North & Middle Andamans

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Lime Stone Caves

From Baratang Island (Nilambur Jetty) it is half an hour boat ride through a beautiful creek to reach Nayadera Jetty and then one and half km. walk through lush green tropical forest to reach the Limestone Caves.

There is a boardwalk winding its way through mangroves from the main creek to the Nayadera jetty for a distance of about 240 mtrs. Tourists either may directly reach by boat or walk through the board walk to reach Nayadera Jetty.

The caves are massive sedimentary limestone formation, some of which are hanging from the top, some growing from the ground.

Mud Volcano (7 Kms from Nilambur Jetty)

Mud Volcano is approachable by road from Nilambur Jetty (Baratang Is.). One has to reach up to Jarawa Creek by vehicle. From Jarawa Creek walk approx. 250-300 meters in the tropical forest scenery to reach Mud Volcano.

A mud volcano is created by natural gases emitted by decaying organic matter underground. As the mud is pushed upwards buy the gas, it deposits and hardens above the ground. As more mud oozes out and spills over the edge it grows in size, gradually forming a miniature volcano with a rich, creamy mud crater at the top.
Yerrrata (8 Kms from Rangat)

Yerrrata Mangrove Park

Yerrata is located at a distance of 8 kms from Rangat (take a right diversion before Rangat town). Yerrata is having a jetty from where ferry is operated to Long Island. Yerrata, which is well connected by road, has breath-taking scenic beauty of various species of mangroves and is an ideal location to learn about mangroves.

Mangrove Interpretation Centre

As a step towards creating awareness among general public about mangroves, the Department of Environment & Forests has established a Mangrove Interpretation Centre (MIC) which has attractive display panels depicting various species of mangroves found in these Islands.

Mangrove View Watch Tower

A Mangrove View Watch Tower is an unique structure of its kind which provides an opportunity to have a panoramic view of mangroves and adjacent forests. This is the only such tower in whole of A & N Islands to view mangroves.
Mangrove Bench Walk

The Department of Environment & Forests has developed a Mangrove trail having 300 mtrs, stretch of bench walk passing through the natural mangrove forest which is an important tourist attraction here.

Creek Cruising : Cruising through the mangrove creek of Yeratta which is having excellent mangroves is an unique experience.

LONG ISLAND

(AN HOUR JOURNEY BY BOAT FROM YERRATA)

Long Island - a leap close to nature

Long Island is a pioneer station with a remarkable history of forestry. Located just 47 nautical miles from Port Blair, is a modern village having many facilities generally not available in other villages of these Islands. It has its own power house, a well equipped Boat Building Yard, Senior Secondary School, Bank, Wireless facilities, Hospital, Forest, Police Offices etc.

Long Island is a dreamland settlement without any road
network. Only four-feet wide concrete footpath connects different parts of the 'Panchayat' area starting from the jetty.

**How to Reach:** Takes about 1 hour by boat from Yerrata. Ferry boat of the Department of Shipping Services is plying twice a day from Yerrata at 0900 hours and 1600 hours (depending upon tide) apart from other boats from Port Blair.

**Accommodation:** Two Forest Rest Houses and Tented accommodations are available for tourists at Long Island.

**Lalaji Bay**

Fringing on the North Eastern edge of Long Island, this C – shaped beautiful beach is approachable from Long Island jetty by trekking during fair weather. Takes about an hour by boat or dinghy from Long Island. This place can also be directly approached from Yeratta and Rangat Bay by dinghy or boat (takes about one & half hours).

It is ideal for beach combing, swimming, Nature Photography, trekking, etc

**Guitar Island**

The Guitar shaped Island located just opposite to Long Island has a very good beach with crystal clear water and is ideal for bathing/swimming and coral viewing. It takes just 15 minutes by boat from Long Island.
Merk Bay

Merk Bay is another isolated beach located along the East coast of North Passage Island, having white sandy shallow beach with clear waters. It is ideal for bird watching, snorkelling, swimming and sun basking. It takes about an hour by boat/dinghy from Long Island.

Aamkunj Beach

Aamkunj Beach is located at a distance of about 08 kms from Rangat towards Mayabunder. This beach is the weekend recreation spot for the people of Rangat and the adjoining villages. It has been developed in a unique way with the help of eco-friendly structures. A couple of eco-huts, eco-friendly beach facilities such as log sofas, log tepoys, eco-bins and view tower add to the charm.
Moricedera Beach (12 Km from Rangat)

Moricedera is an ideal location for picnic. It is located along the ATR at a distance of 12 kms from Rangat towards Mayabunder. It serves better as an eco-friendly wayside amenity for tourists.

Eco-friendly beach furniture, sea facing sit-out areas and proximity to the sea makes it an ideal location to relax.

Twin rocks, which are volcanic in origin is a unique, rock formation and the walkway in between leads to a spectacular “Horizon View” point which inspires everyone to feel ‘sky is the limit’.

A fresh water stream located at the site is perennial. It acts as a natural swimming pool for the visitors.

Dhaninallah
(20 KMS FROM RANGAT)

Mangrove Walkway

It is a unique wooden boardwalk meandering through a creek for a distance of 713 mtrs. One can have the privilege of enjoying mangrove flora & fauna at close quarters. ‘Dhaninallah’ is named after the Mangrove plant “Nypha” locally known as “Dhani patti”. The walkway is one of the longest walkway of its kind in the country. It provides a unique opportunity to witness almost all species of mangroves found in the Andamans at a single place. It is completely an eco-friendly structure and leads to a very beautiful beach ‘The Dhaninallah beach’.

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Dhaninallah Beach

It is the most beautiful beach in Middle Andaman Island having a very good sandy beach and gentle gradient. This beach ideal for witnessing turtle nesting (November-February). Eco-friendly beach facilities available in this beach include round huts, tree top huts, changing rooms, easy chairs, dining facilities, log sofas etc.

Accommodation: Hawks Bill Nest, a Guest House of Tourism department is located about 2 km from the entry point of Dhaninallah Walkway at RRO, Betapur.

Mayabunder

(72 Km from Rangat)

Karmatang Beach (20 Km from Mayabunder)

Karmatang beach is a vast expanse of gleaming sandy beach. Crystal clear water washes the beach twice a day. It is an ideal habitat for ‘Olive Ridley’ turtles and Andaman Green turtles for nesting. It is located at a distance of 20 km from Mayabunder, the headquarter of North & Middle Andaman District. The coconut plantation adjacent to the beach makes it a perfect location for outing and beach picnic.
Avis Island

Avis Island is a tiny beautiful Island, just 20 minutes boat ride from Mayabunder Jetty. It is known for its coconut plantation. The Island has a small beach with coarse sand in which water is very calm & clear. It is advisable to visit this uninhabited Island in the early hours of the day.

Dighlipur
(82 Km from Mayabunder)

Ross & Smith Islands

Ross & Smith Islands are known as twin islands of North Andaman. These beautiful islands are just 20 minutes ride by fibre boat from Aerial Bay jetty (Aerial Bay jetty is located at about 10 kms. from Dighlipur town).

An exquisite sand bar that connects the Ross & Smith Islands is not only the special attraction but perhaps the best of its kind in India. This sand bar widens & narrows down twice daily exhibiting nature's magic. Spotless fine sand, crystal clear water of different shades and smooth gradient beach, lush green forests on both sides makes this beach something very unique.
Ram Nagar Beach

Ram Nagar beach is a serene beautiful beach located about 70 kms from Mayabunder (take a diversion from Kalara Jn. of ATR) and 35 kms from Diglipur. This beach is suitable for swimming. A nature trail for trekkers is an added attraction. The beach is well known for turtle nesting. Eco-friendly beach facilities like eco-huts, benches and seating arrangements have been provided.

Shyam Nagar Mud Volcano

It is located near Hathilevel 20 kms from Diglipur. One has to trek for 15 minutes in the semi-evergreen forests of Andaman to reach this mud volcano At the initial point, bigger & dormant mud volcanoes, can be sighted. On proceeding further for few minutes, fresh emerging mud volcanoes can be seen. Seating facilities information boards are provided for visitors.

Accommodation: Turtle Resort, a guest house of Tourism Department is available near Kalipur Beach which is located 18 kms from Diglipur town.

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