

## 5 JYOTIRLINGA OF MAHARASHTRA

### 5 DAYS – EX MUMBAI

Sector – West India

Best time to visit – Almost Round the Year

Validity : Upto 31<sup>st</sup> Mar 2019

The Jyotirlinga means the 'Radiant Sign of The Almighty Shiva'. There are twelve traditional Jyotirlinga shrines in India, 5 of them are in Maharashtra. **Grishneshwar temple**, sometimes referred to as the Ghrneshwar Jyotirlinga or Dhushmeshwar temple, is located near Ellora caves of Aurangabad. **Parli-Vajinath temple** is located in Beed district. **Trimbakeshwar** is located in the Bramhagiri mountains near the holy city of Nasik. **Bhimashankar** is located on the mountains near Khed of Pune district. Bhimashankar is also the source of the river Bhima that flows southeast and merges with the Krishna River near Raichur. **Aundha Nagnath** temple is said to have been built by the Seuna (Yadava) dynasty and dates to 13th century.

#### Itinerary:

##### Day 01: Arrive Mumbai, Drive to Nasik Via Trimbakeswar

Today morning arrive at Mumbai and drive to Nasik. Later proceed to Trimbakeshwar Temple, one of the 12 Jyotirlingas. The extraordinary feature of the Jyotirlinga located here is its three faces embodying Lord Brahma, Lord Vishnu and Lord Rudra. Overnight stay at Nasik.

##### Day 02: Nasik – Aurangabad (220 Kms / 5 Hrs drive) with Grishneshwar Temple and Ellora visit.

In the morning, check out of the hotel and transfer to Aurangabad enroute visit Grishneshwar Jyotirlinga which is 11 Kms from Aurangabad. Visit Grishneshwar Jyotirlinga temple followed by the Kailasa caves of Ellora. Transfer to Aurangabad for an overnight Stay.

##### Day 03: Drive to Aundha Nagnath Temple (200 Kms / 4.5 Hrs drive), and then to Parli (120 Kms/ 3 Hrs).

After early breakfast, check out from the hotel and proceed to Parli Vajinath. Enroute, visit Aundha Nagnath Temple - the eighth of the twelve jyotirlinga (No assistance / guided darshan here). After darshan proceed to Parli (120 Kms) Overnight at Parli.

##### Day 04: Drive Parli Vajinath to Pune (342 Kms / 7 Hours)

Today morning proceed to Vajinath Temple located on the slopes of the mystical mountain range – Meru or Naganarayana. After the darshan and rituals proceed to Pune. Arrive at Pune in the evening. Overnight stay at Pune.

##### Day 05: Drive to Bhimashankar (120 Kms/ 3 hours – one way), transfer to Pune airport / railway station

After early breakfast, check out and drive to Bhimashankar Temple. The Bhimshankar temple is a composite of old and the new structures in the Nagara style of architecture. Later return back to Pune for transfer directly to airport/railway station.

#### Tour Price:

	Standard Package		Deluxe Package	
	Based upon 2 to 3 Persons	Based upon 4 to 6 Persons	Based upon 2 to 3 Persons	Based upon 4 to 6 Persons
Per Adult on Twin Share	Rs. 47500	Rs. 41600	Rs. 50700	Rs. 45100
Per Adult on Triple Share	Rs. 32500	Rs. 28700	Rs. 35600	Rs. 31800
Child with extra bed	Rs. 3900	Rs. 3900	Rs. 6300	Rs. 6300
Child without extra bed	Rs. 2900	Rs. 2900	Rs. 5100	Rs. 5100

GST Extra on total billing @ 5%

**Hotels Envisaged**

Destination	STANDARD PACKAGE Hotel Name / Room Category	DELUXE PACKAGE Hotel Name / Room Category
Nasik – 1Night	Hotel Shalimar Inn / Deluxe Room	Express Inn / Standard Room
Aurangabad – 1Night	Avon International / Deluxe Room	Lemon Tree / Standard Room
Parli – 1Night	Hotel Arya Executive / AC Deluxe Room	Hotel Arya Executive / Deluxe Room
Pune – 1Night	Madhav International / Standard	Orchid / Orchid Deluxe

**Cost Includes**

- Accommodation in the hotel mentioned above or similar
- Daily breakfast (buffet or set menu)
- Transportation using Air-conditioned vehicle for the entire trip (Tata Indigo / Maruti Swift Dzire up to 4 Persons AND Toyota Innova/Mahindra Xylo up to 6 Persons)
- All expenses related to the vehicle such as driver allowance / toll, fuel and parking charges etc.

**The Divine Experience:**

- Rudrabhishek at Trimbakeshwar Temple
- Abhishek at Grishneshwar Temple
- Maha-Pooja at Vajinath Temple
- Abhishek at Bhimashankar Temple
- All applicable Government taxes except GST applicable on total bill

**Cost does Not Includes**

- Flight/ Train Fare
- Lunch and Dinner at the hotels
- Other personal expenses such as telephone, Laundry bills etc.
- Guide and entry fees at the sightseeing places / temples other than mentioned in following table

**Notes: Following information is as available at the time of drafting the itinerary and is subject to change**

Name of Shrine	The Divine Experience	Timings of Seva	Approx. Time Required	Prior Intimation Required
Grushneshwar	Abhishek	7 AM TO 8 PM everyday (apart from blackout dates)	Approx. 2 - 4 hours	Minimum 10 days prior to travel date
Parli-Vajinath	Maha Pooja	6 AM, 10 AM & 12 Noon everyday (apart from blackout dates)	Approx. 2 - 4 hours	Minimum 10 days prior to travel date
Bhimashankar	Abhishek	7 AM TO 8 PM everyday (apart from blackout dates)	Approx. 2 - 4 hours	Minimum 10 days prior to travel date
Trimbakeshwar	Rudrabhishek	7 AM TO 8 PM everyday (apart from blackout dates)	Approx. 2 - 4 hours	Minimum 10 days prior to travel date

**Important:**

1. **BLACK-OUT DATES** : Festive periods like Navratri / Deepavali / Mahashivratri / Christmas-New Year (22<sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER TO 3rd JANUARY) / Auspicious days pertaining to each of the temples, National Holidays, Local Festival dates .
2. The temple visit and darshan will be arranged through a local person. The rituals such as Abhishekam / Homam will be performed by the local temple priests as per prevailing practices.
3. It is possible that we may not be able to arrange darshan / temple visit for any reasons beyond our control such as closure of temple due to death in surrounding area / repairs & renovations / change in darshan timings by temple authorities, etc. No refund / compensation will be paid on account of such cases.
4. We will require minimum 15 days prior intimation to book the above package. Please check with us regarding availability of the Darshans Services and hotels before booking.
5. Price quoted above is only a QUOTE and not a confirmation guaranteed. No rooms / services have been blocked; availability may change at the time of making actual bookings. In case of same hotels not available we will arrange for alternate accommodation of similar standards, in case of only higher room category/hotel is available applicable supplement cost will be charged to guest.

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