

The Fort



Camp Kumbhalgarh is specially designed for our School Children. The Camp strives to impart a larger understanding of our Natural Environment to the teens, with a “hands-on” Learning Experience in the wild.

Ecopanions believe there is an urgent need for our children to be eco-conscious and become proactive participants in protecting and saving our Environment

The Wall



Wildlife



Nature Walks



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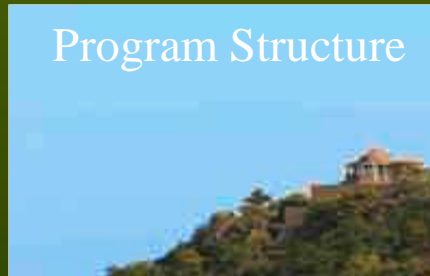


Camp Kumbhalgarh

Media Workshop



Program Structure



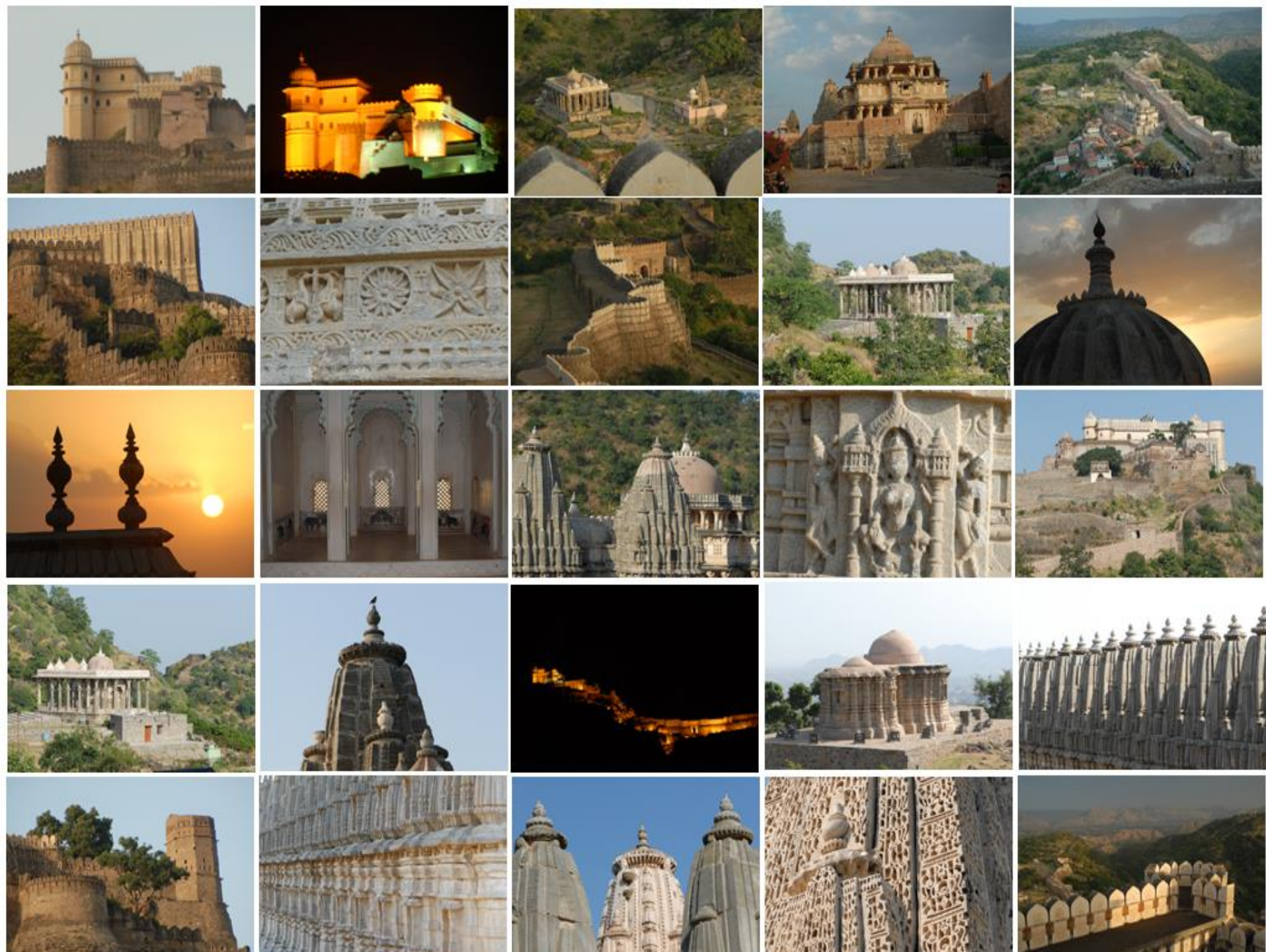
Camp Life



THE FORT

Situated at a height of 3,000 feet, Kumbhalgarh is an ancient fort associated with the legendary warrior king Rana Kumbha (1433 -1468). Kumbhalgarh is also the birthplace of Rana Pratap, an Indian hero. The fort is strewn with temples and other structures from Mauryan to medieval times. The most impressive are the fortification walls of the Fort that give it an invincible look. Rambling around the Fort one can discover many facets of the Indian history.

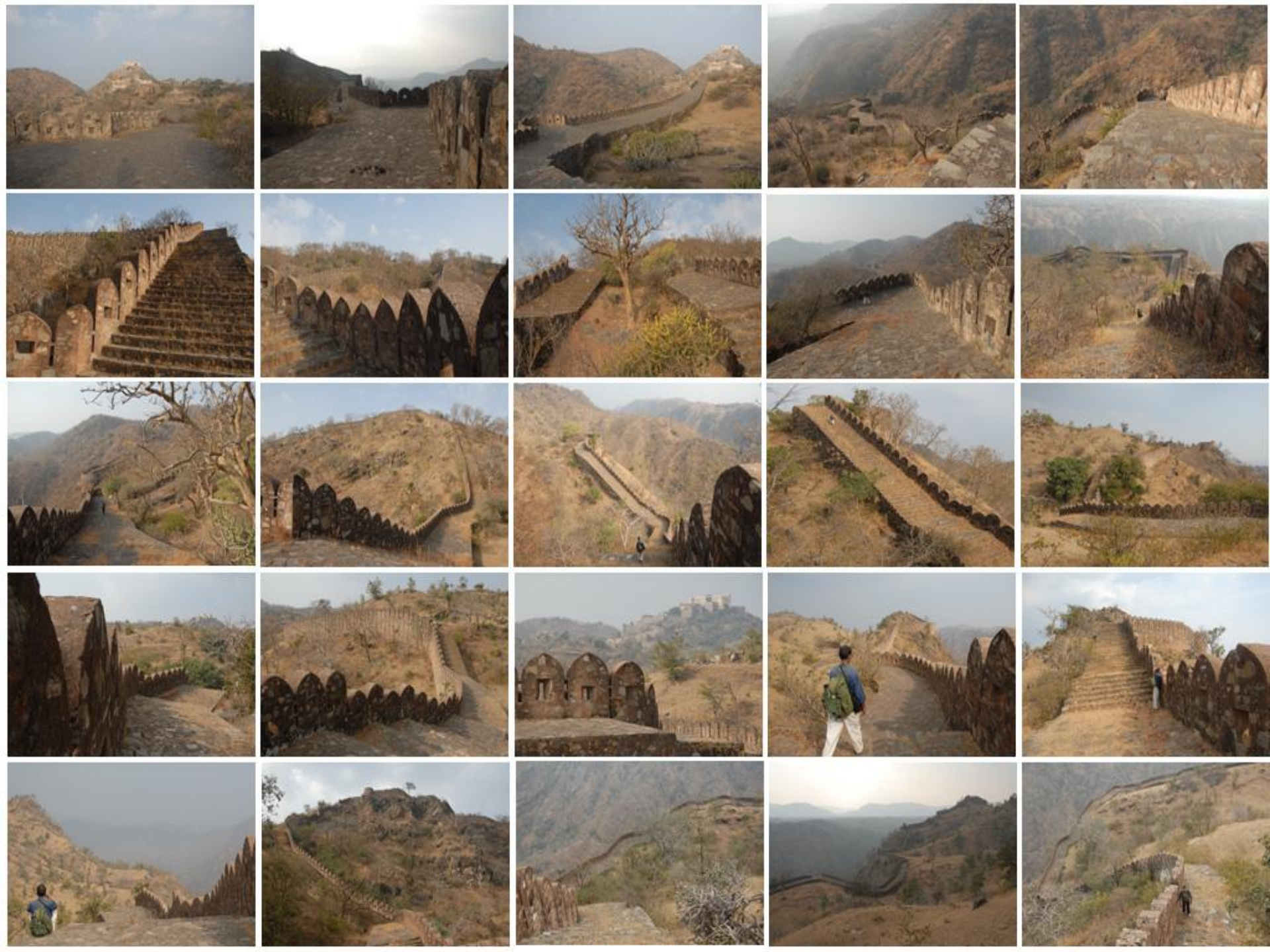




THE WALL

The fortifications walls of Kumbhalgarh are said to be second only to the Great Wall of China.

These formidable walls are a great attraction for walking. But the walk itself is not easy since the steps rise and fall dramatically with the contours of the hill. In that sense the relatively little length of 9.27 kms of the wall becomes a challenge. The wall meanders thru the countryside offering aerial views of the surrounding wildlife sanctuary.

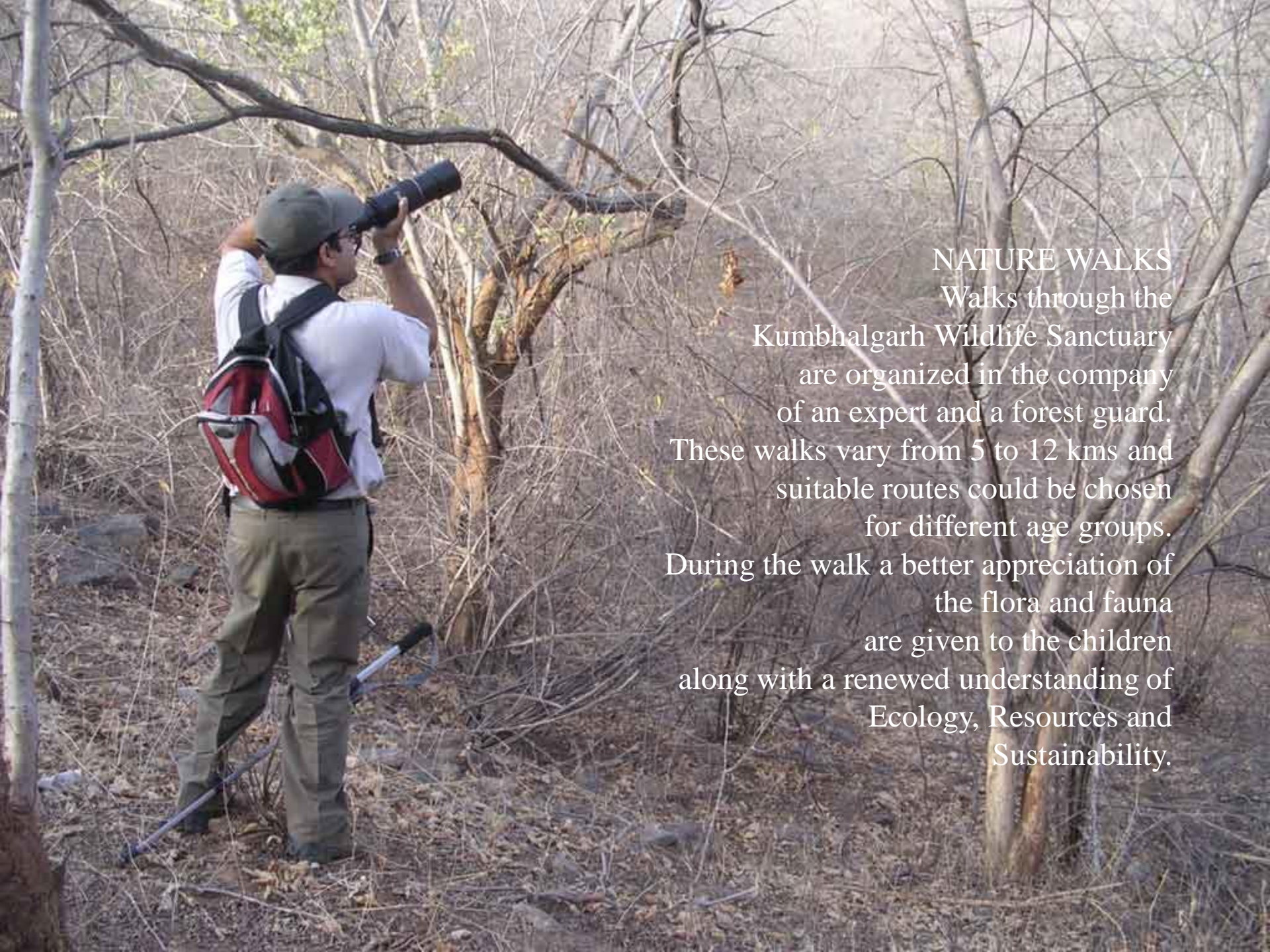




THE WILDLIFE

Camp Kumbhalgarh is located
at the edge of a wildlife sanctuary.
Once this was tiger territory
but today
Kumbhalgarh Wildlife Sanctuary
is well known for its
Leopards, Sloth Bears and
the Grey Jungle Fowl.
Crocodiles can be seen
basking in the sun
at the lake in Thandi Beri.
There is a rich birdlife in
Kumbhalgarh and
children would be given a special
lesson in bird watching.





NATURE WALKS

Walks through the Kumbhalgarh Wildlife Sanctuary are organized in the company of an expert and a forest guard. These walks vary from 5 to 12 kms and suitable routes could be chosen for different age groups. During the walk a better appreciation of the flora and fauna are given to the children along with a renewed understanding of Ecology, Resources and Sustainability.





INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION



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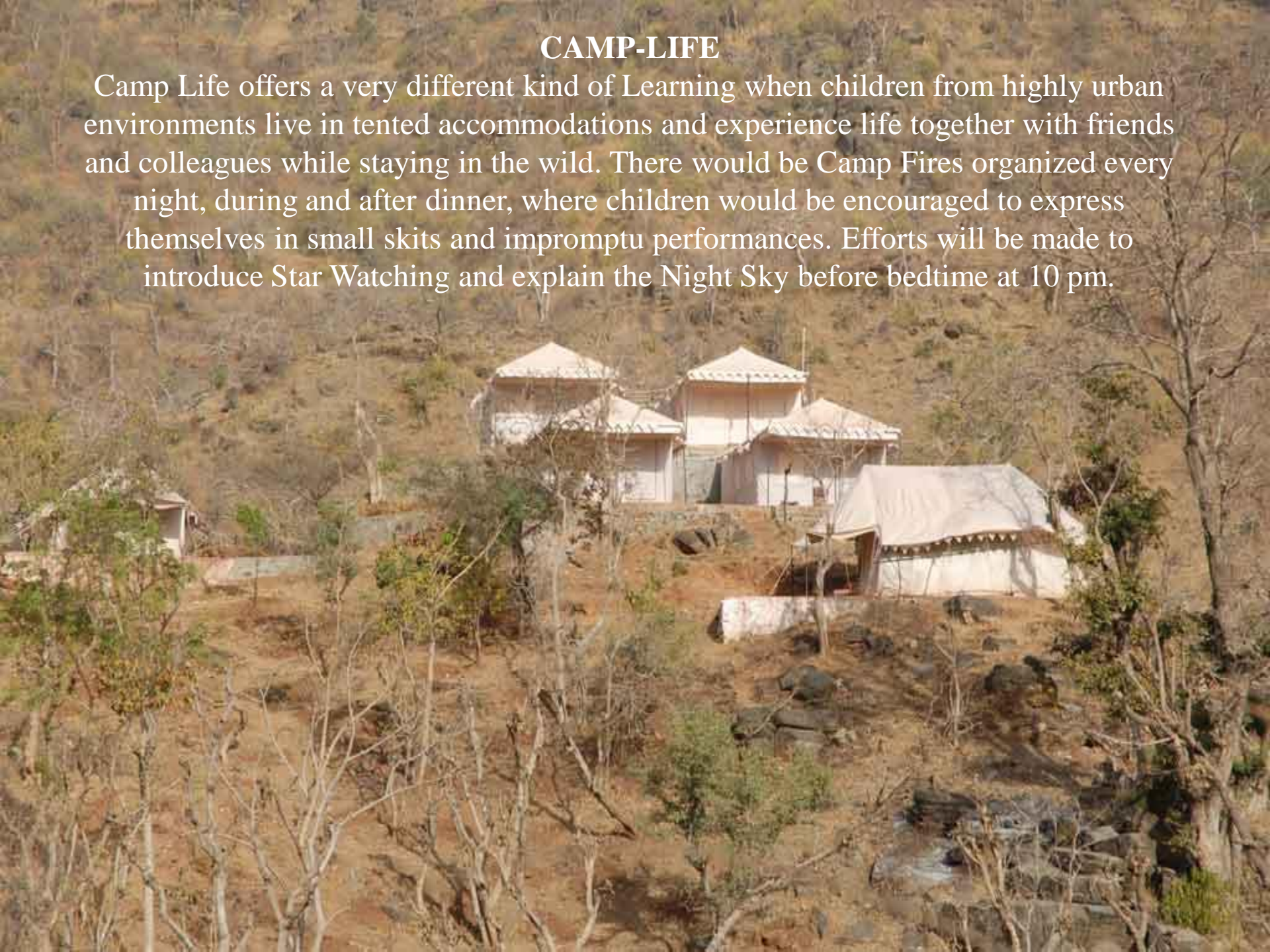
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The Science of Risk

MEDIA SESSION

Every evening, before dinnertime there would a two hour session on Media where children would be given tips on digital photography and the use of image processing software like Photoshop & Nikon View. This would be followed by screening of high definition documentary films on themes of Environment, Wildlife, Air & Space and Adventure.

CAMP-LIFE

Camp Life offers a very different kind of Learning when children from highly urban environments live in tented accommodations and experience life together with friends and colleagues while staying in the wild. There would be Camp Fires organized every night, during and after dinner, where children would be encouraged to express themselves in small skits and impromptu performances. Efforts will be made to introduce Star Watching and explain the Night Sky before bedtime at 10 pm.



Day One

1200 – 1400 Arv of the Group
1400 – 1500 Tent Distribution and Lunch
1600 – 1830 Sight Seeing Kumbhalgarh Fort
1830 – 1900 Tea & Snacks at the Fort
1900 – 2000 Sound & Light Show at the Fort
2000 – 2100 Camp Fire & Dinner
2100 - 2200 Star Watching followed by Sleep

Day Two

0630 – 0730 Wake-Up Call
0730 – 0830 Breakfast
0830 - 1200 Walk thru the Forest
1200 - 1300 Packed Lunch in the Forest
1300 – 1600 Resume Walk & Return to the Camp
1600 – 1700 Tea & Snacks at the Camp
1700 – 1900 Media Session
1900 – 2000 Camp Fire
2000 – 2100 Dinner & Camp Fire
2100 – 2200 Star Watching followed by Sleep

Day Three

0630 – 0730 Wake-Up Call
0730 – 0830 Breakfast
0830 - 1300 Walk part of the Fort Wall
1300 – 1400 Return to camp & Lunch
1400 – 1430 Pack-Up & Departure

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

Program Duration & Structure
can be worked out
in consultation with the School
to suit their needs and requirements,
for a maximum number of 10 days.

However,
the minimum duration
for Camp Kumbhalgarh
is two nights and three days.



Duration of the Camp can be increased with following activities:

- * Walk thru the Sanctuary to the lake at Thandi Beri and return by bus
- * Field Experience of Bird Watching with a visiting Expert in the Fort area
- * Daylong Workshop on Sustainability & Survival with a visiting Expert
- * Field Visits to a Traditional Community, Craftsmen & Performing Artists.
- * Volunteer Work in Community Service – in the nearby town of Kelwara.
- * Excursions to Ranakpur temples / Chittor Fort
- * Media Session and Camp Fire on a daily basis