THE NILGIRIS TREK GROUP 2

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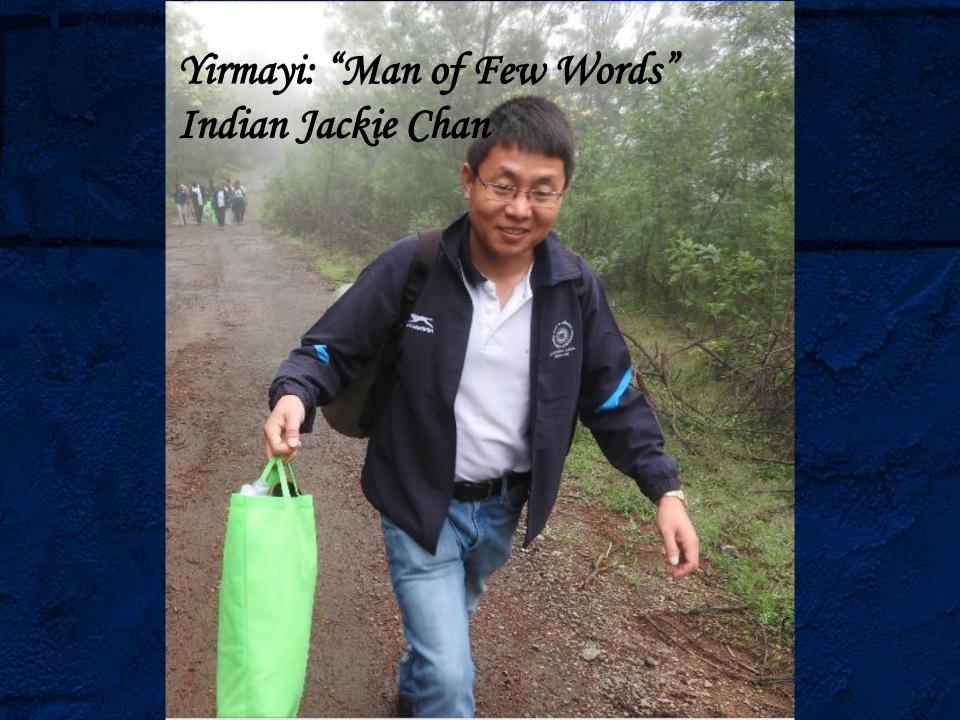




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"Prince
Charming"

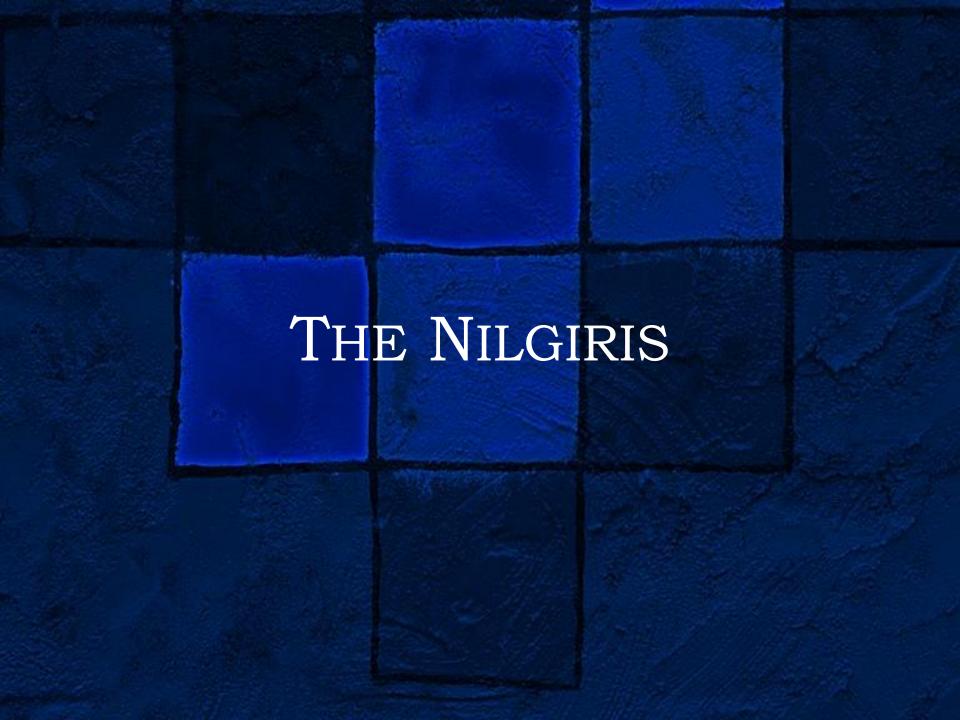








- Develop team spirit
- Build inter-service camaraderie
- Test the limits of physical and mental endurance
- Inculcate leadership qualities
- Environmental sensitivity
- Coordinate
- Cooperate
- TO HAVE A MEMORABLE ADVENTURE!



- Named after unique property of *kurunji* flower.
- Representative ecosystem of whole Southern India.
- Part of the Western Ghats.
- A complex ecosystem due to altitudinal diversity.

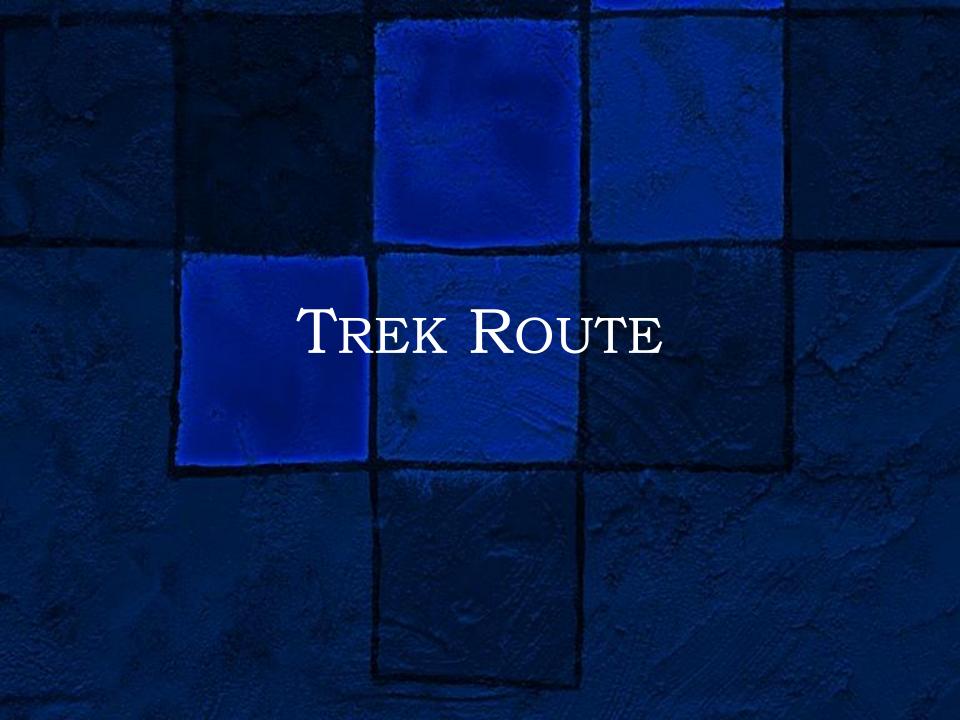
MAJOR FOREST TYPES

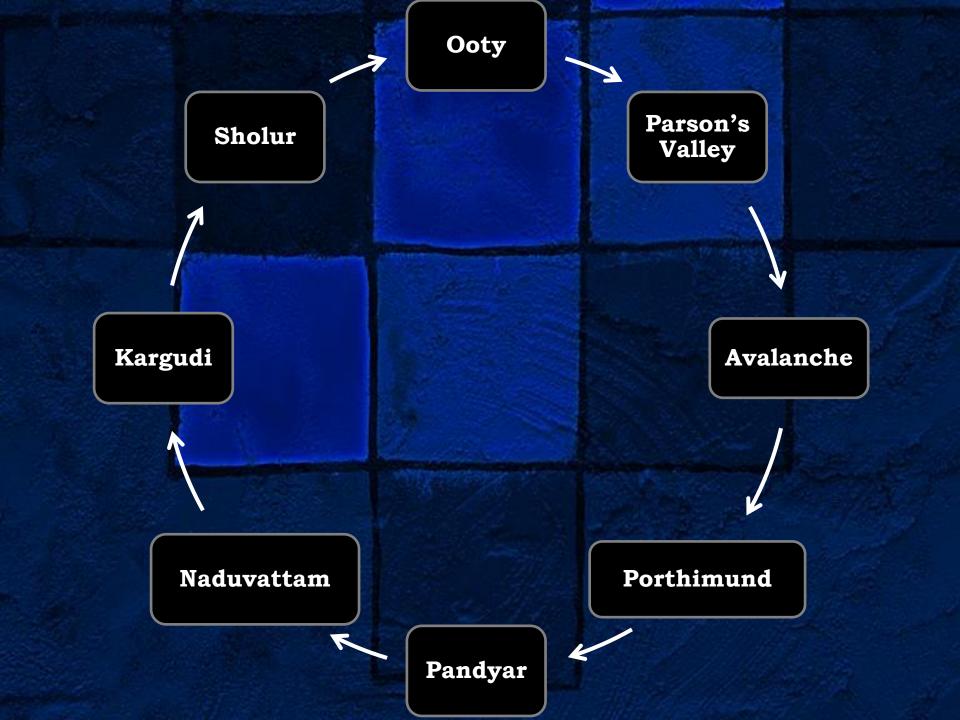
- Tropical evergreen forest
- Tropical semi-evergreen forest
- Wattle forest
- Pine forest
- Shola montane

FLORA Silver Oak Arjun Wattles Eucalyptus Bamboo • Kurunji

FLORA

- Nilgiri tahr
- Nilgiri langur
- Lion tailed macaque
- Spotted deer
- Indian elephant
- Nilgiri flycatcher
- Indian giant squirrel
- Gaur





DAY 1: PARSON'S VALLEY TO AVALANCHE

- 04.10.15-7:00 AM to 6:30 PM
- Weather: Sunny and clear skies
- Stretch: Tea garden, forest, roads.
- Landmarks: Parson's Valley Lake, Emerald Dam, Indira Nagar.
- Highlights: Lunch by the stream and black tea, bumping into Trek Group 3.





DAY 2: AVALANCHE TO PORTHIMUND

- 05.10.15-7:30 AM to 4:00 PM
- Weather: Sunny and light rain
- Stretch: Same as previous day
- Landmarks: Same route as previous day
- Highlights: Met Trek Group 1 by the stream, Swati's blister treatment, slept on the floor for the first time.





DAY 3: PORTHIMUND TO PANDYAR

- 06.10.15-8:00 AM to 5:00 PM
- Weather: Sunny and light rain
- Stretch: Pine forest, streams, hills, tiger reserve, forest.
- Landmarks: Mukurthi dam, Mukurthi Mandhu.
- Highlights: Sambar horn, wild dogs, tiger pugmarks, langur, sambar deer, Chinmay's birthday.















DAY 4: PANDYAR TO NADUVATTAM

- 07.10.15-8:00 AM to 1:45 PM
- Weather: Light rain and mist
- Stretch: Roads, tea estates, leech infested tea garden.
- Landmarks: Terrace Estate.
- Highlights: Common dormitory, bonfire, visit to local market, chat with the Tahsildar, starry night.

Pandyar



DAY 5: NADUVATTAM TO KARGUDI

- 08.10.15-8:00 AM to 6:00 PM
- Weather: Sunny and clear skies
- Stretch: Tea gardens, bamboo forests, tar road.
- Landmarks: Abdul Kalam Nagar, Mudumalai Tiger Reserve
- Highlights: Leech attack, Akhil's injury, wild elephants, scorpion, giant squirrel.



DAY 6: KARGUDI TO SHOLUR

- 09.10.15-8:15 AM to 1:45 PM
- Weather: Sunny
- Stretch: Hillocks.
- Highlights: No bag, completing the trek with group 3.















But we never gave up!



KEY LEARNING

- Esprit de corps
- Time management
- Tolerance
- Sharing
- Getting out of comfort zone
- Endurance and perseverance
- The magnificence of nature and the need to protect it

SUGGESTIONS

- To avoid tracks on tar roads
- To not have common dormitories for women and men OTs;
- To provide equal facilities for both women and men OTs;
- To provide mattresses/mat in cold places if possible.

