

Day 1: Mumbai

Arrive in Mumbai. Upon arrival, you will be met by our Peirce & Leslie colleague who will escort you to your hotel and help you to check-in.

Day 2: Mumbai

Today, you will take a specially designed full-day tour that combines a series of experiences that touch your five senses. You will then return to your hotel.

Day 3: Mumbai – Bhuj

After breakfast, you will be met by our Peirce & Leslie colleague, who will escort you to the airport and help you to check-in for your flight to Bhuj. On arrival, you will check-in to your hotel.

In the afternoon, you will visit the old walled city of Bhuj. You will then return to your hotel.

Day 4: Bhuj

Today, you will take a full-day visit to the surrounding tribal villages. This will be followed by a visit to the White Desert (Rann of Kutch) at sunset.

Day 5: Bhuj – Gondal

After breakfast, you will drive to Gondal (approximately 6 hours, excluding stops). On arrival, you will check-in to your hotel.

Time permitting; you will visit the Riverside Palace, Orchard Palace, Royal Garages and Naulakha Palace. You will then return to your hotel.

Day 6: Gondal – Sasan Gir

After breakfast, you will drive to Sasan Gir (approximately 3 hours, excluding stops). On arrival, you will check-in to your hotel.

Late in the afternoon, you will be taken for a “game drive” inside Gir National Park.

Day 7: Sasan Gir – Bhavnagar

Early in the morning, you will be taken for a “game drive” inside Gir National Park.

After breakfast, you will drive to Bhavnagar (approximately 6 hours, excluding stops). On arrival, you will check-in to your hotel.

Day 8: Bhavnagar – Dasada

Early this morning, you will take an excursion to Palitana to visit the collection of Jain temples on the top of the holy Shatrunjaya hill. You will then return to your hotel.

In the afternoon, you will drive to Dasada (approximately 4 hours, excluding stops). On the way, you will visit Lothal which is one of the most famous sites of the Indus Valley (Harappan) Civilization. On arrival, you will check-in to your hotel.

Day 9: Dasada

After breakfast, you will take a jeep safari into the Little Rann of Kutch, an enormous salty desert. It is also a paradise for birdwatchers because of its contrasting habitats – desert plains, scrub grasslands and wetlands. You will then return to your hotel for lunch.

Later, you will be taken on a village safari to see the fascinating embroidery and weaving styles practiced by the villagers of this region.

Day 10: Dasada – Patan – Modhera – Ahmedabad

After breakfast, you will drive to Ahmedabad (approximately 6 hours, excluding stops), stopping on the way to visit Patan and Modhera.

Patan is home to a stepwell, Rani-ki-Vav (a UNESCO World Heritage Site) initially built as a memorial to a king (believed to be Bhimdev I) in the 11th century AD. The central theme of this stepwell is the Dashavatar (10 incarnations of Lord Vishnu).

This will be followed by a visit to Modhera, known for its 11th-century Sun Temple. A grand sandstone monument built by the Solanki dynasty in the year 1027 A.D., it is dedicated to Surya, the Sun God.

On arrival in Ahmedabad, you will check-in to your hotel.

Day 11: Ahmedabad

After a quick cup of tea/coffee early this morning, you will start the day with a walk around the bustling, industrial and interesting Old Quarter of Ahmedabad, best visited early in the morning.

Breakfast will be served at a local restaurant.

After breakfast, you will visit Shreyas Folk Museum, a tribute to the folk art of Gujarat. It features multiple exhibits of utensils and domestic articles featuring beadwork wood carving, metal and leather work.

You will then return to your hotel.

In the afternoon, you will visit the Sabarmati Ashram, Hutheesingh Jain temple and Jama Masjid (mosque).

Set up in 1915, Sabarmati Ashram was the central point from where the struggle for India's Independence was started.

Constructed in 1850 AD, Hutheesingh temple is a renowned Jain temple known for its fabulous architectural styling and designs that consist of intricate carvings.

The Jama Masjid in Ahmedabad was constructed in 1423 AD by Sultan Ahmed Shah, the founder of Ahmedabad city. Made of yellow sandstone, the architecture of this mosque is a blend of Hindu and Muslim styling.

Day 12: Ahmedabad

After breakfast, you will visit the Calico Museum of Textiles. A premier textile museum of the country, it is one of the most celebrated institutions of its kind and is known for its distinguished and comprehensive collection of textiles and artifacts.

Lunch will be served at a local restaurant.

After lunch, we will arrange for you to visit Vicharta Samuday Samarthan Manch, a non-profit organization working to empower the nomadic and de-notified communities so that they get access to citizenship rights, education, health facilities, housing and livelihood support.

You will then return to your hotel.

Day 13: Ahmedabad – Mumbai – Onward Destination

After breakfast, you will be met by our Peirce & Leslie colleague who will escort you to Ahmedabad airport and help you to check-in for your flight to Mumbai.

On arrival, you will be met by our colleague and escorted to your hotel located inside the airport where a day-use room will be reserved for you.

Late in the evening, you will be met by our colleague who will escort you back to the airport and help you to check-in for your homeward bound flight.