



# A TOUR TO ORISSA AND CHHATTISGARH

## Handcrafted Tour

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### DAY 01: ARRIVE DELHI

Arrive at Delhi airport Welcome to India!! Garlanding with fresh marigold flowers and transfer to hotel for check-in. Overnight at hotel.

### DAY 02: DELHI – RAIPUR (BY FLIGHT) DRIVE TO JAGDALPUR

Morning after breakfast transfer to the airport to board flight to Raipur. On arrival you will be driven straight to Jagdalpur. Arrive and check in to the hotel. Overnight at Jagdalpur.

### DAY 03: JAGDALPUR

Morning after breakfast start the Kanger National Park on the shores of Kholaba river. Located in the dense rain forest that once covered the entire region, still live a few Adivasis -strains. You are not a homogeneous population group, but belong to different tribes. We visit the Gond and Maria Gond Abuj - strains. Their ancestors of these tribals already populated the ancient continent Gondwana. From here we proceed to the Tirathgarh - Waterfall drunk, who throws over 300 feet in depth. A spiral staircase leads us there to the Kutmsa - caves, stunning rock formations poses. Overnight at Jagdalpur.

### DAY 04: JAGDALPUR

Morning after breakfast visit the Anthropological Museum , where we get a good look at the original tribes and ethnic groups in the state of Chhattisgarh. Then we go to Chitrakoot waterfall, the largest waterfall in South Asia. This gift of nature is also a holy land, blessed by the gods and sanctified by the faith of pilgrims. Here in the deep woods Rama and Sita, spent 11 years in exile here meditating the famous sages Atri and Sati Anusuya and here were Brahma, Vishnu and Mahesh, the most important Göttertrinität, its incarnations. On the way back we visit the Bison - Horn Maria - tribe, known for its rhythmic dance. Overnight at Jagdalpur.

### DAY 05: JAGDALPUR – GUPTESHWAR – JEYPORE (90 KMS / 3 HOURS)

Morning after breakfast drive to Jeypore. Enroute stop in Gupteshwar is a world-famous pilgrim site situated about 55 km away. It is a limestone cave discovered some time ago and has a number of scenic spots around. The main attraction is the gigantic Shiva Lingam which is said to be increasing in size. Here one can see the Dhuruwa – tribe who believe that animals, birds, and trees possess souls. They call upon a spirit of rain/river water to bless them with good catches of fish and abundant crops. Here we also the hustle and bustle of the Nuagaon market can experience. Then we drive Jeypore. Arrive and check in to the hotel. Overnight in Jeypore.

### DAY 06: JEYPORE

Orissa in India has the largest number of ethnic tribes. Because of their geographical remoteness from the culture of modern civilization has so far remained untouched. We're going to Mindiguda and visit the market of the Bonda, where still the barter is tradition. On the way back to Jeypore, we visit the tribal village of Bhumiya known for exemplary agriculture. Overnight at hotel.

### DAY 07: JEYPORE – RAYAGADA (130 KMS / 4 HOURS)

In the morning we set off to Rayagada. On the way we visit the villages of the Bada Paraja and stroll through the weekly market in Kakriguma. Continue to Rayagada. Arrive and check in to the hotel. Overnight at the hotel.

### DAY 08: RAYAGADA

In the morning we start our day tour to the Kutia Kondh, a tribe of Kondh in Matrugaon. In Kothagada we can tempt us at the weekly market to the one or other souvenirs. Return to the hotel. Overnight at the hotel.

### DAY 09: RAYAGADA – GOPALPUR (190 KMS / 5 HRS)

Early morning we depart for Chatikona on to the interesting weekly market Dongriya Kondh- strains to experience, another tribe of Kondh. Then we drive to Gopalpur - on - Sea a quiet seaside resort on a white, long beach, where we spend a night at the sound of the sea and relax. Overnight at hotel.

### DAY 10: GOPALPUR ON SEA – PURI

In the morning we drive to Puri. Enroute visit Chilika Lake in Barkul, the largest brackish lake in India. Continue to Puri. Arrive and check in to the hotel. Puri, one of the holiest shrines of Hindus, where thousands of pilgrims visit every day the mighty Jagannath – Temple. Overnight at the hotel.

### DAY 11: PURI

In the morning we set off to Konark, around which myths courted sun temple to visit. He is in the form of a drawn by seven horses and processional chariot with 24 wheels and is designed not only because of the beautiful UNESCO World Heritage site. On the way we also visit the idyllic riverside Ramchandi Temple. On Chandrabhaga Beach we have a visit to a small fishing village end of the day. Return to the hotel. Overnight at the hotel.

### DAY 12: PURI - BHUBANESHWAR

Morning after breakfast drive to Bhubaneswar. On the way we visit Raghurajpur, the attraction here are the textile paintings of Pattachitra. Continue to Pipli, known for brilliant application work, such as colorful umbrellas subjects. Later we visit Dhauli of which stands on a hill, the gleaming white peace pagoda. Continue to Bhubaneswar. Arrive and check in to the hotel. Overnight at the hotel.

### DAY 13: BHUBANESHWAR – DELHI (FLIGHT)

Morning after breakfast proceed to visit the Rajarani - Brahmeswar - Mukteswar - Parsurameswar - and Lingaraja -Temple. Afternoon we visit the Khandagiri - and Udaigiri Jain - caves. This evening you will be transferred to the airport to board flight to Delhi. On arrival you will be met upon and transferred to the hotel. Overnight at the hotel.

### DAY 14: DEPART DELHI

This day you will be transferred to the airport to board flight for onward destination.

## COME AND DISCOVER THE BEAUTY OF ORISSA AND CHHATTISGARH

The inner India! The ultimate tour for those looking for the earliest settlers of the land called Gondwana. Mentioned in the rock edicts of Ashoka, the tribes have been fearfully independent and aloof. From the african Bondas to the human sacrificing Dongarias, this is the tour to meet the ancient living cultures of India

### Tour Highlight

- ★ Visit the famous Konark Sun temple. Visit Chilka, the largest brackish lake in Asia.
- ★ Explore the Rayagada tribal village famous for tribal craftsmanship.



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