

ABBOTTABAD

THE GATE WAY CITY TO HAZARA AND GILGIT BALTISTAN

It is a charming town spread out over several low, refreshingly cool and green hills. Abbottabad is 116 km (2 hours) from Rawalpindi and 208 km (3 hours) from Peshawar.

Abbottabad, is 1,250 m approximately above sea level, is a neat and clean town in a spacious valley surrounded by green hills. It is a popular summer resort. It serves as a base for trips to Kaghan valley and the Gallies.

TCKP maintains a Tourist Information Centre here to facilitate visitors. Places worth visiting in and around Abbottabad are; Ilyasi Mosque with a water spring, Shimla Hill view point. Thandiani is another attractive hill resort 30 km east of Abbottabad at an altitude of 2,800 meters above sea level.

Natural springs feed the rivers which swell as the snow in the hilly areas of Galiyat begins to melt. This small town at 15 minutes drive from the garrison city is also known as the gateway to Galiyat.



CAMPING PARADISE



For the provision of good, clean and not too expensive facilities for families, students and holiday makers, Tourism Corporation Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (TCKP) has setup unique camping sites at Bishigram (near Madyan, Swat), Sharan in Kaghan and Thandiani (near Abbottabad) at Yakhtangi (Shangla) and Shiekh Badin (Lakki Marwat). For booking please contact: +92 91 9210583, 03109119727

ACTIVITIES

IN ABBOTTABAD DISTRICT

PLACES TO VISIT IN ABBOTTABAD CITY ARE:

SHIMLA HILL: is in the middle of Abbottabad city. You can view the whole of Abbottabad valley from the hill top.

ILYASI MASJID: is a famous mosque known for its beautiful architecture and water springs, located in Nawansher. It was built between 1927-1932

HARNOI: The famous picnic spot about 10 kilometers northeast of Abbottabad on the main Nathiagalli road. It is a small town situated on the confluence of two small rivers namely Harno and Birengali. Different species of trees dotting lush slopes of the adjoining hills and the cold waters of springs that flow down to this point makes it a major tourist attraction.

CHAIRLIFT AT NAWANSHER: A new chairlift has been established from Nawansher township to Maira Rehmat Khan. (5 KM distance)

THANDIANI

Another beautiful and very peaceful hill station in Abbottabad. The meaning of thandiani in local language is "cold".

TCKP established Eco-Friendly Tourism Camping Project with all the allied facilities by the name "Thandiani Camping Pods".

You can hike through forest to witness some amazing wild life. There's a forest rest house on the trail to spend your night. Weather of Thandiani remains pleasant throughout the summer and temperature stays under 30 degree celsius during the day. You need a blanket at night.

Thandiani is 2700 meters above sea level on a small plateau surrounded by pine forests. This beautiful spot can easily be approached from Abbottabad, which is 24 km away. It is totally unspoiled and has the loveliest of views of all the nearby mountain ranges. The scenery here is breathtaking and superb.

NATHIAGALI

Nathiagali is a mountainous area and one of the largest hill stations of the country. The atmosphere is very peaceful and the climate of the valley is very pleasant and cool during the summer.

You can travel to Nathiagali from Abbottabad or from Murree. Good roads, easy to drive through and you can view lots of landscapes on the way. Many hotels and resorts are available. Families book their resorts in advance and spend the whole summer season in these resorts. You can enjoy hiking, trekking, bird watching, wildlife and lots of awesome scenery.

Nathiagali clad in pine, walnut, oak and maple trees, is the prettiest hill resort in the Galiyat region. It can be approached both from Murree and Abbottabad. It is 38 km from Abbottabad as well as from Murree. Nathiagali is 2501 meters above sea level and is surrounded by lofty mountains.

Dungagali is also the starting point of Ayubia Pipeline Track. It is a very popular and favorite of families, offering the most beautiful scenes of ever green pine forest of the famous Ayubia National Park. TCKP has established a Tourist Information Centre to facilitate the visiting tourists.



CHANGLA GALI

Changla Gali is one of the tourist mountain resorts of the Galiyat area. It has an elevation of 2559 m. During British rule, it was the headquarters of the Northern Command School of Musketry.

KHAIRAGALI

Khairagali is another of the very popular mountain resorts in the Galiyat region, it has an altitude of 2347 meters.

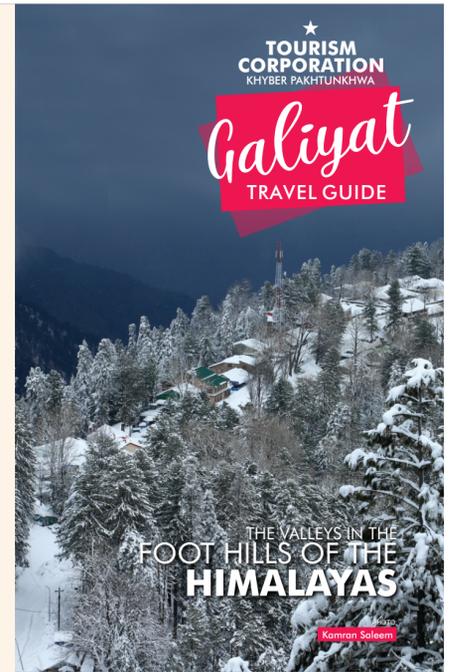
Wild animals such as monkeys, Bear, Foxes, "Flying Squirrel" and some times Leopards can be seen in Khairagali.

TREKKING IN THE GALIYAT

Nathiagali provides you with several treks taking you in every direction. Trekking amidst chirping of enchanting birds adds to the charm of this outdoor adventure. Pine forests and fragrance of beautiful flowers and plants during trekking enhances attraction of this area.

POPULAR TRACKS MUSHKPURI TRACK

A 3-hour trek takes you to Mushkpuri Hilltop, the second highest hill in Galiyat, (9400 ft above sea level). Starting from Pines Hotel Nathiagali, the trek climbs upwards through the dense forest. Sweet fragrance of flowers on the way sets its romantic charm on the hikers mainly after the rains. From here, one trek leads down the other side toward Dungagali unveiling the bounty beauties of Ayubia National Park. The trek to Mushkpuri top can also be taken from Dungagali.



TRACKS DISTANCE

Nathiagali Church to Meranjani Hill top	8 kms
Meranjani to Dugri	10 kms
Dugri to Berangali	13 kms
Thandiani to Berangali	10 kms
Nathiagali to Mushkpuri Hilltop	4 kms
Dungagali to Ayubia	4 kms
Ayubia to Changagali	8 kms
Dungagali to Mushkpuri	4 kms

(APPROXIMATELY)

KM	PLACES	HEIGHT
0	Abbottabad	4145 ft.
24	Mansehra	3220 ft.
30	Thandiani	8400 ft.
35	Nathiagali	8200 ft.



The British tried to create a little England here with its small timbered churches, parks, bungalows and the Governor's House. Breathtaking landscapes, spring water and fresh air make it one of the most peaceful hill stations in Pakistan.

DUNGAGALI

This small Hill Station is situated on the slopes of Mushkpuri Hills. The hills are wooded and present a beautiful view. Mushkpuri, is the second highest peak in the area (3100 m) approximately. The track to Lalazar Zoo and Mushkpuri is very famous among the visiting tourists and thousands of tourists trek here during summer season. The Wildlife Department KP has developed a mini Zoo at Lalazar hosting Pheasants, Monkeys, Black Bear, and Common Leopards as well as the Snow Leopard.

AYUBIA

A cluster of four small hill stations of Khanaspur, Khairagali, Changlagali and Ghora Dhaka is called Ayubia. It was named after President Ayub Khan who belonged to Haripur district of Hazara.

Ayubia is spread over an area of 26 km. The central place of Ghora Dhaka has a chairlift, which gives a panoramic and mesmerizing view of the surroundings.





DUNGA GALI TREK

MERANJANI TRACK

Mostly covered in dark clouds, Meranjani (9953 m above sea level) is the highest hill in the Galiyat range. Two treks lead to Meranjani hilltop from Near the Governor's House in Nathiagali, a British-built attractive building with its interior settings made up of wood.

One trek leads to Meranjani ascending towards the top passing through Namlimera village. It is a safe but comparatively long and difficult track.

The second one takes you spirally up through low upward hills in the pine forest. This trek is a little steep, suitable for youngsters above 12 years of age. Taking drinking water along is advisable in the absence of any water facility during the venture.

DUNGAGALI PIPELINE AYUBIA NATIONAL PARK TRACK

This two-mile walkway, passing through pine-forests-covered mountains, is really an enjoyable experience. The trek leads through the center of Ayubia Park starting at Dungagali and extending towards the Jehlum river across Ayubia and Khanspur boundaries. A walk from Ayubia to Dungagali takes two-and-a-half hours.

A number of villages exists here. The Ayubia Park has its own charm and attraction. A large variety of beautiful birds, animals and plants adorn this green place.

Hill-cats can be spotted while brown monkeys are a common sight. Yellow-beaked magpies, red-and-yellow bodied finches, white-cheeked or crested grey finch and many other species of birds can be seen.

DUGRI TRACK

Commonly known as "Home of Leopards", Dugri being a secluded mountain spot far away from the road, is blessed with the most dense pine forests in scenic Galiyat. A 9-to-10-hour trekking takes you to Dugri from picturesque Nathiagali. It can be reached through two treks.

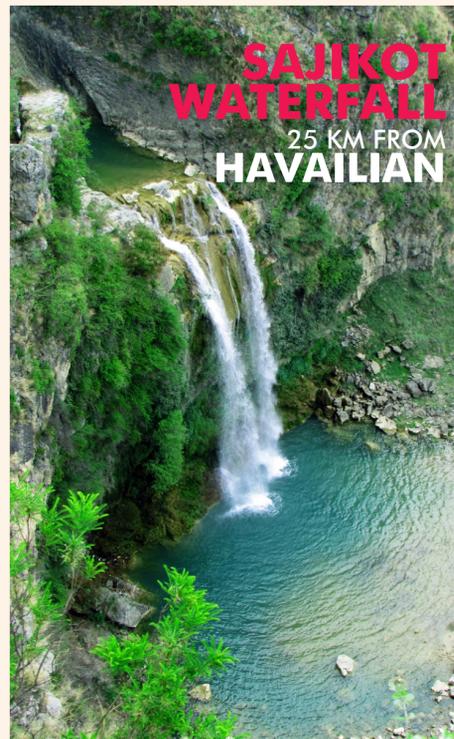
One trek on a longer walk takes you to Dugri Rest House through Namlimera village around the Merajani hill, while the other a shorter one leads to Meranjani hilltop trekking through the forest towards Dugri Rest House. It is advisable to begin the trek at 0800 hours so as to reach Dugri Rest House in daylight. It is also advised not to go outside the rest house after sunset. You can take along some cooked food, tablets for fever, headache and digestive normalcy must be taken along.

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GALIYAT HOTELS			
S.#	Hotel Name	Location	Contact No.
1	Hotel Amore	Dungagali	0992-355101-5
2	Mukshpuri	Dungagali	0992-355287
3	Track View Hotel	Dungagali	0992-355030
4	Snow Land	Dungagali	0321-5678502
5	Al-Makkah	Dungagali	0300-5503570
6	Elites	Nathiagali	0992-355045
7	Green Hotel	Nathiagali	0992-355261
8	Summer Retreat	Nathiagali	0992-355201
9	Shingria Pine	Nathiagali	0992-355201
10	Alpinne	Nathiagali	0348-9221102
11	Red Onion	Nathiagali	0992-355113
12	Safari Pine	Nathiagali	0992-355246
13	K-International	Nathiagali	0992-355231
14	Hotel Taj	Nathiagali	0992-355097
15	Hotel Afaq	Nathiagali	0992-355242
16	PTDC Motel	Ayubia	0992-359004
17	Saba Dream	Ayubia	0344-9990510
18	Montana Lodge	Ayubia	0345-5986818
19	Hotel LeGrand	Changlagali	0992-357141
20	Mahgul	Changlagali	0992-357111
21	Daisy Dot	Changlagali	0992-355157
22	Asfania	Harno	0313-9111271
23	Dubai View Hotel	Baghnotar	0333-5084545

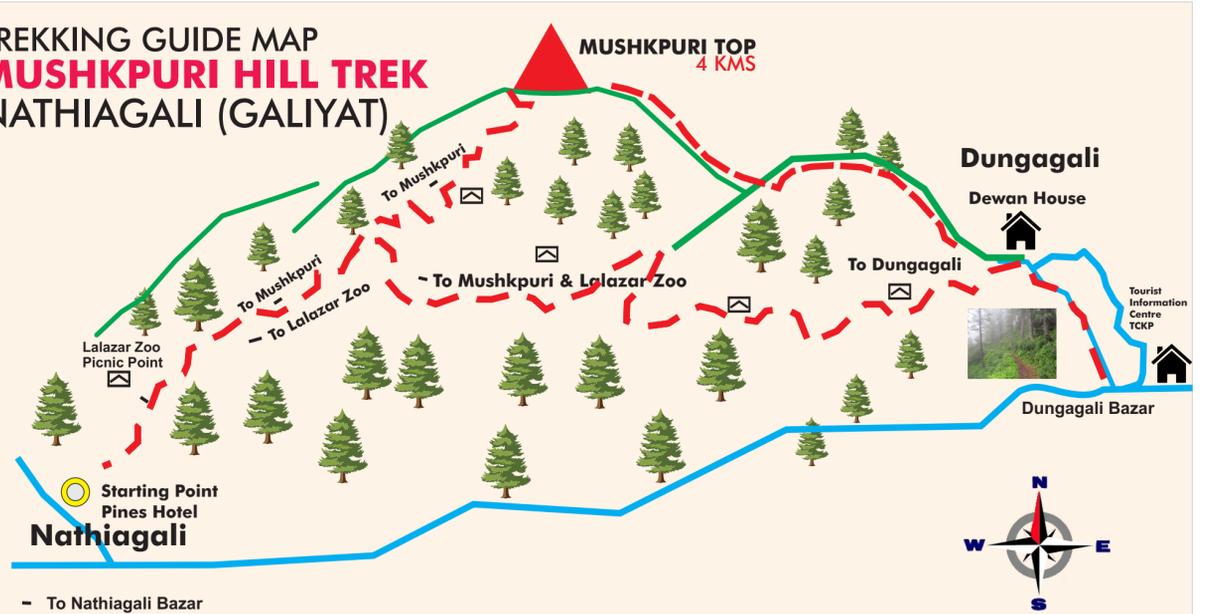
Shopping

Woollen garments, carved furniture of walnut wood, namda rugs, hand-made straw baskets and caps are favourite items all over Hazara region.

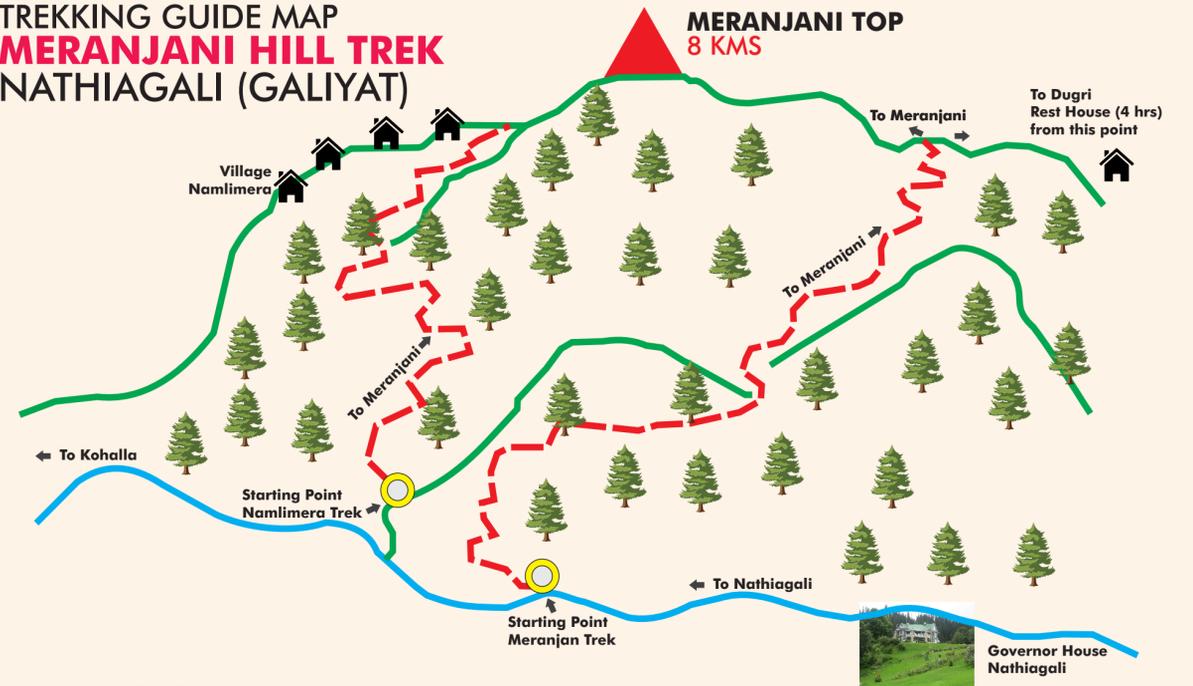


SAJIKOT WATERFALL
25 KM FROM HAVELIAN

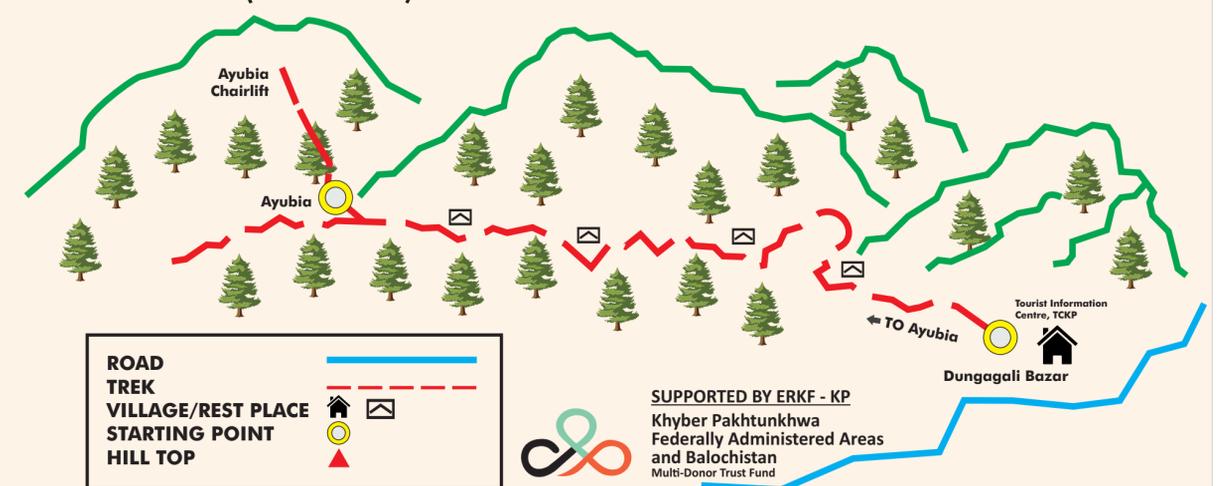
TREKKING GUIDE MAP MUSHKPURI HILL TREK NATHIAGALI (GALIYAT)



TREKKING GUIDE MAP MERANJANI HILL TREK NATHIAGALI (GALIYAT)



TREKKING GUIDE MAP AYUBIA NATIONAL PARK TREK (4 KMS) DUNGAGALI (GALIYAT)



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