

DWARKA SOMNATH DARSHAN
5 DAYS – EX AHMEDABAD**Sector – West India****Best time to visit – Almost Round the Year****Validity : Upto 31st Mar 2019**

Gujarat is an important state from the viewpoint of tourism and pilgrimage. The state has a long coastline, due to which there is an abundance of beaches and small islands quite popular among travellers. Pilgrimage is another significant reason as to why loads of people come here. Dwarkadhish (one of the four Dhams) and Somnath (one of the 12 Jyotirlinga) are two of the most important pilgrimage sites in the state.

Itinerary:**Day 1: Ahmedabad – Rajkot (220 Kms / 4 hours' drive)**

On arrival in Ahmedabad, proceed to Rajkot. The city that presents a medley of colors of intricate handicrafts, textiles and the joyful shopping markets is ' Rangilu Rajkot' (Colourful Rajkot) located in the Indian state of Gujarat. Overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 2: Rajkot – Dwarka (225 Kms / 4 hours' drive)

After breakfast, proceed to Dwarka – the ancient religious city situated at the site where the legendary capital of Lord Krishna supposedly stood, before being submerged by increasing sea levels. Here you will see the iconic Nageshwar Shiva Jyotirling with Dwarkadhish Temple, which is the most important attraction in the city. It is one of the Char Dhams – the four most revered Hindu temples in the entire country. From this pilgrimage site, travel to Beyt Dwarka, a small island lying on the Gulf of Kutch. Overnight stay at Dwarka.

Day 3: Drive Dwarka - Porbandar – Somnath (240 Kms / 5 hour's drive)

After breakfast, check-out of the hotel and travel to Somnath. Enroute visit Porbandar – the town renovated by Lord Krishna for his childhood friend – Sudama. Later continue the drive to Somnath. The Somnath Temple is one of the 12 Jyotirlingas or pillars of light, which are regarded as sacred manifestations of Shiva. Overnight stay at Somnath.

Day 4: Drive Somnath - Gondal – Rajkot (200 Kms/ 4-5 hours' drive)

Early in the day, check-out of the hotel and return to the Somnath temple to attend the aarti or prayer ceremony. After breakfast, check out of the hotel and proceed to Rajkot with enroute stopping at the princely state of Gondal. Visit the Riverside Palace and Royal Garage having extensive collection of vintage and classic cars (entry on direct payment basis). Overnight stay at Rajkot.

Day 5: Rajkot – drop at Ahmedabad airport / railway station (220 Kms / 4 hours' drive)

After breakfast, check out of the hotel and proceed to Ahmedabad for departure transfer to the airport / railway station. Tour ends with happy memories.

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. 34800	Rs. 29500	Rs. 41000	Rs. 35700
Per Adult on Triple Share	Rs. 24800	Rs. 21200	Rs. 30000	Rs. 26400
Child with extra bed	Rs. 4800	Rs. 4800	Rs. 7900	Rs. 7900
Child without extra bed	Rs. 2800	Rs. 2800	Rs. 6300	Rs. 6300

5% GST Extra on total billing

Hotels Envisaged

Destination	STANDARD PACKAGE Hotel Name / Room Category	DELUXE PACKAGE Hotel Name / Room Category
Rajkot – 2Nights	Europa Inn / Deluxe Room	Regenta Central / Club Room
Somnath – 1Night	Hotel Sun Plaza / Deluxe Room	Lords Inn / Deluxe Room
Dwarka – 1 Night	Hotel Virgo Rajdhani / Standard Room	Dwarkadish Lords Eco Inn / Standard Room

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:

- Maha Doodhabhishek in Standard Package & Maha Puja in Deluxe Package at Somnath Jyotirlinga Temple.
- Annadhaan Puja in Standard Package & Raajbhog in Deluxe Package at Dwarkadhish Krishna Temple at Dwarka.
- Rudrabhishek in Standard Package & Kaal Sarp puja in deluxe package at Nageshwar Jyotirlinga shiva Temple at Dwarka.

- 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 the 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
Dwarkadhish Krishna Temple	Annadhaan Puja (Standard Package)	Throughout the day (apart from blackout dates)	Approx. 2 - 3 hours	Minimum 10 days prior to travel date
	Raajbhog (Deluxe Package)	12 noon everyday (apart from blackout dates)	Approx. 2 - 3 hours	Minimum 10 days prior to travel date
Nageshwar Temple, Dwarka	Rudrabhishek Puja (Standard Package)	Throughout the day (apart from blackout dates)	Approx. 2 - 3 hours	Minimum 10 days prior to travel date
	Kaal Sarp Puja (Deluxe Package)	Throughout the day (apart from blackout dates)	Approx. 2 - 3 hours	Minimum 10 days prior to travel date
Somnath Jyotirlinga Temple	Maha Doodhabhishek (Standard Package)	Throughout the day (apart from blackout dates)	Approx. 2 - 4 hours	Minimum 10 days prior to travel date
	Maha Puja (Deluxe Package)	Throughout the day (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 (22nd DECEMBER TO 3rd JANUARY) / Auspicious days pertaining to each of the temples, National Holidays, Local Festival dates .
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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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