ECO – FARM TOURISM
SOFA- SITTLINGI VALLEY
(AN INTRODUCTION TO AN ORGANIC GREEN VALLEY)

Our Objective:
To provide the opportunity to explore the divinity of nature, the culture and diversity of organic farming and its techniques. To give a first hand experience of India’s traditional agriculture, animal husbandary and its interdependence. To explore how a commuity seeks self reliance through health, handicrafts, employment along with agriculture.

Program :

TIMINGS:

DAY 1- FRIDAY
8 pm: Start
8.30 pm: Food – THI Mess
9.30 pm: To Bed

DAY 2- SATURDAY
7.30 am: Preamble to the Trip (Talk – Mr. Manju Nath)
Spot: SOFA office
8.15 am: Leaving for the field
8.30 am: Breakfast (Farmers house)
9.00 am: Farming – Ground Experience/ workshop
(Skill learning for paving rows for farming)
(Training for ploughing, sowing, weeding and trenching)
12.00 pm: Time out
12.15 pm: Farming- Field Experience / workshop
(Demo for producing natural pesticides like Panchakavya)
2.00 pm: Meal time
Rest and continue
4.30 pm: Visit organic millet unit – outlet
Walk around PORGAI unit – outlet
6.30 pm: Rest
7.30 pm: Dinner – SOFA office
Experience Input Sitting – Sharing experiences
9.30 pm- Rest

DAY 3 – SUNDAY
6.00 am: Hike to Hills [Bird and Butterfly watching]
9.30am: Breakfast – THI Mess
11.00 am: Experience a Tribal Hospital – Sittilingi
12.00 pm: Appraisal Gathering – your thoughts and doubts
1.00 pm: Lunch
3.00pm: Departure
NOTES:
1. Batches of 5 [min] to 15 [max]
2. Tourism schedules on first and third week of a month
3. Booking has to be completed at least one week ahead of visit date. 25% of bill to be paid as non refundable advance. Dates can be changed with advance intact – subject to a weeks notice and availability of space here. [Bank details for NEFT will be sent to you]
4. Dress code – for men [T-shirts and shorts/ pants] ; for women [churidhar or T-shirts and long pants] – please dont wear revealing outfits as this is a rural area not used to it.
5. Please carry your regular medicines with you – small remedies also available at the hospital.
6. Guests pay Rs. 2500 for two day visit- Includes boarding, lodging, local travel and resource guide. Balance payment to be made at end of visit in cash/ cheque.
7. Basic clean accommodation will be provided. Please dont expect city luxury here.
8. Please note that this is a liquor and tobacco free experience; kindly avoid its use here.
10. Route to come here will be emailed as soon as we know from where you will be arriving.

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