

DIVINE SHAKTI TRAILS (06 DAYS)

DAY 01 – BY AIR / BY TRAIN – ARRIVE AHMEDABAD

Arrive in Ahmedabad, check in at the hotel, & later we go on a sightseeing tour of Ahmedabad, visiting the Gandhi Ashram, Hutheesingh Jain Temple, Adalaj Stepwell, & Vaishnodevi Temple.

Gandhi Ashram: On a quiet, peaceful stretch of the Sabarmati River, Mahatma Gandhi set up a simple retreat in 1915. This was his Satyagrah Ashram, and for many years it was the nerve center of India's freedom movement. It was from here, in 1930, that Mahatma began his famous Dandi March to the sea to protest the salt tax imposed by the British. Hridaya Kunj, the simple cottage where he lived, is now a national monument and preserved as it was during the Mahatma's lifetime. You must pick up gifts and souvenirs from the Ashram shop. Spend a little time here by the river watching the parrots and the squirrels. Peace and tranquility prevail here.

Hutheesingh Jain Temple: Built outside the Delhi Gate in 1850 by a rich Jain merchant, the Hutheesingh Temple is the best known of Ahmedabad's many ornate Jain temples.

Adalaj Step-well: Step wells were built in ancient times to serve the man's purposes of holding rainwater for later use, providing a resting place for the travelers, and providing a watering hole for the travelers who had caravans and animals with them. The best examples of rainwater harvesting! The Adalaj Step is situated 17 kilometers north of Ahmedabad. The step well at the village of Adalaj is another fine example of this magnificent architectural form. Adalaj Vav is richly carved, with every pillar and wall surface covered with leaves and flowers, birds and fish, and friezes of ornamental designs.

Vaishno Devi Temple: A popular temple of goddess Vaishno Devi located on S.G. Road (Sarkhej-Gandhinagar Highway), it is modelled after Vaishno Devi temple situated in Jammu & Kashmir. The only difference between the two is that one in Ahmedabad can be visited within a couple of hours. It can be seen crowded every day, and on weekends, devotees from all over India visit this temple.

Overnight at hotel

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DAY 02 – BY ROAD – 180 KMS / 04 HRS (ONE WAY) – AHMEDABAD – AMBAJI - AHMEDABAD

After breakfast proceed for day excursion to Ambaji temple.

Ambaji Temple contains no idol but an inscribed Yantra in the niche. Ambaji is essentially a temple town, with a temple dedicated to Goddess Ambaji at the center. The Ambaji Temple and the front court, 'Chachar no Chowk', are aligned on the same axis as the cave at Gabbar Hill, the original abode of Goddess Ambaji. Twenty-two kilometers from Danta is one of the major Shakti piths of India, situated in the Arasur hills. The present temple was constructed a few years ago, maintaining the original architectural style. Millions of pilgrims visit the temple every year, especially during Navratri, to seek the blessing of Goddess Ambaji.

Later drive back to Ahmedabad.

Overnight at hotel

DAY 03 – BY ROAD – 155 KMS / 03 HRS (ONE WAY) – AHMEDABAD – PAVAGADH - AHMEDABAD

After breakfast proceed for a day excursion to Pavagadh.

PAVAGADH: Most Hindus in India have faith in the goddess Mahakali, particularly in the western region covering the states of Gujarat, Rajasthan, & Maharashtra. The famous and oldest temple of Mahakali is situated at Pavagadh, near Vadodara, one of the main cities of Gujarat. The temple has become the place of pilgrimage for almost all Hindus in India. This temple is among the three main Shaktipeeths in Gujarat. It has been said in Hindu Shastras that after the famous Tandava dance of Lord Shiva, the various parts of the body of Sati fell at many places. These places are called Shaktipeeths. It is said that the left breast of the Sati fell here at Pavagadh. As the name suggests, the temple is located on a mountain, near Champaner town.

Later drive back to Ahmedabad.

Overnight at hotel

DAY 04 – BY ROAD – 160 KMS / 03 HRS – AHMEDABAD TO CHOTILA FOLLOWED BY ROAD – 62 KMS / 01 HR – CHOTILA TO RAJKOT

After breakfast drive to Chotila hills.

Chotila: On Ahmedabad-Rajkot Main Highway, Chotila town is situated at the foot of the Chamunda hill which is surmounted by the temple of the Goddess Chamunda at a height of 1173 feet. Originally a holding of the Sodha Parmar clan, Chotila was conquered from Jagasio Parmar by the KhacharKathis in 1566 AD. Most of the KhacharKathis trace their origin to the Chotila house.

According to a legend, Jagasio Parmar of nearby town Muli was murdered by the Kathis of KhacharKuman and Vala clans. These Kathis took possession of Chotila and then divided it into four parts (char tiles), the village thereafter came to be known as Chotila.

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Later drive to Rajkot; arrive in Rajkot and transfer to your hotel.

Rajkot is a very pleasant provincial town. Mahatma Gandhi spent a few years of his life in this town. His father was the Dewan (Chief Minister) of Rajkot, once a small princely State. In the evening arrive Rajkot and visit Kaba Gandhi No Delo (literally "Kaba Gandhi's house"). Mahatma Gandhi spent the early days of his life here. You can see the exhibition of Gandhi's items here. This will be followed by a visit to Rajkumar College. Mahatma Gandhi completed his secondary education from this school.

Overnight at hotel

DAY 05 – BY ROAD – 100 KMS / 02 HRS – RAJKOT TO JUNAGADH

After breakfast drive to Junagadh enroute visiting Girnar hills.

Mount Girnar: Girnar Mountain is about 1100m (3630 ft.) high and is an extinct volcano. It is said that Mount Girnar was once a flying mountain. It is 4km east of Junagadh and is the main tourist attraction in the area.

On the plateau about 180m (600 ft.) from the top of the hill, is a group of beautifully carved Jain temples built between 1128 and 1500. Nominate, the 22nd tirthankara, is said to have died on Mount Girnar after living here for 700 years. There is a special marble temple dedicated to him here, and a black marble statue of him. The Mallinath Temple (1177) is impressive. On top of the hill is a small Vishnu temple dedicated to Dattatreya. There is also a temple dedicated to the goddess Amba Mata dating back to the 12th century. It is said that a visit to this temple guarantees a happy marriage. There are good views from the top of the mountain.

The steps go down and up again to Gorakhnath Peak at 1100m (3666 ft.), where there are footprints of the rishi Gorakhnath. There is another peak where there are footprints of Nominate. Further on is a goddess Kalika shrine. Visitors must climb 5,500 steps to reach the top of the hill, so it is best to start early in the morning (before 7 am). It is a difficult two-hour climb. Hundreds of people climb this hill every day. There are many stalls selling cold drinks along the way, but none selling bottled water, so bring your own.

Later drive to Junagadh; arrive Junagadh and transfer to your hotel.

DAY 06 – BY ROAD – 325 KMS / 06 HRS – JUNAGADH TO AHMEDABAD

After breakfast drive back to Ahmedabad. Arrive Ahmedabad and in time transfer to Airport / Railway Station to board your flight / train for onward journey to your next destination.

**** TOUR ENDS ****

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QUOTE SHEET

COST SHEET FOR ITINERARY - DIVINE SHAKTI TRAILS - 06 DAYS

VALIDITY TILL 30TH SEP 2024 {EXCEPT 25 AUG TO 30 AUG (JANMASHTAMI),

STANDARD PACKAGE

СІТҮ	HOTEL OPTION	ROOM CATEGORY	NIGHT	MEAL PLAN
Ahmedabad	Le Grand Residency	Executive	03	СР
Rajkot	Kings Kraft Stay Inn	Cozy	01	СР
Junagadh	Click by Suba	Premium	01	СР
TOUR COST BASED			TOUR COST	
Accommodation cost Per Double Room for 05 Nights (for 02 pax)			Rs. 16,818/- NETT.	
Extra Bed for Adult / Child			Rs. 5,980/- NETT.	
Child Without Bed (COMPLIMENTARY FOR CHILD UPTO 5 YEARS SHARING BED WITH PARENTS)			Rs. 5,313/- NETT.	
Per Person Dinner Supplement for 05 Nights			Rs. 2,926/- NETT.	
Transportation cost based on AC Swift Dzire / Etios car as per the program			Rs. 30,000/- NETT.	
Transportation cost based on AC Toyota Crysta car as per the program			Rs. 47,696/- NETT.	

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СІТҮ	HOTEL OPTION	ROOM CATEGORY	NIGHT	MEAL PLAN
Ahmedabad	Le Grand Residency	Executive	03	СР
Rajkot	Marasa Sarovar Portico	Executive	01	СР
Junagadh	Click by Suba	Premium	01	СР
TOUR COST BASED			TOUR COST	
Accommodation cost Per Double Room for 05 Nights (for 02 pax)			Rs. 18,000/- NETT.	
Extra Bed for Adult / Child			Rs. 7,187/- NETT.	
Child Without Bed (COMPLIMENTARY FOR CHILD UPTO 5 YEARS SHARING BED WITH PARENTS)			Rs. 6,245/- NETT.	
Per Person Dinner Supplement for 05 Nights			Rs. 3,094/- NETT.	
Transportation cost based on AC Swift Dzire / Etios car as per the program			Rs. 30,000/- NETT.	
Transportation cost based on AC Toyota Crysta car as per the program			Rs. 47,696/- NETT.	

SUPER DELUXE PACKAGE

СІТҮ	HOTEL OPTION	ROOM CATEGORY	NIGHT	MEAL PLAN
Ahmedabad	Fairfield by Marriott	Superior	03	СР
Rajkot	Regental Central	Club	01	СР
Junagadh	Bellevue Sarovar Portico	Premiere	01	СР
TOUR COST BASED			TOUR COST	
Accommodation cost Per Double Room for 05 Nights (for 02 pax)			Rs. 29,000/- NETT.	
Extra Bed for Adult / Child			Rs. 7,613/- NETT.	
Child Without Bed (COMPLIMENTARY FOR CHILD UPTO 5 YEARS SHARING BED WITH PARENTS)			Rs. 5,980/- NETT.	
Per Person Dinner Supplement for 05 Nights			Rs. 3,881/- NETT.	
Transportation cost based on AC Swift Dzire / Etios car as per the program			Rs. 30,000/- NETT.	
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Note: Rooms will be subject to availability

OUR QUOTE INCLUDES:

- <u>05 Night</u> accommodation at the hôtel mentioned above or similar category of alternate hôtels.
- Mael Plan As Mentioned above.
- All curent applicable taxes.
- All transferts, city tours and transport services by air-conditioned All India Tourist permit Vehicle as per the above itinerary.
- Road taxes, parking fée, fuel charges, interstate taxes.

OUR QUOTE DOES NOT INCLUDE / THE ABOVE PRICE EXCLUDES:

- Monument Entrance Fée.
- Services of English-Speaking Local Guide.
- Game Drive at Sasangir National Park or any other national park.
- Expense of personal nature like tipping, laundry, telephone / fax calls, alcoholic beverages, camera/video camera fee at monuments, medical expenses, airport departure tax etc. Any other services not mentioned in the inclusions.
- International or Domestic airfare / Train Fare.
- Any expenses caused by reasons beyond our control such as roadblocks, accidents & any medical evacuations. Any train delays, or re-scheduling etc. Any Visa fees, insurance fees, etc. Any tips to hotel staff, local guides, drivers etc. Any meals apart from the ones mentioned above. Any expenses apart from the ones above.

SPECIAL NOTES:

- Check-In time is 1400 hrs. & Check-out time 1200 NOON at all hotels.
- Sasangir National Park Will bé close frome 15th June to 15th Octobre Everly wear.
- 100% bookings for Sasangir safaris are done online through the website <u>www.</u> <u>https://girlion.gujarat.gov.in/</u>. We would not be able to help if the safari as the same is not booked in advance. Guests' ID proof is required for safari bookings.
- In the event of any amendment in local Government taxes, or any fuel hike, we reserve the right to adjust the tour price accordingly.
- Kindly note, the names of hotels mentioned above only indicate that our rates have been based on usage of these hotels. It is not to be construed that accommodation is confirmed at these hotels until and unless we convey the confirmations to you on receipt of your acceptance. However, in the event of any of the above-mentioned hotels not becoming available at the time of initiating the reservations, we shall book alternate accommodation at a similar or next best available hotel and shall pass on the difference of rates (supplement/reduction whatever applicable) to you.
- Also, kindly note Do not treat quotation mail as confirmation of booking, as we are not holding any booking at the time of quotation, price and services can be changed at the time of confirmation. Confirmation of bookings is only based on written communications.

The above rates are not valid during Janmashtami, Diwali, Christmas, New Year and Holi period.

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