



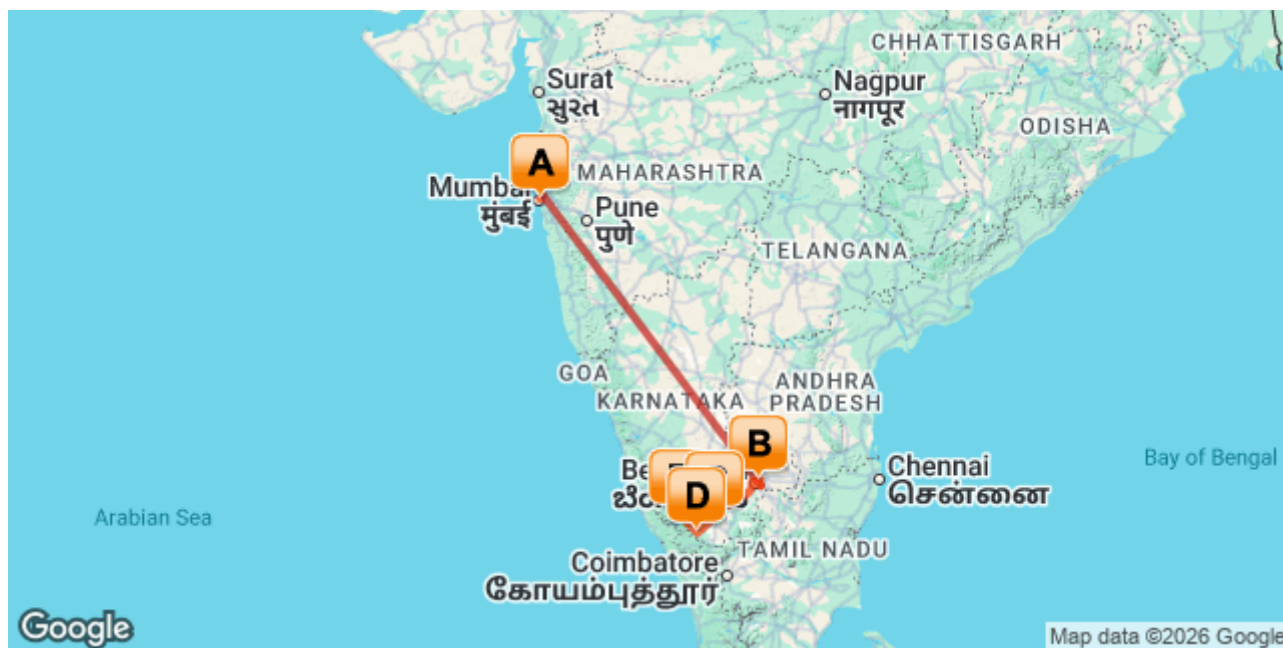
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Mumbai - Bangalore - Mysuru - Kabini Forest Reserve - Coorg
10 Days / 9 Nights



Introduction

Begin your journey with a visit to Mumbai a.k.a. the Maximum City. Iconic monuments to intimate neighbourhoods, Mumbai is a city that never sleeps. Fly south to Bangalore, an urban oasis. Chrome and concrete, juxtaposed against colonial-era architecture and grand palaces of the Wodeyars, punctuated by beautiful parks and gardens make this a city worth visiting. Ancient heritage meets cutting-edge technology in one of India's most dynamic metros. Then head over to the historic town of Mysore, known for its stunning architecture, colourful bazaars, and beautiful silk, before continuing on to Coorg, a stunning rainforest in the Nilgiri biosphere, which is the heart of India's spice and coffee plantations. End your journey in Nagarhole, one of India's best known national parks, which is full of wildlife and home to several rare plants and animals.

Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
Four Seasons Hotel Mumbai	Mumbai	B&B	2 Nights
The Leela Bhartiya City Bengaluru	Bangalore	B&B	1 Night
Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel, Mysore	Mysuru	B&B	2 Nights
The Serai Kabini	Kabini Forest Reserve	B&B	2 Nights
Evolve Back, Coorg	Coorg	B&B	2 Nights

Key

B&B: Bed and Breakfast

Included

- Hotels accommodation twin sharing at the hotels mentioned above or similar for a total of 09 nights in a mentioned category rooms with breakfast & inclusive of all currently government applicable taxes.
- Services of using air-conditioned vehicle for inter-cities transfers and sightseeing.
- Meeting and assistance on arrival / departure at airports.
- All sightseeing tours / excursions as per program mentioned above.
- Unlimited water bottle during long journeys.
- Service of an English (as per requirement) speaking local guides till 04 Pax & 04 Pax onwards we will provide English speaking accompanying escort.
- Includes entrances to all the monuments as mentioned in the program.

Excluded

- Does not include any airfare, any item not mentioned above, any items of personal nature such as table drinks, laundry, telephone bills, video camera fees, tips to guides/escort, drivers, bell boys, etc.
- Any International airfare, Travel Insurances or Visa – Please ensure clients have a valid E-visa and passport for their travel to India.
- Any other expenses of personal nature.

Day 1

Four Seasons Hotel Mumbai, Mumbai

Mumbai

Formerly known as Bombay, the bustling city of Mumbai sprawls along India's West Coast and is the largest city in the country. This thriving metropolis is a go-to destination for travellers curious to experience a modern Indian city. It serves as the heart of India's world-renowned film industry, the incomparable 'Bollywood', and offers a kaleidoscope of culture, colour and flavours to enjoy. Lapped by the Arabian Sea, this urban seaside peninsula is a melting pot of old and new India. Towering office blocks and shiny apartment buildings shoulder crumbling grand dames of architecture. People play cricket in the leafy central parks, taxis navigate the jam-packed streets, and families stroll along the seaside promenades of Mumbai. Visitors can look forward to viewing the iconic Gateway of India stone arch at the Mumbai Harbour waterfront, visiting the ancient cave temples on the nearby Elephanta Island or hopping on a tuk-tuk tour to experience the magic and madness of this incredible city.

Day Itinerary

Upon arrival in Mumbai—the vibrant gateway to your peninsular journey—you will be warmly welcomed by our representative and escorted to your hotel. Settle in and begin to absorb the city's unmistakable energy. Poised on India's west coast, just beyond the Deccan Plateau, Mumbai makes for a compelling prologue to the adventure ahead. Known as the *City of Dreams*, it pulses with life around the clock—its rhythm felt in the streets, the sea breeze, and the skyline. The afternoon is yours to enjoy, with bespoke experiences available to suit your interests. As evening falls, step into the city's cinematic soul with a spirited Bollywood dance session—an exhilarating introduction to Mumbai's infectious beat.

Overnight: Four Seasons Hotel Mumbai

Four Seasons Hotel is centrally located in Worli, a business hub in Mumbai, India, near the Haji Ali Mosque and the Mani Bhavan Gandhi Museum. Accommodation options consist of comfortably furnished rooms and suites offering views of the city and the sea. In-room amenities include laptop-size safes, tea/coffee-making facilities, minibars, private bathrooms, hairdryers, fluffy bathrobes, toiletries, ironing facilities, and TVs. Facilities and services include twice-daily housekeeping, room service, dining and drinking establishments, a fitness centre, a spa, an on-site boutique, a swimming pool, meeting/event facilities, and Wi-Fi.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 2

Four Seasons Hotel Mumbai, Mumbai

Day Itinerary

Begin the day with a hearty breakfast at your hotel before setting out for a truly eye-opening experience in Dharavi, one of Southeast Asia's largest and most dynamic urban settlements. Far from a place defined by hardship alone, Dharavi reveals an extraordinary social ecosystem—home to small-scale industries, resilient communities, and remarkable entrepreneurial spirit.

In the afternoon, continue with a guided city tour that brings Mumbai's many layers to life. Discover the iconic landmarks and neighbourhoods that shape the city's identity, offering a deeper understanding of its history, contrasts, and unmistakable character.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 3

The Leela Bhartiya City Bengaluru, Bangalore

Bangalore

Known as the 'garden city', Bangalore is the attractive capital of the South Indian state of Karnataka, set on the Mysore Plateau. Leafy, cosmopolitan and well structured, it's easy to see why the city has been named 'most liveable city in India'. Wide boulevards are lined with a great variety of restaurants and tea stalls, where food lovers can delight in a smorgasbord of south Indian flavours. It is also known for its booming IT industry, and this factor, coupled with an effort to preserve its colonial heritage, has created a modern and sophisticated metropolis.

Day Itinerary

Check out from your hotel in Mumbai and transfer to the airport for your flight to Bengaluru. On arrival in Karnataka's dynamic capital, check in to your hotel and take some time to settle in. Later, set out on a guided city tour that showcases Bengaluru's striking contrasts—colonial-era heritage and green spaces set alongside cutting-edge technology hubs and a modern urban vibe. As evening falls, step out to experience the city's lively nightlife and youthful energy, offering a glimpse into its cosmopolitan spirit.

Overnight: The Leela Bhartiya City Bengaluru

The Leela Bhartiya City Bengaluru, located in Bengaluru, Karnataka, offers luxurious accommodation. Guests can choose from various room types, including Deluxe Rooms, Premier Rooms, and Suites, equipped with modern amenities such as minibars, desks, and comfortable beds. The hotel boasts facilities like a fitness centre, outdoor swimming pool, and multiple dining options. Guests can enjoy activities such as cycling, relaxing in the sauna, or exploring the nearby attractions.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 4

Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel, Mysore, Mysuru

Mysuru

Mysuru, previously known as Mysore, is the cultural capital of Southern India and Karnataka's second-largest city. Known for its efficiency, fantastic structure, and cleanliness, it is a pleasure to visit; at the same time, it has retained its historic atmosphere. Filled with enthralling Hindu palaces and hosting vibrant festivals regularly, the city is an excellent place to begin an exploration of Indian heritage. The grand Mysore Palace or Amba Vilas is a must-see, especially during the Dasara Festival when lit up by 100 000 bulbs. A browse of the legendary sandalwood and silk products made locally should also be an activity high on visitors' itineraries. Animal lovers should make sure to visit the Bandipur Sanctuary, part of the Venugopal Wildlife Park, to see 'guar' (Indian bison), and spotted deer.

Day Itinerary

After a relaxed breakfast, set off from Bangalore on a scenic drive to Mysore. Steeped in history and tradition, the city is famed for its spice markets, fine silks, and fragrant sandalwood. As you arrive, Mysore's regal past comes alive through its grand avenues and enduring royal legacy, offering a graceful contrast to the modern pace of the journey so far.

Overnight: Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel, Mysore

Overlooking the Chamundi Hills, Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel, Mysore offers five-star accommodation located in Karnataka, India. Each of the hotel's rooms and suites features amenities such as free Wi-Fi, a TV with satellite channels, a minibar, tea/coffee-making facilities, and a hairdryer. An inclusive breakfast is available to guests in the morning, and additional meals can be enjoyed at the on-site, all-day dining restaurant. The hotel also offers an outdoor pool, a spa, and a state-of-the-art fitness centre.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 5

Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel, Mysore, Mysuru

Day Itinerary

Enjoy an unhurried morning before setting out on an immersive guided city tour. Explore magnificent historic palaces, where ornate corridors and grand halls whisper tales of a glorious past. Later, indulge in the region's flavours with a taste of local cuisine, offering an authentic introduction to the rich culinary traditions of the Deccan.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 6

Evolve Back Kabini, Kabini Forest Reserve

Kabini Forest Reserve

Resting on the banks of the mighty River Kabini, the Kabini Forest Reserve (or the Kabini Wildlife Sanctuary) is a vast expanse of unspoiled wilderness. Encompassing forestland, water-bodies, and steep fertile valleys, this extraordinary reserve forms the south-eastern section of the Nagarhole National Park and is home to the world's largest population of Asiatic elephants (estimated at around 6,000). Visitors are also likely to spot a number of endangered and rare animal species including, among others, leopard, tiger, panther, sambhar, spotted deer, python, sloth bear, cheetah, crocodile, and over 250 species of bird.

Day Itinerary

Set off on a scenic countryside drive to Nagarhole, a lush wilderness offering an intimate glimpse into the peninsula's remarkable wildlife. Traced by the gentle curves of the Kabini River, this protected landscape—once the private hunting reserve of the Maharaja of Mysore—has evolved into one of South India's most treasured national parks. Later, venture into the forest on an exciting jeep safari led by an expert naturalist, deepening your connection with the raw beauty and rhythms of the wild.

Overnight: Evolve Back Kabini

Set on the banks of the Kabini River amid lush forest, **Evolve Back Kabini** offers a serene wildlife retreat with cottages and villas featuring private decks overlooking the river or jungle.

Dine on regional and global cuisine in open, airy spaces, and unwind at the bar or infinity pool. Leisure activities include spa treatments, coracle rides, and guided safaris led by expert naturalists, making it a perfect blend of luxury, nature, and adventure.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 7

Evolve Back Kabini, Kabini Forest Reserve

Day Itinerary

Start the day with a serene boat safari along the banks of the Kabini River, where the forest slowly reveals itself from a fresh and tranquil vantage point. As the day unfolds, turn up the energy with an afternoon kayaking experience on the river, adding a splash of adventure to your time in the wild.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 8

Evolve Back, Coorg, Coorg

Coorg

Resting in the spectacularly scenic Western Ghats of south-western Karnataka, Coorg is a historically significant hill station and a well-loved tourist destination. Coorg is one of mother nature's darlings with its picturesque landscape, comprised of undulating hills, cascading waterfalls, flourishing valleys, lush forests and endless spice farms. An oasis for both nature lovers and adventure seekers alike, this enchanting natural environment provides plenty of opportunities for outdoor activities. Spend the day trekking up Pushpagiri, Tadiandamol and Brahmagiri Peaks, angling in the mighty Kaveri River, and golfing at one of the area's world-class golf courses.

Day Itinerary

Venture northwest to Coorg, a lush rainforest region, and arrive in Madikeri, the charming heart of Karnataka's Coorg district. Surrounded by rolling hills and emerald plantations, this serene landscape invites you to slow down and soak it all in. Follow aromatic coffee trails, breathe in the crisp mountain air, or simply unwind and enjoy the comforts of your property amidst nature.

Overnight: Evolve Back, Coorg

Evolve Back, Coorg is located in the heart of Coorg, India, and is set within a lush 300-acre plantation. The property features comfortably furnished pool villas that are equipped with modern amenities, including air conditioning, a flat-screen TV, a living room, a hairdryer, and a private bathroom. During their stay, guests can enjoy multi-cuisine at the on-site restaurant. Additional facilities include a bar, swimming pools, and a fitness centre.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 9

Evolve Back, Coorg, Coorg

Day Itinerary

Start your day with a wholesome breakfast before heading out to Namdroling Monastery, set within one of the largest Tibetan settlements in exile. The calm, rhythmic energy of the monastery and its community offers a deeply grounding and reflective experience. Later, wander through local coffee estates and visit a renowned spice plantation to

understand the region's rich agricultural heritage. Round off the day by sampling regional flavours—paired, naturally, with Coorg's celebrated coffee.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 10

End of Itinerary

Day Itinerary

Travel back to Bangalore by road, where you will connect onward for your next flight, bringing this journey to a close.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Travel Information



Vast, diverse, deeply spiritual and utterly unforgettable, India is unlike anywhere else on earth – a melting pot of ethnicities and religions, a treasure trove of history and culture, and a curious mixture of chaos and serenity. Stretching across more than three million square kilometres, it encompasses a staggering array of landscapes, vistas and environs, and offers unparalleled travel experiences – from the beautiful beaches of Goa, to the compelling craziness of Kolkata, the sacred Ganges river banks of Varanasi, the snow-capped peaks of the Himalayas in Kashmir and the ancient, exquisitely crafted temples dotted across the entire country. Not to mention the vibrant, friendly people, and the incredible cuisine.

Banking and Currency

Currency

Local currency: Indian Rupee

Symbol: ₹

ISO code: INR

Subunit: The Indian Rupee is divided into 100 paise, but since 2011, only the 50-paise coin is still accepted as valid currency.

Banknotes: ₹5, ₹10, ₹20, ₹50, ₹100, ₹200, ₹500

Coins: ₹0.50 (50 paise), ₹1, ₹2, ₹5, ₹10, ₹20

₹500 and ₹1000 banknotes of Mahatma Gandhi series issued up to November 08, 2016, have ceased to be Legal Tender with effect from the midnight of November 8, 2016.

Banking

Card Transactions: Yes

ATMs: Yes

Mastercard: Yes

Visa: Yes

American Express: Limited acceptance

Diner's club: Limited acceptance

Banking Hours:

Weekdays: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Weekends: Limited hours or closed, check with local banks.

Public Holidays: Yes (Varies, typically reduced hours)

Foreign exchange services: Yes

Travel, Transport and Getting Around

Air:

Main airlines: Air India, IndiGo, SpiceJet, Vistara

International Airports: Indira Gandhi International Airport (DEL), Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport

(BOM), Kempegowda International Airport (BLR), and others
Domestic Airports: Numerous, including Jaipur, Lucknow, Guwahati, and Patna.

Road:

Driving on the: Left
Tar roads: Yes
Gravel roads: Limited
Valid International Driver's License needed: Yes
Car hire available: Yes
Taxis: Yes
E-hailing services: Yes

Bus:

Inter-city bus services: Yes
Local city bus networks: Yes

Rail:

Railway system: Extensive
Subway System: Limited (in select cities)

Water:

Ferries: Limited
Water taxis: Limited
Leisure cruises: Limited

Food, Drink and Cuisine Advice**Food and water safety:**

Can you drink the tap water: No
Fresh fruit and veg: Wash thoroughly or peel
Ice: Use commercially produced ice
Meat: Ensure it's well-cooked
Street food: Yes

Local cuisine: Indian cuisine is diverse and varies greatly by region. Highlights include dishes like biryani, curry, dosa, chaat, and tandoori specialties. Vegetarian options are plentiful.

Drinks: Chai, lassi, sugarcane juice, and various regional beverages like coconut water. Alcoholic beverages are available, with beer and whiskey being popular choices.

Tipping: Generally 5-10% in restaurants; tipping for other services is discretionary.

Climate and Weather

Annual rainfall: Varies greatly by region, 500 mm-4,000 mm

Average temperature: Varies greatly by region, 15°C-30°C

Summer:

Average highs: 25-45°C
Average lows: 20-30°C

Winter:

Average highs: 10-25°C
Average lows: 5-15°C

Best time to visit: The best time to visit India depends on the region and your preferences. Generally, the winter months from October to March offer milder temperatures and are ideal for exploring most parts of the country.

Clothing and Dress Recommendations

Spring and Summer

Cool, light, breathable and comfortable: Yes

Lightweight warm clothes: No

Winter and Autumn

Jerseys, cardigans, sweaters, jackets: Recommended

Heavyweight clothing and boots: No

General

Umbrella and raincoat: Yes

Warm gloves, hat and scarf: No

Swimming costume (bathing suit): Yes

Hat, sunglasses and sunblock: Yes

Walking shoes: Yes

Casual: Yes

Smart-casual attire: Yes

Internet Availability

Internet cafes: Limited, mobile data or Wi-Fi in accommodations and cafes available.

Accommodation options: Yes

Restaurants: Yes

Cafes: Yes

Shopping malls: Yes

Public parks: Limited

Libraries: Limited

Electricity and Plug Standards

Plug Type: Type C, Type D, Type M

Voltage (V): 230

Frequency Hertz (Hz): 50

*Travel plug adapter and voltage converter might be necessary depending on your appliances.
