

FOOTPRINTS OF MAHATMA GANDHI (06 DAYS)

DAY 01 – BY AIR / BY TRAIN – ARRIVE RAJKOT

Arrive in Rajkot and transfer to your hotel.

Rajkot was the former capital of the princely state of Saurashtra. Rajkot was once a base for the Western States British government office and rapidly expanded into a prosperous, lively business center with an old city. This city is also associated with Mahatma Gandhi, who lived here for several years. His father was the Dewan (Chief Minister) of Rajkot, once a small princely state.

Later visit: Karba Gandhi No Delo/Mahatma Gandhi House. The Karba Gandhi No Delo is the house of Mahatma Gandhi, where he lived from the age of six. The Mahatma Gandhi House has a good collection of things related to Mahatma Gandhi's life. The Mahatma's passion for the handloom is preserved in the form of a small weaving school.

Watson Museum: The Watson Museum and Library commemorates the work of Colonel John Watson, a political agent from 1886 to 1889. It is a jumbled attic in the collection with 3rd-century inscriptions and a delicate ivory work overseen by a marble statue of Queen Victoria. The Watson Museum has a collection of precious objects from the colonial period, human history and culture, and the history of Rajkot.

Rajkumar College: The world-famous Rajkumar College is in the city. This college dates to the 19th century and is regarded as one of India's best private colleges. It was set up by the British for the education of the princes of the Indian state.

Overnight at hotel

DAY 02 – BY ROAD – 195 KMS / 04 HRS – RAJKOT TO PORBANDAR

After breakfast drive to Porbandar; arrive and transfer to your hotel.

Porbandar, the coastal heritage town of Gujarat, is located on the Saurashtra peninsula, on the Arabian Sea. This city is described in the Skanda Purana as Sudamapuri and Ashmavati and had a flourishing trade with Africa and Arabia. According to the legends, this city was the main link in the great friendship between Lord Krishna and Sudama. Porbandar was established as a capital by Rana Sartanji in 1785 AD. Porbandar was the former capital of the Jethwa Rajput petty princely state.

The most impressive feature of Porbandar is the city planning, the stone buildings with ashlar masonry and rich carving, and the facades of the houses on either side of the streets, with windows and carved gateways. Porbandar is also associated with Mahatma Gandhi, the father

of the nation, as he was born here. Today, fine-quality silk and cotton are manufactured here. There are also chemical factories and cement works.

Later, visit Kirti Mandir. Kirti Mandir was the house of Mahatma Gandhi and Kasturba, his wife. This place is situated near the place where Mahatma Gandhi was born. This place is now a small museum and has a Gandhian library and a prayer hall.

Bharat Mandir Hall: Bharat Mandir Hall is situated in a pleasant, irrigated garden. This hall has a large relief map of India on the floor and bas reliefs of heroes from Hindu legends on the pillars. **Overnight at hotel**

DAY 03 – BY ROAD – 375 KMS / 07 HRS – PORBANDAR TO BHAVNAGAR

After breakfast drive Bhavnagar and transfer to your hotel.

Bhavnagar was founded by Bhavsinhji Gohil in 1723 AD near the Gulf of Khambhat, in a carefully chosen strategic location with potential for maritime trade. Till independence, Bhavnagar State was ruled by the Gohil Rajput clan. This city is also associated with Mahatma Gandhi, who went to Bhavnagar University.

Later, visit the Gandhi Smriti and Barton Museum, which is located in the northeast by the clock tower and has a good collection of Gandhi memorabilia.

Gaurishanker Lake: A beautiful picnic spot near the lake. There is also a well-laid-out park.

Takhteshwar Temple: Situated on a hill, the site provides a panoramic view.

Lock Gate: The first of its kind in Gujarat. The seawater here is impounded by the lock gates to keep ships afloat during low tide, which could be seen with special permission.

Overnight at hotel

DAY 04 – BY ROAD – 200 KMS / 04 HRS – BHAVNAGAR TO AHMEDABAD

After breakfast drive to Ahmedabad; enroute visit Lothal.

Lothal: A perfect place to get an insight into the Indus Valley civilization. The most dominating site at Lothal is the massive dockyard spanning an area of 37 meters by 22 meters perhaps the greatest work of Maritime Architecture. Lothal was also famous for its arterial streets, microbes of gold, ivory and coppersmiths' workshops, potteries, and underground sanitary drainage. (Closed on Fridays).

Later continue to drive to Ahmedabad; arrive and transfer to your hotel.

Ahmedabad is Located on the banks of the river Sabarmati; the city was founded by Sultan Ahmad Shah in 1411. Today it is one of the fastest growing cities of India and is an immense repository of tradition, history & culture. Its famous walled area is one of the finest examples of community living & the city thrived as the textile capital & was nicknamed "Manchester of the East" in 1888. This multicultural city is home to some of the finest Indo-Saracenic mosques & Jain temples.

The old city of Ahmedabad is dotted with labyrinthine by-lanes called 'pols'. The exquisite carved wooden mansions and havelis are in no manner less than their stone counterparts in Rajasthan. The city also offers a rich architectural legacy that blends Hindu and Muslim schools of architecture, stone and brick with arches, domes and vaults, carved pillars, trefoil designs besides the modern buildings designed by the famous French architect, Le Corbusier and Louis Kahn.

Overnight at hotel

DAY 05 – IN AHMEDABAD

After breakfast proceed for city tour of Ahmedabad.

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 centre 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.

Sidi Sayed Mosque: One part of the wall in the old citadel of the mosque built by Ahmed Shah's slave, Sidi Sayed, is celebrated the world over for its exquisite stone window tracery – a superb & peerless example of delicate carving that transforms stone into filigree.

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: Adalaj is situated about 17 kms. north of Ahmedabad. The Baoli or step-well at Adalaj Vav is one of the finest steps well in India. Queen Rudabai built this well in 1499 to provide the traveller with a cool and pleasant refuge from the summer heat. A long flight of steps descends to the water. It has three entrances leading to a huge platform that rests on 16 pillars, with corners marked by shrines. Ornately carved pillars and cross beams create open spaces and four storey that are quite striking. The octagonal well is five floors deep. The Baoli is decorated with exquisite stone carvings, subjects ranging from eroticism to buttermilk.

Akshardham: Lord Swaminarayan, born in Chapaya in Uttar Pradesh, took a seven-year pilgrimage in Gujarat to preach his religion. He built six temples, the first being at Kalupur in Ahmedabad. Akshardham, the Swaminarayan temple of Gandhinagar, is a modern complex, built in traditional Indian architectural style from 6,000 metric tons of pink Rajasthan sandstone,



carved by expert artisans from Bansipahadpur. The temple is set in a multi-acre garden called Sahajanand Van, with intricate sculptures of Hindu Gods. There is a gold leaf copper sculpture of Lord Swaminarayan that faces similar sculptures of Gunatinand Swami. The interiors have beautiful columns in rosewood that rise up to a high dome. Akshardham remains closed on Mondays.

Evening Market at Law Garden displays beautiful textile handicrafts of Gujarat.

Overnight at hotel

DAY 06 – BY AIR / TRAIN – DEPART AHMEDABAD

In time transfer to Ahmedabad Airport / Railway Station to board a flight / train for your onward journey to your next destination.

****** TOUR ENDS ******

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QUOTE SHEET

COST SHEET FOR ITINERARY – FOOTPRINTS OF MAHATMA GANDHI - 06 DAYS

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

STANDARD PACKAGE

CITY	HOTEL OPTION	ROOM CATEGORY	NIGHT	MEAL PLAN
Rajkot	Kings Kraft Stay Inn	Cozy	01	CP
Porbandar	Lords Eco Inn	Deluxe	01	CP
Bhavnagar	Clarks Collection	Deluxe	01	CP
Ahmedabad	Le Grand Residency	Executive	02	CP
TOUR COST BASED			TOUR COST	
Accommodation cost Per Double Room for 05 Nights (for 02 pax)			Rs.17,997/- NETT.	
Extra Bed for Adult / Child			Rs. 6,555/- NETT.	
Child Without Bed (COMPLIMENTARY FOR CHILD UPTO 5 YEARS SHARING BED WITH PARENTS)			Rs.5,911/- NETT.	
Per Person Dinner Supplement for 05 Nights			Rs. 3,059/- 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.	

DELUXE PACKAGE

CITY	HOTEL OPTION	ROOM CATEGORY	NIGHT	MEAL PLAN
Rajkot	Marasa Sarovar Portico	Deluxe	01	CP
Porbandar	Lords Eco Inn	Sea View Superior	01	CP
Bhavnagar	Top3 Lords Resort	Deluxe	01	CP
Ahmedabad	Le Grand Residency	Executive	02	CP

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TOUR COST BASED	TOUR COST
Accommodation cost Per Double Room for 05 Nights (for 02 pax)	Rs.20,309/- NETT.
Extra Bed for Adult / Child	Rs. 6,900/- 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. 3,000/- 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

CITY	HOTEL OPTION	ROOM CATEGORY	NIGHT	MEAL PLAN
Rajkot	Regenta Central	Club	01	CP
Porbandar	Lords Eco Inn	Seaview	01	CP
Bhavnagar	Efcee Sarovar Portico	Deluxe	01	CP
Ahmedabad	Fairfield by Marriott	Superior	02	CP
TOUR COST BASED			TOUR COST	
Accommodation cost Per Double Room for 05 Nights (for 02 pax)			Rs.28,663/- NETT.	
Extra Bed for Adult / Child			Rs. 7,360/- NETT.	
Child Without Bed (COMPLIMENTARY FOR CHILD UPTO 5 YEARS SHARING BED WITH PARENTS)			Rs. 4,715/- NETT.	
Per Person Dinner Supplement for 05 Nights			Rs. 3,795/- 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.	

Note: Rooms will be subject to availability



OUR QUOTE INCLUDES:

- **05 Nights** accommodation at the hotel mentioned above or similar category of alternate hotels.
- Meal Plan – As Mentioned above.
- All currently applicable taxes.
- All transfers, city tours and transport services by air-conditioned All India Tourist permit Vehicle as per the above itinerary.
- Road taxes, parking fee, fuel charges, interstate taxes.

OUR QUOTE DOES NOT INCLUDE / THE ABOVE PRICE EXCLUDES:

- Monument Entrance Fee.
- 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 be closed from 15th June to 15th October every year.
- 100% bookings for Sasangir safaris are done online through the website www.girlion.in . We would not be in a position to help if the safari is not booked in advance. Guests' ID proof is required for safari bookings.
- In the event on 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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