

— A RED EARTH RESORT

KABINI · KARNATAKA · INDIA

Red Earth

Kabini

As close to silence as you can get.

A charming retreat by the *backwaters*

On the quiet shores of the Kabini backwaters, at the edge of Nagarhole National Park, sits a resort built on a single belief — that travel should give back more than it takes.

A pet-friendly retreat, too — open to every one of our four-legged friends.





— 02 — THE WILD

Nagarhole *National* *Park*

The Kabini river parts two great reserves — Nagarhole and Bandipur — which run on into the Mudumalai forests of Tamil Nadu and Wayanad in Kerala: a single unbroken belt of **6,500 sq km**.

It is one of the few reserves in India to stay open through the monsoon — when the forest is at its greenest.

Land of the *big* *cats*

Perennial water and abundant bamboo draw the elephants. The herds feed the soil, the soil feeds the small creatures — and the small creatures draw the predators.

Few forests on earth hold **tiger, leopard and black panther** at once. Here the prey is so plentiful that their territories overlap — and all three may be seen.





INDIAN PEAFOWL

— 02 — THE WILD

A chorus of *250* *birds*

Migratory and resident, from the Great Black Woodpecker and Indian Pitta to hornbills, owls and eagles — a soundtrack that begins before dawn.

ALSO SEEN HERE

Indian gaur, sloth bear, sambar, spotted deer, Malabar giant squirrel, crocodile and barking deer.



— 03 — THE RESORT

Twenty cottages, built of *earth*

Twenty air-conditioned cottages stand in a secluded world of their own, each with a private, open-to-the-sky Jacuzzi.

Every one is raised by the **rammed-earth technique** — soil dug from the site itself, barely any cement or steel — and floored in handmade Athangudi tiles.

Responsible *tourism*

- A pesticide-free garden of fruit and flowering trees — a haven for birds, bees and butterflies.
- All water is treated in our STP plants and returned to water the gardens.
- Waste is segregated, composted and recycled; organic waste goes to a local farmer.
- No plastic bottles — guests are served well-treated water in glass.
- Water heated by solar power, with energy-efficient lighting throughout.



— 04 — OUR PROMISE

Rooted in the *local* *community*

- Over **95%** of our staff are local villagers, trained in hospitality.
- Food is sourced fresh from surrounding villages, supporting the local economy.
- We have adopted two nearby schools, running regular health camps and clean-up drives.
- We support the Nilgiri Wayanad Tribal Welfare Society and the Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement.

Tables by the *water*

Poshini Restaurant

Food fresh from the farm, served homely.

Wetlands Bar

An island bar set on a water body within the property.

Wonkey Monkey Cafe

A deck at the water's edge, overlooking the Kabini backwaters.



Rest & *recreation*

Zvaasthi Spa

Holistic Eastern and Western therapies in natural, organic oils.

Mukti Gift Shop

Keepsakes handmade by the women of the village.

Samarya

A sixty-seat hall that turns cinema by night.

ALSO ON THE GROUNDS

Swimming Pool / **Reading Room** /

Music Room / **Games Room**





— 06 — EXPERIENCES

Into the *wild*

Every safari is led by a certified naturalist — one of them born to the **Kadu Kuruba tribe**, who has read this forest his whole life.

We sit just 8 km from the Dommangatte Gate. Two more — Udboor and the Nagarhole Main Gate — are close by, giving guests three distinct ways into the wild.

Days well *spent*

AT THE WATER'S EDGE

Coracle & speedboat rides

Cycling the backwaters

Chorus walks at dawn

Picnics on the Kabini Dam

Candle-lit dinners & private barbecue

Cultural evenings of tribal music & dance

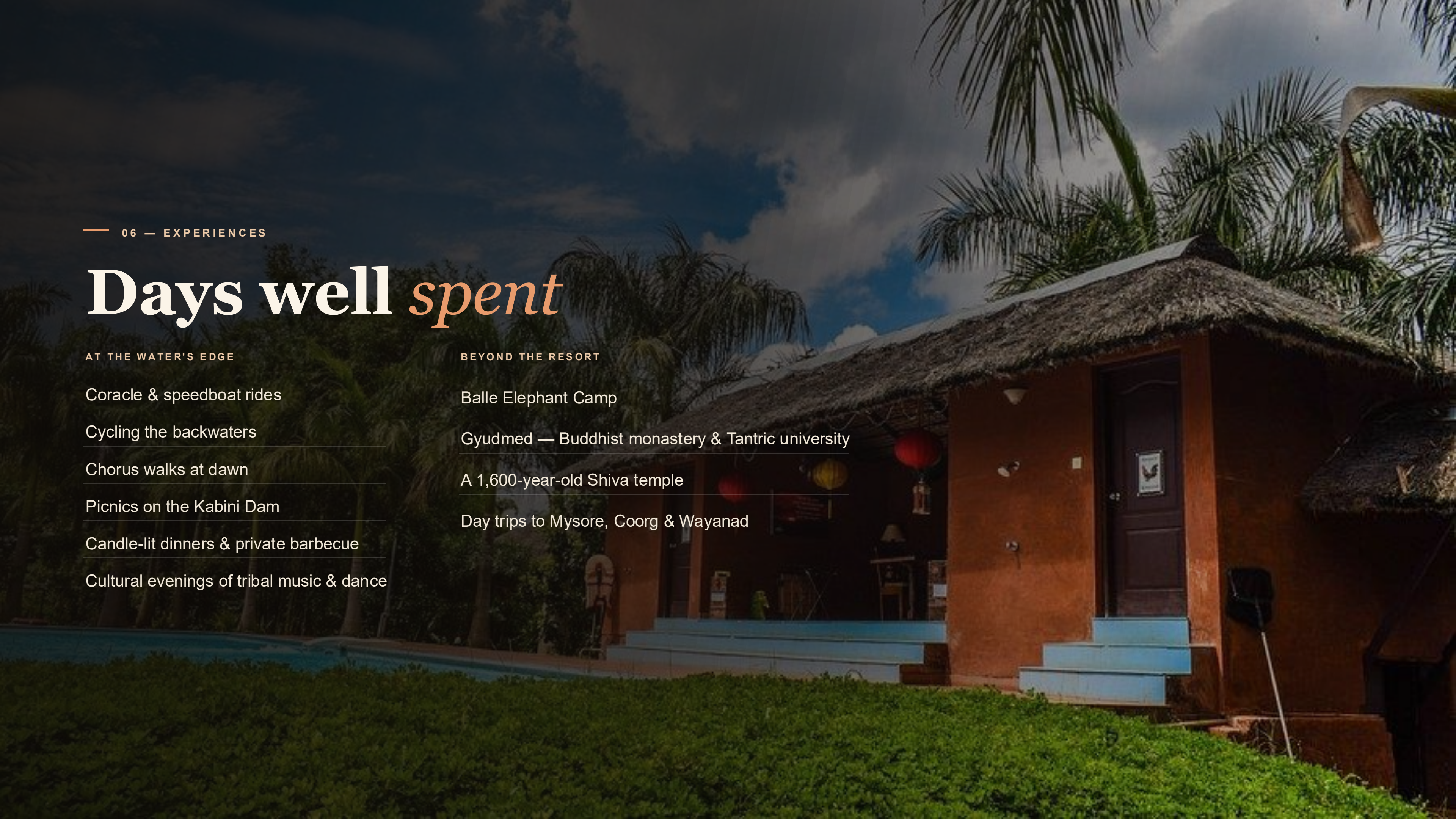
BEYOND THE RESORT

Balle Elephant Camp

Gyudmed — Buddhist monastery & Tantric university

A 1,600-year-old Shiva temple

Day trips to Mysore, Coorg & Wayanad





— 07 — GETTING HERE

How to *get here*

BY AIR Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru
— about **250 km** away.

BY TRAIN Mysore is the nearest railway station — about
63 km away.

BY BUS Well connected by KSRTC buses to
Bengaluru and neighbouring cities.

