

Tour Name: Bangalore to Trichy South India Temple Tour

Tour Duration: 6 Nights/ 7 Days

Tour Map: <https://tinyurl.com/52hvjv>

Tour Overview

Embark on a captivating journey through South India's rich cultural and architectural heritage with our "Bangalore to Trichy South India Temple Tour" tour. Begin in Bangalore, where modernity meets tradition, exploring lush gardens and regal palaces. Traverse to Vellore, uncovering the grandeur of ancient forts and sacred temples. In Chennai, delve into the spiritual essence of Kanchipuram and the bustling Marina Beach. Discover the coastal beauty of Pondicherry with its French colonial charm and explore the ancient marvels of Mahabalipuram. Journey through Thanjavur's UNESCO World Heritage temples and conclude in Trichy, soaking in the historical and spiritual richness of the region. This tour offers a comprehensive glimpse into South India's timeless heritage and architectural splendors.

Tour Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive Bangalore

- Upon landing at Bangalore airport, our affable representative will greet you and assist with your transfer to the hotel. Check-in and unwind, enjoying the city's dynamic culture and vibrant energy.

Day 2: Bangalore City Tour

- Start your day with breakfast at the hotel.
- Explore Lalbagh Botanical Garden, a 240-acre park featuring over 1,800 species of plants, a serene lake, and Lalbagh Rock, offering panoramic city views and a glimpse into the garden's historical layout.
- Visit Tipu Sultan's Summer Palace, a historical structure with ornate arches, wooden balconies, and elaborately decorated ceilings, showcasing Tipu Sultan's architectural tastes.
- Proceed to Bangalore Palace, an opulent building with Tudor-style architecture, stained glass windows, and lavish interiors reflecting the grandeur of the Wodeyar dynasty.
- Stroll through Cubbon Park, a sprawling green space adorned with statues of prominent figures, ornamental fountains, and diverse flora, providing a peaceful retreat in the city's heart.
- Discover the National Museum of Bangalore, which houses artifacts from different periods of Indian history, including ancient coins, sculptures, and medieval weaponry.

Day 3: Bangalore to Vellore (220kms)

- After breakfast, embark on a scenic drive to Vellore.
- Visit the imposing Vellore Fort, a massive fortress with robust walls, a moat, and impressive gateways, featuring a blend of Dravidian and Gothic architectural styles.
- Explore the Jalakandeswarar Temple within the fort, known for its intricately carved pillars, ornate gopurams (entrance towers), and sacred sanctums dedicated to Lord Shiva.
- Visit the Vellore Government Museum, showcasing a collection of ancient sculptures, inscriptions, and relics from various South Indian dynasties.
- Discover the Church of South India (CSI) Vellore, an example of Gothic revival architecture with its stained glass windows and tranquil ambiance.

Day 4: Vellore to Chennai (145kms)

- Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before your journey.
- En route to Chennai, stop at Kanchipuram, the “City of Thousand Temples.” Visit Kamakshi Amman Temple, renowned for its ornate vimanas, sacred ponds, and vibrant murals.
- Continue to Ekambareswarar Temple, known for its ancient mango tree and grand architecture, symbolizing the Chola dynasty’s devotion to Lord Shiva.
- Arrive in Chennai and visit Fort St. George, the historic fortification housing a museum with relics from the British colonial era, and St. Mary’s Church, the oldest Anglican church in India.
- Relax at Marina Beach, famous for its long stretch of golden sand, bustling promenade, and local street food stalls.
- Visit Kapaleeshwarar Temple, an architectural marvel dedicated to Lord Shiva, adorned with colorful sculptures, a towering gopuram, and intricately designed hallways.

Day 5: Chennai to Pondicherry (160kms)

- Start with breakfast at the hotel.
- Drive to Pondicherry and explore Mahabalipuram, beginning with the Shore Temple, a coastal marvel with stunning sculptures and oceanic views.
- Discover the Five Rathas, a set of monolithic rock-cut temples, each carved from a single granite boulder and depicting various deities and mythological scenes.
- Visit Arjuna’s Penance, an enormous bas-relief carved into a rock face, illustrating the story of Arjuna’s penance and showcasing intricate carvings of divine figures and animals.
- Upon reaching Pondicherry, visit Aurobindo Ashram, a spiritual center founded by Sri Aurobindo, known for its peaceful environment and philosophical teachings.
- Explore the French Quarter, with its charming colonial architecture, vibrant markets, and cafes serving French-inspired cuisine.

Day 6: Pondicherry to Thanjavur via Chidambaram, Gangaikonda Cholapuram, and Darasuram (180kms)

- Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before setting off.

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- Begin with the Nataraja Temple in Chidambaram, a major pilgrimage site dedicated to Lord Shiva, featuring a golden roof, intricate carvings, and vibrant processions.
- Continue to Gangaikonda Cholapuram, an impressive Chola temple with towering gopurams, elaborate sculptures, and an extensive inner sanctum dedicated to Shiva.
- Visit Darasuram Temple, renowned for its detailed stone carvings depicting Hindu mythology and its serene ambiance.
- Arrive in Thanjavur and explore the Brihadeshwara Temple, a UNESCO World Heritage site, with its towering vimana, grand courtyards, and intricate sculptures depicting divine and historical themes.
- Discover Vijayanagar Fort, with its massive walls, ancient structures, and historical significance, and the Thanjavur Art Gallery & Saraswathi Mahal Library, featuring a rich collection of manuscripts, artifacts, and artworks from various eras.

Day 7: Thanjavur to Trichy (65kms) and Departure

- After breakfast, visit Brihadeshwara Temple once more to appreciate its architectural grandeur and historical significance.
- Explore Vijayanagar Fort, with its imposing walls, historical artifacts, and ancient structures that narrate the region's storied past.
- Visit the Thanjavur Art Gallery & Saraswathi Mahal Library, offering a treasure trove of ancient manuscripts, intricate artworks, and rare artifacts.
- In Trichy, explore Sri Ranganathaswamy Temple, known for its expansive complex, intricate carvings, and significant pilgrimage status.
- Climb the Rock Fort Temple for panoramic city views and visit Jambukeswarar Temple, dedicated to Lord Shiva, symbolizing water and offering a serene spiritual experience.
- Transfer to Trichy airport for your departure, concluding your memorable exploration of South India's living temples, historic forts, and cultural landmarks.

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	2,348	1,283	1,072	1,105	979	966	896	843
4★ Deluxe	2,609	1,417	1,207	1,240	1,114	1,101	1,030	978
5★ Luxury	3,647	1,995	1,696	1,729	1,603	1,590	1,520	1,467

Valid for Travel: 16 April 2027 to 20 September 2027

Persons	Solo	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3★ Standard	2,267	1,223	1,013	1,045	919	906	836	784
4★ Deluxe	2,495	1,356	1,146	1,179	1,053	1,040	970	917
5★ Luxury	3,363	1,853	1,554	1,587	1,461	1,448	1,378	1,325

Single Room Supplement

3★ Standard: USD 258 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 384 | 5★ Luxury: USD 933

Triple Sharing Discount (Per Person)

3★ Standard: USD 45 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 59 | 5★ Luxury: USD 154

Price Includes:

- Assistance on arrival at airport.
- 6 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:

- Trichy - Bangalore 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 6 nights' accommodation

3 Star Hotels

- Bangalore x 2 nights: Royal Orchid Central/ Ramada Bangalore
- Vellore x 1 night: Regency Sameera Vellore by GRT Hotel
- Chennai x 1 night: ZONE By the Park/ Raj Park
- Pondicherry x 1 night: Shenbaga Hotel/ Anandha Inn Convention Centre
- Thanjore x 1 night: Sangam Hotels

4 Star Hotels

- Bangalore x 2 nights: Lemon Tree Premier/ Gokulam Grand Hotel & Spa
- Vellore x 1 night: Fortune Park Vellore
- Chennai x 1 night: Accord Metropolitan/ The Park Chennai
- Pondicherry x 1 night: Le Pondy/ Accord Puducherry

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- Thanjore x 1 night: GReaT Trails Riverview Resort

5 Star Hotels

- Bangalore x 2 nights: ITC Gardenia, a Luxury Collection/ Vivanta Bengaluru, Residency Road
- Vellore x 1 night: Fortune Park Vellore
- Chennai x 1 night: Radisson Blu Hotel GRT Chennai/ Hilton Chennai
- Pondicherry x 1 night: Palais De Mahe/ La Villa
- Thanjore x 1 night: Svatma

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.