



THE GOLDEN TUSK, RAMNAGAR

CALL OF THE WILD

From the moment you step off the train at Ramnagar, and are whisked away into a jeep for the drive to The Golden Tusk through the Jim Corbett National Park, you know this is going to be a good time. The property is fairly new, a fact that is easily noticeable from its simplistic Bauhaus construction, neat layout and superbly clean facilities. The area was previously agricultural land, and in trying to keep its charm, there is an abundance of trees, flowers, bushes and flora all around. Through the driveway into the property, there is a line of trees that serve up a cacophony of bird chatter in the evenings.

If you are the slightly more live-action adventure type,

there are facilities to engage your muscles. A climbing wall, a zip line and rappelling line are all built into the property. Other facilities include an outdoor pool, volleyball, football, badminton and a range of other sports. Add all this to a secluded, silent, private and yet luxurious spot and it's that rare holiday. Once you get in The Golden Tusk and settle in for a long weekend, you never truly need to get out.

But of course you do. For a viewing of the tiger, the real reason you are probably in the area, there is a need to step into the jungle. The Golden Tusk is situated in Village Dhela, in the Dhela and Jhirna zones of the National Park. On most occasions, the property offers use of

vehicles and safari services. The visitor is encouraged to take along their own eyes, ears and memory on the safari. There is no speeding of the vehicle chasing an animal, no squeezing through paths to try and get a better view. Every animal, be it an eagle, an elephant or a tiger, is accorded the same importance. And for this, we are grateful.

Aside from the regular rooms, the property also offers a luxury tent experience. Equipped with an AC, bathroom and electricity, the tents are situated right next to the river that flows by the property. When in spate, it is probably a sight to behold. In all fairness, The Golden Tusk is not an ideal holiday for someone who requires a fast-paced, adrenaline-filled

experience. It isn't for those looking to constantly text, call, email or post up their daily schedules on social media. But that again, isn't the point of coming here.

If you're here, you ought to surrender yourself to the people at the property (each one of them willing to flash a genuine smile and help out whenever needed) and to the peacefulness of its surroundings.

—Vaibhav Raghunandan

NAVIGATOR

Go there for Slow down your life. Swim. Sun yourself. Look at the stars. Breathe.

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Tariff Starts at ₹10,500 per night