One-Day Itinerary to Rajmachi Fireflies Trek

The Rajmachi Fireflies Trek is a unique monsoon adventure where thousands of fireflies light up the forest around Rajmachi Fort, creating an enchanting night spectacle. This trek is perfect for nature lovers and adventure seekers wanting a magical one-day experience near Pune and Lonavala.

Best Time to Visit

- Late May to Early June (peak firefly season)
- Evening and night for the fireflies glow
- Weather: Cool monsoon climate with lush greenery



Afternoon Arrival & Start

- 2:00 PM: Arrive at Rajmachi Base Village (Udhewadi) via Lonavala
- **2:30 PM**: Begin trekking from the base village towards Rajmachi Fort. (3 km)
- **4:00 PM**: Reach the camping spot near the fort or set up base for the evening.

Evening Activities

- 6:00 PM: Explore nearby nature spots, enjoy views of the Sahyadri mountains
- 7:30 PM: Enjoy a simple dinner (packed or arranged via camp)
- 8:30 PM: Start the guided night trek to spot the mesmerizing fireflies

• 10:00 PM: Return to camp, relax, and soak in the magical ambiance

Return Journey

- 6:00 AM (Next day): Early morning return trek to Rajmachi Base Village
- 8:00 AM: Departure from Rajmachi Base Village

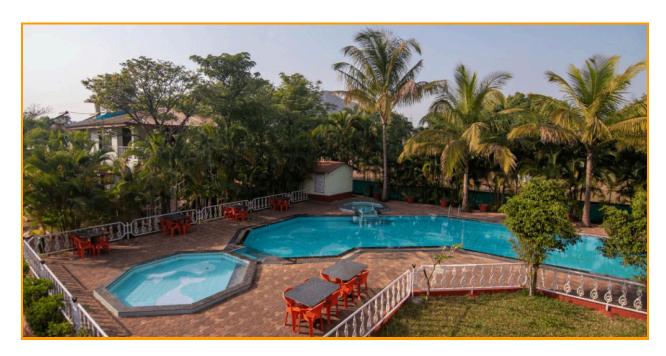
What to Carry

- Headlamp or torch (preferably with red/green filters)
- Water bottle and light snacks
- Comfortable trekking shoes
- Light raincoat (monsoon season)
- Warm clothes for the night
- Camera (no flash) and insect repellent

Highlights

- Witness thousands of glowing fireflies illuminating the forest trees
- Experience the serene atmosphere of Rajmachi Fort and the Sahyadri hills
- Trek through lush monsoon greenery with streams and waterfalls
- Enjoy starry skies and peaceful nature away from city lights

A Peaceful Stay at Govinda Resorts



If you prefer to rest before or after your trek, Govinda Resorts in Lonavala is an excellent option:

- Spacious, <u>clean rooms</u> surrounded by greenery
- Pure vegetarian restaurant serving delicious meals
- Convenient location with easy access to Lonavala and Rajmachi
- Calm and peaceful ambiance, perfect for relaxation

Important TIPS

- Book your transport in advance to avoid last-minute hassles
- Stick to the trails to protect the delicate firefly habitat
- Avoid using bright white lights or flash photography during the night trek
- Travel in small groups for a better experience and less disturbance
- Carry enough cash, as digital payments may not be accepted.

The <u>Rajmachi Fireflies Trek</u> offers a rare chance to witness nature's magical light show while enjoying the thrill of trekking in the Sahyadris. This one-day itinerary lets you experience the enchanting glow of fireflies, beautiful monsoon landscapes, and a taste of adventure—all within a manageable schedule. Pack your bags, lace up your trekking shoes, and prepare for an unforgettable night in Lonavala.