

Tour Name: Fort, Palaces, Temples & Beach

Tour Duration: 10 Nights/ 11 Days

Tour Map: <https://tinyurl.com/jtz69sn6>

Tour Overview

Embark on a captivating journey through history on our "Fort, Palaces, Temples & Beach" tour. Begin in Hyderabad, exploring its rich cultural heritage and iconic landmarks. Traverse through Gulbarga, where ancient forts and tombs whisper tales of dynasties past. Discover the magnificent ruins of Hampi, a UNESCO World Heritage site, steeped in the grandeur of the Vijayanagara Empire. In Badami, marvel at the rock-cut temples carved into crimson cliffs, showcasing intricate Dravidian architecture. Conclude your expedition in Goa, unwinding amidst sun-kissed beaches and Portuguese colonial charm. This journey promises an unforgettable blend of cultural immersion and scenic beauty, revealing the diverse tapestry of South India's historical wonders and coastal allure.

Tour Itinerary

Day 1: Hyderabad

- Arrive in Hyderabad and transfer to your hotel for check-in.
- Stroll along Necklace Road, a beautiful boulevard along the Hussain Sagar Lake, for an evening walk and local street food.
- Explore the Birla Planetarium and Science Museum, offering interactive exhibits and a spectacular view of the city.

Day 2: Hyderabad

- Start the day with breakfast at the hotel before sightseeing.
- Visit Charminar, a historic monument and mosque known for its distinctive architecture and bustling markets.
- Explore Chowmahalla Palace, the former seat of the Nizams of Hyderabad, renowned for its exquisite architecture and grandeur.
- Visit Golconda Fort, a magnificent citadel known for its strategic location and unique acoustic system.

- Explore Salar Jung Museum, one of the largest museums in India, housing a vast collection of art, artifacts, and antiques from around the world.
- Visit Birla Mandir, a stunning temple made of white marble, offering panoramic views of the city.
- Walk through the Ramoji Film City, the largest film studio complex in the world, to get a glimpse of movie-making magic.

Day 3: Hyderabad - Gulbarga (280kms)

- Start the day with breakfast at the hotel before departing for Gulbarga.
- Visit the Gulbarga Fort, a historic fortification with a blend of Hindu and Muslim architectural styles.
- Explore the Jama Masjid, an impressive mosque located within the fort complex.
- Visit the Khwaja Bande Nawaz Dargah, a prominent Sufi shrine attracting devotees from across the region.
- Explore the Sharana Basaveshwara Temple, dedicated to the saint and philosopher Basaveshwara.
- Stroll through the Government Museum, showcasing a variety of artifacts and historical items from the region.

Day 4: Gulbarga - Hampi (280kms)

- Start the day with breakfast at the hotel before departing for Hampi.
- En route, visit the Daroji Sloth Bear Sanctuary, home to a significant population of Indian sloth bears.
- Arrive in Hampi and transfer to your hotel for check-in.
- Visit the Virupaksha Temple, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the oldest functioning temples in India.
- Explore the nearby Hemakuta Hill, offering stunning views of the surrounding landscape and numerous ancient temples.

Day 5: Hampi

- Start the day with breakfast at the hotel before sightseeing.
- Visit the Vittala Temple, renowned for its iconic stone chariot and musical pillars.
- Explore the Royal Enclosure, home to several important structures including the Mahanavami Dibba and the Queen's Bath.
- Visit the Lotus Mahal, an intricately designed pavilion with a unique blend of Hindu and Islamic architecture.
- Explore the Hampi Bazaar, a bustling market area near the Virupaksha Temple, offering a glimpse into the local culture and crafts.
- Visit the Sasivekalu Ganesha and Kadalekalu Ganesha, two large monolithic statues of Lord Ganesha.
- Take a coracle ride on the Tungabhadra River to explore the ruins and landscapes from a different perspective.
- Visit the Achyutaraya Temple, known for its grand architecture and beautiful carvings.

Day 6: Hampi - Badami (180kms)

- Start the day with breakfast at the hotel before departing for Badami.
- En route, visit the Pattadakal, a UNESCO World Heritage site renowned for its beautifully carved temples dating back to the 7th and 8th centuries.
- Stop at Aihole, known as the "Cradle of Indian Architecture," to explore its ancient temples, including the Durga Temple and Lad Khan Temple.
- Arrive in Badami and transfer to your hotel for check-in.
- Visit the Mahakuta Group of Temples, a cluster of temples known for their unique architecture and serene surroundings.

Day 7: Badami

- Start the day with breakfast at the hotel before sightseeing.
- Visit the Badami Cave Temples, carved out of sandstone cliffs and adorned with sculptures of Hindu gods and goddesses.
- Explore the Badami Fort, perched on a hilltop offering panoramic views of the town and surrounding area.

- Visit the Agastya Lake, a picturesque body of water surrounded by temples and rock formations.
- Explore the Banashankari Temple, dedicated to Goddess Banashankari and known for its annual fair and vibrant celebrations.
- Visit the Archaeological Museum, showcasing artifacts and sculptures from the Chalukyan period.
- Explore the Lower and Upper Shivalaya temples, offering stunning views and intricate carvings.
- Visit the Bhutanatha Group of Temples, located on the banks of the Agastya Lake, known for their architectural beauty.

Day 8: Badami - Goa (250kms)

- Start the day with breakfast at the hotel before departing for Goa.
- En route, visit the Bhagwan Mahavir Wildlife Sanctuary, known for its rich biodiversity and lush greenery.
- Arrive in Goa and transfer to your hotel for check-in.
- Relax on one of Goa's many beautiful beaches and enjoy the vibrant local culture.

Day 9: Goa

- Start the day with breakfast at the hotel before sightseeing.
- Visit the Basilica of Bom Jesus, a UNESCO World Heritage Site housing the mortal remains of St. Francis Xavier.
- Explore the Se Cathedral, one of the largest churches in Asia, known for its Portuguese-Gothic architecture.
- Visit the Aguada Fort, a well-preserved 17th-century fort overlooking the Arabian Sea.
- Stroll through the bustling markets of Panaji, the state capital, to experience the local culture and cuisine.
- Explore the Mangueshi Temple, one of the largest and most visited temples in Goa, dedicated to Lord Shiva.
- Visit the Ancestral Goa Museum, showcasing Goan heritage and traditional lifestyle.

- Relax at Calangute Beach, known for its lively atmosphere and water sports activities.

Day 10: Goa

- Start the day with breakfast at the hotel before exploring more of Goa.
- Visit the Church of St. Cajetan, inspired by St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, featuring Corinthian architecture and intricate details.
- Explore the Shanta Durga Temple, dedicated to the goddess Shanta Durga, known for its beautiful architecture and serene surroundings.
- Relax at one of Goa's famous beaches, such as Anjuna or Baga, and enjoy water sports or simply unwind by the sea.
- Explore the Chapora Fort, offering stunning views of the coastline and surrounding areas.
- Visit the Salim Ali Bird Sanctuary, a haven for bird watchers, located on the western tip of the Chorao Island along the Mandovi River.
- Enjoy a sunset cruise on the Mandovi River to experience the beautiful Goan landscape from the water.

Day 11: Goa - Departure

- Start the day with breakfast at the hotel.
- Depending on your departure schedule, explore any remaining sights or indulge in some local shopping.
- Transfer to the airport for your onward journey.

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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	2,948	1,569	1,373	1,417	1,255	1,218	1,131	1,066
4★ Deluxe	3,668	1,945	1,749	1,792	1,631	1,594	1,507	1,442
5★ Luxury	5,637	3,120	2,738	2,782	2,620	2,583	2,496	2,431

Valid for Travel: 16 April 2027 to 20 September 2027

Persons	Solo	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3★ Standard	2,842	1,520	1,324	1,392	1,226	1,169	1,082	1,017
4★ Deluxe	3,266	1,743	1,547	1,616	1,449	1,393	1,306	1,240
5★ Luxury	4,456	2,516	2,134	2,203	2,037	1,980	1,893	1,828

Single Room Supplement

3★ Standard: USD 420 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 764 | 5★ Luxury: USD 1,743

Triple Sharing Discount (Per Person)

3★ Standard: USD 58 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 108 | 5★ Luxury: USD 320

Price Includes:

- Assistance on arrival at airport.
- 10 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:

- 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 10 nights' accommodation

3 Star Hotels

- Hyderabad x 2 nights: Hotel Abode/ Aditya Park
- Gulbarga x 1 night: Kyriad Hotel Gulbarga by OTHPL/ Mastiff Select
- Hampi x 2 nights: Malligi Hotel/ Clarks Inn
- Badami x 2 nights: Badami Court/ Clarks Inn
- Goa x 3 nights: The Fern Residency Miramar/ Zone Connect Hotel Parra

4 Star Hotels

- Hyderabad x 2 nights: The Golkonda Hotel/ Lemon Tree Hotel
- Gulbarga x 1 night: Kyriad Hotel Gulbarga by OTHPL/ Mastiff Select
- Hampi x 2 nights: Heritage Resort/ Royal Orchid Central Keerti
- Badami x 2 nights: Morpho Banashree Resort/ WADA1
- Goa x 3 nights: Lemon Tree Hotel Candolim/ The Chances Resort & Casino

5 Star Hotels

- Hyderabad x 2 nights: ITC Kakatiya, a Luxury Collection/ Trident Hotel
- Gulbarga x 1 night: Kyriad Hotel Gulbarga by OTHPL/ Mastiff Select
- Hampi x 2 nights: Evolve Back, Hampi

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- Badami x 2 nights: Morpho Banashree Resort/ WADA1
- Goa x 3 nights: Alila Diwa Goa/ Kenilworth Resort & Spa, Utorda Beach

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.

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- **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.