

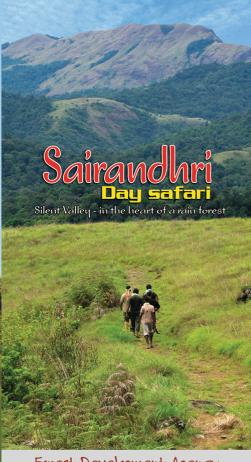
Safari Time: 7:30 am to 1:00 pm

Safari Charge: Rs \*400/- per person

Hiring 5 seater Jeep Costs Rs. 2000/-Hiring 15 seater Bus Costs Rs. 6000/-Hiring 25 seater Bus Costs Rs. 10000/-

\*For hiring separate vehicle, total hiring charges of a vehicle must be settled if all seats are not booked.

56 Km from Palakkad. 62 Km from Coimbatore



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## Into the silence

Silent Valley, the world renowned national park in India is a jewel of Western Ghats. If 'heart of the jungle' is somewhere deep inside the forest, here you feel the gentle heartbeats of a forest saved from ruthless persecution. This 50 million year old 'grand-forest' wasn't treated appropriately by man in the late stages. Yet, against all odds, Silent Valley rainforest has aged gracefully and it's still thriving, Silent Valley National Park was a beginning, of recognition of values of a rainforest, of massive environmental movement, of political will over mindless exploitation.

A moment with this pristine jungle is a dream of any nature lover. It only takes a two hour jeep ride from nearest township (Mukkail) to experience this massive spectacle nicknamed Silent Valley. The winding roads take you through the 'less-human' land of the giant trees of 'Nanku' and 'Badraksham', the leftovers from history. An occasional barking deer or langur or macaque is a bonus. Elephants rule this jungle yet with little signs. The 23 km ride, take you to the gateway of Silent Valley, Sirandhri. The spectacular view of Nilgiris from the watch tower and the ancient untouched water of Kunthi River... one must see to believe. Silent Valley is also a place of complexities, ecologically and evolutionarily. One shall not celebrate the day in Silent Valley, but experience it, understand it and if you are listening keenly enough, you will hear its faintest heartbeat even in the silence. So come, take the ride and befriend the silence...

