



# TRAVEL

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## WILSON DAM, {Bhandardara}

**TARIFF:** Rs 17,000 to Rs 25,000 per couple for 2 nights (includes meals), depending on choice of accommodation and time of the week. Call: 9920311221 / 2604 7290

Built way back in 1910 on the Pravara River, Wilson Dam in Bhandardara is the largest earthen dam in India. At the base is a garden with gigantic trees that are home to hundreds of harmless fruit bats that hang precariously from branches all day. With the water level at an all-time high in the rains, the sight of the open gates releasing a torrent of water for miles below, is one to behold.

**WHERE TO STAY:** Anandvan Resort. It's a rustic luxury resort overlooking Arthur Lake, and arguably the only one in the quaint little hill station. Row a boat, or pedal it along, while you are there. If you are in a group, they can organise a rappelling, camping or fishing session. Each cottage has a private garden with a view of the lake and the Sahyadri range.