

Tour Name: Bhubaneswar to Kolkata via Mangroves Forest & Tiger Reserve

Tour Duration: 6 Nights/ 7 Days

Tour Map: <https://tinyurl.com/ydjevjvn>

Tour Overview

Embark on an unforgettable journey through Bhubaneswar to Kolkata via Mangroves Forest & Tiger Reserve. Begin in Bhubaneswar, where ancient temples whisper tales of history. Traverse to the untamed wilderness of Bhitarkanika and Similipal Tiger Reserve, where verdant mangroves and majestic tigers await. Immerse yourself in nature's serenity and explore diverse ecosystems teeming with wildlife. Transition to the vibrant cityscape of Kolkata, a cultural hub pulsating with art, literature, and colonial heritage. Wander through bustling markets, visit historic landmarks, and savor the essence of Bengali cuisine. This expedition promises a harmonious blend of nature's wonders and Kolkata's rich cultural tapestry, offering an enriching experience for every traveler.

Tour Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive Bhubaneswar

- Upon arrival in Bhubaneswar, known as the "Temple City of India," check-in at your hotel and unwind after your journey. Begin your exploration with a visit to the Lingaraj Temple, an ancient Hindu temple dedicated to Lord Shiva. Admire the towering spire intricately carved with mythical creatures and deities, and explore the temple complex bustling with devotees and priests.
- Continue to the Odisha State Museum, a treasure trove of archaeological artifacts dating back to the 3rd century BCE. Marvel at the sculptures, coins, and manuscripts that offer a glimpse into Odisha's rich cultural heritage and history.

Day 2: Bhubaneswar - Bhitarkanika National Park (200kms)

- Depart for Bhitarkanika National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage site and one of the largest mangrove ecosystems in India. Embark on a thrilling boat safari through the labyrinthine creeks and mangrove forests. Spot saltwater crocodiles basking in the sun, and watch colorful birds flitting among the dense foliage.
- Explore the ancient Buddhist sites of Ratnagiri and Udayagiri, renowned for their exquisite Buddhist sculptures and monastic remains. Wander through the ruins of stupas and monastic cells, adorned with intricate carvings depicting scenes from the life of Buddha.

Day 3: Bhitarkanika National Park - Similipal Tiger Reserve (200kms)

- Journey to Similipal Tiger Reserve, a biodiversity hotspot nestled in the Eastern Ghats. Embark on jeep safaris deep into the forest, where elusive Bengal tigers roam freely. Keep an eye out for leopards, elephants, and rare bird species amidst the dense Sal forests.
- Visit the majestic Barehipani and Joranda waterfalls, cascading from great heights amid verdant surroundings. Enjoy a refreshing break by the crystal-clear pools at the base of the waterfalls, listening to the soothing sounds of nature.

Day 4: Similipal Tiger Reserve

- Spend another day exploring Similipal Tiger Reserve. Delve deeper into the wilderness on safari expeditions, gaining insights into the conservation efforts and biodiversity of the region. Encounter herds of spotted deer grazing in meadows and listen to the calls of exotic bird species.
- Immerse yourself in the culture of indigenous tribes during visits to nearby villages. Witness traditional dance performances, interact with locals adorned in vibrant attire, and admire their handicrafts showcasing age-old craftsmanship and tribal motifs.

Day 5: Similipal Tiger Reserve - Bhubaneswar (200kms)

- Return to Bhubaneswar with a stopover at Puri, a coastal town famous for its sacred Jagannath Temple. Explore the sprawling temple complex dedicated to Lord Krishna, bustling with pilgrims and adorned with intricate carvings depicting Hindu mythology.
- Relax on the golden sands of Puri Beach, known for its serene ambiance and vibrant beach culture. Indulge in seaside activities or savor fresh seafood delicacies at local eateries before continuing your journey back to Bhubaneswar.

Day 6: Kolkata

- Fly to Kolkata, the cultural capital of India. Begin your exploration with a visit to the Victoria Memorial, an architectural marvel built during the British Raj in memory of Queen Victoria. Wander through the sprawling gardens surrounding the marble monument and explore the museum housing a vast collection of historical artifacts and paintings.
- Stroll through the bustling New Market, where the aroma of spices mingles with the buzz of shoppers. Visit Dakshineswar Kali Temple, dedicated to Goddess Kali, and soak in the spiritual ambiance as devotees offer prayers amidst chanting priests.

Day 7: Kolkata - Departure (flight)

- Conclude your tour with a visit to Howrah Bridge, an iconic symbol spanning the Hooghly River. Marvel at the engineering feat of this cantilever bridge and capture panoramic views of Kolkata's bustling riverfront and cityscape.

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- Depending on your flight schedule, explore local markets for unique handicrafts and souvenirs, or relax in one of Kolkata's charming cafes, reflecting on the cultural encounters and natural wonders experienced during your enriching journey.

Package Price (USD Per Person Sharing Double/Twin Room)

Valid for Travel: 01 October 2026 – 15 June 2027

Persons	Solo	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3★ Standard	2,514	1,340	1,139	1,188	1,059	1,032	963	911
4★ Deluxe	2,742	1,462	1,261	1,310	1,181	1,154	1,085	1,032
5★ Luxury	2,983	1,698	1,401	1,449	1,321	1,294	1,224	1,172

Single Room Supplement

3★ Standard: USD 379 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 486 | 5★ Luxury: USD 587

Triple Sharing Discount (Per Person)

3★ Standard: USD 30 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 43 | 5★ Luxury: USD 54

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.
- Boat safari in Bhitarkanika National Park
- Time Jeep safari in Similipal Tiger Reserve
- Monument entrances and activities charges mentioned in the itinerary.
- Bottled drinking water in car.
- Government taxes.

Price Does Not Include:

- Any flight tickets
- 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

- Bhubaneswar x 1 night: Hotel Hindusthan International/ Swosti Grand
- Bhitarkanika x 1 night: Sand Pebbles Bhitarkanika Jungle Resorts/ Nature Camp Bhitarkanika Retreat
- Similipal x 2 nights: Lulung Aranya Nivas Resort/ Similipal Nature Camps
- Kolkata x 2 nights: Golden Tulip/ Polo Floatel

4 Star Hotels

- Bhubaneswar x 1 night: Fortune Park Sishmo/ Lemon Tree Premier
- Bhitarkanika x 1 night: Sand Pebbles Bhitarkanika Jungle Resorts/ Nature Camp Bhitarkanika Retreat
- Similipal x 2 nights: Lulung Aranya Nivas Resort/ Similipal Nature Camps
- Kolkata x 2 nights: The Elgin Fairlawn/ ZONE By the Park

5 Star Hotels

- Bhubaneswar x 1 night: Mayfair Lagoon/ Trident Hotel
- Bhitarkanika x 1 night: Sand Pebbles Bhitarkanika Jungle Resorts/ Nature Camp Bhitarkanika Retreat
- Similipal x 2 nights: Lulung Aranya Nivas Resort/ Similipal Nature Camps
- Kolkata x 2 nights: ITC Sonar, a Luxury Collection/ The Lalit Great Eastern

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.