



Overnight Excursions to Churna Camp



Churna camp is a charming British-era Forest Rest House Located in the Bori Sanctuary within Satpura Tiger Reserve. The accommodation is admittedly simple but all basic amenities like en-suite bathroom and solar electricity are available at the camp. Previously, there was a large village settled near the camp and therefore there was a fair amount of Human activity in the forests around. As part of the current voluntary relocation program undertaken in Tiger

Reserves across the country, Churna village was relocated in May 2013. The resettlement of nearly 150 households to the buffer area of the park has made the Churna area an ideal grazing area for wild herbivores. With the rise in prey there has also been a dramatic rise in predator movement. Identifying this incredible game viewing potential, we are now promoting overnight excursions to Churna Camp.

Guests will depart for Churna Camp through the national park with a Reni Pani Jungle Lodge naturalist between 2:30 and 3:30pm. On this drive guests may see Leopard, Sloth Bear, Indian Giant Squirrel, Four-Horned Antelope, Munjac and other common herbivores. If lucky, there is also chance of seeing Wild Dog and Tiger. We reach Churna Camp by sunset where guests will be served early drinks and dinner. Food will be basic vegetarian Indian cuisine cooked at the Forest Rest House. At the camp there is a resident Giant Flying Squirrel that we will attempt to see. Wake up will be half an hour before sunrise and departure at sunrise. We will do a short game drive in the forests around Churna where there is a significant amount of predator movement. Near Churna Camp there is a site with pre-historic rock paintings. For those guests who are interested in seeing these rock shelters the early morning hours can be used to arrange a visit. After the drive we will have breakfast at the camp. Post breakfast we will depart for Reni Pani Jungle Lodge and end the safari before 11:00 am.

Notes:

- Forest Rest House accommodations across the country are basic. Bed linen, towels and bottled water will be carried by the Reni Pani team. Food served at the camp is hygienic but will be simple vegetarian Indian cuisine
- As Churna Camp is located in the core area of the reserve, this excursion can only be booked at short notice subject to availability. Therefore, this excursion may only be reserved once guests are at Reni Pani Jungle Lodge
- Since this accommodation facility is operated by the forest department and its primary function is not tourism, bookings may be cancelled at forest department discretion
- This excursion is available at a supplement cost above the Jungle Plan

