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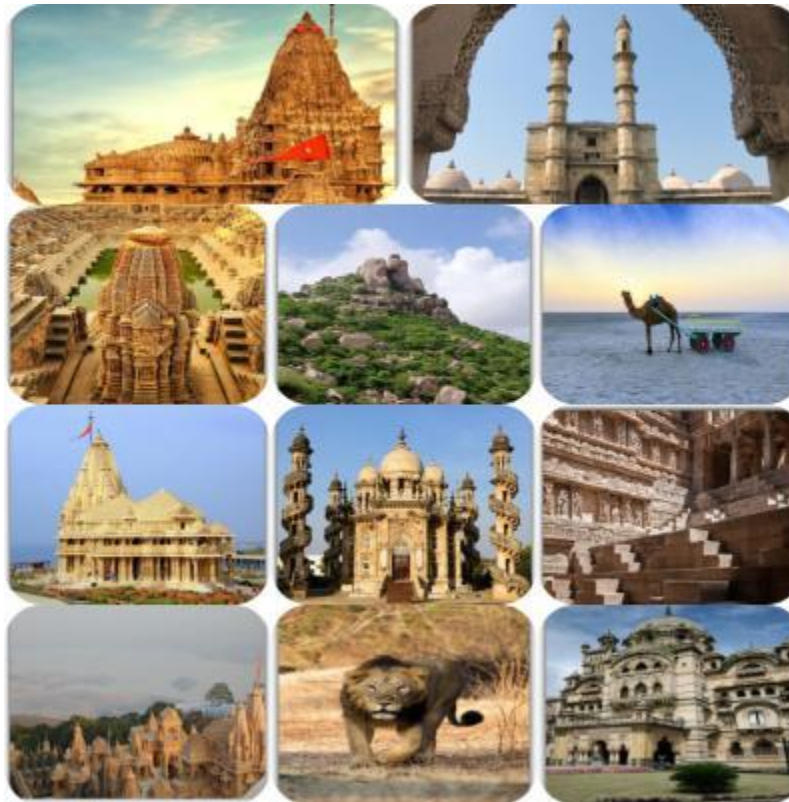
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Gujarat Tourism

Gujarat is a state in western India known for its rich history, vibrant culture, Gujarat is a treasure trove of cultural, historical, and natural wonders, making it a prime destination for tourism.

Geography: Located on the western coast of India, **Capital:** Gandhinagar. **Largest City:** Ahmedabad. **Language:** Gujarati **Festivals:** Navratri , Uttarayan (kite festival), and Diwali are major festivals. **Cuisine:** Known for its vegetarian dishes like dhokla, thepla, and khandvi,



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TOURISM HIGHLIGHTS

Somnath Temple: One of the 12 Jyotirlingas of Lord Shiva, known for its magnificent architecture and spiritual significance. **Dwarkadhish Temple:** Located in Dwarka, it is one of the Char Dham pilgrimage sites dedicated to Lord Krishna. **Modhera Sun Temple:** A beautifully carved temple dedicated to the Sun God, built during the Solanki dynasty.

Rani ki Vav (Queen's Stepwell): A UNESCO World Heritage Site in Patan, renowned for its intricate carvings and stunning architecture.

Champaner-Pavagadh Archaeological Park: A UNESCO World Heritage Site featuring forts, temples, and mosques. **Rann of Kutch:** A vast white salt desert that transforms into a cultural hub during the Rann Utsav, featuring folk music, dance, and handicrafts.

Gir National Park: The only home of the Asiatic lion, offering safaris to witness these majestic creatures in their natural habitat. **Saputara Hill Station:** Gujarat's only hill station, known for its lush greenery, waterfalls, and cool climate.

Marine National Park (Jamnagar): India's first marine park, featuring coral reefs, mangroves, and marine life.

Statue of Unity (Kevadia): The tallest statue in the world, dedicated to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, surrounded by attractions like a valley of flowers, light shows, and adventure activities.

Sabarmati Ashram (Ahmedabad): The residence of Mahatma Gandhi, offering a glimpse into his life and teachings. **Kankaria Lake (Ahmedabad):** A scenic lake with activities like boating, a zoo, and a vibrant night market.

Kutch Handicrafts: Famous for embroidery, mirror work, and Bandhani (tie-dye) textiles. **Patola Silk:** Exquisite double ikat silk sarees from Patan. **Terracotta and Wooden Crafts:** Found in various rural areas, showcasing traditional craftsmanship.

Desert Safari in Kutch: Explore the vast salt flats on camel or jeep safaris.

Nalsarovar Bird Sanctuary: A haven for migratory birds, perfect for bird watching and boating.

Zarwani Waterfall (Kevadia): A scenic spot ideal for trekking and picnics.

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DWARKA & SOMNATH (4 NIGHTS 05 DAYS)

DAY 01 – BY ROAD – 450 KMS / 09 HRS – AHMEDABAD TO DWARKA

Arrive Ahmedabad in morning & drive to Dwarka.

Dwarka, located in the state of Gujarat, India, is one of the four sacred Hindu pilgrimage sites known as the Char Dham. It is believed to be the ancient kingdom of Lord Krishna and is home to the famous Dwarkadhish Temple, which attracts thousands of pilgrims annually. Dwarka is also renowned for its coastal beauty, with serene beaches and a rich marine life. The town's historical and religious significance, along with its picturesque landscapes, makes it a fascinating destination for visitors. Attending evening Aarti at Dwarkadhish temple. **Overnight at hotel**

DAY 02 – IN DWARKA

After breakfast proceed to Bet Dwarka & Nageshwar temple.

Bet Dwarka: Bet is situated at 30kms from Dwarka and is surrounded by sea from all sides. One can reach Bet from Dwarka through Okha by road. On reaching Okha port jetty, one can reach Bet through a little sea journey by a small boat.



Nageshwar Temple or Nagnath Temple is on the coast of Saurashtra in Gujarat. The Jyotirlinga enshrined in the Temple of Nagnath is known as Nageshwar Mahadev and attracts thousands of pilgrims all-round the year. This powerful Jyotirlinga symbolizes protection from all poisons. It is said that those who pray to the Nageshwar Lingaa become free of poison. The Rudra Samhita shloka refers to Nageshwar with the phrase 'Daarukaavane Naagesham'.

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The Rukmini temple, dating from 12 to 13 Century, was built in honour of Rani Rukmani, princess of Vidharba, which was to be married to Sishupala, but fled with Lord Krishna. This small temple, 1.5 km north of the city, is an architectural masterpiece. The temple walls are decorated with beautiful paintings and sculptures.

Gopi Talav: This is the place where Lord Krishna used to play with his Gopikas. There is a small pond where it is said that Lord Krishna used to play with the Gopika Strees (Gopika Women).

Overnight at hotel

DAY 03 – BY ROAD – 250 KMS / 05 HRS – DWARKA TO SOMNATH

Early morning visit the Dwarkadhish Temple and witness the Aarti.

After breakfast drive to Somnath visiting Porbandar enroute visit Porbandar, the coastal heritage town of Gujarat is located on the Saurashtra peninsula, on the Arabian Sea. Till date, the spice market in Porbandar draws a huge crowd.



The most impressive feature of Porbandar is the city planning and the stone buildings with ashlar masonry and rich carving, the facades of the houses on either side of the streets, with windows and carved gateways.

Later visit Kirti Mandir – Kirti Mandir is now a small museum and also has a Gandhian library and a prayer hall followed by Bharat Mandir with historical personalities who shaped India's future.

Later continue to drive to Somnath; arrive Somnath and transfer to your hotel.

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Somnath, located on the western coast of Gujarat, is renowned for its legendary Somnath Temple, one of the twelve Jyotirlinga shrines dedicated to Lord Shiva. The temple is a symbol of resilience, having been destroyed and rebuilt multiple times. It is believed to have been originally constructed in gold by the Moon God, Somraj, and later in silver, wood, and stone by other historical figures. The current temple, reconstructed in 1950 with support from Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, stands majestically by the Arabian Sea. Somnath also features the serene Bhalka Tirth, where Lord Krishna is said to have left his earthly form

Later visit Bhalka Tirth – Bhalka Tirth is situated halfway between Veraval and Somnath. At this place, Lord Krishna was mistaken for a deer and wounded by an arrow. It is here that Lord Krishna decided to leave his human form and proceed to the eternal world. **Overnight at hotel**

DAY 04 – BY ROAD – 415 KMS / 08 HRS – SOMNATH TO AHMEDABAD

After breakfast drive to Ahmedabad, arrive and transfer to your hotel.

Ahmedabad, founded in the year 1411 AD, is located on the banks of river Sabarmati and has been named after Sultan Ahmed Shah, who was primarily responsible for building it. Today, this city is known as the 'Manchester of the East', one of the highly industrialized cities in India and is also India's Textile City. Though the capital of Gujarat was shifted from Ahmedabad to Gandhinagar, it is still the second largest industrial city in western India.

Overnight at hotel

DAY 05 – BY AIR / TRAIN – DEPART AHMEDABAD

Today in time transfer to Ahmedabad Airport / Railway Station to board your flight / train for onward journey to your next destination.

****** TOUR ENDS ******

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