

UNDER RENOVATION

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Sat Tal Birding Camp
www.sattalbirdingcamp.com

Village Bhaktyura, near Nal Damyanti Tal, Uttarakhand
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Sat Tal

Sat Tal is a cluster of seven lakes in the beautiful woody area of Kumaon. It is 18 km from Nainital and 32 km from Kathgodam (last railhead of Kumaon).

Sat Tal Birding Camp is ideal for birdwatchers, nature lovers and honeymooners.

Set near the lakes, it has five modern twin bedded tents with *en suite* western style toilet and bathroom with running hot and cold water. Meals are fixed menu, scrumptious homemade Indian fare, which we are happy to customize according to your preferences.

At Sat Tal, you can enjoy birding with our trained guides, kayaking, fishing and swimming in crystal clear lakes, rock-climbing and treks through dense jungles past hidden villages and waterfalls. Games and barbeques complete the outdoor experience. For those looking for a more laid back holiday, you can laze with a book or a pair of binoculars to spot a variety of exotic Himalayan birds. You can also visit the Butterfly museum which is just 7km away by road or a 1.5 km trek through the woods.

Sat Tal is an ideal stopover *en route* to Abbott Mount, Jageshwar, Ranikhet, Kausani, Pithoragarh & Munsyari.

Note:

1. All activities at the camp are charged for.
2. Please note that it is a camp, not a hotel. One must read information on this page before making a reservation <http://sattalbirdinglodge.com/know-where-you-are-headed.html> .

How to Reach

One can take any of the following options:

- Drive from Delhi via Moradabad, Haldwani and Bhimtal: 7 hours
- Overnight air-conditioned train from Old Delhi railway station (departing at 2245 hr.) to Kathgodam (arriving at 0615 hr.) and then 1 hr. drive via Bhimtal.
- Overnight air-conditioned train from Old Delhi railway station (departing at 2245 hr.) to Ramnagar (arriving at 0500 hr.) and then 3 hr. drive to Sat Tal via Haldwani and Bhimtal.
- Upon reaching Mehraon, take the road to Sat Tal, drive 2 kilometers after the turn and you will see the board on the left side of the road (a board that says 'Sat Tal Birding Camp')



- Now there are a few day trains from Delhi as well.
- From Kathgodam one can reach Sat Tal (35 km) taking the Sat Tal bypass road via Ranibagh. From Sat Tal one can reach Pangot which is approximately 35 Km via Bhowali and Nainital.

TARIFF in Indian rupees
(Online booking facility active on <http://sattalbirdinglodge.com/>)

Accommodation is without meals

	Single	Double
Swiss Tent	2000	2500

This camp has 3 deluxe tents.

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Terms and Conditions for all tariffs

- All tariffs are in Indian currency and are exclusive of all taxes.
- The meals can be ordered in the restaurant at the camp.
- Extra person (over 05 years of Age) Rs. 500
- Children under 5 years of age Free
- Taxes: 10%
- Validity: till March. 31, 2015
- Rates are subject to change without any prior notice.
- To and Fro transportation can be arranged at an extra cost.
- Bird Guide will be provided on request at an extra charge.

Cancellation rules for the above tariff

- Less than 15 days before arrival date- No Refund
- Less than 20 days before arrival date- 60% Refund
- Less than 25 days before arrival date- 75% Refund
- No Refund in case of road block, accidents, snow fall, no show etc.
- 50% of the total refundable amount (as per the above policy) will be released within 30 days of cancellation and the balance 50% will be adjusted into the future bookings.

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Payments

An advance of 100% is required. All payments to be made in favor of M/S Sat Tal Birding Camp (Unit of Asian Adventures) payable at New Delhi.

Things to do

Bird Watching

More than 250 species of birds have been recorded in the area. One can have excellent birding opportunities in the lodge itself. Besides, there are numerous circular walks through the terrace fields into wooded oak and pine forest which are extremely rewarding. Please visit www.junglelore.com or [write to us](#) for a complete birding tour. Opt for [short](#) or [long](#) holidays.

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Fishing in the lake

This area is the best for Mahseer angling. Please write to us for more information.

Treks

Sat Tal offers short treks through the oak and pine forests that end up on the lake sides. One can undertake a lot of day treks in this region.

Boating

A nice ride through the placid waters of these lakes offers you some of the unforgettable moments in your entire lifetime. Though the lakes set a beautiful ambiance all through the year, boat rides on a full moon night is really mesmerizing. While boating through the placid waters of the lovely lakes, you can feel the real charisma of an unspoiled wildlife along with the pure reflection of the all around foliage in the greenish waters.

Picnic

Sat Tal is a nice and quiet place to get great views of the lakes. You may go with packed lunch and enjoy the flora and fauna of this place.

Cooking Class

We are happy for you to interact with our chef. We can arrange a free cooking lesson and you can share your favourite recipe with us too.

Accommodation

Each tent has a twin bed with fresh linen, fresh towels and warm blankets / duvets. Heaters are provided in cold weather.

Tent No. 1

Walking down 15 steps from the Dining Room, one reaches Tent No. 1.

The tent is equipped with a twin bed, *en suite* toilet with a WC and a hot shower. Bucket and mugs are provided in the toilet for wash up if the water pressure is less in the shower or faucet. The size of the room is about 12'x14'.

Tent No. 2

Walking down 15 steps from the Tent No. 1, one reaches Tent No. 2.

The tent is equipped with a twin bed, *en suite* toilet with a WC and a hot shower. Bucket and mugs are provided in the toilet for wash up if the water pressure is less in the shower or faucet. The size of the room is about 12'x14'.

Tent No. 3

On the same level as Tent No. 2 is the Tent No. 3

This is long tent and has two beds in a long line, not adjacent to each other. There is an attached toilet with a WC and a hot shower. Bucket and mugs are provided in the toilet for wash up if the water pressure is less in the shower or faucet. The size of the room is about 7'x16'.

We encourage you to think about the environment and try to re-use towels & linen. Please place them in the basket if you want them replaced.

Dining Room

Walking down 15 steps from the main road, one reaches the Dining Room.

The dining room also serves the purpose of a restaurant. When we have a full house we serve buffet meals.

à la carte meals are served on prior order as per the menu. Please give adequate notice.

The meals are wholesome and hygienic. The menu consists of Indian and Kumaoni dishes.

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We usually serve traditional home-cooked Indian food. We try and keep spice and chilly levels moderate but if you still find the food too hot, do let our staff know and we'll be happy to suit it to your taste. Please inform us if you have any special dietary requirements.

On prior intimation we could also arrange a private dinner in the verandah of your tent or provide you room service.

We stock a limited selection of beverages at the lodge. All beverages are chargeable. Alcohol is not served at the lodge; the clients may get their own.

We discourage the use of pre-packaged food items and bottled water as it adds to pollution and is additional cost for us to carry it all the way back to Haldwani for proper disposal. The guests may get their own food items as per their preference and are requested to take away as much non-biodegradable material with them. We serve filtered water that is safe to drink.

We also provide packed meals for your return journey. Let us know in advance and we will arrange it for you.

Other Notes

- It can sometimes be quite chilly outdoors at night, even in summer, so do dress warmly. We expect rain & hail in winter while it snows in the upper reaches.
- We do not have an in-house laundry. We send it out to a nearby facility in the village hence we are unable take responsibility for them. If you would like your clothes laundered, please place the items in the bag and they will be laundered within 24 hours. Please note that laundry charges are extra.
- The power supply is 220V. The plug size is Standard English. The power supply in Sat Tal can be very erratic. The government has a load-shedding system and shuts down supply sometimes. Unfortunately the timings of load-shedding are not fixed, power supply may disappear in the mornings on some days, and in the afternoon on others.
- As our focus is on developing a nature-centric experience at the lodge, we do not have electricity generators which cause sound and atmospheric pollution. We usually use emergency lights when there is no electricity and all pathways are lit by them at night. A staff member can escort you to your cottage.
- We would urge our guests to refrain from smoking in and around the lodge, inside the tents and in the dining areas.
- The smaller mammals, wild animals & birds occasionally do enter and pass through the lodge. Guests are requested not to walk alone at night, Members of our staff will be happy to accompany guest back to their tents. Please do not walk barefoot anywhere, not even inside your tents. If there are unwanted guests in your tents (spiders, insects, geckos, etc.) please alert our staff who will remove them. Macaques and Langurs visit the lodge too. Please ensure that you keep eatables away from them.
- We advise you to be careful with your valuables. If there is something you would like to keep safe, our manager will be happy to assist you.
- Sat Tal does not have a bank to change foreign currency. The nearest ATM is 5 km away. Please contact our manager for any assistance.



- Nainital is the closet town that has a hospital. If you have any medical conditions that we need to be aware of, please inform our manager. We do not have doctors on call.
- If you'd like to leave a tip for our staff at the end of your stay, please do not tip any of our staff individually. There are many unseen hands who work hard to make your stay comfortable, and we strive to divide tips between the entire staff. Please leave tips in the Tip Box.
- Check - out time is 11 am.
- We do not have the facility to charge credit cards at the lodge. We recommend that you carry enough spare cash to pay for hotel taxes and any extra expenses that you may incur.