

8 places to check out for your Christmas getaway, under 8K

With Christmas knocking at our doors, the vacation fever is palpable. Hence, we have brought you a list of 8 places to not miss for that Christmas weekend and make it memorable.



With Christmas and New Year's Eve fast approaching, most of you must be busy making plans to ring in this time of the year with style.

While the vacationers are busy planning outfits and fixing travel plans, we have brought you an ideal travel bonanza to choose from, so that you don't miss out on any of the fun.

From Delhi

Bir-Billing



The twin villages of Bir and Billing are located 516 km from Delhi. Though Pathankot (140 km away) and Ahju (3 km away) are the nearest broad and narrow gauge railway heads respectively,

But a road trip from Delhi to Bir, might just be the best thing you need to unwind and wash the city out of your hair.

Bir-Billing over the last few years has become a hotspot for paragliding, attracting adventure sport enthusiasts from the country and beyond. However, trekking options can also be explored. The loungers can nestle in the surroundings of the quaint village, as the greens are sure to usher you with happiness.

How much will the trip cost you?

A trip to Bir-Billing might just cost you somewhere between 7 to INR 8,000 person for one night and two days, inclusive of the paragliding fee and two square meals a day.

New Tehri



Located in the Indian State of Uttarakhand, New Tehri is a forested and mountainous area located overlooking the Tehri Lake. Situated at a distance of just 300 km from Delhi, this quiet and green town is exactly what you need for your new year bash.

Bordered by the Tehri Lake, the town has been a growing attraction for adventure sports, water skiing and jet skiing being the key attractions. Hover over the placid lake waters while taking a paragliding lesson or glide through them while operating that Jet Ski, Tehri has it all. If you possess a temperament for nature, you can take a trek on the nearby slopes and satiate your appetite for peace with sufficient lush greens and silence.

The temples like the Surkhanda Devi Temple, Dhanaulti and the Tehri Dam can also be explored.

How much will the trip cost you?

The weekend getaway for two people shall cost between 6 to INR 7000 per person, inclusive of local adventure activities and stay.

From Mumbai

Revdanda



Your New Year escapade is incomplete without camping at the Nagaon Beach in Revdanda, a small coastal village located on the outskirts of the city. Situated just 105 kilometers away, Revdanda boasts of tiny fishermen communities, located near the serene shore, offering fresh fish and local musical serenades.

Watch a million stars as you camp or dance to the music, share stories or send out wish lanterns into the sky, the possibilities here are endless.

You can also discover the Mahalakshmi Temple or the Fort of Revdanda, or even go to Bhushi Lake.

How much will the trip cost you?

The new year getaway at Revdanda can cost you around 6 to INR 7000 per person, inclusive of all the local adventures and sight-seeing.

Bordi



The border town of Bordi is one of Maharashtra's most underrated travel destinations. Maharashtra Tourism Development Corporation has a resort on the virgin white sand beach, which gets booked pretty quickly but Bordi also has some really quaint Gujarati houses and Parsio bungalows that offer warm hospitality and great food.

You can visit the Bordi beach and unwind with the sands and water, as you bask in the sun. You can also visit the Aswali Dam or the Mallinath Jain Tirth Kosbad Temple, to stir up your spiritual side.

You can camp at Dahanu Beach and revel in the tranquil forests around.

The town offers endless options to unwind and lay back as you lounge your way into 2019.

How much will the trip cost you?

The 1 night 2 day stay shall cost around 5 to INR 6000 per person.

From Kolkata

Bakkhali



If you wish to have the perfect beach getaway that doesn't include ear ripping music or just alcohol laden evenings, Bakkhali is the place to be. Bakkhali gives you the calmness and the silence you are looking for, as you leave the hum-drum of city life and wish to enter a space of complete reclusiveness. Situated at just 125 kms away from the city, this quaint little place is an ideal pick to make your Christmas as memorable.

How much will the trip cost you?

The cost for two people is 6 to INR 7000 for 2 days and 1 night per person.

Sundarbans



How can you miss out on Sundarbans? The Sundarbans is a mangrove area in the delta formed by the confluence of Ganges, Brahmaputra and Meghna Rivers in the Bay of Bengal. It comprises closed and open mangrove forests, agriculturally used land, mudflats and barren land, and is intersected by multiple tidal streams and channels. Located just 108 km away from the City of Joy, Sundarbans is a big forest and there are numerous exiting things that you can do here. Begin by going for the canal rides in boats in the morning and catch animals and birds visiting the lakes to drink water. Followed by, a walk in the forest where you can follow the trail the 10 km stretch ends at Jamotla Beach. You can also finish your evenings by sitting quietly perched upon a watch tower and feasting on the nature with your eyes.

How much will the trip cost you?

The cost for 2 days and 1 night weekend getaway is between 5 to INR 6000 per person, inclusive of the forest safari. However, you might have to shell out more should you plan to try out other interesting activities the place offers.

From Bangalore

Narayangiri



Cool breeze, twinkling stars and spectacular views, await you to discover the delights of nature and create some beautiful memories...

Step away from the concrete world and embrace the welcoming arms of nature in Narayangiri, one of the lesser known peaks in Karnataka and experience a happiness unexplainable. Narayangiri, an idyllic hill nestled deep into the countryside with just 76 kms away from Bangalore. Near Ramanagara, it hosts one of the less ventured paths that abound in natural beauty. It is a popular destination for late, overnight treks. If you are visiting on the weekend, you can visit the Lakshmi Narasimha Temple which is open only on weekends. Narayngiri offers a plethora of activities like bird watching, rock climbing, rappelling, camping, target shooting and zip-line crossing among others. If tired, you can also visit the multiple caves in the vicinity.

How much will the trip cost you?

The cost of stay for 2 days and 1 night at Narayangiri is between 6 to INR 7000 per person. The cost might go higher depending upon the activity and service you engage in.

Sakleshpur



Sakleshpur is a hill-station town and headquarters of Sakleshpur Taluk in Hassan district in the Indian state of Karnataka. This tiny slice of paradise offers pristine green vistas, fog clad forests and lush greenery that will help you relive tranquility and peace. Situated at a distance of just 196 kilometers, Sakleshpur will prove to be your own little escape from harrowing city traffic and the deafening sounds this Christmas.

You can begin by visiting the ancient stone structure of Manjarabad Fort and then further explore the local Sakleshwara temple. The town also offers exotic home stays with local families and tourers along with adventure activities. You can also go for the Railway Bridge trekking, which is the signature trail around the slopes of this hill town.

How much will the trip cost you?

The cost of stay for 2 days and 1 night falls between 6 to INR 7000 per person, inclusive of the local sight-seeing and trek.