The epitome of power, grace and beauty, tigers are a marvel of resilience and adaptation, yet they face enormous pressures, from habitat loss and fragmentation to rampant poaching. Over the last century, we have lost 95 percent of the world's wild tigers.



In 2010, the world made a bold commitment to double the world's wild tiger population by 2022, the next Year of the Tiger. In 2016—the vital halfway point of this ambitious goal—WWF and its many partners were able to celebrate tigers beginning to make a comeback.

Join WWF's Nilanga Jayasinghe on a journey into the heart of our efforts as we visit two vital countries for tiger recovery. In Nepal—a global leader in anti-poaching and community-based conservation—you will see why the country is poised to be the first to double its wild tiger



population. And in India—which holds nearly 60% of the world's remaining tigers—you will gain insight into the country's decades-long commitment to tiger conservation. Throughout, you will learn how WWF is working with communities, NGOs, governments, and the private sector to ensure this recovery is sustained.



The tiger is such an iconic, powerful species. Join me on a journey into the epicenter of tiger conservation, and see for yourself why India and Nepal are so important for this big cat's future.

—Nilanga Jayasinghe

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Meet Our Expert

Originally from Sri Lanka, Nilanga Jayasinghe has always had a deep love for wildlife. She channels that passion in her role as WWF's

Senior Program Officer for Wildlife Conservation, with a focus on Asian species—particularly elephants, rhinos, snow leopards, and tigers.

Nilanga has worked on wildlife conservation issues on three continents for over 15 years and frequently serves as a spokesperson on Asian species issues. Her many experiences on the Indian subcontinent include participation in the recent translocation of five rhinos from Chitwan to Bardia National Park in Nepal



Tiger Recovery in Nepal and India with Nilanga Jayasinghe

Day 1-5, Kathmandu/Chitwan National Park— Nepal is a geographic marvel that is home to the world's highest mountains, subtropical forests, and captivating cultures. Our adventure begins in Kathmandu, Nepal with a welcome dinner with local WWF staff. From Kathmandu, we head to Chitwan National Park—in the Terai lowlands, bordering India—for a private guided journey to see firsthand how WWF is leading efforts to protect tigers



and other majestic animals from poaching. Nepal has marked four 365-day periods of zero poaching of rhinos since 2011. Learn how Nepal accomplished this remarkable feat and get an in-depth look at some of the tools that are helping the country succeed in protecting its diverse wildlife. You will also

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Kanha Tiger Reserve



get an on-the-ground understanding of how WWF is working with Nepal's government and local communities to connect 11 protected areas by restoring the forests between them.

Day 5-9, Delhi/Kanha National Park—We then fly to Delhi, where we are welcomed with a dinner with staff from WWF's India office. We will split our remaining time in India between two of the country's most renowned wildlife regions—Kanha National Park and Bandhavgarh National Park—giving us an opportunity to explore India's enhanced commitment to wildlife protection. We begin in Kanha National Park, located in the heart of the Kanha Tiger Reserve and covering 750 square miles of rich and



varied wildlife habitat. Situated in central India's Satpura Hills, Kanha National Park is home to a WWF field office and several WWF supported programs. As you explore the park's lush sal and bamboo forests, grassy meadows, and precipitous ravines, you will discover the wild beauty that inspired Rudyard Kipling to write *The* Jungle Book.

Day 9-13, Bandhavgarh National Park/Delhi— We then head to Bandhavgarh National Park, an essential stop on any serious tiger safari, which is home to one of the highest concentrations of royal Bengal tigers in India. Located in the state of Madhya Pradesh, this lush forested park is also home to Asiatic jackal, sloth bear, leopard, and 250 species of birds.



Reservation Information & Trip Details

Dates: March 8-20, 2019

Limited to 8 travelers Land cost: \$12.995 per person, double occupancy Internal air cost: \$995 per person Single supplement: \$2,895

For reservations and additional information, please contact Karl Egloff at WWF at 202-495-4119 or karl.egloff@wwfus.org.

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