

12 Jyotirling Yatra with Tirupati and Shirdi Temple - 29 DAYS

Depart: 14/05/2024

Return: 11/06/24

Adult: from £3595 per adult on twin / double sharing basis

Tour Highlights:

- ❖ Visit Siddhi Vinayak Temple
- ❖ Visit Bhimashankar Temple
- ❖ Visit Shani Temple
- ❖ Visit Grishneshwar Temple
- ❖ Visit Shirdi Sai Baba Temple
- ❖ Visit Trimbakeshwar Temple
- ❖ Visit Mahakaleshwar Temple
- ❖ Visit Omkareshwar Temple
- ❖ Visit Nageshwar Temple
- ❖ Visit Bet Dwarka
- ❖ Visit Somnath Temple
- ❖ Visit Meenakshi Temple
- ❖ Visit Rameshwaram Temple
- ❖ Visit Tirupati Temple
- ❖ Visit Srisailam Temple
- ❖ Visit Baba Baidyanath Temple
- ❖ Visit Kashi Vishwanath Temple
- ❖ Visit Har Ki Pauri in Haridwar
- ❖ Visit Kedarnath Temple
- ❖ Visit Temples in Rishikesh

TOUR ITINERARY:

Day 01 London to Mumbai: Depart from London Heathrow airport to Mumbai by Overnight flight.

Day 2 Mumbai Arrival (B, D): Arrival at Mumbai airport, Mumbai: Mumbai, formerly called Bombay, is a sprawling, densely populated city on India's west coast. On the Mumbai Harbour waterfront stands the iconic Gateway of India stone arch, built by the British Raj in 1924. The city is also famous as the heart of the Hindi-language Bollywood film industry. On Arrival, meet our



Skylink representative who will help you take a transfer to the hotel. Afternoon Visit Siddhivinayak Temple: Shree Ganesh is the first to be worshipped before beginning any new project or venture as he is the destroyer of obstacles (Vighnaharta). To take the blessings of Lord Ganesha before starting the pilgrimage. This is Shree Siddhivinayak Ganapati Temple at Prabhadevi in Mumbai, a two-century-old Temple that fulfils the desires of the worshipers. After darsan back to hotel, dinner and Overnight in Mumbai.



Day 03 Mumbai – Bhimashankar (First Jyotirlinga) – Chakan (B, D): After breakfast, drive to Bhimashankar (Jyothirling): Bhimashankar an ancient shrine, Bhimashankar is one of the 12 Jyotirlinga of Shiva. It is in the Ghat region of the Sahyadri hills. Bhimashankar is also the source of the river Bhima, which flows south east and merges with the Krishna River near Raichur. After Pooja and Darsan, continue your road journey to Chakan. On arrival, Check-in to a hotel. Dinner and Overnight stay will be at Chakan.

Day 04 Chakan - Shani Mandir – Aurangabad (B, D): After breakfast, depart to Aurangabad, On the way visit Shani Temple: The presiding deity of Shinganapur, Sri Shaneshwara or Lord Shanidev- the personification of the planet Saturn is worshipped with utmost reverence and devotion by multitudes of people from all over the world. The spectacle of the deity in black stone is overwhelming. A unique aspect of this place is, that no temple structure houses the Shanidev. There is only a simple platform on which stands the swayambhu idol, in black stone. After darsan, continue your road journey to Aurangabad. On arrival at Aurangabad check -in to the hotel. Dinner and Overnight in Aurangabad.



Day 05 Aurangabad – Grishneshwar (Second Jyotirling) – Shirdi (B, D): After breakfast, you will proceed for Grishneshwar (Jyothirling). Grishneshwar is an ancient pilgrimage site revered as the abode of one of the 12 Jyotirlingas of Shiva. It is located at a distance of 11 km from Daulatabad near Aurangabad in Maharashtra. After Pooja and Darsan, continue your road journey to Shirdi. Shirdi: Shri Sai Baba is revered as one of the greatest saints ever seen in India, endowed with unprecedented powers, and is worshipped as a God incarnate. (SAI meaning Sakshaat Ishwar) - GOD THE ABSOLUTE. On arrival Shirdi, Check-into a hotel. In the evening, visit Sai Baba Samadhi temple for VIP Darshan (Own Cost). Dinner and Overnight stay at Shirdi.

Day 06 Shirdi – Trimbakeshwar (Third Jyotirling) – Nasik (B, D): Today we drive from Shirdi to Triambakeshwar (Jyotirlinga). Triambakeshwar located in Maharashtra is revered as one of the 12 Jyotirlinga shrines of Shiva. Triambakeshwar is the source of the river Godavari. Trimbakeshwar is a religious center having one of the twelve Jyotirlingas. The extraordinary feature of the Jyotirlinga located here is its three faces embodying Lord Brahma, Lord Vishnu and Lord Rudra. After Pooja and darsan proceed for Nasik, On the way we will visit The Anjaneri (or Anjneri) mountain, located 7 km from Trimbakeshwar in the Nasik district, is also claimed as the birthplace of Lord Hanuman ji, (time permitted). On arrival Nasik check – into the hotel. Dinner and overnight stay will be Nasik.

Day 07 Nasik – Ujjain (B, D): After breakfast check – out from the hotel and drive to Ujjain, an ancient city beside the Kshipra River in the central Indian state of Madhya Pradesh. An important Hindu pilgrimage destination, it's known for the centuries old Mahakaleshwar Temple, a towering structure with a distinctively ornate roof. Nearby, Bade Ganesh Temple houses a colorful statue of Ganesh, the elephant-headed Hindu deity. Harsiddhi Temple features a pair of tall dark pillars studded with lamps. On arrival by evening, check in to the hotel. Dinner and Overnight in Indore.



Day 08 Ujjain – Mahakaleshwar (Fourth Jyotirlinga) – Omkareswar (Fifth Jyotirling) – Overnight Train (B, D): After early morning leave for Mahakaleshwar Temple (Jyotirlinga): Jyotirlinga is one of the most famous Hindu temples dedicated to Lord Shiva and is one of the twelve Jyotirlingams, which are supposed to be the most sacred abodes of Lord Shiva. It is located in the ancient city of Ujjain. The presiding deity, Lord Shiva in the lingam form is believed to be Swayambhu, deriving currents of power (Shakti) from within itself as against the other images and lingams that are ritually established and invested with mantra-shakti. After Pooja and darshan back to hotel. Breakfast at hotel then check – out from the hotel and proceed to local sightseeing of Ujjain. After sightseeing of Ujjain, drive to Omkareshwar (Jyotirlinga) located in Madhya Pradesh. It is located at a distance of about 12 miles from Mortakka in Madhya Pradesh. Omkareshwar: Omkareshwar is a Hindu temple dedicated to God Shiva. It is one of the 12 revered Jyotirlinga shrines of Shiva. It is on an island called Mandhata or Shivapuri in the Narmada river; the shape of the island is said to be like the Hindu ॐ symbol. There are two temples here, one to Omkareshwar (whose name means "Lord of Omkaara or the Lord of the Om Sound") and one to Mamleshwar (whose name means "Immortal lord" or "lord of the Immortals or Devas"). But as per the sloka on dwadash jyotirlingam, Mamleshwar is the jyotirling, which is on other side of



Narmada river. After Pooja and darshan, Return back to Indore. Dinner at Restaurant and transfer to Railway station to board the overnight train to Ahmedabad.

Day 09 Ahmedabad Arrival (B, D): Arrival Ahmedabad in the morning, Pickup and transfer to hotel. Rest day free for leisure / shopping activities Check-in at hotel. Dinner and Overnight stay will be at Ahmedabad.

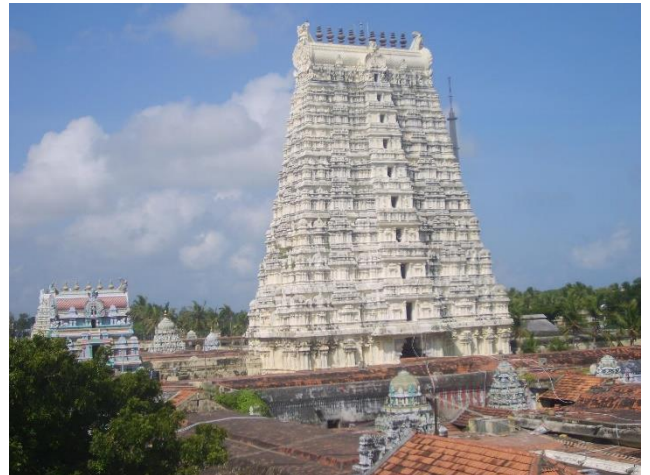
Day 10 Ahmedabad – Dwarka (B, D): After breakfast proceed to Dwarka. Dwarka is one of the foremost Chardhams, four sacred Hindu pilgrimage sites, and is one of the Sapta Puri, the seven most ancient religious cities in the country. Dwarka is often identified with the Dwarka Kingdom, the ancient kingdom of Krishna, and is believed to have been the first capital of Gujarat. On arrival check – in to hotel. Dinner and overnight stay will be at Dwarka Hotel.

Day 11 Dwarka – Nageshwar (Sixth Jyotirling) - Bet

Dwarka – Somnath (B, D): Early morning we will go Dwarkadhish temple, Dwarkadhish Temple, the main temple at Dwarka, situated on Gomti creek, is known as jagat mandir (universal shrine) or trilok sundar (the most beautiful in all the three worlds). Originally believed to be built by Vajranabh, the great grandson of Lord Krishna, more than 2500 years ago, it is a glorious structure seeming to rise from the waters of the Arabian Sea. Its exquisitely carved shikhar, reaching 43 m high and the huge flag made from 52 yards of cloth, can be seen from as far away as 10 km. There are two gateways: swarga dwar (gate to the heavens), where pilgrims enter, and moksha dwar (gate to liberation), where pilgrims exit. Then back to hotel, breakfast at hotel and check – out from the hotel and drive to Nageshwar (Jyothirling), Nageshwar Located on the route between Dwarka city and Bet Dwarka Island on the coast of Saurashtra in Gujarat is this important Lord Shiva Temple. It is enshrined by one of the 12 swayambhu (self-existent) jyothirlingas in the world, in an underground sanctum. A 25 m tall statue of a sitting Lord Shiva. After Pooja and darshan of Nageshwar temple proceed to Bet Dwarka. Bet Dwarka: Bet Dwarka, also known as Bet Shankhodhar, is a small island and was the main port in the region before the development of Okha. Dwarka as the original abode of Lord Krishna. In order to get there from Dwarka, one might need to first get to Okha port jetty. On the way visit Rukmani temple. Later drive to Somnath. On arrival at Somnath Check – in to the hotel. Dinner & overnight stay will be at Somnath.



Day 12 Somnath (Seventh Jyotirling) – Ahmedabad (B, D): Early morning visit and attend somnath temple arti. Somnath (Jyothirlinga), at Somnath Patan, near Veraval in Gujarat is a pilgrimage center held in great reverence throughout India. Somnath is situated on the south coast of Saurashtra. In the Shivapurana and the Nandi Upapurana, Lord Shiva is quoted as saying, 'I am omnipresent, but I am especially in twelve forms and places.' These places are known as jyotirlingas, and Somnath is the first to be found in the world. Around the linga the moon god Soma built a mythical temple of gold as an ode to Lord Shiva's glory and compassion. Like the waxing and waning moon, and fittingly for a place associated with Lord Shiva's cosmic dance of creative destruction, the Somnath temple has risen unflinching from repeated acts of devastation. After darshan and Pooja back in Hotel, Check – out from the hotel and drive to Ahmedabad. On the way we will stop at Virpur and visit Jalaram Mandir, JALARAM MADIR in Virpur (if temple is open). Virpur is a small village, It is situated on National Highway No. 8b. This village had become holy after the birth of Shri Jalaram Bapa. It had become famous now all over the world due to events that had taken place in the life of Shri Jalaram Bapa. After darsan continue journey to Ahmedabad. Arrival at Ahmedabad in the evening. Check-in at hotel. Overnight stay in Ahmedabad.



Day 13 Ahmedabad - Madurai via Chennai (By Flight)

(B, D): Depart to Ahmedabad airport for flight to Madurai via Chennai. Arrival at the airport, check in at the hotel. Evening we will visit Meenakshi Temple. The city got its name from the drops of nectar (Mathuram) that fell from Shiva's locks when he came to bless its people for constructing a temple for him, City tour begins with a visit to the Sri Meenakshi Sundareshwara temple with its towering gopurams and rare sculptures. Admire The highest point of the temple the hall of 1000 pillars built around 1560 BC, touch the sculpted pillars depicting the story of the beautiful princess of Madurai and her marriage to Lord Shiva. Evening watch the Pooja ceremony in Meenakshi Temple, back to hotel. Dinner and Overnight in Madurai.



Day 14 Madurai – Rameshwaram (Eighth Jyotirling) –

Madurai (B, D): Early morning after breakfast drive to Rameshwaram. On arrival Rameshwaram, proceed to Ramanathaswamy Temple (Jyothirling), the temple is considered one of the four destinations covered in Real Char Dham Pilgrimage. There are 22 holy springs in the temple premises which are believed to have medicinal effect Rameshwaram is one of the most significant pilgrimage centres in South India for both Shaivites (Shiv followers) and Vaishnavites (Vishnu Followers). It was here that Rama offered thanks to Shiva. After Pooja and darsan drive back to Madurai. Dinner and Overnight in Madurai.

Day 15 Madurai - Chennai (By Flight) Tirupati (B, D): Today morning board the flight to Chennai for and from Chennai drive to Tirupati, On arrival at Tirupati check -in to pre-booked hotel. Evening will proceed the Padmavati Mata Temple is situated at a comparatively close-by distance of 5 KM. The temple is devoted to the Goddess Padmavathi, the consort of Sri Venkateswara Swamy. Here the Goddess prevails at the glory of the marriage attire of being united to Sri Venkateswara Swamy. This temple is also manifested in the significance of femininity in the Hindu tradition. It is also a shrine of love between the Lord Mahavishu and Goddess Lakshmi. The temple city of Tirupati, is known for its many temples and compelling architecture. After darsan drive back to Hotel for dinner and overnight stay.



Day 16 Tirupati (B, D): After morning breakfast drive to Sri Venkateswara Swamy Temple (The temple is also known by other names like Tirumala Temple, Tirupati Temple) is a landmark Vaishnavite temple situated in the hill town of Tirumala at Tirupati in Chittoor district of Andhra Pradesh, India. The Temple is dedicated to Lord Venkateswara, an incarnation of Vishnu, who is believed to have appeared here to save mankind from trials and troubles of Kali Yuga. Hence the place has also got the name Kaliyuga Vaikuntham and Lord here is referred to as Kaliyuga Prathyaksha Daivam. Venkateswara is known by many other names: Balaji, Orinda, and Srinivasa. After darsan drive back to Tirupati. Dinner and overnight will be in Tirupati.



Day 17 Tirupati - Srisailem (Ninth Jyotirling) (B, D): After morning breakfast drive to Srisailem. On arrival check – in to hotel. After a freshen up proceed for darsan of Mallikarjuna Jyotilinga: The shrine of Lord Mallikarjuna picturesquely situated on a flat top of Nallamalai Hills, Srisailem is reputed to be one of the most ancient kshetras in India. It is on the right side of the River Krishna in Kurnool District of Andhra Pradesh. This celebrated mountain is also named as Siridhan, Srigiri, Sriparvatha and Srinagam. It has been a popular centre of Saivite pilgrimage for centuries. The presiding Deities of this kshetram Lord Mallikarjuna Swamy is one of the twelve Jyothirlingas and Goddess Bhramaramba Devi is one of the eighteen Mahasakthis and both are self-manifested. The unique feature of this kshetram is the combination of Jyothirlingam and Mahasakthi in one campus, which is very rare and only one of its kind. This is one of the greatest Saivite shrines in India and it constitutes one of the 12 Jyotirlingam shrines of Shiva. The presiding deities here are Mallikarjuna (Shiva) and Bhramaramba (Devi). Overnight in Srisailem.

Day 18 Srisailem – Hyderabad (B, D): After breakfast drive to Hyderabad. Hyderabad: Hyderabad is the capital of southern India's Telangana state. A major center for the technology industry, it's

home to many upscale restaurants and shops. It's a former diamond-trading center that was once the Qutb Shahi dynastic capital. The Charminar, a 16th-century mosque whose 4 arches support towering minarets, is an old city landmark near the long-standing Laad Bazaar. Upon arrival transfer to the Hotel. Overnight in Hyderabad.

Day 19 Hyderabad - Patna (By Flight), Patna Sightseeing (B, D): Early morning, transfer to Hyderabad airport to board the flight to Patna. Arrival, Pickup and proceed for Patna sightseeing. Visit Shri Patna Sahib Gurudwara. Later transfer to hotel. Check-in at hotel. Dinner & Overnight stay.

Day 20 Patna - Deoghar (B, D): After breakfast, check-out from hotel. Proceed to Deoghar. Arrival at Deoghar. Check-in at hotel. Dinner & Overnight stay.

Day 21 Deoghar (Tenth Jyotirling) - Varanasi (Overnight Train) (B, D): After breakfast, visit Baba Baidyanath (Jyotirling): Baidyanath Jyotirlinga temple, also known as Baba Baidyanath dham and Baidyanath dham is one of the twelve Jyotirlingas, the most sacred abodes of Shiva. It is located in Deoghar in the Santhal Parganas division of the state of Jharkhand, India. It is a temple complex consisting of the main temple of Baba Baidyanath, where the Jyotirlinga is installed, and 21 other temples. Evening after dinner, transfer to Station to board overnight train to Varanasi.

Day 22 Varanasi Arrival (Eleventh Jyotirlinga) (B, D): On arrival at Varanasi railway station, transfer to hotel. Breakfast at hotel and check –in to the hotel. Afternoon you will proceed to Varanasi sightseeing, visit some of the holy temples of the city which encapsulates the ambiance and the spirit of the city. The Durga Temple, better known as the 'monkey temple' on account of the large number of monkeys residing there (only Hindus can enter the inner sanctum.) and the Temple of Vishwanath (or Visheshwar, Lord of the Universe, popularly known as the Golden Temple), This Jyotirlingam is one of the twelve jyotirlingams of India. If time permits before returning to the hotel visit some of the silk brocade and weaving centers - a specialty of Varanasi. Overnight in Varanasi.

Day 23 Varanasi – Delhi (Flight) – Haridwar: After breakfast, check-out from hotel and proceed to Varanasi airport for flight to Delhi. Arrival at Delhi airport, pickup and proceed to Haridwar. At evening enjoy Ganga Aarti at Har – Ki - Paudi. O/N at Haridwar

Day 24 Haridwar – Guptakashi : After breakfast, check-out from hotel and proceed to Guptkashi. Guptkashi, The name was given to the place as it is said to be the hiding place of Lord shiva when he was unwilling to give darshan to pandavs. 46 Kms Off Kedarnath, Guptakashi is the shrine at a height of 1319 mtrs.

Day 25 Guptakashi – Kedarnath (Twelvth Jyotirlinga) : Today morning we drive to Gaurikund (32kms by road & 14kms



Trek), from where we trek to Kedarnath (3584 mts) for which ponies, dandies and kandies are available. Amidst the dramatic mountanscapes of the majestic Kedarnath Range stands one of the twelve “Jyotirlingas” of Kadar ji or Lord Shiva. At an altitude of 3584 Mts. and on the head of river Mandakini, the shrine of Kedarnath is amongst the holiest pilgrimages for the Hindus. Stay at Kedarnath.

Day 26 Kedarnath – Rudraprayag (75 Kms / 3 hrs) : Early morning, we trek down back to Gaurikund. From Gaurikund we drive down to Rudraprayag. Check-in at hotel / tents. Dinner & Overnight stay.

Day 27 Rudraprayag – Rishikesh: After breakfast, check-out from hotel and proceed to Rishikesh. Visit Ram Jhula, Lakshman Jhula (if Time Permits). Attend one of the most beautiful religious ceremony, an evening aarti at the Triveni Ghat. Overnight stay.

Day 28 Rishikesh – Delhi: After breakfast, check-out from hotel and proceed to Delhi. Arrival, check-in at hotel. Overnight stay.

Day 29 Delhi-London (B): After breakfast, check-out and transfer to airport for flight back to London.

Package Includes:	Package Does Not Include:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ International Economy class Return Air ticket ✓ Economy class Domestic Flight Tickets (Ahmedabad to Madurai (Via Flight), Madurai to Chennai, Hyderabad to Patna / Varanasi to Delhi) – 20 kg + Hand Luggage ✓ Accommodation in 3 Star hotel in standard room on twin / double sharing basis (3* hotel wherever available, else best available (Guest House) option will be provided. ✓ Daily (B) Breakfast at hotel (Packed breakfast may be given when departing early from hotel or Train journeys) ✓ (D) Dinner at Hotel OR Outside Restaurant ✓ 1 litre Bottle of Water per person per day during vehicle journey 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Visa fee ✗ Travel insurance ✗ Lunches / Any meals not mentioned ✗ Expenses of personal nature like laundry, telephone bills, drinks, laundry etc. ✗ Helicopter ticket for Kedarnath ✗ Doli / Pony charges ✗ Any type of Portorage ✗ Porter charges during Train journeys ✗ Any items not mentioned ✗ Any entrance fees / Monument charges / Camera Fees / Locker charges ✗ Expenses caused by factors beyond our control like rail and flight delays, roadblocks, vehicle mal-functions,

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Services of Tour Manager (minimum 20 passengers only, local assistance will be provided) ✓ A/c Train tickets as per Itinerary (3 tier OR Chair Car) ✓ All transfers by Private A/c Vehicle Basis ✓ Tips 	<p>political disturbances, weather conditions etc.</p> <p>✗ Single Room supplement: £ 875</p>
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