



20th OCTOBER 2024

GUJARAT – RANN OF KUTCH

06NIGHTS / 07DAYS

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS		
CITIES VISITED	DURATION	HIGHLIGHTS
Kevadia	01 Night	Sardar Sarovar Dam, valley of Flower, Statue of Unity
Ahmedabad	01 Night	Gandhi Ashram, Adalaj, Akshardham Temple,
Bajana (LRK)	01 Night	Modhera Sun Temple, Patan Patola, Rani ki Vav, Wild ass sanctuary
Bhuj	01 Night	White Salt Desert
Dhordo	01 Night	Banni Village
Dholavira	01 Night	Kalo Dungar.

SIGHTSEEING FOR WHICH ENTRANCE FEE ARE INCLUDED	
CITIES	SIGHTSEEING
Kevadia	Statue of Unity
Patan, Modhera, LRK-Jeep safari, Bhuj, Dholavira	

FLIGHTS SUGGESTED			
Date	From	To	Flight Details
20 th Oct 2024	Bangalore	Ahmedabad	6E-6545 20OCT BLRAMD 0820 1025
26 th Oct 2024	Rajkot	Bangalore	6E-6508 26OCT HSRBLR 1505 1715

Flights are subject to availability and the fares may vary at the time of confirmation.

Report to Bangalore Airport on Sunday 20 th October 2024	
06:20 Hrs	Report to Bangalore International Airport
07:20 Hrs	Check in into Indigo 6E-6545 to Ahmedabad
08:20 Hrs	Depart from Bangalore to Ahmedabad by 6E-6545
10:25 Hrs	Arrive Ahmedabad

AHMEDABAD - KEVADIA

Day 01 - Sunday 20th October 2024

Arrival at Ahmedabad airport at 1025Hrs. Meet & greet from the representative.

Proceed towards Kevadia, visit **Sardar Sarovar Dam, valley of Flower, Statue of Unity** etc.

Dinner and overnight stay at the hotel in Kevadia.

Meal Plan: Breakfast | Dinner

KEVADIA - AHMEDABAD

Day 02 - Monday 21st October 2024

Breakfast at the Hotel.

Proceed towards Ahmedabad, Later visit

Gandhi Ashram the beautiful ashram complex of Ahmedabad, with shady trees populated by thousands of parakeets, Beaters, sunbirds, squirrels, offers a refuge from the loud streets of the city and is one of the foremost tourist attractions of Ahmedabad. This ashram was Gandhi's headquarters during the long struggle for

Indian Independence. His ashram was founded in 1915 and still makes handicrafts, handmade paper and spinning wheels. This ashram is open from 8.30 AM to 6.30 PM.

Adalaj, visit step well is an architectural wonder built by Queen Rudabai and is certainly one of the finest monuments of Gujarat. It is a seven-storied structure in the form of a well with chambers one behind the other. The 'Vav' or stepped wells of Gujarat were used as meeting and resting-places during summer since their cool interiors offered unbelievable respite from the scorching sun outside.

Akshardham Temple Akshardham is situated in the capital city of Gandhinagar, which lies near Ahmedabad. The magnificent temple is dedicated to Lord Swaminarayan. It was constructed on the directions of Pramukh Swami Maharaj, the spiritual leader of BAPS Sanstha. The complex of this temple is the largest in Gujarat. Akshardham temple was inaugurated in the year 1992 and has become a major tourist attraction in India, during the last decade. It has a sprawling 23acre area and is chiseled out in pink sandstone.

Dinner and overnight stay at the hotel in Ahmedabad

Meal Plan: Breakfast | Dinner

AHMEDABAD -LITTLE RANN OF KUTCH (LRK)

Day 03 - Tuesday 22nd October 2024

Breakfast at hotel.

Later proceed to visit

Modhera Sun Temple, Modhera Sun Temple dates back to early 11th century CE and was built by King Bhimdev I in 1026 CE. The temple at Modhera is the most important of all sun temples built in the whole Gujarat. The temple is dedicated to the Sun God. The temple is magnificent and the finest example of the Hindu architecture in Gujarat. One of the most striking features of the Modhera Sun Temple is that the first ray of the sun falls on the deity at the time of the equinoxes. In front of the temple is a colossal tank, which was once known as Surya Kund or Rama Kund. The tank has a series of the carved steps leading to the bottom.

Patan Patola of weaving, Patan is famous for patola weaving, Salvi family is one of them who has continued this traditional art and has preserved it even today. Patola silk is often termed as the queen of all silk. The special technique of the handmade silk patola uses the same special technique for weaving from raw silk to the completion of the patola fabric. The weaver makes the special patola loom and colouring from indigenous natural materials. Patola from the area of Patan in the north Gujarat region of western India glorifies this heritage with its unique gem like qualities, gorgeous colours, designing & durability. Different colour and pattern matched exactly on horizontal and vertical threads in weaving. The patola was traditionally woven in a sari length of 5 to 9 yards by 45" to 54" width. The range now extends to include tablecloth borders scarves handkerchief.

Rani ki Vav (Step well). It was built by the Queen Udaymati the wife of Bhimdev during 11-12th Century. It is the most magnificent and spectacular step well and the best example of such architecture for water wells. The Vav measuring about 64 mts. The stepwell has long stepped corridor descending down to the underground tank, it is having four pillars. The pillars which support the roof have square base decorated with Ghat Pallavas. It was one of the largest and the most sumptuous structure of its type.

Continue drive to Bajana.

Dinner and Overnight stay at the Hotel in Bajana.

Meal Plan: Breakfast | Dinner

LITTLE RANN OF KUTCH – BHUJ**Day 04 – Wednesday 23rd October 2024**

Breakfast at hotel.

Later enjoy **safari at Little Rann of Kutch** viewing rarest wild asses.

Wild ass sanctuary - The sanctuary is well known for its group of the stale joke brown Asiatic (Wild ass), which does not live elsewhere in Indian lowlands. We can see with Little Rann of Kutch blackbuck (Indian antelope), nilgai or blue bull (India's largest antelope) and the graceful chinkara (Indian gazelle) are other mammals. The main carnivores of the Little Rann of Kutch are the endangered Indian wolf, desert fox, Indian fox, jackals, desert and jungle cats, and a few hyenas also we can see during the visits flamingoes, pelicans, ducks, cranes and storks. Continue drive to Bhuj.

Dinner and Overnight stay at the Hotel in Bhuj.

Meal Plan: Breakfast | Dinner**BHUJ - DHORDO (RANN OF KUTCH)****Day 05 – Thursday 24th October 2024**

Breakfast at hotel.

Later visit **Banni Village** enroute take permit (Please all client to need to obtain the permit). to see various people like Jat, Harijan, Meghwal and Mutva etc in various villages like Hodka, Ludiya and Dhordo. Banni means "a cluster of village". In Banni area of Kutch the Meghwal-Harijans who migrated from Rajasthan use Khambira, Kharek, Kudi Stiches in their embroidery. Also outline and satin stitch embroidery of the area and very minute mirror designs similar to the famous Mutwa embroidery of the area. They make wall hangings, waistcoats and pouches in Kharek Stich and do 'Moti Bharat' or beadwork on handheld fans, bracelets, toys and belts. After visit HODKA village – Hodka derives from the Gujarati word 'Hodi' which means 'boat'. Since, the villages here are called jheels, where potable water is available. Hodka is famous for its beautiful embroidery and mud work as much as Leather craft. Both men and women are actively involved in developing the art and craft tradition of the region. Visit LUDIYA village- Harijans and Muslims are main communities in this village. The main occupations are: monsoon farming, cattle rearing, intricate wood carving, intricate embroidery work, mud-work and wall painting for decorating homes. Harijan men are involved with wood carving, the women take up embroidery and wall-decoration. Visits to DHORDO to see beautiful traditional mud houses (Bhungas) with mirror work and its fine Mutwa embroidery with tiny mirrors. Enjoy Rann Utsav Desert Festival Kutch with crafts, music concert, folk dance, and lots of hastkala and handicrafts items over there. Kutch Festival provides an exclusive opportunity to witness the creative initiative of the artisans and craftspeople. Nearly 32 cultural troupes from various districts of Gujarat participate in the Dance and Musical Carnival. The various locales within Kutch take one around the natural grandiose while introducing the visitor to the indigenous cultural and ethnical flavor of the people. Enjoy these cultural programmes performed in the midst of the White Salt Desert spread over miles.

Dinner and Overnight stay at the Hotel in Dhordo.

Meal Plan: Breakfast | Dinner

DHORDO - DHOLAVIRA

Day 06 – Friday 25th October 2024

Breakfast at the hotel.

Later visit **Kalo Dungar**.

Drive towards **Dholavira**, it is the larger of the two most remarkable excavations of the Indus Valley Civilization or Harappan culture, dating back to 4500 years ago. While the other site, [Lothal](#), is more exhaustively excavated and easier to reach, a visit to Lothal only complements, rather than replaces, a visit to Dholavira. What this site offers you, in the intense environment that comes with being surrounded by the Great Rann of Kutch, is a unique insight into the pioneering Harappan mind, with one of the world’s earliest and best planned water conservation systems and what might be the world’s first signboards, written in ancient Indus script. Fossil Park (Dholavira) : During a plantation drive in Dholavira village in December 2006, range forest officer (RFO) A B Khamar and forest guard P R Koli stumbled upon something which could prove to be a priceless addition to the geological treasures of India. Khamar, stationed at Rapar North in the border district of Kutch, came across some fossilised logs at the ancient site of Dholavira on Khadir island in the Rann of Kutch. Preliminary observations indicate that the plant remains could be around 187 million years old.

Dinner and Overnight stay at the Hotel in Dholavira.

Meal Plan: Breakfast | Dinner

DHOLAVIRA - RAJKOT DEPARTURE

Day 07 – Saturday 26th October 2024:

Breakfast at the hotel. Check-out hotel.

Proceed to Rajkot airport to board Indigo Flight 6E-6508 at 1505Hrs and arrive Bangalore airport at 1715Hrs.

INDICATIVE LIST OF HOTELS

The list of hotels mentioned below is likely to be provided. However, Turnkey holidays reserve the right to provide alternate hotels that are like the ones mentioned below. The final hotel list may vary from the below for each group.

Destination	No of Nights	Option 1- Hotels (3 Star)	Option 2- Hotels (4 Star)
Kevadia	01 Night	Soil to Soul Resort or Similar	The Fern Sardar Sarovar Resort or Similar
Ahmedabad	01 Night	Le Grande Residency or Similar	Lemon Tree Premier or Similar
Bajana (LRK)	01 Night	Royal Safari Camp or Similar	Royal Safari Camp) or Similar
Bhuj	01 Night	Click by Suba or similar	Hotel Prince or similar
Dhordo	01 Night	Rann Utsav 2.0 (Ac Deluxe Tent) or Similar	Rann Utsav 2.0 (Ac Deluxe Tent) or Similar
Dholavira	01 Night	Rann Resort (Ac Huts/Bhunga) or Similar	Praveg Resort Dholavira (Ac Cottage) or Similar

Any changes in the hotels are subject to availability at time of issuance

Early check in and late checkout are subject to hotel policy

Hotel Check in and Check out Time

Check In	14:00Hrs
Check Out	12:00Hrs

TOUR COST INCLUDING AIR FARE

Minimum 04 Adults Traveling Together	Option 1- Hotels (3 Star)	Option 2 - Hotels (4 Star)
	INR. 65,400 /- Per Adult on Double sharing basis	INR. 72,400 /- Per Adult on Double sharing basis

The above tour cost includes air ticket cost of INR. 16,000/- per adult as on 03.09.2024.

However, actual air ticket cost will be collected at the time of tour confirmation and ticketing.

Please note:

You must produce PAN card for the payment of above Rs. 49,900/- in cash

Maximum cash that can be accepted towards this tour is Rs. 1,99,000/- only

TOUR COST INCLUDES:

Return Air ticket on economy class on Indigo Airlines or similar
Arrival and departure airport transfers on Private Basis.
All accommodation on 02 Double room sharing basis.
All tours and Transportation by air-conditioned Innova Crysta or similar
06 Nights' accommodation as mentioned in the itinerary.
Meal plan as per itinerary
Good experienced driver
Applicable GST

TOUR COST EXCLUDES:

All kind of personal expenses such as tips, laundry, telephone bills and beverages.
Optional, suggested, or unspecified activities.
Tips and Gratuities. Camera fee (still or movie). Pooja Expenses, Insurance
Early check in or late checkout.
If there is an abnormal increase in the fuel rate in future, then the rates of the given vehicle will be increased accordingly.
Any additional expenses incurred due to any flight delay or cancellation, weather conditions, political closures, technical faults etc.
Any service which is not mentioned in the Inclusions.

NOTE:

If there is an abnormal increase in the fuel rate in future, then the rates of the given vehicle will be increased accordingly.
Above is just an offer/quotation and we are not holding any booking against this query.
All services/rooms are subject to availability at the time of receiving final confirmation from your end.
Please be reminded that all special requests like early check-in, smoking, nonsmoking, views, floors, king, twin, adjoining and/or interconnecting rooms are strictly subject to availability upon arrival and same cannot be guaranteed prior.
Please note standard check-in/check-out time applicable as per hotel policy.
Early Check-In and Late Check-Out is strictly subject to hotel availability at the time of check-in/out
No refund for Unused services