

Welcome to Mt. Gede Pangrango National Park

Mt. Gede Pangrango National Park (TNGP) holds an important position in the history of nature conservation in Indonesia. This national park, only 2 hours (100km) away from Jakarta, has natural forest coverage of 21,975ha, and was officially designated as a national park of Indonesia in 1980.

In this tropical forest, you can find a large *Rasamala*, insectivorous plants (pitcher plant), more than a few species of wild orchids, and even “undiscovered plants” without scientific names, such as the luminescence mushroom. Besides such unique vegetation, TNGP is a home for various wild animals, insects such as giant beetle (*Kaukacia*), more than 100 species of mammal such as Pangolin, and 250 species of birds. Also, you may encounter a Javan Leaf Monkey which is under threat of extinction, or leopards, Javan Hawk-Eagles, and so on. While hiking, you will see the wonder of the forest ecology of Indonesia.

As a place for summer retreat, on the weekends, Cibodas will be alive with tourists looking for souvenirs, and buying fresh vegetables and fruits at reasonable prices from the local street market (Saturdays and Sundays).

Enjoy your holiday in this beautiful nature, submerge into the tranquility of nature, refresh yourself after a busy week, and you will also learn and feel the work of nature; the creation of our ecosystem.

Let us conserve this precious heritage of nature and pass it on to our future generations.



Dawn at the summit of Mt. Gede (2,958m)

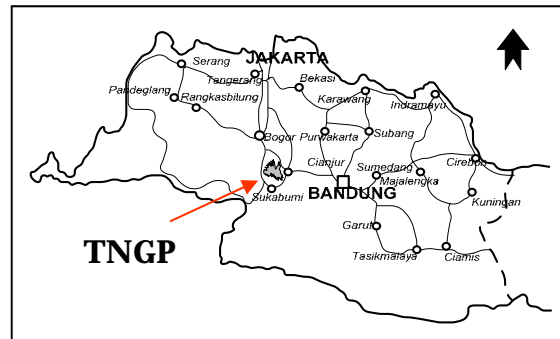
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Access to the Park

By car: if you are driving a car from Jakarta, take the highway toward Bogor. Exit the highway at Gadog and drive toward Puncak – Bandung. After 7.6km from Puncak Pass, turn right at the T-junction after “Outlet DSE” (a sign for TNGP on your left), go straight for 3km and you will reach the Cibodas Gate (entrance fees: automobile Rp. 3,000, + Rp. 1,000/person). Enter the gate, go straight and the Park office is on your right. Parking at the Park office is free of charge.

By public transportation: if you are coming from Jakarta, make sure to take a bus Jakarta–Bandung line that goes through Puncak and ask the driver to drop you off at Cibodas. From there, take a yellow mini bus to the Park (Rp. 2,000).

From the Park office to the Cibodas entry gate: from the Park office to the Cibodas entry gate is only a 500m walk along the gravel trail between Cibodas Botanical Garden (Kebun Raya Cibodas) and the Cibodas Golf Park.



Take nothing
but photographs!
Leave nothing
but footprints!

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National Park Office, Cibodas - office hour

Monday - Thursday	07:30 - 15:30
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Mt. Gede Pangrango
National Park
Hiking Information

Hiking to Cibeureum Triple Waterfalls



“By far the most interesting incident in my visit to Java was a trip to the summit of the Pangerango and Gedeh Mountains...”
Alfred Russel Wallace .1861

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Cibeureum Triple Waterfalls Trail Map

one way 2.8 km / 1.5 hours

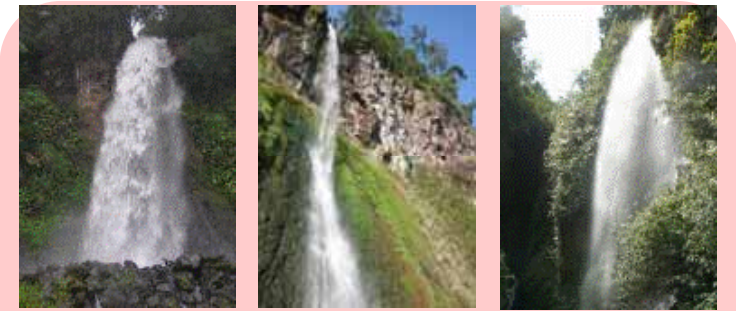
You will find signs along the trail marking every 100m of the way, just as the numbers marked on the trail map below.

Due to the volcanic geologic compound, the water in this area is rich in minerals. The lake may appear to be red, green or blue, depending on the algal growth cycle. If you are lucky, you may even come across a river otter.

If you hear a large swaying sound, carefully look around. A troop of leaf monkeys may be shifting from one tree to another, searching for young leaves and fruits. Although not easy to see, you may also encounter a gray tailless Javan Gibbon.

CIBEUREUM TRIPLE WATERFALLS are composed of the Cikundul falls, Cidendenfalls, and the Cibeureum falls. The tremendous volume of these falls is enough evidence to understand the vital role the Park plays as a watershed of the peripheral areas. "Cibeureum" in Sundanese means "red water", and this derives from the red moss (*Sphagnum gedeanum*), a naturally occurring species around the falls. There are toilets and resting areas around the falls, and visited by many groups during the weekends. Please take home any waste or garbage; there are no trash cans in the area.

Behind the opening of Gayonggong swamp emerges Mt. Pangrango and a panorama of the dense lush forest. Walk along the board walk and enjoy the view.



Cikundul falls

Cidenden falls

Cibeureum falls

You will know how the gigantic fern got its common name the "Bird's Nest Fern". These ferns living off other trees (epiphyte), collect nutrients by capturing falling leaves and water from the canopy above with its wide-spread arms. These ferns grow exceptionally large in this Park where the humidity stays high year-round. The young leaves can be consumed after boiling.

The Best Season for Visit

The best season for hiking would be during the months of May to October, during the dry season. But during the rainy season of November to April, you will get to see the vibrant features of the tropical rain forest. The mornings are more prone to calm weather throughout the year. Just take note that the months of January and February can be rough with thunder, strong winds and rain.

Interpretation

If you care for more in-depth understanding of the Park, we recommend an interpretation guide of the Park offered by our park rangers and volunteers. The fee is Rp. 75,000, and requests can be made at the entrance of the Park.

What to Bring

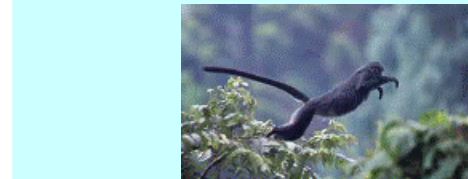
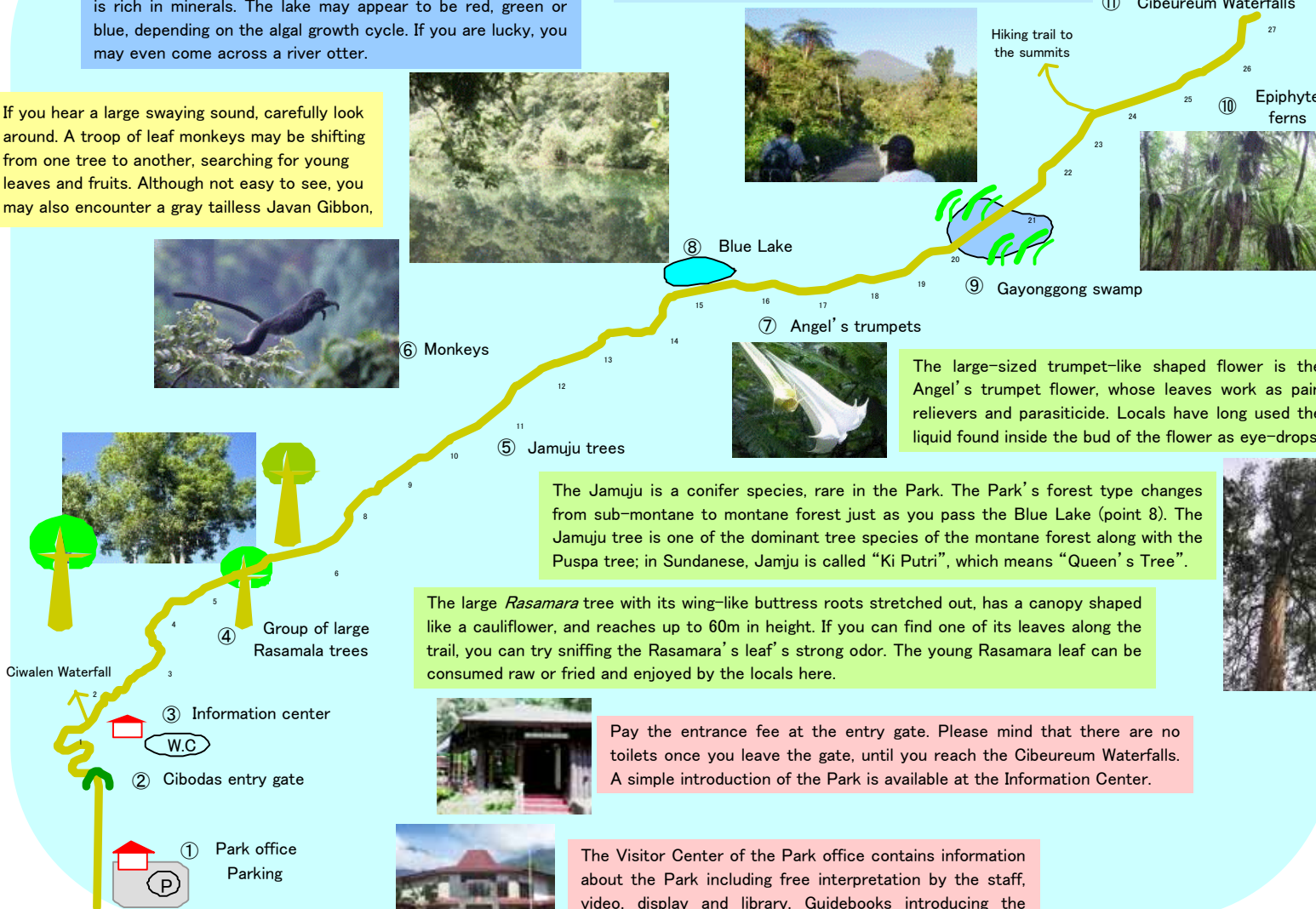
The mountain gets high in altitude as you hike up so please be ready for cool and wet weather. Rain-jackets and comfortable shoes (waterproof) are recommendable. Bring plenty to drink, and don't forget a trash bag!

Fees to the Cibeureum Waterfalls

Entrance fee: Rp. 20,000.- (Foreigner)
Rp. 2,000.- (Domestic)

Insurance fee: Rp. 500.-

- Revenues will be used for maintenance and management of the National Park.
- Domestic rates applicable for foreigners holding a KTP, KITAS.



The Jamuju is a conifer species, rare in the Park. The Park's forest type changes from sub-montane to montane forest just as you pass the Blue Lake (point 8). The Jamuju tree is one of the dominant tree species of the montane forest along with the Puspa tree; in Sundanese, Jamju is called "Ki Putri", which means "Queen's Tree".

The large *Rasamara* tree with its wing-like buttress roots stretched out, has a canopy shaped like a cauliflower, and reaches up to 60m in height. If you can find one of its leaves along the trail, you can try sniffing the *Rasamara*'s leaf's strong odor. The young *Rasamara* leaf can be consumed raw or fried and enjoyed by the locals here.

Pay the entrance fee at the entry gate. Please mind that there are no toilets once you leave the gate, until you reach the Cibeureum Waterfalls. A simple introduction of the Park is available at the Information Center.

The Visitor Center of the Park office contains information about the Park including free interpretation by the staff, video, display and library. Guidebooks introducing the Park's natural wonders are also available.