

If you're planning your trip for vacations and are worried about in-depth information about places then don't worry and hit the road to Silk route, Sikkim. I will be explanation each and every detail about this route starting from it's history importance to tourist places you can visit.

The Silk Route holds a historical importance as its date goes back to 2nd century B.C. It covers a vast area starting from Asia to Mediterranean. Italy, Greece, Arabia , India, China and many more counties are part of this route. The name Silk Route was given solely because of its massive silk trading that started in that period of time. The primitive of fabric goes back to China, having all the secret of creating fabric holds a monopoly of silk production until all of it's secrets were disclose. There are many more trading that take place in silk route apart from fabric and silk. Grains, spices, fruits, vegetables, wood , metal work , precious stones and all the other things that India is knows for are traded on this route.

Adding upto it's historical importance, it was set up during the Han Tradition by Zhang Quian, a Chinese representative. During a discretionary mission, Quian was caught and kept for a very long time on his first expedition prior to getting away and seeking different route from China to Focal Asia. That's why this route was well known during the Tang Dynasty, from 618 to 907 A.D. Travellers have the opportunity to pick among various land and ocean ways to arrive at their dynasty. The route developed alongside regional limits and changes in public administration. Even China stated in 2013 that it will revive the route and will connect it with many countries in Asia, Europe, Africa and Middle east. This shows the importance of the silk route.

You can come for vacations to silk route sikkim all around the year with the exception of the stormy season and colder time of the year. Notwithstanding, the ideal months to get the best experience of silk course are May and October. During these months, the environment is totally wonderful for vacation and it would be a paradise on earth .During the long periods of April, May and June, the recurrence of travellers is quite high. This route connects some of the heavens in this world.

Silk route map starts from Icchey Gaon and reach its final destination which is Gangtok City.

Icchey Gaon

Icchey Gaon, regularly known as Echey Gaon, is an exquisite village wrapped up the Kalimpong area of West Bengal. The town is filled barely by 30 families. Icchey offers stunning perspectives on the snow-covered Himalayan mountain tops including Kanchenjunga. This spot is effortlessly named as a photographic artist's heaven in Silk Course Sikkim. It is surrounded by many trekking courses. Another interest thing here is the Sangchen Dorjee Cloister worked around 300 years back, this Religious community gives a comprehension into the set of experiences and culture of Pedong and the environmental factors. Another notable viewpoint here is Rikisum.

After hitting echey gaon you'll probably be expected to visit the following places.

- Sillery Gaon
- Kaagey
- Pedong
- Reshi Khola
- MankhKhon
- Lingtum
- Padamchen
- ZulGao
- Thambi View Point
- Lungthung Dhupidara
- Nathang valley
- Old Baba Mandir
- New Baba Mandir
- Nathula Pass
- Tsomgo Lake

Gangtok

And finally last but not the least Gangtok, it is capital and most probably the largest town of Sikkim. Having a mild temperature Gangtok become the hub of tourism. This town gain it's popularity mainly because of buddhism pilgrimage. Having a trade route between Lhasa in Tibet and cities such as Kolkata catches the eye of tourist.

Gangtok is the main center for Sikkim tourism. Summer and spring seasons are the most well known vacationer seasons. Large numbers of Gangtok's locals are appointed by the travel industry, with numerous inhabitants possessing and working in inns and restaurants.

Eye-catching sites in sikkim includes

Lingtam

It is a hamlet amidst the mountains. This is the first tourism destination in the route. It is a few kilometers away from Rishikhola . The main attractions in this spot are the Aritar Lake, the mountains and the scenery filled environment. The sunshine and pleasant weather in lingtam makes it stand out than rest of the places. Some of the feature of lingtam are given below;

- Bagdogra is the nearest airport to lingtam and you can get flight from almost every city.
- There are like five homes in this village for tourist so you better get your hand on as early as possible.
- Lingtam is in its full blossom in monsoon so it's better if you adjust your vacation during that time of the year.

Rishikhola

This small village is located in the Kalimpong subdivision of Darjeeling district in West Bengal. This place is situated in dense forest and long-bladed grassland.

- Best time to visit this place is in summer as weather remains less humid.
- The great attraction of this place is in mountain ornaments and colourful flowers that covers it.
- You can reach Rishikhola through rail, road and air from all parts of India.

Baba Mandir

There are two temples which are now maintained by Indian army. Indian army is very humble and you would be welcome by them wholeheartedly and will feel like home. Bangkok road won't be able to take you to the old one. However, the new one is open to both routes.

Kupup Lake

Kupup lake is also very famously known as elephant lake mainly due to its shape of an elephant. Although there are no water based activities that you can experience there but you can surely enjoy the mesmerizing view.

There are many more to places that cannot be confined in this single piece of work. Some of them are given below;

- Zuluk
- Nathang Valley
- Lungthung
- Menmecho Lake
- Eagle's Nest
- The Border and the Market

Now coming towards packages and accommodations during this trip. Honestly options are endless there are many tourist companies that are giving many packages starting from 4 days trip upto 9 days trip. One thing that should be kept in mind while choosing the tourist company is the information and accessibility of Wi-Fi and other mobile connection. And other side offers like availability of hospitals or perhaps a team prepared in case emergency. These things should not be neglected. Finally I'm gonna list some of the companies that offers packages for Silk Route;

- North Bengal Tourism
- Nature Wings
- Travel Triangle
- Dook International

Last but not the least I'm going to end this article with the quote of my favorite writer Oscar Wilde;

"Live with no excuses and travel with no regrets"