

Summer Camp 2026

An Immersive Nature Learning Experience
— for Children (Age 10–15) —

Bookings
Open

Limited
Seats!

Venue: Maivarai Environmental Retreat Center,
Kodaikanal

Date: 13 May – 17 May 2026

Activities



Bird Watching



Forest Exploration



Hill Trekking



Tribal
Village
Visit



Group Games



Sightseeing



Bushcraft Skills



Sky Watching



Nature Journaling



Self-Care Practices

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Explore Nature • Build Friendships • Discover Yourself



Day 1 – Socializing & Friendship

-  Introduction Circle
-  Ice Breaking Activities
-  Team Games
-  Safety Instructions
-  Storytelling

Children get to know each other through introductions, games and shared stories. The day builds friendship, confidence, teamwork and a sense of safety while enjoying nature together.

Ages 10–15 | Nature Learning | Team Activities | Outdoor Exploration

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Day 1 – Socializing & Friendship

The camp begins by creating a warm and welcoming environment where children meet new friends and build trust within the group. Through introductions, ice-breaking activities and collaborative team games, participants learn to communicate openly and support one another. Safety guidelines and storytelling sessions help establish a respectful and caring camp culture.

Children develop confidence in interacting with new people, learn the value of teamwork, and build a sense of belonging that forms the foundation for the rest of the camp experience.

DAY	FROM	TO	ACTIVITY
1	10:30	11:00	Refreshments
	11:00	11:30	Introduction & Issue of Camp Kit
	11:30	12:30	Camp Circle, Briefing & Safety Instructions
	12:30	14:00	Lunch
	14:00	15:00	Introduction to Camp Journaling
	15:00	16:30	Games
	16:30	17:30	Break & Refreshments
	17:30	19:30	Stories
	19:30	20:00	Evening Circle
	20:00	21:00	Dinner & Bed



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Day 2 – Nature & Planet

-  Bird Watching
-  Explore Walk
-  Nature Journaling
-  Understanding Climate Change & Impacts

Children explore the forests of the Western Chats while observing birds, plants and ecosystems. Through nature journaling and guided discussions they begin to understand climate change, environmental balance and how humans can protect our planet.

Ages 10–15 | Nature Discovery | Environmental Learning | Outdoor Exploration

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Day 2 – Nature & Planet

Children step into the forests of the Western Ghats to observe and explore the living world around them. Through bird watching, guided exploration walks and nature journaling, they learn to notice the details of ecosystems—plants, insects, birds and landscapes. Interactive discussions introduce the concept of climate change and help children understand how human actions influence the environment.

Children develop curiosity, observation skills and environmental awareness, while beginning to understand their role in protecting nature and the planet.

DAY	FROM	TO	ACTIVITY
2	06:00	06:30	Wake Up & Refreshments
	06:30	07:30	Bird Watching
	07:30	08:30	Freshen Up
	08:30	09:30	Breakfast
	09:30	11:00	Speak Up An interactive real-life journey
	11:00	11:30	Break & Refreshments
	11:30	13:00	Climate Leadership Climate Change & Impacts
	13:00	14:00	Lunch
	14:00	17:00	Explore Walk (Includes Refreshment)
	17:00	18:30	Volunteering & Free Time
	18:30	19:30	Star Gazing & Astronomy
	19:30	20:00	Evening Circle
	20:00	21:00	Dinner & End of Day



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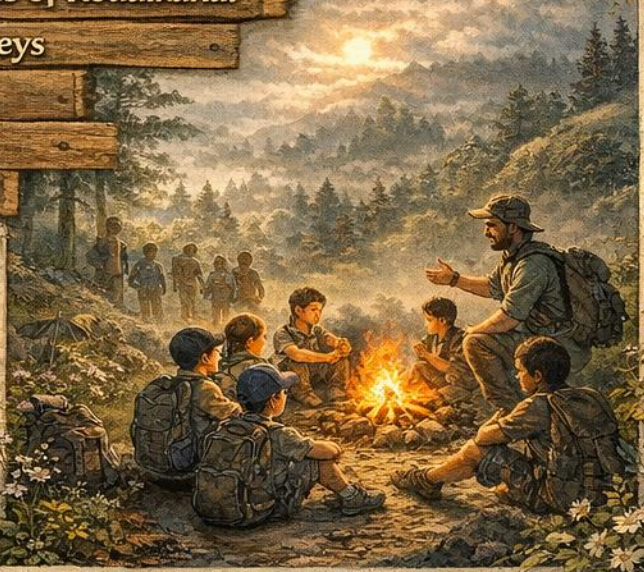
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Day 3 – The Hill – What It Says to Us

-  Exploring the Unseen Parts of Kodaikanal
-  Guided Trek Through Valleys
-  Understanding the Hills
-  Responsible Tourism
-  Campfire

Through misty treks and valley explorations, children discover the hidden stories of the hills. They learn how mountains, forests and communities are connected and how responsible travelers can protect these fragile ecosystems.



Ages 10–15 | Mountain Exploration | Responsible Travel | Outdoor Adventure

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Day 3 - The Hill - What It Says to Us

A guided trek through the valleys and hidden trails around Kodaikanal allows children to experience the mountains as living ecosystems. Along the journey they learn how hills shape water systems, forests and biodiversity. Conversations on responsible travel help them understand how visitors can respect and protect fragile landscapes. The day ends with a shared campfire that strengthens friendships and reflection.

Children gain a deeper appreciation of mountain environments, develop respect for natural landscapes and learn the importance of responsible exploration and sustainable tourism.

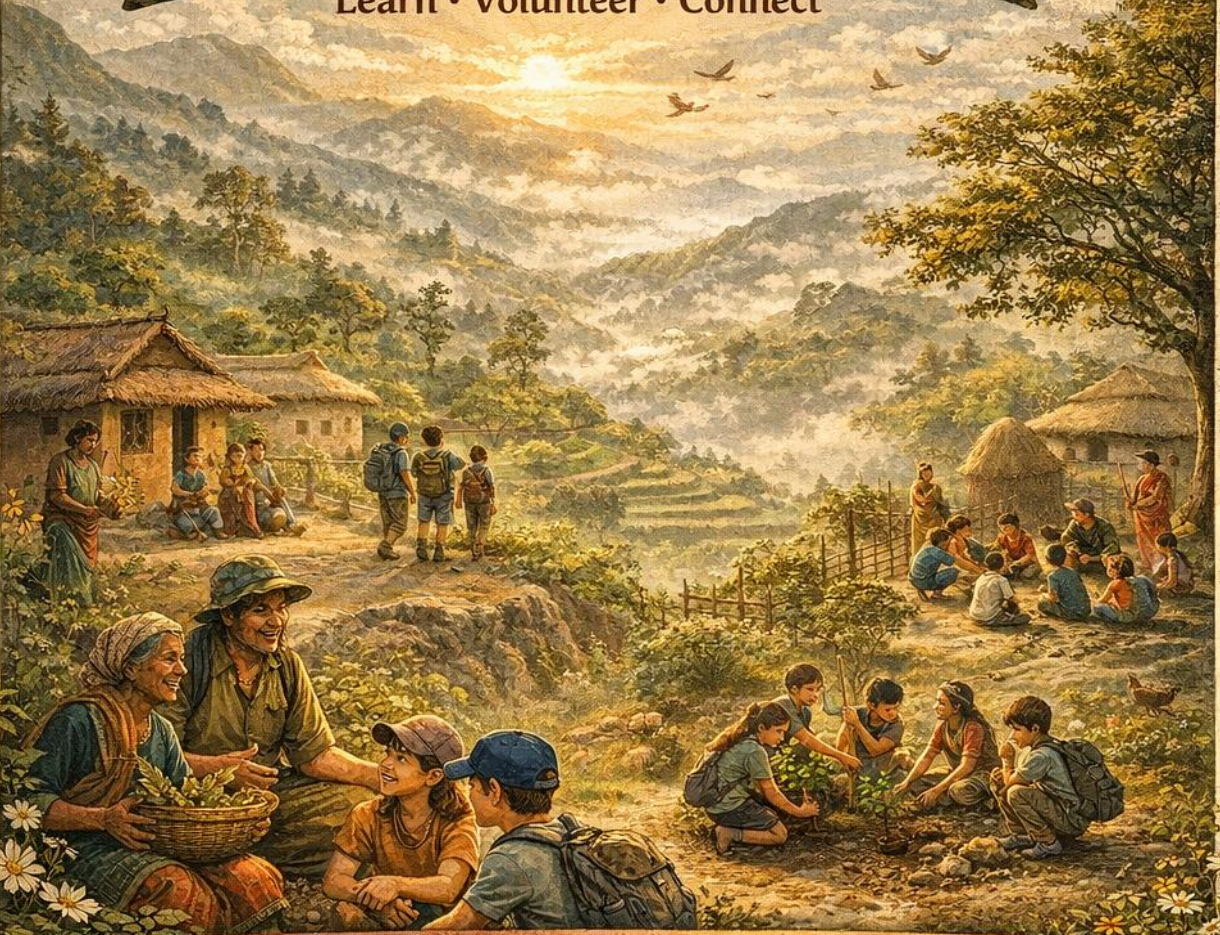
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3	05:30	06:15	Wake Up & Freshen Up
	06:15	07:30	Travel to Kodaikanal
	07:30	12:00	Guided Hill Trek through the valleys of Kodai (Refreshments and Breakfast included)
	12:00	13:00	Return to Campsite
	13:00	14:00	Lunch
	14:00	17:30	Bush Crafts and Tent Pitching
	17:30	18:30	Free Time
	18:30	19:00	Evening Circle on Camp Fire
	19:00	20:00	Fireless Cooking
	20:00	21:00	Stories, Sharing & End of Day



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Learn • Volunteer • Connect



Day 4 – We: The Social Ecosystem

-  Volunteering Programs
-  Communication Exercises
-  Tribal Village Visit
-  Cultural Interactions
-  Social Responsibility Activities

Children step beyond the forest and learn about the human side of ecosystems. Through volunteering, communication exercises and village interactions they discover empathy, cooperation and the importance of building responsible and caring communities.



Ages 10–15 | Community Learning | Social Responsibility | Cultural Exchange

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Day 4 - We: The Social Ecosystem

Nature is closely connected with people and communities. On this day, children explore the human side of ecosystems by visiting nearby tribal villages and interacting with local communities. Volunteering activities and communication exercises encourage empathy, cooperation and understanding of different ways of life. Children discover how communities live with and depend on nature.

Children develop social awareness, empathy and a sense of responsibility toward both people and the environment, realizing that a healthy society and a healthy ecosystem are deeply interconnected.

DAY	FROM	TO	ACTIVITY
4	06:00	06:30	Wake Up & Refreshments
	06:30	08:00	Freshen Up
	08:00	09:00	Breakfast
	09:00	11:00	AHIMSA - Social Exercise
	13:00	14:00	Lunch
	14:00	17:30	Ethnic Visit & Traditional Construction
	17:30	19:00	Tribal Village Visit & Interactions
	19:00	20:00	Return to Accommodation
	20:00	21:00	Dinner
	21:00	22:00	Nocturnal Walk
	22:00	-	End of Day



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Day 5 – What We Take With Us

-  Sharing Circle
-  Camp Recap
-  Reflection Activities
-  Outdoor Games
-  Takeaway Discussions

Children look back on their five-day journey of friendship, nature exploration, mountain learning and community experiences. Through sharing and reflection they celebrate what they learned and carry forward a deeper connection with nature, people and the planet.



Ages 10–15 | Reflection | Celebration | Lifelong Nature Learning

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Day 5 - What We Take with Us

The final day is a time for sharing, celebration and reflection. Children revisit their experiences through storytelling, group discussions, games and reflection activities. By looking back on the journey of the previous days, they identify what they have learned about friendship, nature, mountains and communities, and how these lessons can guide their everyday lives.

Children leave the camp with lasting memories, stronger friendships and a deeper commitment to caring for nature, communities and the planet.


DAY	FROM	TO	ACTIVITY
5	06:00	06:30	Wake Up & Refreshments
	06:30	08:00	Freshen Up
	08:00	09:00	Breakfast
	09:00	11:00	Nature Scavenger Hunt / Treasure Hunt
	13:00	14:00	Lunch
	14:00	14:30	Feedback Sharing
	14:30	15:00	Group Photo & Camp Closure





IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE


The "Must-Haves" Checklist


Pack these essentials to stay comfortable and prepared.


 **Clothes & Wearables** – Enough for the duration (plus a spare!).

 **Towel & Toiletries** – Don't forget your toothbrush and soap.


 **Medicines** – Any personal prescriptions or basic first aid.

 **Water Bottle** – Stay hydrated throughout the day!

 **Sturdy Shoes** – Perfect for hiking and activities.


 **Sweaters & Winter Wear** – Layers are key for chilly nights.


 **Torch / Flashlight** – For navigating after the sun goes down.


 **Tiffin Box** – To keep your meals fresh and organized.

What to Leave at Home

To keep the focus on nature and team building, please leave these behind.

 **Mobile Phones** – Unplug and enjoy the great outdoors.


 **Smart Watches** – Give the notifications a rest.


 **Expensive Wearables** – Better to keep valuables safe at home.

 **Outside & Packaged Food** – We've got the meals covered!

 **Use & Throw Trashes** – Let's keep our campsite eco-friendly.

Important Notes for Parents

 **Medical Information:** Please ensure that any allergies or relevant medical history are shared with the organizers prior to the start of the camp.

 **Schedule Flexibility:** Please note that the camp schedule is subject to change based on climatic conditions and necessary safety measures to ensure the well-being of all children.

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