






SEA & SPICE INDIA

An Adventure with Sudhakar S Selwyn
Jan- Feb -2024

<u>Base Trip</u>		<u>Hotels</u>
18 Nights 27 Jan to 16 Feb 2024		
Bangalore	2 Nights	Vivanta by Taj
Kabini	2 Nights	Jungle Lodges & Resorts
Mangalore	2 Nights	Vivanta by Taj
Go Karna	2 Nights	Stone wood Resorts
Goa	2 Nights	Kharvi Abode Betul Goa
Malvan	2 Nights	River Coast Resort
Ratnagiri	2 Nights	Kohinoor Samudra Beach Resort
Alibaugh	2 Nights	Alibaugh Resorts
Mumbai	2 Nights	Taj Palace and Towers

Unique Features of this Adventure

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Single Supplement (Only 3 rooms) Only 7 Travellers for this trip Unique Hotels and Lodges in every destination Taj palace and Towers in Mumbai | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Routes less travelled Day in Fisherman's life Jeep Safari in the National park Fishing with fisherman in the coast Introduction to yoga and ayurveda | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heritage walk in Goa Spice plantation visit Exclusive Beach Fisherman Home Visit Unique Fish auctions Local coastal cuisine |
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INCLUSIONS

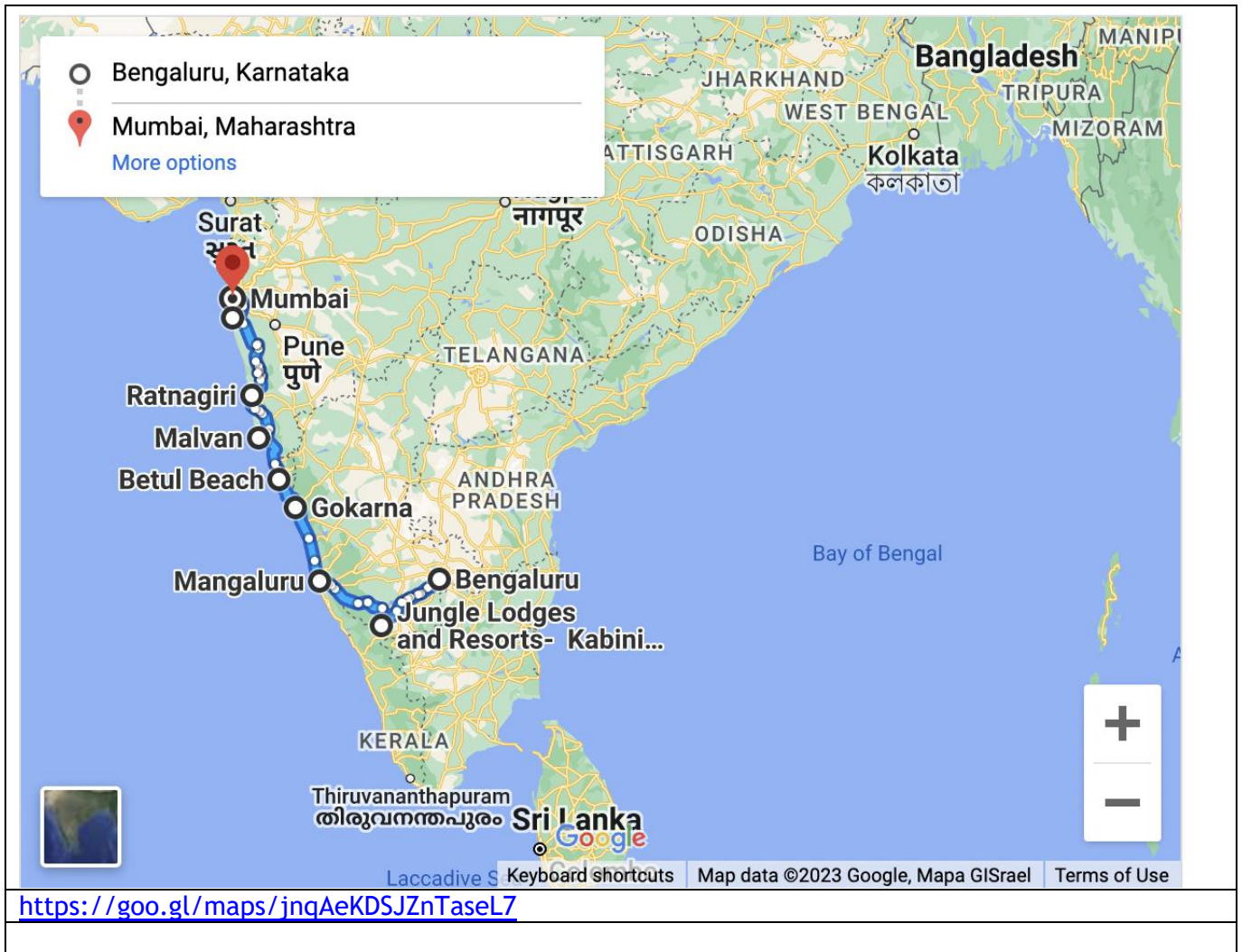
- Twin /Single Bedded Rooms
- All meals as per the Program
- Domestic air tickets
- All entrance fees
- All the local Guide Fees
- Services of Tour Leader
- All Airport transfers
- Bottled water, soda and soft drinks
- Gratuities for Porters, Meals & miscellaneous

Exclusions

1. International Airfare
2. Health and Trip Insurance
3. Visa Fees
4. Gratuities of House Keeping, Guides, Driver, Tour Leader

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Dates	Place	Activity	Hotel
Day 1 29 Jan Monday	Bengaluru	<p>Arrival transfer to Hotel in Bengaluru City</p> <p>Bengaluru (also called Bangalore) is the capital of India's southern Karnataka state. The center of India's high-tech industry, the city is also known for its parks and nightlife. Former royal residences include 19th-century Bangalore Palace, modeled after England's Windsor Castle, and Tippu Sultan's Summer Palace, an 18th-century teak structure</p> <p>From the late 20th century, the city became a center of high-technology industry (notably ICT), and several large multinational technology corporations opened offices there. On arrival, you will be transferred to the Hotel and the rest of the day is free. No Meals are included for this day</p> <p>https://www.vivantahotels.com/en-in/vivanta-bengaluru-residency-road/?utm_source=google&utm_medium=local&utm_campaign=vivanta_bengaluru_residency_road&utm_content=vivanta_bengaluru_residency_road_gmb</p>	Vivanta by Taj
Day 2 30 Jan Tuesday	Bengaluru	<p>Today, we explore the Old Bengaluru city and explore the Tippu Palace</p> <p>We will have lunch in a local restaurant.</p> <p>In the afternoon, we will set in for a walk in the Botanical Garden.</p> <p>We will have our welcome Dinner together today.</p>	Vivanta by Taj

Day 3 31 Jan Wednesday	Kabini	This morning we board a fast train to reach Mysore station and we will be transferred by Cars to the Kabini National Park. On arrival, we check in and have lunch. After lunch we will go on a boat safari in the National Park. All meals will be served in the Jungle lodges	Jungle Lodges & Resorts
Day 4 01 Feb Thursday	Kabini	Kabini forest reserve is one of the best wildlife destinations in Karnataka mainly because of its accessibility, rich green vegetation, water body and possibility of the animal spotting like herds of Elephants, Jaguar, Tiger, and Black Leopard. An eighty km drive from Mysore or 205 kms drive from Bengaluru makes the accessibility much easier for people from Karnataka and people from Kerala can reach through Wayanad the origin land of Kabini River. The connection of south-eastern part of Nagarhole National Park gives more chances for animal spotting during summer. On the banks of Kabini Reservoir we could find 55 acres of forest land, steep valleys, and other water bodies. In ancient period Kabini was the hunting spot for Mysore Maharaja, British viceroys, and Indian Royalties. Kabini is surrounded by Nagarhole wildlife sanctuary and connected to several other lands like Tholpetty Wildlife Sanctuary, Kuruva Island, Sagar Dam and Wayanad. This morning and afternoon there is optional game drive by Jeeps available. During the day we explore the nearby school to understand the education system of India.	Jungle Lodges & Resorts
Day 5 02 Feb Friday	Mangalore	In the morning after breakfast, we set for a wonderful drive through the mountains and valleys to reach the west coast port city of Mangalore. It lies on the backwaters formed by the Netravati and Gurpur rivers. Enroute, we stop for the lunch and reach our hotel early afternoon. Rest of the day to relax and walk in the beach for sunset. We will have dinner together.	Vivanta by Taj B, L, D
Day 6 03 Feb Saturday	Mangalore	We will be visiting famous, historical temples and churches in the city. Most of these places are in the older part of the city. For lunch, we will taste the Mangalore special coastal food. Then, a special experience will wait you with a visit to a classical dance school where you can learn and practice some basic dance steps At the end, we will visit a beach and view the sunset We will have local restaurant lunch and then in the evening we will have dinner in a specialty restaurant.	Vivanta by Taj B, L, D
Day 7 04 Feb Sunday	GoKarna	Our journey exploring the spice trade which flourished on the western coast of India begins from here. We start driving towards north all along the west coast till the end of our adventure. Our next stop today will be at GoKarna, a religious and spiritual site. A popular pilgrimage destination for Hindus, it's known for sacred sites like Mahabaleshwar Temple, which has a shrine dedicated to the deity Shiva. Nearby, Koti Teertha is a temple tank where devotees wash in the holy waters. We will stop for lunch enroute. After a three-hour bus ride, we reach our destination and check in to our hotel. Later in the afternoon, we spend time on the beach. Dinner in our Hotel restaurant	Stone wood Resorts B, L, D
Day 8 05 Feb Monday	GoKarna	This morning, after our breakfast, we set in for a hike in the mountains to have a beautiful view of the landscape and indulge in learning about the nature.	Stone wood Resorts

		Later, in the afternoon, we explore the shiva temple. Our dinner today will be the hotel restaurant.	B, L, D
Day 9 06 Feb Tuesday	Goa	Sandy beaches, estuaries, and promontories characterize the 65-mile (105-km) coastline of mainland Goa. In the interior region, low, forested plateaus merge with the wooded slopes of the Western Ghats, which rise to nearly 4,000 feet (1,220 meters) on the eastern edge of the state. The two largest rivers are the Mandavi and the Zuvari, between the mouths of which lies the island of Goa (Ilhas). The island is triangular, the apex (called the cape) being a rocky headland separating the harbor of Goa into two anchorages. On arrival we check into a Heritage Home and experience a Goan lifestyle.	Kharvi Abode Betul B, L, D
Day 10 07 Feb Wednesday	Goa	In 1510, the defeat of the ruling Sultan and the return of Albuquerque heralded the advent of Portuguese rule in Goa. They entered in the form of huge fleets and made Velha their permanent settlement. The capital was shifted to Panaji afterward. The Portuguese had kept Goa under their thumb for 4 centuries. We explore heritage city of Madagon and the fish market.	Kharvi Abode Betul B, L
Day 11 08 Feb Thursday	Malvan	This morning, we drive to Panaji, the capital city of Goa and explore the Basilica of Bom Jesus. Later after our lunch break in a local restaurant, we leave for yet another coastal town, Malvan, which also played a big role the spice route of the west coast. Malvan (also written as Malwan) is a town and taluka in Sindhudurg District, the southernmost district of Maharashtra State, India, well known for the historically important Sindhudurg Fort. The main occupation here is fishing and agriculture. The staple diet of the local people is fish curry and rice. The town produces Alphonso mangoes. On our arrival, we check into the best available Hotel and rest of the day to explore the fishing villages of Malvan	The Windmill Resorts Or River Coast Resort B, L, D
Day 12 09 Feb Friday	Malvan	This morning, we will join the local fishing community and learn about their local fishing expertise. We will also have lunch with the local family. Later in the afternoon, we explore the important and strong fort, which has seen many great explorers and traders on the west coast. In the evening return to our Hotel for sunset and Dinner	The Windmill Resorts B, L, D
Day 13 10 Feb Saturday	Ratnagiri	We continue our exploration on the west coast, after breakfast, further north to Ratnagiri. We drive approximately five hours today. Ratnagiri is a port town in Maharashtra, western India. Overlooking the Arabian Sea, Ratnadurg Fort has the Bhagwati temple and a lighthouse. Northeast, a fish museum and aquarium includes turtles and a whale skeleton. Thibaw Palace was the residence of the exiled king of Burma. North of the city, Ganpatipule Temple is dedicated to Lord Ganesh. Northeast, Koyna Wildlife Sanctuary is a forested area sheltering tigers. We will stop enroute for our lunch in a local restaurant. Later on arrival and we check into the hotel and rest of the day free for our activites on the beach and a look onto the Arabian sea for the sun set.	Kohinoor Samudra Beach Resort
Day 14 11 Feb Sunday	Ratnagiri	We get opportunity to join a fisherman on his boat for a fishing experience. We later join in his home to learn about his family and have lunch with them. In the afternoon we explore the Ratnagiri Fort.	Kohinoor Samudra Beach Resort

Day 15 12 Feb Monday	Alibaug	Today is the longest day of the trip on the road. We will be driving approximately 10 hours with couple of stops. We arrive in a beautiful town on the coast of Arabian sea, almost close to Mumbai. Most of the upper and elite class of Mumbai have either their Ranches built or spend their weekends here. There are ferries available across the bay in Mumbai, which allows quick commuting. Later we check in and relax on the beach and have dinner together with our sundowners.	Alibaug Resorts
Day 16 13 Feb Tuesday	Alibaug	Today we explore the town of Alibaug with an impressive fort with the backdrop of Arabian sea. This fort played a major role in controlling the Spice trading in the west coast. Just offshore, 17th-century Kolaba Fort has carvings of tigers and elephants, and temples dedicated to Hindu gods. To the south, Portuguese-built Korlai Fort dates from 1521 and includes a lighthouse. The island fort of Janjira has high walls, turrets and cannons.	Alibaug Resorts
Day 17 14 Feb Wednesday	Mumbai	Today, after our breakfast, we get into the ferry to reach the shore of Mumbai and check into our favorite Hotel, Taj Palace, and Towers In the afternoon, we explore the Colaba market area and look for some treasures. We will join for our farewell dinner in a Favorite Indian Restaurant	Taj Palace and Towers
Day 18 15 Feb Thursday	Mumbai	We have opportunity today to visit some of the highlights of Mumbai and take it easy. There will be an optional Trip available to the Elephanta Island.	Taj Palace and Towers
Day 19 16 Feb Friday	Mumbai	Departure Transfer to airport today. Our rooms will be available till noon today.	

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