



Incredible India

The Southern Experience

Day 1. – Arrive Mumbai

Assistance on arrival at the airport and transfer to the hotel. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 2. – Mumbai-Chennai

Morning transfer to the airport for flight to Chennai (Madras). Upon arrival transfer to the hotel. In the afternoon sightseeing of Chennai city.

Overnight at the hotel.

Day 3. – Chennai-Mahabalipuram

Drive to Mahabalipuram - The ancient seaport of the Pallava dynasty. Visit the Shore Temple, one of the oldest in South India and the Five Rathas or Chariots.

Overnight at the hotel.

Day 4. – Mahabalipuram

Excursion to Kanchipuram – visit the more prominent temples. Kanchipuram is also famous for its hand-woven silks.

Overnight at the hotel.

Day 5. – Mahabalipuram-Pondichery

Drive to Pondichery and upon arrival check-in at your hotel.

Afternoon sightseeing tour of Pondichery City.

Overnight at the hotel.

Day 6. – Pondichery-Trichy

Drive to Tiruchirapalli via Tirukkalikundram & Villupuram. The Rock Fort – once the citadel of the Chola kings, dominates the city's landscape. Check in at the hotel and overnight.

Day 7. – Trichy

The highlight of the day is a visit to Srirangam – the 13th century temple complex and noted for its beautiful sculpture.

Overnight at the hotel.

Day 8. – Trichy-Tanjore-Madurai

Drive to Madurai en route visiting the Brihadeeswara temple and the Saraswati Mahal Library. Upon arrival check in to the hotel. Evening witness the night ceremony at the Meenakshi Temple.

Overnight at the hotel.

Day 9. – Madurai

Sightseeing of Madurai including the Meenakshi temple – with its marvellous hall of thousand elaborately sculpted pillars.

Overnight at the hotel.

Day 10. – Madurai-Ootacamund

Drive to Ootacamund. Ooty is located at approximately 2200 metres above sea level in the Nilgiri Hills and are very popular among the expatriate population of the British Raj. Evening free at leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 11. – Ooty

Morning sightseeing of Ootacamund includes a visit to the Botanical Gardens. With its cool weather Ooty was a favourite summer retreat of the serving British officers.

Overnight at the hotel.

Day 12. – Ooty-Bandipur

Drive from Ootacamund to Bandipur via Mumdulalai park, which has a diverse wildlife with Wild Elephant, Gaur, Deer, the Bonnet Macaque, the Tiger, Leopard and the Dhole. Continue on to Bandipur and check in at the hotel. Bandipur is one of the finest habitats of the Asian Elephant and Bison.

Dinner and overnight at the hotel.

Day 13. – Bandipur-Mysore

Drive to Mysore. Upon arrival check in to the hotel. Mysore has a profusion of palaces and museums. Visit the Government Silk factory.

Overnight at the hotel.

Day 14. – Mysore

Excursion to Srirangapatnam the erstwhile capital of Hyder Ali and then his son Tipu Sultan. Also visit the Chamundi Hills. Overnight at Mysore.

Overnight at the hotel.

Day 15. – Mysore-Hassan

Drive from Mysore to Hassan en route visiting Belur, one of the finest specimens of Hoysala architecture and Halebid the seat of Hoysala Kingdom, its great Hoysaleswara Temple was built in the typical Hoysala style architecture. Upon arrival at Hassan check in at the hotel for overnight stay.

Day 16. – Hassan-Bangalore

Drive to Bangalore the Garden capital of India visiting Sravanbelagola en-route. Day free for own program and at leisure.

Overnight at the hotel.

Day 17. – Bangalore-Mumbai

Morning sightseeing of Bangalore the garden city of India. Late afternoon flight to Mumbai to connect international flight back home after midnight.