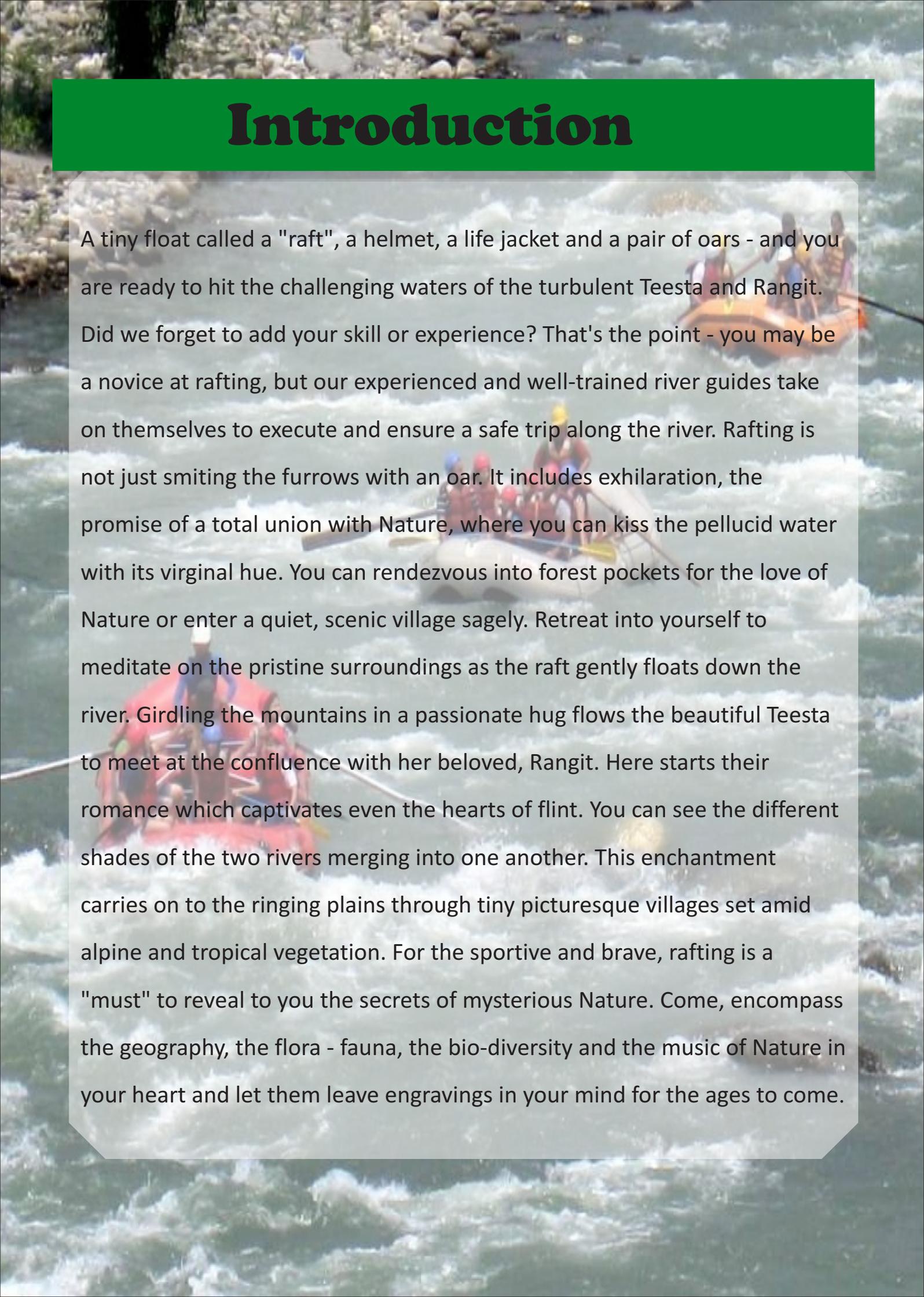


# *Sikkim*

## *Teesta White Water Rafting*



# Introduction



A tiny float called a "raft", a helmet, a life jacket and a pair of oars - and you are ready to hit the challenging waters of the turbulent Teesta and Rangit. Did we forget to add your skill or experience? That's the point - you may be a novice at rafting, but our experienced and well-trained river guides take on themselves to execute and ensure a safe trip along the river. Rafting is not just smiting the furrows with an oar. It includes exhilaration, the promise of a total union with Nature, where you can kiss the pellucid water with its virginal hue. You can rendezvous into forest pockets for the love of Nature or enter a quiet, scenic village sagely. Retreat into yourself to meditate on the pristine surroundings as the raft gently floats down the river. Girdling the mountains in a passionate hug flows the beautiful Teesta to meet at the confluence with her beloved, Rangit. Here starts their romance which captivates even the hearts of flint. You can see the different shades of the two rivers merging into one another. This enchantment carries on to the ringing plains through tiny picturesque villages set amid alpine and tropical vegetation. For the sportive and brave, rafting is a "must" to reveal to you the secrets of mysterious Nature. Come, encompass the geography, the flora - fauna, the bio-diversity and the music of Nature in your heart and let them leave engravings in your mind for the ages to come.

# General Information - I

## GRADES OF RAPIDS:

- I) Easy Small Waves
- II) Moderate difficulty to clear passage
- III) Difficult high irregular waves, requires precise maneuvering
- IV) Very difficult with powerful waves
- V) Extremely difficult, experts only
- VI) Unrunnable

# General Information - II

## Trips on River Teesta

### Long Section

Bardang to 29th Mile

Grade of Rapids

II, III, IV

Time (in Hrs.)

4 ½ Hrs

Rangpo to 29th Mile

II, III, III+

3 ½ Hrs

### Medium Section

Bardang to Rangpo

II, III, IV

2 Hrs

Rangpo to Malli

II, III, III+

2 ½ Hrs

### Short Section

Malli to 29th Mile

Bhalkhola to Chitray/Teesta

# Formalities & Notification

## **Formalities:**

All foreign clients are to carry their passport which will be required at the 'Teesta Bridge' while crossing and also enter details of the same on Bond Form.

## **Important Notification**

Persons suffering from weak heart conditions, epilepsy, expecting mothers and those with serious ailments are not permitted to go rafting.

Consumption of any intoxicant is not permitted. Age limit 14 years on all sections except the float trips, where it is relaxed to 10 years. Non-swimmers are welcome but may be restricted to certain sections of the river, on the advice of the River Guide/Trip Leader.

River rafting has its own itinerary which mostly depends upon the number of days one wants to spend in the river. Please feel free to enquire us for a wonderful trip. It can also be organized with Trekking and Tours.