

Tour Name: Surat to Ahmedabad, Glimpse of Gujarat Tour

Tour Duration: 7 Nights/ 8 Days

Tour Map: <https://tinyurl.com/5n8x7cre>

Tour Overview

Embark on an enriching journey through Gujarat with the "Surat to Ahmedabad, Glimpse of Gujarat Tour". Begin your exploration in Surat, where modernity meets tradition, before heading to the majestic Statue of Unity, a towering tribute to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. Travel onward to Vadodara, steeped in regal splendor with its palaces and museums, and delve into the ancient history of Champaner-Pavagadh. En route to Bhavnagar, discover the ancient Harappan site of Lothal, a testament to India's rich archaeological heritage. From Junagadh's historic forts to Ahmedabad's bustling markets and serene ashrams, this journey promises a blend of cultural immersion and historical intrigue, offering a glimpse into Gujarat's diverse and vibrant past.

Tour Itinerary

Day 1: Surat - Statue of Unity (165kms)

- Depart from Surat after breakfast and drive to the Statue of Unity, located near Kevadia in the Narmada district of Gujarat. Marvel at the world's tallest statue, standing at 182 meters, honoring Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.
- Explore the Statue of Unity complex, including the statue itself, the exhibition hall depicting Patel's life and contributions, and the scenic Sardar Sarovar Dam, offering panoramic views of the surrounding landscape.
- Visit the Valley of Flowers, a botanical garden near the statue complex, showcasing a variety of indigenous flora and fauna.

Day 2: Statue of Unity - Vadodara (150kms)

- After breakfast, depart for Vadodara. Enroute, visit Champaner-Pavagadh Archaeological Park, a UNESCO World Heritage site known for its medieval Islamic architecture and ancient ruins.
- Explore the Jami Masjid, a magnificent mosque with intricate carvings and ornate architecture dating back to the 15th century.
- Continue to Pavagadh Hill and take a ride on the ropeway (or hike for enthusiasts) to visit Kalika Mata Temple, an ancient Hindu temple dedicated to Goddess Kali, offering panoramic views of the plains below.

Day 3: Vadodara - Bhavnagar (200kms)

- Enjoy breakfast before heading to Bhavnagar. Enroute, visit Lothal, an ancient Indus Valley Civilization archaeological site known for its well-planned city layout and advanced dockyard.
- Explore the Archaeological Museum at Lothal, housing artifacts excavated from the site including pottery, seals, beads, and tools used by the Harappan people.
- Continue your journey to Bhavnagar and check-in at your hotel. Rest and relax after a day filled with historical exploration.

Day 4: Bhavnagar - Junagadh (215kms)

- After breakfast, travel to Junagadh, known for its ancient monuments and religious sites.
- Discover Uparkot Fort, an ancient citadel with massive gateways, reservoirs, and intricately carved rock-cut caves used by Jain monks and Buddhist monks centuries ago.
- Visit Mahabat Maqbara, an exquisite mausoleum showcasing Indo-Islamic architecture with intricate jali work, silver doors, and a majestic central dome.
- Explore the Sakkarbaug Zoological Garden, one of the oldest zoos in Gujarat, housing a diverse range of wildlife species and offering educational exhibits on conservation.

Day 5: Junagadh - Rajkot (100kms)

- Depart for Rajkot after breakfast, a city known for its association with Mahatma Gandhi and vibrant cultural heritage.
- Visit Kaba Gandhi No Delo, Gandhi's ancestral home converted into a museum displaying his personal belongings, letters, and photographs.
- Explore the Watson Museum, housing a diverse collection of artifacts including sculptures, coins, textiles, and exhibits on Rajkot's history.
- Enjoy a visit to Rotary Dolls Museum, showcasing a unique collection of dolls from different countries, providing insights into global cultures through traditional attire and craftsmanship.

Day 6: Rajkot - Ahmedabad (215kms)

- Enjoy breakfast before driving to Ahmedabad, Gujarat's largest city known for its architectural marvels and bustling markets.
- Visit Sabarmati Ashram, Gandhi's tranquil retreat and a symbol of India's freedom struggle, now a museum exhibiting his life, philosophy, and personal effects.

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- Explore Manek Chowk, a vibrant market offering a variety of jewelry, textiles, and traditional Gujarati Street food, providing a glimpse into the local culture and cuisine.
- Visit the Adalaj Stepwell, an intricately carved stepwell from the 15th century, renowned for its architectural beauty and historical significance.

Day 7: Ahmedabad

- After breakfast, embark on a full day of sightseeing in Ahmedabad, starting with the iconic Jama Masjid, an architectural marvel featuring stunning sandstone craftsmanship and serene courtyards.
- Explore the Calico Museum of Textiles, showcasing rare textiles dating back centuries, including embroideries, tapestries, and historic garments.
- Visit Sarkhej Roza, an elegant architectural complex with a mosque, tombs, and serene gardens, reflecting Indo-Saracenic architecture at its finest.
- Conclude with a visit to the vibrant markets of Law Garden, known for its handicrafts, traditional clothing, and lively atmosphere.

Day 8: Ahmedabad - Departure

- Enjoy a leisurely breakfast at your hotel before transferring to the airport or railway station for your onward journey, concluding your enriching journey through Gujarat from Surat to Ahmedabad.

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

Valid for Travel: Until 20 September 2027

Persons	Solo	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3★ Standard	2,477	1,338	1,106	1,145	1,010	995	919	863
4★ Deluxe	2,789	1,507	1,275	1,315	1,179	1,164	1,089	1,032
5★ Luxury	3,064	1,737	1,417	1,456	1,320	1,306	1,230	1,174

Single Room Supplement

3★ Standard: USD 267 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 410 | 5★ Luxury: USD 544

Triple Sharing Discount (Per Person)

3★ Standard: USD 50 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 51 | 5★ Luxury: USD 88

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Price Includes:

- Assistance on arrival at airport.
- 7 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 7-night accommodation

3 Star Hotels

- Kevadia x 1 night: Statue of Unity Tent City 1 - Royal Cottages/ The Fern Sardar Sarovar Resort
- Vadodara x 1 night: Royal Orchid Central/ Lemon Tree Hotel
- Bhavnagar x 1 night: Iscon the Fern Resort & Spa/ Efcee Sarovar Portico
- Junagarh x 1 night: Bellevue Sarovar Portico/ Click Hotel
- Rajkot x 1 night: Fern Residency/ Marasa Sarovar Portico
- Ahmedabad x 2 nights: Rivera Sarovar Portico/ SK Lords Eco Inn

4 Star Hotels

- Kevadia x 1 night: Statue of Unity Tent City 1 - Royal Cottages/ The Fern Sardar Sarovar Resort
- Vadodara x 1 night: Welcomehotel Vadodra/ Vivanta Vadodara
- Bhavnagar x 1 night: Iscon the Fern Resort & Spa/ Efcee Sarovar Portico
- Junagarh x 1 night: The Gold Beach Resort/ The Deltin
- Rajkot x 1 night: Fortune Park JPS Grand/ Regency Lagoon Resort and Convention
- Ahmedabad x 2 nights: Lemon Tree Premier/ Ramada by Wyndham

5 Star Hotels

- Kevadia x 1 night: Statue of Unity Tent City 1 - Royal Villa
- Vadodara x 1 night: Welcomehotel Vadodra/ Vivanta Vadodara
- Bhavnagar x 1 night: Iscon the Fern Resort & Spa/ Efcee Sarovar Portico
- Junagarh x 1 night: Bellevue Sarovar Portico/ Click Hotel
- Rajkot x 1 night: Fortune Park JPS Grand/ Regency Lagoon Resort and Convention
- Ahmedabad x 2 nights: Taj Skyline Ahmedabad/ Hyatt Regency

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.

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- 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.

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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.