am definitely strict. That's a trait I have inherited from my mother. I think I am both a parent and a friend to Arhaan. I would like to believe I am fun, relaxed, and don't monitor his

every move, but Arhaan knows that there are some things I will neither overlook nor justify.

What's your mantra for life?

Reinvention! People in the public eye are brands in their own right and need to adapt to changing times and expectations. But first, reinvention has to be a personal and mental state before it is nudged along by people you associate with.

You are extremely popular on social media. How do you stay ahead?

I love social media and I feel I leverage it quite effectively, but I find everything has to be pre-mediated, calculated, and measured. As celebrities, we have to navigate each moment and day extremely carefully.

If not an actor, what would Malaika Arora be?

I never wanted to be an actor. I was actually more keen on becoming a teacher or a child psychologist.



Rapid Fire



Favourite food?

I love *sambar*-rice, seafood and fish curry. I'm a part Malayali, so I can't live without it! Carbohydrates are my favourite macronutrient. When my mother is cooking, I stuff myself with stew and *appam*. At home, I prefer having a three-course South Indian meal with a big glass of green juice and a bowl of fruits. Though I prefer being vegan, but post recovering from Covid, I felt that my body needed non-vegetarian protein, so I went back to fish. When I'm travelling I usually have nuts and fruits. Not just eating, I also enjoy cooking.

What are you most comfortable cooking?

I am good with fish. My favourite ingredient is coconut and I use it a lot. It is delicious and nutritious. I also love replicating my mom's recipes, like a Malabari fish curry.

A fashion trend you started and love

I think those sky-high red heels from the song "*Gur Nalo Ishq Mitha!*" They are still quite popular!

Three words that best describe Arjun Kapoor (rumoured beau)?

Progressive, sensitive, caring!

Favourite hobby?

Fitness, though not necessarily spending hours in a gym! I love dancing too. I have trained in ballet, jazz and bharatnatyam.



Image: newindian.in

What's the first thing you do upon waking up.

I look into the hand mirror on my bedside, and say 'Thank you and I love you.' It may sound strange but I believe that the first and most important person to love is you, yourself! We tend to ignore our own self - emotionally and sometimes even physically. But self-love is very important.

What's the first characteristic that makes you like or dislike a person?

I can't stand dishonesty. I feel I can easily guess if a person is being honest or not. Most of the times, an honest person would have a twinkle in the eye and that's my proof.

A project you are most excited about?

I am definitely looking forward to *Moving In With Malaika 2.0*, especially after the success of the first season.

What goals have you set for yourself in 2023?

I want to break a few more stereotypes and take off society's standard 'labels'. I want to keep living the way I am doing. Hopefully, I will be able to help a few people and better their lives as well.



NOW APPLY FOR A VISA ON SPICEJET.COM AND SAVE UP TO ₹ 750.*



USE CODE VISA250
to avail ₹ 250 off
on booking of
₹ 5000 to ₹ 19999.



USE CODE VISA750
to avail ₹ 750 off
on booking of
₹ 20000 & above.



UAE



SRI LANKA



MALAYSIA



SCHENGEN



UNITED
KINGDOM



SINGAPORE



THAILAND



SCAN TO APPLY NOW

and many more countries.

POWERED BY

VISA2FLY

PEARL OF THE ocean

With pristine tropical beaches, lush tea plantations, jaw-dropping ancient architecture and dense forests hiding centuries of secrets, Sri Lanka is a vacationer's heaven! Here's a list of what not to miss

TEXT: KETKI GADRE

An island paradise. Pearl of the Indian Ocean and Teardrop Isle. One cannot possibly pick a favourite nickname for tropical paradise Sri Lanka. From endless beaches that line the island-nation's southern coast, lush tropical jungles to get lost in, and misty mountain towns that take your breath away to verdant horizon-kissing tea plantations, ancient heritage sites and lip-smacking food, Sri Lanka is quintessential. What's better is that many of the best attractions and destinations are only a couple of hours apart. You

could spend a morning at one of the country's eight UNESCO World Heritage sites, go on a wildlife safari in the afternoon, and then in the evening, enjoy tea at one of the plantations or have a lavish dinner at a beach-side cafe! Here's a handy guide you can follow.

COLOMBO

The executive and judicial capital of Sri Lanka, Colombo is where the Sri Lankan journey begins for most tourists. Once known as the 'Garden city of the East', the sprawling metropolis is a



An aerial view of the southern beach stretch, near the town of Weligama

55

fine blend of its colonial past and a chic present. It's home to many historical and tourist attractions like the Dutch Hospital, the Dutch Period Museum, the Viharamahadevi Park and many more. Plan a trip to the National Museum, which is a one-stop lesson in Sri Lanka's history. A *tuk-tuk* ride is the best way to explore Colombo. For a taste of luxury, try any of the posh restaurants or boutiques. Watch the sunset from Galle Face Green, or better still, charter a yacht from the Port City Marina and see Colombo from the sea.

SIGIRIYA

A treasure trove of ancient architectural innovation in the form of moats and water gardens with advanced irrigation systems, Sigiriya is a breathtaking 5th-century rock fortress. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, it is also called the Lion Rock. A stunning sight, the nearly 200-m-high massive monolithic column of rock rises into the sky from the flat forested lands surrounding it. Built



Best Time to Visit: Sri Lanka's climate is affected by two separate monsoon seasons. The best time to visit Colombo, Galle, and the southern beaches is during the dry season from December to March.

In Colombo, also visit the Old Parliament, the old lighthouse and Gangarama Seema Malakaya, a unique meditation centre





The trail to the top of the gigantic Diyaluma waterfall passes through deep valleys covered in lemon grass plants, small clear rock pools and tall swaying trees

56

(Above) The stunning Sigiriya rock fortress
(Right) A train ride from Kandy to Ella is an unforgettable experience, as you travel through lush forests enveloped in mist

by king Kasyapa (477-495 AD), a series of galleries and staircases emerging from the mouth of a gigantic lion constructed of bricks and plaster provide access to the site! Around 1,200 steps lead to the dizzying top.

KANDY

A bustling city in Sri Lanka's hilly region, Kandy is one of the most popular tourist destinations. Surrounded by rainforest draped mountains, and tea plantations, Kandy is home to the Temple of the Tooth, also known as Sri Dalada Maligawa, which is believed to house Lord Buddha's tooth. If you have time, drive out of the city to the Peradeniya Royal Botanical Gardens, known for its orchid house and aromatic spice plantations. Every year, between July and August, Kandy hosts the popular Kandy Esala Perahera festival.

ANURADHAPURA

The sacred city of Anuradhapura is said to be the ancient Sinhalese capital of Sri Lanka. Buddhism flourished here, proof of which is preserved in the many Buddhist temples and stupas dotting the

landscape. A UNESCO World Heritage site, the city has one of the oldest historically-documented trees on Earth, Jaya Sri Bodhi, that's said to have grown from a branch of the tree under which Lord Buddha had attained Enlightenment! Plan a short trip to Minneriya and Kaudulla National Parks, about two hours away, for exceptional sightings of the wild Asian elephant. From around April to October every year, this region witnesses the spectacular "gathering of the wild elephants." In these dry months, a large number of elephants emerge from the forest in search of water.



PINNAWALA ELEPHANT ORPHANAGE

Just an hour away from Kandy, watch herds of wild elephants in their natural habitat at Pinnawala, a unique orphanage and nursery for elephants. The daily bathing ritual of the elephants is very popular.





If you have any feedback or suggestions on any aspect of our services, please send us an e-mail at custrelations@spicejet.com

You may also send your feedback to the following people:

NODAL OFFICER:

Mr Sachin Suri
nodalofficer@spicejet.com

APPELLATE AUTHORITY:

Mr Kamal Hingorani
appellateauthority@spicejet.com

THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL

AVIATION, Government of India, has upgraded its Air Sewa portal, which is accessible through both interactive web portal and mobile app. The new version includes the following features:

- a) Secure sign-up and log-in with social media
- b) Chatbot for travellers' support
- c) Improved grievance management, including social media grievance
- d) Real-time flight status and detailed flight schedule

Air Sewa is available at www.airsewa.gov.in

FLAVOURS OF CHOICE

Sri Lankan food is distinct in its flavour, with a generous use of coconut, which grows in abundance. Local fruits and fresh spices are also used. A typical Sri Lankan meal is made of rice or *idiyaapam* (string hoppers or rice flour noodles) accompanied by fish *ambuli thiyal* (sour fish curry), *parippu* (lentil curry), *pol sambol* (spicy coconut relish), *wambatu moju* (eggplant pickle) and others. If you are a seafood lover, feast on tuna, snapper, barracuda, and crabs. For vegetarians, the varied jackfruit curries are a treat. If you can tolerate spice, try the fiery Jaffna goat curry.



GALLE

Hip yet filled with heritage, Galle's fortified old city on the southwest coast of Sri Lanka is another of the country's impressive UNESCO World Heritage Sites. With the Galle Fort as its prime attraction, the city is a vibrant mix of history, trendy markets, art and culture. Galle resembles an uptown tropical paradise, with secluded beaches, classy boutiques, restaurants, and hotels, most occupying old colonial buildings along cobblestone streets.

BEACHES OF SRI LANKA

The palm-fringed southern coast of Sri Lanka is home to some of the best beaches in the country. While each beach has its own unique character, they are all popular for their idyllic scenery, water sports including surfing, and beach swings under palm trees. Grab a coconut and watch the sunset from the hammock of any beach. Ventura (Bentota), Wijaya, Hiriketiya and Mirissa are some of the best ones to explore.

ADAM'S PEAK

For a taste of heritage and spirituality, climb around 5,000 steps to Sri Pada or Adam's Peak, one of the most iconic natural landmarks in Sri Lanka and a popular religious site. The

(Top) A sitting Buddha statue at Mihintale, near Anuradhapura

(Above) Do click a picture of the iconic fishermen standing on stilts catching fish the traditional way in Galle

CULTURE

An ancient land, known for Buddhism, Sri Lanka has a rich cultural heritage, with most traditions linked to divinity. Enjoy many dance forms, including the highly refined *kandyan* dancing, which has been associated over several centuries with state ceremony and religious rituals in and around Kandy. More popular among tourists is the dramatic fire dance or *Pandam Paliya*. Traditional massages are also popular and there are several wellness resorts that offer a complete healing package. Spirituality is intertwined with Sri Lankan art and one of the best places to explore it is Dambulla. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, Dambulla has a well-preserved Buddhist rock-cut shrine complex.



DID YOU KNOW?
Sri Lanka is one of the largest exporters of tea in the world, and grows black, green, silver and golden varieties

TAKE YOUR BRAND'S REACH, SKY-HIGH.

Increase your brand's footprint by partnering with us.
 With hundreds of flights flying over thousands of passengers every day, imagine the number of people your brand will connect with.



MEDIA PROPERTIES

 DURING TRANSIT	 DIGITAL MEDIA	 AT THE AIRPORT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aircraft Livery • Step Ladder 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Digital Itinerary and Boarding Pass • Promotional E-mailers • Social Media Platforms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boarding Pass • Brand Shoots with Aircraft • On-ground Engagements

IN-FLIGHT

- Sky Line Window Panel • Cabin Bulk Head • Head Rest Cover • Tray Table
- Seat Pocket Insert • In-flight Sampling • In-flight Announcements and Jingles
- In-flight Menu and Magazine

IN-FLIGHT ENTERTAINMENT

- Carousel • Interstitial • Digital Banner Ad • Video Ad • On-boarding Screen

Ventura or Bentota is one of the most popular beaches in Sri Lanka, dotted with many upscale sea-facing resorts



60



soaring sacred peak has a hollow resembling a human foot and is venerated by people from almost all religions. It offers soothing views of the dense forest-covered landscape, specially at dawn! Three major rivers of Sri Lanka — Kelani, Walawe, and Kalu — originate at Adam's Peak and the surrounding region is a tropical rainforest and includes the Peak Wilderness Sanctuary.

ELLA

A quaint hilly village, Ella is perfect for a leisurely holiday spent exploring the green countryside, visiting Sri Lanka's legendary tea estates, enjoying long walks and going for picturesque hikes. The Kandy-Ella train ride is extremely

popular due to the breathtaking panoramic views of waterfalls and misty mountains covered in a thick green carpet of tea bushes. Diyaluma Falls, one of Sri Lanka's highest waterfalls, is also nearby.

UDAWALAWE

Sprawling across the southern lowlands and bordered by soaring highlands, Udawalawe is one of the most popular wildlife parks in Sri Lanka, known for sightings of the Asian elephant. You can also sight wild buffaloes, sambars and spotted deer, and giant squirrels. Safaris can be enjoyed in the morning and evening.

YALA NATIONAL PARK

Hugging the Indian Ocean sits Yala National Park, which is said to have a leopard density that's higher than anywhere else in the world. While leopard spotting is common here, elephants also roam carefree and in large numbers. Deep inside the forest is hidden the remains of an ancient civilisation; the monastic settlement of Sithulpawwa, an important pilgrim site. All that remain of the glorious days are a few temples and many tanks, which become the watering holes for animals during the dry season.

(Top) Sri Lanka's southern coast is dotted with serene beaches like Hikkaduwa (Above) A Sri Lankan leopard at Yala National Park and (right) a lush tea plantation at Ella



THE MOST CRITICAL PART OF YOUR BLOOD TEST IS NOT YOUR BLOOD TEST.

70% OF THE ACCURACY OF A BLOOD TEST DEPENDS ON PRE-ANALYTICS (SAMPLE COLLECTION)*

Flebo.in wants you to change the way you think about blood tests. Because it's the sample collection, that's the most critical part of your blood tests. Flebo.in offers you the flexibility to choose your trusted lab and its scientific, safe and painless sample collection process ensures you get the most accurate test results. Read on to discover how.

NEXT TIME ANY PHLEBOTOMIST COMES FOR YOUR TEST, MAKE SURE YOU ASK THEM THESE QUESTIONS

DO THEY HAVE ANTI-MICROBIAL UNIFORMS?

A unique anti-microbial shield prevents the spread of infections, as Flebos go door-to-door.

DO THEY USE PAINLESS NEEDLES?

We use FDA approved patented bevel tipped needles which require 32% less pressure and are specially designed to effectively "self-destruct" after a single use and are impossible to re-use.

DO THEY USE SINGLE-USE EQUIPMENT INCLUDING TORNQUETS?

All our equipment is single-use including the tourniquets and vacutainer needle holder used to collect blood. The Flebo will open a sealed package in front of you and remove all equipment from it.

IS SHE/HE CERTIFIED & SKILLED?

We send you our Flebos' certificate by SMS before they arrive. You can be sure that they are properly certified and trained to make sample collection a comfortable experience even for the elderly and children.

DO BLOOD SAMPLES REACH YOUR LAB IN PERFECT CONDITION?

We use high quality cold gel packs to ship blood samples safely to the lab so that you get accurate results and eliminate re-testing.

DO THEY CARRY BUTTERFLY NEEDLES?

All our Flebos are trained in using butterfly needles, that make it easier to draw blood painlessly from patients with 'difficult to find' veins.

WE CALL OUR PHLEBOTOMISTS, FLEBOS. MEET FLEBO NEHA!



INAUGURAL
OFFER

ZERO COLLECTION CHARGES
+
20% OFF FOR FIRST TIME USERS

100% CASHBACK
IN YOUR WALLET

USE CODE

SPICE20100**

80+ TRUSTED LAB PARTNERS



BEST VALUE FROM 80+ TRUSTED LABS | HIGHLY RANKED WITH MORE THAN 8K RATINGS
ON-TIME REPORT DELIVERY OR YOUR MONEY BACK | MORE CHOICE OF LABS
LIFELONG ACCESS TO MEDICAL REPORTS | SAMPLE COLLECTION SUITED TO YOUR EASE

f Flebo.in @ Flebo.in 🐦 FleboOfficial 📺 Flebo.in

*as per many studies including those by National Center for BioTechnology Information, USA
**For first time users only.

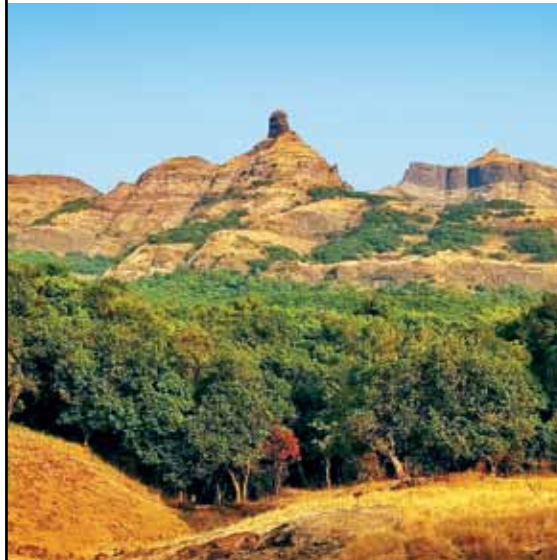
BOOK ANY TEST FROM ANY LAB
www.Flebo.in | 012 44 55 0000

SERVICES ARE PRESENTLY AVAILABLE IN DELHI / NCR





Raneh falls and canyon, Madhya Pradesh: The Raneh Falls is a natural waterfall on the Ken River, located around 20 km from Khajuraho. The river forms a canyon made of pure crystalline granite in varying shades of colours, from pink and red to grey. The canyon is around 5 km long and about 30 m deep and is marked by a series of waterfalls.



Sandhan Valley, Maharashtra:

A mysterious landscape nestled in the Western Ghats, the Sandhan Valley is also known as the "valley of shadows". It is said that at places, the gorge is so narrow and the walls of the valley so steep and high that even the sun's rays can't reach the valley floor! Around 1.5 km long and 60 m deep, this is said to be the second-largest valley in Asia. Near the beautiful Bhandardara hill station, and many forts, Sandhan offers excellent trekking and camping opportunities. It's around 180 km from Mumbai.

63

Gorgeous Gorges

Rising high into the sky and sinking deep into the belly of the Earth, and crisscrossed by gushing waterfalls or rivers, India's topography is dotted with many dramatic valleys and canyons. We suggest a few you can explore

Home to some of the world's oldest mountain ranges, India is marked by incredible deep valleys and gorges adorned with lush forests, sparkling rivers and gushing waterfalls. These are also adventure hubs, offering travellers excellent hiking, trekking and rapelling options. Get your bags! Let's explore these picturesque canyons in India.



64

Laitlum Canyon, Meghalaya: One of the best-kept secrets of Meghalaya, the Laitlum Canyon is a dramatic landscape of breathtaking gorges located about 20 km from Shillong. Seemingly unending, the canyon is painted in a multitude of hues and offers some of the best sunset and sunrise views. It's a trekkers' paradise.



Gangani Grand Canyon, West Bengal: Tucked away in Paschim Medinipur district of West Bengal, Gangani (or Gongoni) is a nearly 20-m-deep natural canyon carved by the river Shilabati. A combination of sheer cliffs, earth pillars and caves formed by centuries of erosion, the land is in all shades of brown, red and patches of green. Folklore says this landscape was formed when rocks were dented by one of the Pandava brothers, Bhima, during a fight with a demon. Around 200 km from Kolkata, it is a popular sight-seeing spot in winter.



Chambal Canyon, Rajasthan: A much photographed area in India is the Chambal River canyon located in Rajasthan. An incredible destination for adventure lovers, the canyon offers breath-taking views of the river. It's around 250 km from Jaipur.

Gandikota, Andhra Pradesh: Gandikota in Andhra Pradesh is a gorgeous village known for being home to the grand eponymous canyon. The gorge is so formed that the Pennar river flows about 90 m below on two sides. Close to the Gandikota Fort, it's about 280 km from Bengaluru. Just two hours away, explore Belum Caves, one of India's largest natural cave systems.





SPICE STAR
ACADEMY

SpiceJet
Red. Hot. Spicy.

YOUR RUNWAY TO A GLAMOROUS CABIN CREW JOB.

Receive your Offer Letter on Day One.

A glamorous career that pays handsomely awaits you. Out of 550 students, 400 are already flying with SpiceJet. Bears testimony that Spice Star Academy graduates are already ruling the skies. So don't just aim for the stars.

Join Spice Star. And be a star.



COURSE OFFERED:

Certificate in In-flight
Management
(Cabin Crew Training)

Certificate in In-flight
Management
(Cabin Crew Training)
with Bachelor of Business
Administration*

Certificate in In-flight
Management
(Cabin Crew Training)
with Master of Business
Administration*

*BBA and MBA from Amity University (Online)



JOURNEY OF A SPICE STAR



OFFER LETTER
ON DAY OF JOINING



CERTIFICATE IN IN-FLIGHT
MANAGEMENT IN 6 MONTHS



START FLYING AS
CABIN CREW WITH SPICEJET



RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM
OF 18-22 DAYS AT
AMITY UNIVERSITY**



GRADUATION DEGREE
FROM
AMITY UNIVERSITY**



contact@spicestaracademy.edu.in



www.spicestaracademy.edu.in



+91 8448881757,
+91 8448881756.

**For those opting for BBA and MBA courses. | Disclaimer: Past record is no guarantee of future prospects.

Tech Talks

From futuristic products to innovative services, here's the latest from the world of technology

68



Had a chat with ChatGPT?

Till about a couple of years ago, AI or Artificial Intelligence, was an interesting concept that seemed stuck in researches and studies. But, in end-2022, with the launch of ChatGPT, the popular conversational AI model capable of mimicking human responses, took the world by storm, bringing AI-enabled smart services to our mobile phones! The chatbot, powered by OpenAI's GPT-3 language model, impressed millions with its ability to quickly generate articulate responses to several types of questions. What awes ChatGPT users the most is the uncannily human-like responses that it offers! And now, OpenAI has dropped a teaser about the release of GPT-4 and has also said that it has been updated with improved accuracy.



WORLD'S 1st AI BOOK BY AN INDIAN COMPANY

A Mumbai-based company is said to have launched the world's first AI-written book! A set of AI algorithms coded by Mumbai-based Fluid AI has penned the book, *Bridging the AI Gap*, which the company says is the first book to be written by AI algorithms. While AI-enabled programmes can mostly write small paragraphs, the company says this is the first time a 102-page book has been written by AI codes. Fluid AI's co-founder, and CEO Abhinav Aggarwal said it took the AIs just three days to complete the book!

AN INDIAN MOBILE OS

Android and iOS operating systems have been dominating the mobile OS segment. But now several new indigenous operating systems have been challenging the leaders. One such indigenous system is BharOS. Developed by an IIT Madras-incubated firm, the system software can be installed in off-the-shelf handsets and it's said it will let users install apps as per their interest.





FUNDS FOR INDIAN DEEP TECH START-UPS

Here's a piece of good news for deep tech startups. The Indian government has announced that these startups will receive funding under Digital India Innovation, and the government will also establish a "Digital India Innovation Fund" to aid such firms. A categorisation of an organisation, or more commonly a startup firm, with the explicit goal of delivering technology solutions based on significant scientific or engineering issues is known as deep technology (deep tech) or hard tech.



GOING GREEN AT AUTO EXPO

Showstopper electric cars people loved at Auto Expo 2023, held in Delhi-NCR

Maruti Suzuki The car major showcased its concept electric SUV. Called 'eVX', the car is a mid-size electric SUV concept. It is equipped with a 60-kWh battery pack. The company says the EV can offer up to 550 km of driving range on a single charge. It is slated to hit the market by 2025.



Tata Motors The brand unveiled the electric version of the Harrier, which it aims to debut in 2024. The Sierra electric model was also shown. On display was the Avinya concept EV that is planned to debut in 2025.



Kia The company showcased the EV9 concept electric SUV. The EV9 is based on the E-GMP architecture (Electric Global Modular Platform). It is equipped with 77.4 kWh battery pack and is expected to offer a dual-motor, four-wheel-drive system.



Hyundai The brand launched IONIQ 5, which is powered by a 72.6 kWh battery pack. Hyundai also showcased the IONIQ 6 EV, which offers two battery pack options.



BYD India The Chinese automaker launched a limited edition of the BYD Atto 3 in an exclusive Forest Green shade. The brand claims the electric SUV comes with a 60.48 kWh battery pack and is said to have a tested range of 251 km.



DEFENCE START-UP CHALLENGE

In a historic turn of events, Innovations for Defence Excellence (iDEX), Government of India flagship, signed its 50th SPRINT contract with Sagar Defence for Autonomous Weaponised Boat Swarms for the Indian Navy. This is one of the technologies out of the 75 challenges introduced by the Indian Navy under Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav in 2022. The contract relates to an Indian Navy project of the Defence India Start-up Challenge (DISC 7) SPRINT initiative, and post development of the weaponised Autonomous Unmanned Boat, the India Navy is expected to place an order for 12 systems. The Defence India Start-up Challenge (DISC) is a competition in which problems from the armed forces are presented to innovators for resolution.



THE RRR EFFECT!

We still can't stop raving about Telugu film *RRR* that has made history by winning a Golden Globe for its song "Natu Natu". But not many know that the SS Rajamouli-directed film has also used VFX! PhantomFX, one of India's most prominent visual effects company, was associated with the film. Interestingly, Indian VFX companies are much sought-after in Hollywood as well. The PhantomFX team has worked on blockbusters like *The Avengers* and *Transformers*!

FEBRUARY 2023

YOUR FORECAST THIS MONTH



ARIES

Changes are expected at work so think thoroughly before making up your mind. You'll be feeling cornered and will want to make more money. It may take some time, but money will come. Trouble in personal relationships will end. You will be surprised by the sudden appearance of an old friend as the month ends.



TAURUS

You may start a new project or venture. There will be discussions about moving into a new home. Your success will come through new innovative ideas. A declining business or decadent property investment may take a positive turn. Money will soon be received for artistic or creative ventures.



GEMINI

You will be successful in navigating difficult business or financial matter. A payment is going to be late but money will come in from a new or different source. Trust your intuition, dreams, or psychic impressions. You might also experience prophetic dreams. You are going to be spending time with a loved one who will awaken your romantic heart.



CANCER

New opportunities will be coming this month at work and in personal matters. You will keep a cool head and deal with situations in an amiable manner. This month is all about dwelling over decisions and correcting the course. Money matters are going to get resolved soon so, sit tight and trust the process.



LEO

What seemed like a lost cause will work out in your favour due to a "preordained" sequence of events. There will be unexpected growth in your work. Money-related difficulties will be overcome and a payment is in the offing. You will feel cornered in a situation so keep calm and then make a decision.



VIRGO

You will be trying to maintain a detached attitude when confronted with difficult circumstances and you will succeed. A call from or arrival of an admirer will change many things in your life. You will want to make an effort to straighten your financial affairs and find solutions.



LIBRA

New elements will come to the fore in your work environment. Your preoccupation with money will cease to be a problem because money will begin to flow in from many sources. You will be wishing or hoping a loved one will call or come by. It is a good time to have a discussion with friends or business partners if there is something bothering you.



SCORPIO

You will travel for work or study. You will be successful in bridging estrangements, beginning a new business, or making good money through personal or commercial enterprises. There will be health-related challenges on the horizon, but all will end well. You should take a modest approach with dignity and unassuming grace.



SAGITTARIUS

Clearly define what you want or hope to accomplish and ask for assistance, if needed. Work will come with challenges but remember that it is only temporary. Growth and success are foreseen in your career. Money matters may get resolved sooner. You will be driven by a need for love and companionship.



CAPRICORN

A business partnership, labor dispute, or conflict with employees, partners, or associates will be resolved amicably. You're going to have unexpected financial gains, and your good judgment will prove to be successful. An admirer will want to see you and they will call or visit. Focus on one thing at a time.



AQUARIUS

You will be recognised and rewarded for your effort at work. You will also make a decision to forgive and forget the past and get on with the future. Financial troubles will be handled effectively, or money that was held up, promised or expected will arrive soon and all debts will be paid.



PISCES

You're going to be considering a major change, and something will need to be handled but your resolve will get what you want. The completion of a project will bring unexpected gains. If involved in a litigation, or fight over finances, you will come out victorious. You will have enough money to meet your needs.



SpiceXpress



Expanding our network to widen your reach

in domestic as well as international markets.



Why India relies on us:



State-of-the-art
indigenous tracking



Fastest regional activity
connecting Tier 1, Tier 2
and Tier 3



Overnight service
for next day delivery



Steadfast customer
service*



Serving 18 destinations
across the globe



Door-to-door delivery
across 15,500+
PIN codes (B2B)



We carry specials also



Valuable Goods



Temperature Sensitive Cargo



Heavy Cargo



Fragile Goods



Odd-dimension Cargo



High Value Cargo



Perishable Goods



Dangerous Goods

SPICEXPRESS CUSTOMER CARE:



cargocare@spicejet.com



+91 9999 570 570



www.spicexpress.com

*Instant connectivity at Call Centre - 95% calls answered within 20 sec | Prompt e-mail support - 99% of e-mails replied within 1 hour

NEWS

SPICEJET TO LAUNCH EXCLUSIVE NON-STOP FLIGHTS CONNECTING SHILLONG WITH DELHI

SpiceJet, the country's favourite airline, will connect the North-Eastern city of Shillong in Meghalaya with Delhi with a bi-weekly non-stop flight starting February 2023. An agreement to this effect was signed between SpiceJet and the Meghalaya Transport Corporation (MTC) on January 14, 2023.

Shillong is an important regional hub with several central universities setting up campuses in and around the city. It also houses important regional offices of the Government of India. The rolling hills and natural scenic beauty has earned the sobriquet - Scotland of the East. The state also has famous tourist attractions such as the living roots bridge and Cherrapunji, one of the wettest places in the world, is also in the state.

SpiceJet is the country's largest regional player and has been the strongest supporter of the government's UDAN or the regional

connectivity scheme. The airline takes pride in connecting many regional unserved and underserved destinations with key metros including Puducherry, Bhavnagar, Adampur, Kishangarh (Ajmer), Khajuraho, Pakyong, Kushinagar, Kandla, Jaisalmer, Porbandar, Jharsuguda, Durgapur, Kanpur, Gwalior, Darbhanga among others, many of which were brought on the aviation map of India for the first time by SpiceJet. SpiceJet had launched and operated India's only seaplane service under UDAN between Ahmedabad's Sabarmati Riverfront and Statue of Unity in Kevadia. SpiceJet was the only big private airline to participate in UDAN I.

As the country's largest regional operator, connecting the unconnected parts of India has always been a top priority for SpiceJet and the airline will continue to prioritise and add more regional and remote destinations.



(Left to right): Ebenezer Lyngwa, Principal Consultant, Government of Meghalaya; C.V.D. Diengdoh, Secretary to Government of Meghalaya; D.P. Wahlang, Chief Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, State Vigilance Commissioner, Chairman, Administrative Reforms; Amit Suri, Senior Manager, Ancillary Revenue, SpiceJet Limited; Hon'ble Conrad K. Sangma, Chief Minister of Meghalaya; K.L. Nongbri, Managing Director, MTC, Government of Meghalaya; Sanjay Goyal, Commissioner & Secretary, Government of Meghalaya; Dr. D. Vijay Kumar, Commissioner and Secretary, Government of Meghalaya; E. Kharmalki, Secretary, Government of Meghalaya

Ajay Singh, Chairman and Managing Director, SpiceJet

said, "I am happy to announce the signing of an agreement with the Meghalaya Transport Corporation that would see SpiceJet launch exclusive non-stop flights connecting Shillong with the National Capital. Meghalaya is one of the most sought after tourist destinations in the North East with magnificent landscape and scenic views and there is a tremendous potential for tourist traffic to the State. Non-stop flights providing hassle free connectivity will give a big boost to travel and tourism in the State. SpiceJet has been a pioneer of regional connectivity and our focus on increasing connectivity to the North East is well known. We look forward to working closely with the Meghalaya government to enhance connectivity to the State."



Conrad K Sangma, Hon'ble Chief Minister, Meghalaya said,

"Meghalaya with its mesmerizing beauty, its unique culture and its many festivals stands out as one of the most sought-after tourist destinations in the North East region, attracting tourists from across the country and the globe. A more seamless connectivity with the national capital will not just benefit travellers to and from the city, it will also foster closer ties between citizens of the country. I congratulate SpiceJet on signing the agreement and wish them all the best in the endeavour."



Conrad K Sangma
@SangmaConrad

The Meghalaya Transport Corporation signed an Agreement today with @flyspicejet for operating direct flights between Shillong and Delhi. We look forward to operationalise the flights for the benefit of tourists and other passengers.

@JM_Scindia @MoCA_Gol



8:29 pm · 14 Jan 2023 · 9,039 Views

FLIGHTS*	DEPARTURE	ARRIVAL	FREQUENCY
Delhi - Shillong	10:20 AM	01:15 PM	Monday & Friday
Shillong - Delhi	01:40 PM	05:15 PM	Monday & Friday
ONE-STOP FLIGHTS TO AND FROM SHILLONG			
Pune-Delhi	04:10 AM	06:10 AM	Monday & Friday
Jaipur-Delhi	06:25 AM	07:25 AM	Monday & Friday
Delhi-Varanasi	07:35 PM	09:05 PM	Monday & Friday
Delhi-Mumbai	08:00 PM	10:05 PM	Monday & Friday
Delhi-Pune	07:50 PM	09:55 PM	Monday & Friday
Delhi-Kolkata	08:35 PM	10:50 PM	Monday & Friday
Delhi-Bengaluru	08:30 PM	11:05 PM	Monday & Friday



My Town

In our series, in which we travel to various Indian cities with a SpiceJet family member, this month, T. Shanti Lama, senior cabin crew (Kochi), takes us around Nagaland

Are you originally from Nagaland?

Yes, I am an Indigenous and a proud inhabitant of Nagaland. I was born and brought up in this beautiful place I fondly call home.

What is the quality of life here like?

Nagaland lies nestled amidst wondrous mountains, hills, forests and rivers. The place is quite peaceful and surely a sight for sore eyes for its colourful flora and fauna. The many cafés, boutiques and markets certainly add to its charm. In spite of diverse cultures and religions, people live in peace and harmony. Cost of living is quite reasonable as compared to other cities.



T. SHANTI LAMA
SENIOR CABIN CREW, KOCHI





What is the best thing that you like about the state?

Apart from the abundance of natural beauty, the best part about Nagaland is our vibrant culture and cuisine. Nagaland has a pleasant climate too.

As compared to others, what different lifestyles Nagaland has to offer?

Quaint yet charming, my hometown is brimming with life. But it is still in its infancy. We are also known for our art, music, dance and numerous seasonal fairs and festivals.

What is the night scene here like?

People generally spend time with their families. To experience night life in Nagaland, there are bars which are open till before midnight. One can also taste authentic traditional food and multiple cuisines in the streets of Kohima.

Are you a foodie? Which is your favourite eating place in Nagaland?

Yes, I am a foodie. I love food, and go around trying different cuisines. My favorite place to eat, apart from my mom's homemade dishes at home, is the many Naga ethnic restaurants around different parts of the city. One of my favorites is Amaris. They serve the tastiest of ethnic Naga dishes.



Please describe your favourite dish at the place.

I love pork with bamboo shoot. The tender pork chunks are cooked with colorful vegetables, ginger, garlic, dry chillies along with a rich sauce that is hot, savory and spicy - an authentic Naga dining experience!

What are the best places to hang out in Nagaland?

You can plan for the Japfu Peak trek, the second highest peak in Nagaland. Naga bazaar is also a popular spot. Visit the villages in Mokokchung and Mon to experience their vibrant tribal culture.

What are the people here like?

The locals (Karbis) are very friendly and live a simple life. They are

tribals like us and we share common traits. Our cultural practices are also akin to each other.

Apart from Nagaland what are the other places you would recommend outside but nearby?

To mention a few, about 30 km away from my home is the beautiful Longvoku waterfalls in Manja, Karbi Anglong district of Assam. These falls are an overwhelming sight to see.

Another place is the "Garampani" in Golaghat district of Assam. It is famous for hot water springs.

Have you been around the city? The Zoological Park is a popular spot.

The Zoological Park is a popular spot. Other than that, we have the Nagaland Science Centre and the Kachari Rajbari, the ancient stone relics.

What are the other places where you have stayed in India? How does Nagaland compare to them?

Apart from my home state, I have stayed in Guwahati for several months. It is the biggest city in Assam. It is a buzzing place, and most importantly, a commercial hub that caters to all northeastern states. I have also stayed in Kochi, Kerala. One of the most beautiful places I've ever been to.

WHAT ATTRACTIONS IN NAGALAND WOULD YOU LIKE TO RECOMMEND TO A TOURIST?

Needless to say, there are countless places to visit in my state. However, the most notable one has to be the Dzuko Valley. Hidden away in the high mountain ranges along the Manipur-Nagaland border, this valley is well known for its rolling hills. It is also popular for its wide range of flowers that bloom in every season but the most famous one is the Dzuko Lily, which is found only in this valley. The valley is a paradise for trekkers and nature lovers.





Stars Of SpiceJet

Meet the achievers of the month from the SpiceJet family, who have stood out for their outstanding work

76



IT
SAKSHI RAWAL
CORPORATE

Internal appreciation:

Ms. Sakshi Rawal plays a critical part in guaranteeing that all the software systems used by the SpiceJet's In-Flight Services work perfectly. Her job entails constant co-ordination between our Cabin Crew, Cockpit and IT teams delivering these solutions within SpiceJet. She keenly understands their requirements and helps in designing solutions that make the Cabin Crew's work simpler, safer and more effective.

Experience with SpiceJet:

"My time here has been rewarding and working with my amazing team members has been enriching. The processes and work flow here ensure we have more focused direction. SpiceJet has a supportive work environment and encourages its employees to grow. I am glad that I am part of this extraordinary family."



Security
HARIPRABHU
CHENNAI

Internal appreciation:

Calm, composed and knowledgeable, Mr. Hariprabhu has been a great asset to SpiceJet. He has a warm personality and is a great mentor to the team. He works silently with an eye for detail. An expert in collaborating with stakeholders, he is a true team player. Extremely disciplined and thoroughly professional, he meets the deadlines and is committed to the policies and procedures of SpiceJet.

Experience with SpiceJet:

"I started my career as a trainee and I can say that with utmost confidence that ample opportunity and the right training given to me made me who I am today. Our work is always recognized and rewarded. People I have worked with have been very helpful and kind to me as well. I sincerely thank each one of my mentors."



Finance
SUBHAS SINGH
HEAD OFFICE, GURGAON

Internal appreciation:

We appreciate Mr. Subhas Singh for his sincere and dedicated efforts in the Treasury function. During the last three years of the pandemic, he has handled many critical situations. With his continuous co-ordination with different teams across departments, he has been a great team player. We would like to take this opportunity to thank him, for his hard work and dedication.

Experience with SpiceJet:

"Working at SpiceJet has been a wonderful experience. The work environment strongly focuses on problem-solving and learning that ensures I give my best in every task I undertake. I also appreciate my supportive colleagues and the great mentors I have here. Ideas and opportunities flow freely here and it is inspiring to see that. I am grateful to be a part of the SpiceJet family."

STARS ARE CALLING STARS.

Join SpiceJet's
**CADET
PILOT**
PROGRAMME
and become a Pilot.*

We offer a comprehensive
course where you get to learn
first hand from the best
professionals in the industry.
So, be a star with Spice Star.

ELIGIBILITY:

- Must be an Indian National or an Overseas Citizen of India (OCI)
- Age: 17 to 35 years
- Minimum height: 158 cm (approximately 5 feet 2 inches)
- Must be fluent in English (both verbal and written)
- Minimum Educational Qualification: Higher Secondary (10+2) with a minimum score of 60% each in English, Physics and Mathematics



The Mid-Air Feast

Take your pick from SpiceJet's delicious menu. Here's a glimpse of the mouth-watering options

BREAKFAST

RASEELE CHOLE

with mix vegetable
parantha &
vegetable tikki



MASALA OMELETTE

with grilled chicken
sausages & hash
brown



LUNCH

PANEER METHI MALAI

with jeera rice &
dal makhani



CHICKEN TIKKA EGG BIRYANI

with mirch ka salan



DINNER

TAWA PANEER KHURCHAN

with steamed rice &
tadka masoor dal



MURG LABABDAR

with palak pulao &
dal panchrattni





SNACKS

PANEER TIKKA SHASHLIK 
with sliced stuffed
tandoori aloo &
vegetable croquette



 **SLICED CHICKEN SEEKH KEBAB**
with sliced stuffed
tandoori aloo &
vegetable croquette



SANDWICHES

SPINACH, CORN AND CHEESE SANDWICH 
in marble bread



 **ROAST CHICKEN, SUNDRIED TOMATO AND BASIL SANDWICH**
in marble bread



CHEF'S CHOICES

VEGETABLES IN RED THAI CURRY 
with steamed rice



 **GRILLED CHICKEN BREAST**
with mushroom sauce,
yellow rice, sautéed
carrots & beans baton



More Chef's Choice options available while pre-booking online

ONLY AVAILABLE ON PRE-BOOKING

bonton One of the Leading Educational Furniture Solution Providers in India !

Classroom Furniture



BT 4000



Design patent No. 254930



Lab Furniture



Library Furniture



Office Furniture



bonton Institutional Furniture, which are specifically designed for classrooms, Libraries and Laboratories etc. are most unique, and one of its kind in the country. They are modular in nature; hence, can be installed as per varied customised requirements. These furniture are synchronised in design and high in aesthetics. Its vibrant and distinguished colours impart a bright impact on the environment of the establishments.

bonton manufactures Wooden & Steel Modular Institutional /Office furniture comprising :

- Office Tables ■ Chairs ■ Partitions ■ Storage Systems



Bonton Website

Bonton Products Available At



bonton
FURNITURE SOLUTIONS

Bonton Technomake Pvt. Ltd. 7-A, Sch. No. 71, Near Chandan Nagar Police Station, Dhar Rd., INDORE - 452 002 (M.P.)

for those who believe in quality !

✉ info@bontonfurniture.net 🌐 bontonfurniture.net

▶ youtube.com/c/BontonFurnitureSolutions

📘 facebook.com/bonton-furniture-527426553992517

📷 instagram.com/bontonfurniture

Associates : ▶ Agra ▶ Andhra Pradesh ▶ Ambala ▶ Ahmedabad ▶ Bhandara ▶ Bhopal ▶ Bilaspur (HP) ▶ Bhubaneswar ▶ Chennai ▶ Coimbatore ▶ Dehradun, Guwahati ▶ Gwalior ▶ Hyderabad ▶ Indore ▶ Imphal ▶ Jabalpur ▶ Jammu ▶ Kolkata ▶ Lucknow ▶ Mumbai ▶ Nashik ▶ New Delhi ▶ NCR ▶ Palanpur ▶ Patna ▶ Pune ▶ Ranchi ▶ Simla ▶ Srinagar ▶ Raipur ▶ Vadodra ▶ Wardha ▶ Yavatmal. **Overseas Associates :** ▶ Dubai ▶ Nepal

Contact us ☎ 95222 74222, Toll Free No. 1800 599 2251

For Dealership Enquiry : Amit Dubey 98260 38315 Vinod Bapna 98260 62313

ENROL NOW

Into SpiceJet's frequent flyer program and start earning rewards from this flight!*

*Also claim points for flights flown in the past 6 months

SpiceClub Benefits



Flight Vouchers



Earn SC Points



Free Change/ Cancellation



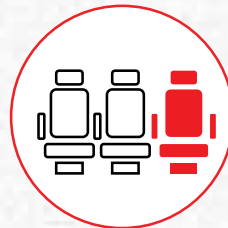
Complimentary Upgrades



Complimentary Meals



Priority Check-in



Free Seats Selection



Exclusive Deals and Offers



<https://spiceclub.spicejet.com/signup>

Join Now

**INTRODUCING EXCLUSIVE AND OTHER NON-STOP
FLIGHTS BETWEEN VARIOUS CITIES IN INDIA.**

EXCLUSIVE

¹Starting from 16th February, 2023. ²Starting from 15th February, 2023.