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JOURNEY WITH PURPOSE

A REGAL ESCAPE INTO ASSAM'S WILD HEART

Vaani Greens Kaziranga Wildlife Resort | Kaziranga, Assam



Dear Friends and Fellow Travelers,

At Eastern Globe, travel has never been just about destinations—it has always been about purpose, connection, and responsibility. Every journey we design carries a story, and this edition of our newsletter celebrates places where nature, culture, and conscious living come together beautifully.

Our Journey with Purpose takes us deep into the heart of Assam, beginning with Vaani Greens Kaziranga, where sustainability and serenity exist in harmony with the wild. Set against the timeless rhythm of nature, it reminds us that true luxury lies in respect for the environment and mindful hospitality.

From there, we travel to Sualkuchi, the soul of Assam's handloom heritage. Known as the "Manchester of the East," this village is a living testament to craftsmanship passed down through generations. Every weave tells a story of patience, pride, and perseverance—values we deeply admire and strive to support through responsible tourism.

Our journey continues into the quiet wilderness of Kakoi Reserve Forest, a sanctuary where biodiversity thrives away from the noise of the modern world. Here, nature teaches us the importance of balance and coexistence—lessons that resonate strongly with Eastern Globe's vision for sustainable travel.

These destinations are more than places on a map; they are experiences that inspire reflection and respect. As we continue to curate journeys that uplift local communities and preserve natural ecosystems, we remain committed to travel that leaves a positive footprint—both on the land and in the hearts of those who explore it.

Thank you for being part of the Eastern Globe family. Together, let us continue to travel thoughtfully, celebrate authenticity, and embrace journeys that truly matter.



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VAANI GREENS KAZIRANGA WILDLIFE RESORT

Set within the lush surroundings of the historic Kanchanjuri Tea Estate, Vaani Greens Kaziranga Wildlife Resort is a luxury heritage retreat near the famed Kaziranga National Park, Assam. Blending elegant hospitality with immersive nature experiences, the resort offers an exclusive gateway to one of India's most celebrated wildlife landscapes. More than just a stay, Vaani Greens embodies eco-luxury, indigenous culture, authentic Assamese flavors, and sustainable tourism—making it an ideal choice for travelers seeking meaningful, nature-led escapes.



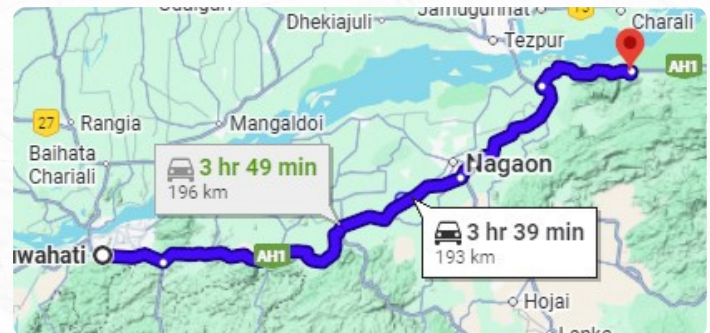
* Accommodation

The resort features a curated range of stays including **Rudra** and **Kamakshi Suites**, **Executive** and **Mini Suites**, **Geodesic Domes**, **Vintage Bungalows**, and **luxury tents**—each offering comfort, heritage charm, and a close connection to nature.



* Location & Access

- **Address:** Kanchanjuri Tea Estate, Kaziranga National Park, Assam
- **Distance from Safari Zones:** Approximately 20–30 km from Kaziranga's main safari ranges
- **Nearest Airport:** Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport, Guwahati (approx. 214 km)
- **Nearest Railhead:** Guwahati Railway Station (approx. 192 km)



* Dining Experiences

Vaani Greens presents a multi-cuisine dining experience featuring **Indian**, **Assamese**, **Asian**, and **Continental** fare. Guests can also savor authentic regional delicacies such as jolpan, pithas, smoked pork, local fish preparations, and xaj-pani, along with signature experiences like Breakfast in the Woods amidst serene natural surroundings.

NEARBY ATTRACTIONS TO VISIT



Kaziranga National Park



Orchid & Biodiversity Park



Deopahar Archaeological Ruins



Kakochang Waterfalls



Scenic Tea Garden Trails

SUALKUCHI: THE SILK WEAVING HUB OF ASSAM

Nestled on the northern bank of the Brahmaputra River, just 30–35 kilometers west of Guwahati, Sualkuchi stands as Assam's most celebrated handloom town. Often referred to as the "Manchester of Assam," this historic village is the heart of the state's silk weaving tradition, where craftsmanship, culture, and community have flourished for centuries.

* A Legacy Woven Through Time

The origins of silk weaving in Sualkuchi can be traced back to the 10th–11th century AD, when King Dharma Pala of the Pala dynasty invited skilled weaving families to establish the settlement as a weaving hub. The craft later reached new heights under the Ahom rulers, who extended royal patronage, transforming Sualkuchi's silk into a symbol of refinement and luxury.

In 1946, Mahatma Gandhi's visit to Sualkuchi brought national attention to its artisans. Deeply impressed, he famously remarked that "Assamese women weave dreams on their looms"—a sentiment that continues to capture the spirit of this extraordinary village.



* The Silks of Sualkuchi



Known as the golden silk of Assam, Muga is admired for its natural golden sheen, strength, and longevity. Holding a Geographical Indication (GI) tag, it is traditionally used in mekhela chadors, sarees, and ceremonial attire, symbolizing prestige and cultural pride.



Also called Ahimsa silk, Eri is produced without harming the silkworm, making it a sustainable and ethical textile. Valued for its softness, warmth, and breathability, it is increasingly popular in both traditional and contemporary fashion.



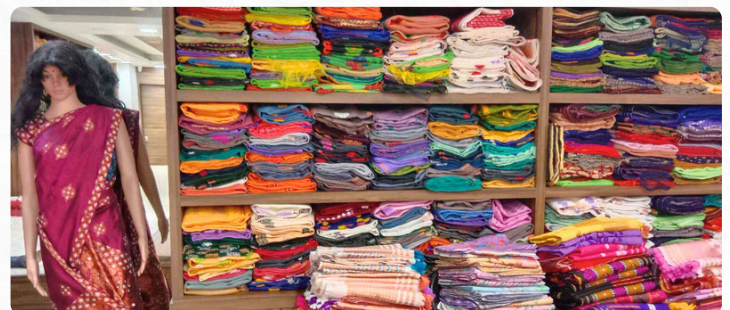
An elegant ivory-white silk, Pat is widely used in traditional Assamese garments such as mekhela chadors and gamochas, representing purity and grace.

* A Living Economy, A Living Culture

Handloom weaving is not just an occupation in Sualkuchi—it is a way of life. More than 70% of households are engaged in silk production, making it one of Assam's most important craft-based economies. Sualkuchi's textiles are worn during festivals, weddings, religious ceremonies, and cultural celebrations, reinforcing their deep social and emotional significance.

* Manju Silk Store – Trusted Handloom Experience

Manju Silk Store is a well-established destination for genuine Assamese silk products, offering curated collections of Muga, Eri, and Pat silk mekhela chadors, sarees, and traditional fabrics. The store works directly with local artisans, ensuring authenticity, fair sourcing, and consistent quality—ideal for travellers seeking meaningful souvenirs and cultural value.



KAKOI RESERVE FOREST

Assam's Hidden Wilderness

Tucked away in Assam's Lakhimpur district, Kakoi Reserve Forest lies along the foothills of Arunachal Pradesh and forms part of a larger green corridor with Ranga and Dulung Reserve Forests. This interconnected forest landscape plays a vital role in sustaining biodiversity in Northeast India.

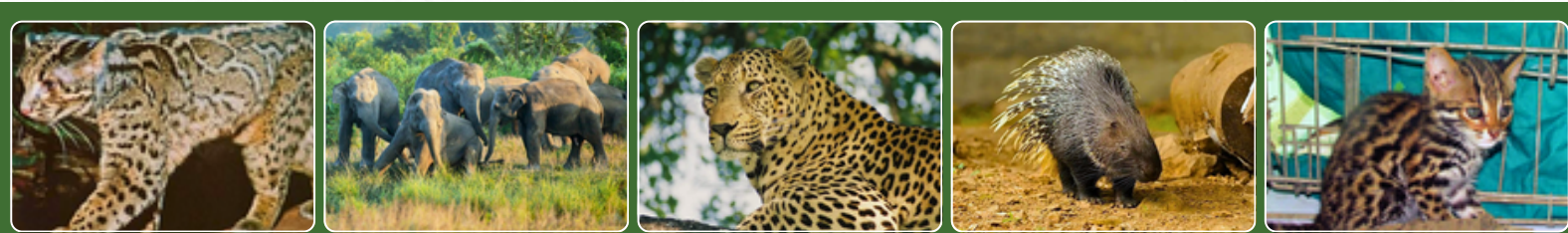


* Ecological Significance

Kakoi represents a rich tropical forest ecosystem with moist deciduous and semi-evergreen vegetation. A scientific study has recorded **86 species of wild edible plants**, many deeply linked to indigenous food systems and traditional ecological knowledge.

The forest supports notable wildlife, including:

- **Marbled Cat** (*Pardofelis marmorata*) — first photographically recorded here in 2024, a major conservation milestone
- **Elephants** and **leopards**, frequently reported by locals and researchers
- Smaller mammals such as **leopard cat** and **Malayan porcupine**, documented through camera traps



This diversity reflects healthy forest cover and strong habitat connectivity with surrounding reserves.

* Ecosystem & Community Value

Kakoi has long supported indigenous communities including Ahom, Mishing, Boro, and Koch, through non-timber forest products and wild edible plants, contributing to livelihood support and nutritional security.

* Best time to visit

November to March is ideal, offering cool, dry weather, better wildlife visibility, and excellent conditions for trekking and birdwatching.

Monsoon months (June–September) are best avoided due to slippery trails and dense vegetation.

NEARBY ATTRACTIONS TO VISIT



Ranga & Dulung Reserve Forests



Subansiri River banks & rural landscapes

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