

Tour Name: Ahmedabad to Varanasi Heritage Cities in India

Tour Duration: 12 Nights/ 13 Days

Tour Map: <https://tinyurl.com/3tkwc6v4>

Tour Overview

Embark on a captivating journey from Gujarat to the sacred banks of the Ganges with "Ahmedabad to Varanasi Heritage Cities in India." Your adventure begins in Ahmedabad, where you'll explore exquisite temples and historic sites, including the Hatheesing Jain Temple and the Sabarmati Ashram. Continue to Kevadia to marvel at the towering Statue of Unity, then delve into the regal history of Maheshwar and Mandu. Traverse to Indore and Bhopal to uncover royal palaces and ancient temples, before reaching Khajuraho's ornate temples and Prayagraj's sacred confluence. Finally, immerse yourself in Varanasi's spiritual ambiance with riverfront rituals and historic temples, completing a memorable exploration of India's rich heritage and spirituality.

Tour Itinerary

Day 1: Ahmedabad - Introduction to Gujarat's Heritage

- Start your day with breakfast at the hotel.
- Upon arrival in Ahmedabad, transfer to your hotel and check-in.
- Visit the Hatheesing Jain Temple, renowned for its exquisite architecture and intricate carvings.
- Explore Bhadra Fort, a historic citadel surrounded by a lively market area.
- Discover the Sidi Saiyyed Mosque, famous for its beautifully carved stone latticework.
- Tour Sabarmati Ashram, where Mahatma Gandhi promoted his principles of non-violence and truth.
- Visit the Kite Museum to learn about the art and history of kite flying, and the Vechaar Utensils Museum to see traditional Indian utensils.
- Enjoy a comfortable overnight stay at your hotel.

Day 2: Ahmedabad - Exploring Architectural Marvels

- Start your day with breakfast at the hotel.
- Visit Adalaj Stepwell, a 15th-century architectural marvel with intricate carvings and decorative elements.
- Proceed to Modhera Sun Temple, an architectural gem dedicated to the sun god Surya, showcasing detailed carvings and precision.
- Explore Rani ki Vav stepwell, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, known for its elaborate sculptures and historical significance.
- Visit Panchasara Jain Temple, a serene site with historical and spiritual importance.

- Return to Ahmedabad for a restful overnight stay at your hotel.

Day 3: Ahmedabad - Kevadia - Witnessing The Tallest Statue

- Start your day with breakfast at the hotel.
- Travel to Vadodara and visit Lakshmi Vilas Palace, renowned for its opulent architecture and grand interiors.
- Explore the Fateh Singh Museum, which houses an impressive collection of art and artifacts.
- Visit Pavagadh-Champaner Archaeological Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site with historical ruins and ancient structures.
- Arrive in Kevadia, check in at your hotel, and enjoy the Light & Sound show in the evening.
- Relax and prepare for the next day's activities.

Day 4: Kevadia - Maheshwar - Journey into Regal History

- Start with breakfast at the hotel.
- Visit the Statue of Unity, the world's tallest statue, dedicated to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, and explore the Sardar Sarovar Dam and Valley of Flowers.
- Travel to Maheshwar and check in at your hotel.
- Explore Maheshwar Fort, which houses the Rajwada Palace and Rajrajeshwar Temple, offering insights into the region's royal history.
- Relax and enjoy the serene surroundings of your hotel.

Day 5: Maheshwar - Mandu - Embracing Architectural Beauty

- Start your day with breakfast at the hotel.
- Travel to Mandu and visit Hoshang Shah's Tomb, an example of early Mughal architecture with its elegant marble structure.
- Explore Jami Mosque, known for its grandeur and architectural beauty.
- Visit Jahaz Mahal, an architectural wonder that resembles a ship floating on water.
- Return to Maheshwar and continue exploring Rajwada Palace and Rajrajeshwar Temple for a deeper understanding of Maheshwar's regal past.
- Enjoy an overnight stay in Maheshwar.

Day 6: Maheshwar - Indore - Royalty and Culture

- Start your day with breakfast at the hotel.
- Drive to Indore, making a stop at Omkareshwar Jyotirlinga Temples, sacred shrines on an island in the Narmada River.
- Upon arrival in Indore, check in at your hotel and unwind.
- Visit Lal Bagh Palace Museum, reflecting the grandeur of the Holkar dynasty with its exquisite artifacts and royal memorabilia.
- Relax at your hotel for the night.

Day 7: Indore - Bhopal - Exploring Rich Heritage

- Start your day with breakfast at the hotel.
- Travel to Bhopal, with a stop at Ujjain to visit the Mahakaleshwar Jyotirlinga Temple, a revered Hindu pilgrimage site.
- Arrive in Bhopal and check in at your hotel.
- Explore significant landmarks such as Jama Masjid, Moti Masjid, Taj ul Masjid, and Bharat Bhawan, showcasing the city's rich cultural and architectural heritage.
- Enjoy the evening at leisure.

Day 8: Bhopal - Eco Exploration and Historic Artifacts

- Start your day with breakfast at the hotel.
- Visit Bhoj Wetland, a Ramsar site known for its diverse ecosystems and birdlife.
- Explore the Bhimbetka rock shelters, a UNESCO World Heritage Site with prehistoric cave paintings depicting early human life.
- Visit Bhojpur Shiva Temple, renowned for its colossal lingam and architectural significance.
- Return to Bhopal for an overnight stay.

Day 9: Bhopal - Khajuraho - Unveiling Artistic Treasures

- Start your day with breakfast at the hotel.
- Travel to Khajuraho and explore its temples, known for their intricate carvings and sculptures depicting various aspects of life and spirituality.
- Visit several of the UNESCO World Heritage-listed temples to appreciate their artistic and architectural brilliance.
- Check in at your hotel in Khajuraho and relax for the night.

Day 10: Khajuraho - Prayagraj - A Journey of Spirituality

- Start your day with breakfast at the hotel.
- Continue exploring Khajuraho's temples, marveling at their stunning architecture and carvings.
- Travel to Prayagraj and check in at your hotel.
- Relax and prepare for the next day's spiritual explorations.

Day 11: Prayagraj - Varanasi - Sacred Experiences

- Start your day with breakfast at the hotel.
- Visit Sangam, the sacred confluence of the Ganges, Yamuna, and Saraswati rivers, known for its spiritual significance.
- Explore Allahabad Fort, a historic monument with rich stories.
- Travel to Varanasi, check in at your hotel, and witness the mesmerizing Ganga Aarti ceremony on the banks of the holy Ganges.

Day 12: Varanasi - Spiritual and Cultural Exploration

- Start your day with breakfast at the hotel.
- Embark on an early morning boat ride on the Ganges to witness the rituals performed on the ghats.
- Visit Banaras Hindu University, one of India's top educational institutions.
- Explore Bharat Mata Temple, dedicated to the spirit of India, and Tulsi Manas Temple, known for its serene ambiance.
- Visit the Sarnath Temple complex, where Lord Buddha delivered his first sermon, including the Great Dhamekh Stupa.
- Return to your hotel in Varanasi for a comfortable overnight stay.

Day 13: Varanasi - Departure

- Start your day with breakfast at the hotel.
- Explore more of Varanasi or shop for local handicrafts and silk products.
- Transfer to the airport according to your flight schedule for your departure.
- Conclude your memorable journey with lasting memories and a deeper understanding of India's rich culture and heritage.

Package Price (USD Per Person Sharing Double/Twin Room)**Valid for Travel: 01 October 2026 - 15 April 2027**

Persons	Solo	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3★ Standard	4,090	2,211	1,920	2,018	1,774	1,728	1,596	1,496
4★ Deluxe	4,643	2,492	2,201	2,299	2,055	2,009	1,876	1,776
5★ Luxury	6,210	3,555	2,994	3,092	2,848	2,802	2,669	2,569

Valid for Travel: 16 April 2027 to 15 September 2027

Persons	Solo	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3★ Standard	4,022	2,147	1,856	1,954	1,710	1,664	1,531	1,432
4★ Deluxe	4,499	2,393	2,102	2,200	1,956	1,910	1,777	1,678
5★ Luxury	5,881	3,365	2,804	2,902	2,659	2,613	2,480	2,380

Single Room Supplement

3★ Standard: USD 466 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 739 | 5★ Luxury: USD 1,512

Triple Sharing Discount (Per Person)

3★ Standard: USD 62 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 77 | 5★ Luxury: USD 164

Price Includes:

- Assistance on arrival at airport.
- 12 Nights' accommodation in selected price category hotels.
- Daily breakfast at hotels.
- Private AC car/van for airport transfers, sightseeing, and excursions as per the program.
- English speaking tour guide on sightseeing days (local guide in each city), as per program.
- Monument entrances and activities charges mentioned in the itinerary.
- Bottled drinking water in car.
- Government taxes.

Price Does Not Include:

- Varanasi - Delhi flight fare approx INR 5, 500 per person in economy class.
- Camera charges at monuments if any.
- Meals other than mentioned in the inclusions.
- Expenses of personal nature like liquor, laundry, tips, telephone, fax, internet etc.
- Gratuities and optional activities.
- Anything not mentioned in inclusions.

Hotels used or similar for 12 nights' accommodation

3 Star Hotels

- Ahmedabad x 2 nights: Rivera Sarovar Portico/ SK Lords Eco Inn
- Kevadia x 1 night: Statue of Unity Tent City 1 - Royal Cottages/ The Fern Sardar Sarovar Resort
- Maheshwar x 2 nights: MPT Narmada Resort/ Aamantran At Fort Maheshwar
- Indore x 1 night: Citrus Hotels/ Pride Hotel
- Bhopal x 2 nights: The Fern Residency/ Lake View Ashok
- Khajuraho x 1 night: Ramada/ SYNA Heritage Hotel
- Prayagraj x 1 night: Hotel Allahabad Regency/ Hotel Milan Palace
- Varanasi x 2 nights: Meraden Grand/ Hotel Tridev

4 Star Hotels

- Ahmedabad x 2 nights: Lemon Tree Premier/ Ramada by Wyndham
- Kevadia x 1 night: Statue of Unity Tent City 1 - Royal Cottages/ The Fern Sardar Sarovar Resort
- Maheshwar x 2 nights: MPT Narmada Resort/ Aamantran At Fort Maheshwar
- Indore x 1 night: Lemon Tree Hotel/ Effotel by Sayaji Indore
- Bhopal x 2 nights: Noor Us Sabha Palace/ Sayaji Bhopal
- Khajuraho x 1 night: Ramada/ SYNA Heritage Hotel
- Prayagraj x 1 night: WelcomHeritage Badi Kothi/ Hotel Kanha Shyam
- Varanasi x 2 nights: Rivatas by Ideal/ The Amayaa

5 Star Hotels

- Ahmedabad x 2 nights: Taj Skyline Ahmedabad/ Hyatt Regency
- Kevadia x 1 night: Statue of Unity Tent City 1 - Royal Villa
- Maheshwar x 2 nights: Ahilya Fort
- Indore x 1 night: Indore Marriott Hotel/ Sheraton Grand Palace
- Bhopal x 2 nights: Jehan Numa Palace/ Courtyard by Marriott
- Khajuraho x 1 night: The Lalit Temple View
- Prayagraj x 1 night: WelcomHeritage Badi Kothi/ Hotel Kanha Shyam
- Varanasi x 2 nights: Ramada JHV/ Radisson Hotel

Payment Policy:

- Deposit of 25% of the package cost at the time of booking.
- Deposit of 50% of the package cost, 30 days prior to arrival date
- Deposit of 100% of the package cost, 10 days prior to arrival date

Cancellation policy:

- Note: Written cancellation will be accepted on all working days, except Sundays. Any cancellation sent on Sundays will be considered on the next working day (Monday).
- X-mas and New Year Period (20 Dec to 05 Jan): The payment is non-refundable during this period.
- After Trip Commencement: If you cancel the trip after it has commenced, the refund will be limited to the amount we are able to recover from hoteliers/contractors. We are not responsible for refunds on unused hotel accommodations, chartered transportation, or missed meals.
- 61 days or more before the tour: No cancellation charges.
- Between 60 to 30 days before the tour: Cancellation charges equal to 20% of the full tour booking value.
- Between 30 to 15 days before the tour: Cancellation charges equal to 50% of the full tour booking value.
- Within 5 days before the tour or no show: Cancellation charges equal to 90% of the full tour booking value.

Our Liabilities & Limitations:

- **Price Changes:** After the finalization of the tour/service cost, if there are any hikes in entrance fees, taxes, fuel costs, or guide charges by the Government of India, these will be charged as extra.
- **Role as Agent:** Agora Voyages acts only as an agent for hotels, airlines, transporters, railways, and contractors providing services. All receipts, contracts, and tickets issued by us are subject to terms and conditions of the service providers.
- **Itinerary Changes:** All itineraries are sample itineraries intended to provide a general idea. We reserve the right to change the schedule based on factors such as weather, road conditions, or the physical ability of participants to ensure safety, comfort, and well-being.
- **Rate Modifications:** Our rates are based on negotiated rates with hotels and airlines. If the rates are modified by these service providers, we reserve the right to adjust the quoted rates accordingly. Hotel bookings are based on usual check-in and check-out times, unless otherwise indicated.
- **Liability Disclaimer:** We are not responsible for delays, alterations, or expenses incurred due to natural hazards, flight cancellations, accidents, weather, sickness, political closures, or any unforeseen incidents.
- **Damage, Loss, or Injury:** We are not responsible for any loss, injury, or damage to persons, property, or otherwise, caused by acts of God, fire, accidents, machinery breakdowns, political disturbances, theft, epidemics, or other factors beyond our control.
- **Insurance:** We do not offer insurance for accidents, sickness, theft, or other unforeseen circumstances. We recommend travelers arrange for insurance in their home country. All personal property and baggage are at the client's risk at all times.
- **Unforeseen Circumstances:** We are not responsible for costs arising from landslides, roadblocks, bad weather, or similar unforeseen circumstances.

Tipping

- Tipping is not included in our price. It is optional but often expected in the travel industry. There is no limit on the amount you can tip, though the average guideline is around \$10-15 per day for guides, drivers, and other crew members.

Trip Comments

- After your trip, we would love to hear your experience. Any photos, suggestions, or feedback will be greatly appreciated. While we strive to make every trip perfect, we acknowledge that there is always room for improvement. Your comments, whether positive or constructive, are invaluable to us.