

## Thaneerhulla Heritage Bungalow, Coorg



Plantation Trails has many heritage bungalows in Coorg, Karnataka, including Thaneerhulla and Cottabetta (pictured). Photo courtesy Plantation Trails



There's something deliciously counterintuitive about a winter holiday in the hills (even when there's no snow in sight). If you're looking to snuggle in front of a crackling fire with endless cups of filter coffee, look no further than the 125-year-old Thaneerhulla Heritage Bungalow at Pollibetta in Coorg, a prominent pushpin on the Plantation Trails run by Tata Coffee. Despite the fresh coat of paint and the elegant, if modern, improvements, the bungalow's tiled roof and rafters, apartment-sized rooms and dark wood floorboards, still allude to another time. The key draws though are its beautiful grounds framed by blue-green hills and the trails beyond, meandering through coffee plantations and thickets of fruit trees. "Doing nothing" is a bona fide occupation here. If you'd like a spot of exercise, make a trip to the Buddhist settlement at Bylakuppe, or to Talacauvery and Nagarahole National Park.

080-23560761 or 0-9900212119; [www.plantationtrails.net/thaneerhulla-bungalow-coorg](http://www.plantationtrails.net/thaneerhulla-bungalow-coorg); ₹ 5,000 for a cottage room on weekdays and ₹ 6,035 on weekends, inclusive of breakfast; ₹ 11,400 for a bungalow room, inclusive of breakfast.