

Saturday, 23rd March, 2019

Sunrise: 0519 hrs.

Sunset: 1730 hrs.

Sunny

High Temperature: 28°C Low Temperature: 18°C

-Welcome aboard ABN Charaidew II -----

1300

Lunch in the dining room.

1900

Safety briefing in the Saloon.

1930

Welcome dinner in the dining room.

Post dinner tea & coffee will be served in the Saloon.

WIFI network available only in the saloon. Password CHARAIDEW2

Cruise Manager :- Pratik Mazumder

Captain

:- Biman Maiti

Guide onboard

:-Mohan Borah

Chief engineer :- Shyamal Sarkar

Naturalist

:- Jvoti

Chef

:- Bidhan Pagag

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Day Schedule Monday, 25th March, 2019

Sunrise: 0516 hrs.

Sunset: 1729 hrs.

Sunny

High Temperature: 30°C

Low Temperature: 19°C

Sailing upstream: Biswanath to Dhanshirimukh

----- Good morning -----

0800-0900

Breakfast

0915

Transfer to shore by tender boat and walk to visit

Ahom period Shiva temple in Biswanath village.

Remember:-Carry bottle water. Do apply mosquito repellent. Shoes not allowed

inside the temple.

1115 (approx)

Return to ABN Charaidew II and start sailing upstream

towards Eastern range of world heritage site Kaziranga

national park.

1300

Lunch.

1800

A 48 minutes documentary named Secrets of Wild

India, (TIGER JUNGLES) in the Saloon.

1900

Briefing in the Saloon.

1930

Dinner.

After dinner tea & coffee will be served in the Saloon



Tuesday, 26th March, 2019

Sunrise: 0514 hrs.

High Temperature: 30°C

Sunset: 1729 hrs.

Partly cloudy

Low Temperature: 20°C

Sailing upstream: Dhanshirimukh to Sohaguri

----- Good morning -----

0515

Tea, coffee, juice and cheese sandwich will be

served in the saloon

0600

Transfer by tender boat for 60 minutes ride to Eastern

range ghat and drive by open jeep for 25 minutes to

Eastern range of world heritage site Kaziranga park entry point. Enjoy packed breakfast before entering the park. Duration of open jeep safari will be 3 hours to 3½ hours.

Remember:-Carry bottle water. Do apply mosquito repellent. Caps, Sunglass, Sun protections cream.

1245 (approx)

Return to ABN Charaidew II and start sailing upstream

towards Sohaguri.

1300

Lunch.

1630

Demonstration to wear Saree & Dhooti in the Saloon

1745

A 45 minutes documentary named Secrets of Wild

India, (LION IN JUNGLES) in the Saloon.

1845

Briefing in the Saloon.

1900

BONFIRE ON THE BEACH

Tikkas and kebabs will be cooked in a tandoori oven in front of your eyes and will be served as snacks. Chairs will be around for you to seat and the bar will be shifted

outside. Bonfire will be lit.

A few rounds of snacks will be followed by Naan, a bowl

of dal and kebabs as dinner.

After dinner tea & coffee will be served in the Saloon.



Wednesday, 27th March, 2019

Sunrise: 0512 hrs.

High Temperature: 28°C

Sunset: 1727 hrs.

Partly cloudy.

Low Temperature: 18°C

Isolated thunderstorm

Sailing upstream: Sohaguri to Jamuguri.

Jamuguri to Kamalabari.

----- Good morning -----

0715

ABN Charaidew II will start sailing upstream towards

Jamuguri village.

0730-0830

Breakfast

0830

Transfer to shore by tender boat and walk to visit a river

side mishing village called Jamuguri.

Remember:-Carry bottle water. Do apply mosquito repellent.

1030 (approx)

Return to ABN Charaidew II and start sailing upstream

towards Kamalabari

1300

Lunch

1545

Familiarisation with Indian spices and demonstration of

cookery will be held in the dinning hall.

Around 1700 hrs. ABN CharaidewII will reach near Majuli

island and moor for the day.

1830

Briefing in the Saloon.

1845

Niranjan Saikia, a renowned flautist from Majuli Island

will come onboard and will play flute for us in the saloon.

1930

Dinner.

After dinner tea & coffee will be served in the Saloon



Thursday, 28th March, 2019

Sunrise: 0509 hrs.

High Temperature: 30°C

Sunset: 1728 hrs.

Partly cloudy

Low Temperature: 18°C

Visit to Majuli Island. Sailing upstream: Majuli to Neamati ghat.

----- Good morning -----

0800-0900

Breakfast.

0900

Transfer to shore by tender boat and drive for 30 minutes to visit oldest monastery of Majuli river island Auniati

Satra. Visit include prayer hall, monks quarter's and small museum. Afterwards, 10 minutes drive will take us to *Uttar*

Kamalabari Satra. Here we will enjoy a dance

performance by monks of the monastery.

Remember:-Carry bottle water. Do apply mosquito repellent. Shoes not allowed inside the monasteries and shocks are not allowed inside the prayer hall. You are advised to wear long trousers and shoulder covered shirts/tops. Hats are not

allowed within the premises of the monastery.

1300 (approx)

Return to ABN Charaidew II and start sailing upstream

towards Neamati ghat.

1300

Lunch.

1530

Optional.

Disembark and walk in the nearby village.

1700 (approx) :

Return to ABN CharaidewII.

1900

Briefing in the Saloon.

1930

Dinner

After dinner tea & coffee will be served in the Saloon.



Day Schedule Friday, 29th March, 2019

Sunrise: 0508 hrs. Sunset: 1728 hrs.

Mostly sunny

High Temperature: 31°C

Low Temperature: 20°C

----- Good morning

0700-0800

Breakfast.

0800

Disembark and drive for 90 minutes to visit Shivasagar, the erstwhile capital of Ahom kingdom. There we shall visit Shiva Dol (Shiva temple), Rang Ghar (Once served as royal sports pavilion) & Talatal Ghar (Ruins of king's

palace)

Remember:-Carry bottle water. Do apply mosquito repellent. Shoes not allowed inside the temple. Please wear half or full sleeve & long trouser for Shiva

temple visit.

After Talatal Ghar visits drive back for 60 minutes to

Horucharai Tea Estate for Lunch.

1330

Lunch at Horucharai Tea Estate.

1600 (approx)

Return to ABN Charaidew II at Neamati ghat.

1830

Briefing in the Saloon.

1930

Farewell dinner.

2030

Bill settlement in the Saloon.

After dinner tea & coffee will be served in the Saloon.



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Saturday, March 23, 2019

Dear Mrs. Briggs,

On behalf of Assam Bengal Navigation (ABN), it gives me immense pleasure to welcome you aboard ABN Charaidew II, our newest ship in a fleet of four.

As we roll into our 16th year of operations as India's pioneering river cruising company, we bring to you immense experience from our years of navigating the often unpredictable Brahmaputra river, and the warmth of Assam and its peoples that our staff are the quintessence of. It has been a voyage of discovery while providing a great holiday to the most well traveled guests from around the world.

Your itineraries on this cruise have been planned a year in advance keeping in mind the current of the river, incidence of fog, and the frequently changing channels of the river. Do note that itineraries are subject to change depending on the vagaries of the river and local factors — we ask that you keep an eye out for the Daily Schedule on the main notice board each day to stay updated on the program.

To benefit one of India's least developed areas, it has been our company policy since inception to handpick staff from villages in Assam and Bengal, and provide them with hospitality and English language skills training. We hope you will be as delighted with their willingness and enthusiasm as we are, and that you will not mind assisting them to overcome any temporary rough edges, if any. Additionally, ABN contributes 5% of every room booked with us to our non-profit organisation, *ABN Foundation*, which supports education, environment protection efforts and rural community development.

We have placed the Guest Registration card (a statutory requirement) in the folders in the cabins, which may be filled up at your convenience and handed over the following day. We also require your passports to make photocopies (Registration of Foreigners Act). Please hand them over this evening or at breakfast time tomorrow to the Cruise Manager – they will be returned to you promptly.

Your life jackets are placed in the wardrobe in each cabin. We request you to please assemble in the saloon on the upper deck for an alcoholic welcome drink, welcome briefing, and a life jacket drill at 1900 hrs today.

It has been a privilege to cruise the Brahmaputra for the last 15 years, and our experience makes us absolutely confident of two things: the beauty of Assam, and the charm and welcome of its people.

We do hope you enjoy your cruise with us.

Veralik Magunder

Cruise Manager