



[Shanti Cottage](#)
Pangot, near Nainital, Uttarakhand
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Pangot – The Bird Watchers' Paradise

Pangot is a small Himalayan village situated 15 kilometers from Nainital, a very quaint settlement of the local Kumaoni hill folk. It is a 40-minute drive from Nainital. The entire drive is through the forested area of Cheena Peak Range via Snow View Point and Kilbury. These habitats are excellent for bird watching and treks. This green belt supports an enormous variety of flora and fauna. More than 250 species of birds have been recorded in this area.

Renowned for Birding and nature walks, you can choose to soak in the terrific uninterrupted natural beauty or read a book and relax as you spot birds and wildlife right from the comfort of your room's sit out area. We can also arrange a trek to Naina Peak which at 2611 meters is one of the highest peaks in Nainital.

For those wanting more touristy options, one can also easily spend a couple of hours visiting the scenic spots of Nainital such as Dorothy Seat, Land's End and Tiffin Top. You can enjoy boating, sailing yachts, horse-riding or shopping in the local Tibetan market for handicrafts, candles, wooden products, shawls etc.

You can also choose to explore the six natural caves in the cave garden discovered a few years ago.

Shanti Cottage

Shanti Cottage is a unique hotel with 2 suits, self-catering option.

Shanti Cottage in Pangot is a peaceful and unique yet affordable hotel. Located near Jungle Lore Birding Lodge. It is one of the best homestay options in Pangot. Attic rooms, clean bedsheets, geysers etc are all a part of the package. However, what sets it apart from its contemporaries are the breathtaking views it offers of the valley down below.

Many bird species are found on the premises of the property, making it a haven for nature lovers, birders and butterfly watchers.



How to Reach

To get to Pangot, one can take any of the following options:

Google Maps [29.423293, 79.426158](#)

By Road

- Drive from Delhi via Kathgodam and Nainital: 8 hours
- Drive from Delhi via Ramnagar (Corbett National Park) and Kaladhungi: 7½ hours

By Train

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- Overnight air-conditioned train from Old Delhi railway station (departing at 2235 hr.) to Kathgodam (arriving at 0615 hr.) and then 2 hr. drive to Pangot via Nainital.
- Overnight air-conditioned train from Old Delhi railway station (departing at 2235 hr.) to Ramnagar (arriving at 0500 hr.) and then 2½ hr. drive to Pangot via Kaladhungi.
- There are now day trains to Kathgodam and Ramnagar as well.
- There are trains from Kolkata, Dehradun and other cities too.

By Flight

- There is a daily flight from Delhi to Pantnagar. Pantnagar is 100+ km from Pangot.

Note

- Road transportation, train and air tickets can be arranged at an extra cost.

Tariff in Indian ₹ (accommodation only)

	Monal Attic Cottage (First Floor)	Laughing Thrush Cottage (Ground Floor)
For 01 person	6500	6000
For 02 persons	6900	6300
For 03 persons	7200	6600
For 04 persons	7500	6900
Meals are not included in the cost		



Note:

- GSTax 5% is extra
- Extra person (over 05 years of Age): INR 1500 per night
- Children under 5 years of age Free
- Validity: till **March 31, 2023**
- Rates are subject to change without any prior notice.
- Meals are not included in the price. The guests may cook their own food.
- The caretaker will help in housekeeping. The kitchen is equipped with cooking and dining utensils.

*Guests will have the meals at Jungle Lore Birding Lodge Restaurant (which is 20 meters from the property). Meals charges are mentioned below:

Buffet

- Breakfast – Rs. 350 per person
- Lunch – Rs. 500 per person
- Dinner – Rs. 600 per person
- GSTax 5% is extra

Check deals at the website or online booking engine



*Cancellation rules for the above tariff

- Less than 15 days before arrival date- No Refund
- Less than 20 days before arrival date- 60% Refund
- Less than 25 days before arrival date- 75% Refund
- No Refund in case of roadblock, accidents, snow fall, no show etc.
- 50% of the total refundable amount (as per the above policy) will be released within 30 days of cancellation and the balance 50% will be adjusted into the future bookings.

Payments

An advance of 100% is required. Please check with us to make the payment. You can pay through PayTm as well.

Accommodation

The cottage has 2 rooms - Monal Attic Cottage (first floor) and Laughing Thrush Cottage (ground floor). The Cottage has a kitchen for families or groups who would wish to cook their own meals. The Master Bedroom has a lovely Attic for families and The adjoining rooms consist of a double room and a private balcony. Every room is on the entire floor with a private patio and balcony having Valley, Jungle & Sunset View.

Each room has facilities like an attached bath, heater, hot running water, room service and other facilities.



We encourage you to think about the environment and try to re-use towels & linen. Please place them in the basket if you want them replaced.

The activities here are numerous and most of them can be availed at a cost as specified at the lodge. We suggest you book them in advance with us.

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Bird Watching

More than 290 species of birds have been recorded in the area. One can have excellent birding opportunities in the lodge itself. Besides, there are numerous walks through the terrace fields into thickly wooded oak forest which are extremely rewarding. Opt for short or long walks.

We arrange for the services of a bird guide and use of bird hides. Please speak with our manager to book this service which is chargeable.



Treks

China peak (2611 meters) is one of the highest peaks in Nainital. Since the biotope is of thick forest, this is a sheer trekkers delight.

Day treks are organized for individuals, small groups, and families with picnic lunch.

Overnight and 2-3-night treks are also organized with all equipment and staff. The most popular trek is the old trail from Pangot to Corbett via Kunjakharak and Akash Kanda.



[Please speak with us](#) or our manager to book this service, it is chargeable though.

Boating

Nainital, which is just 15 km away from Pangot, is famous for boating. Yachts, paddle boats and rowing boats are available on hourly basis.



Horse Riding

Horse riding is one of the most interesting activities in Nainital to visit scenic spots such as Dorothy Seat, Land's End and Tiffin Top. A Three-day horse-riding tour is conducted from Corbett Park to Pangot. [You may ask us for this tour.](#)



Shopping

The Tibetan market along the edge of the lake is very popular for curios and candles.



Picnic

Kilbury is a nice and quiet place to get panoramic views of the snow-clad mountains. You may go with a packed lunch and enjoy the flora and fauna of this place.



Cooking Class

We are happy for you to interact with our chef. We can arrange a free cooking lesson and you can share your favorite recipe with us too.



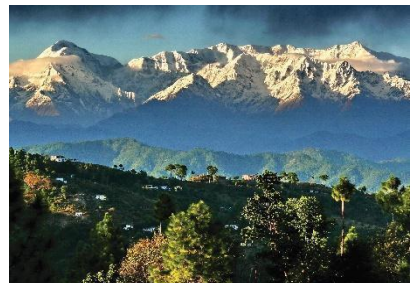
Yoga & Meditation

The lodge can be hired for yoga and meditation retreats. Should you wish to conduct a programme with an expert teacher from Isha Yoga Center, do let us know and we shall organize it for you.



Excursions

You may visit our other lodges in Kumaon and Garhwal regions or Uttarakhand, please [email us](#)





Other

Notes

- It can sometimes be quite chilly outdoors at night, even in summer, so do dress warmly. We expect snow in winter.
- The power supply is 220V. The plug size is Standard English. The power supply in Pangot can be very erratic. The government has a load-shedding system and shuts down supply sometimes. Unfortunately, the timings of load-shedding are not fixed, power supply may disappear in the mornings on some days, and in the afternoon on others.
- As our focus is on developing a nature-centric experience at the lodge, we do not have electricity generators which cause sound and atmospheric pollution. We usually use emergency lights when there is no electricity and all pathways are lit by them at night. A staff member can escort you to your cottage.
- We would urge our guests to refrain from smoking in and around the lodge, inside the cottages and in the dining areas.
- The smaller mammals, wild animals & birds occasionally do enter and pass through the lodge. Guests are requested not to walk alone at night, Members of our staff will be happy to accompany guests back to their cottages. Please do not walk barefoot anywhere, not even inside your cottages. If there are unwanted guests in your cottages (spiders, insects, geckos, etc.) please alert our staff who will remove them. Macaques and Langurs visit the lodge too. Please ensure that you keep eatables away from them.
- If there are wild animals in the surroundings, the village dogs may bark at night causing disturbed sleep.
- We do not have an in-house laundry. We send it out to a nearby facility in the village hence we are unable to take responsibility for them. If you would like your clothes laundered, please place the items in the bag and they will be laundered within 24 hours. Please note that laundry charges are extra.
- We advise you to be careful with your valuables. If there is something you would like to keep safe, our manager will be happy to assist you.
- Pangot does not have a bank to exchange foreign currency. The nearest ATM is in Nainital, 15 km from Pangot. Please contact our manager for any assistance.
- Nainital is the closest town that has a hospital. If you have any medical conditions that we need to be aware of, please inform our manager. We do not have doctors on call.
- If you'd like to leave a tip for our staff at the end of your stay, please do not tip any of our staff individually. There are many unseen hands who work hard to make your stay comfortable, and we strive to divide tips between the entire staff. Please leave tips in the Tip Box.
- Check - out time is 11 am.
- We do not have the facility to charge credit cards at the lodge. We recommend that you carry enough spare cash to pay for hotel taxes and any extra expenses that you may incur.