

GENERAL CULTURE TOUR (BEST SELLER)



Our private Bangalore tours are customized with YOU in mind. with a Culture Ambassador and Chauffeured car at service, you are exclusively guided through the city, with conversations and sensitivity to your (possibly) changing moods, interests and curiosities. Our off the beaten path tours take you beyond the guide book to give you access to experiences like home dining with a local family, an up close and personal view into the varieties of local people's lifestyles, they enhance your social awareness, and provide you with a firsthand experience of well preserved but hard to stumble upon sub cultures in a city of ten million.

You will be amazed at how good our culture ambassadors are at gauging your interests, making an on-the-spot program, and improvising along the way. That's right, you don't need to plan in too much detail ahead of time. The more careless abandon you come with the more happy you'll find yourself as the tour unfolds.

We offer these tours in 4 hour, 6 hour and 8 hour capsules. Please click on the Sample program tab to see details of how our tours are planned, according to your preferred duration of tour):

8 Hours (adults) Program:

Suggested start time: 9 am

Suggested end time: 5 pm

Suggested program:

- Start with Breakfast at a Snake Temple.
- Walk through old alleyways and explore what goes on in them: some art, some craft, some tradition, some religion.
- Gossip with locals over tea or coffee at a local, old cafe.
- Go trigger happy with your camera in the colourful farmer's market: wholesale flowers, fruit, vegetables, spices. A treat to all your senses!
- Historical drive through the city's old roads and parliament area and some monuments.
- Visit Bangalore's oldest church.
- Walk through a scrap market behind it where dubious car parts are sold.
- Lunch in a traditional Karnataka tasting room.
- Visit a Kali temple, set in the heart of a Hindu cemetery.
- Witness life in a washerman's village where people do laundry traditionally, on stone, for a living.
- Visit a Sikh temple and understand a little about India's youngest religion.
- End tour with a beer at one of the city's hot spots.

POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVES

- Meditation at a spiritual center, and a glimpse into spirituality vs religion.
- Visit a slum where powerful empowerment initiatives show promise in helping change the lives of the poor resident women.
- Visit a potter's village and see how the clay workers live and work with their craft and community.

6 Hours (adults) Program:

Suggested start time: 9 am

Suggested end time: 3 pm

Suggested program:

- Start with Breakfast at a Snake Temple.
- Walk through old alleyways and explore what goes on in them: some art, some craft, some tradition, some religion.
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4 Hours (adults) Program:

Suggested start time: 9 am

Suggested end time: 1 pm

Suggested program:

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Fees & Costs

ADULT FEES:

(for 13 years old and over, per head)

8 hour tour

- 1 guest: 10500
- 2 guest: 5250 each
- 3 guest: 4250 each
- 4 guest: 3500 each
- 5 guest or more: 3000 each

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- 1 guest: 8500
- 2 guest: 4250 each
- 3 guest: 3500 each
- 4 guest: 3000 each
- 5 guest or more: 2500 each

4 hour tour

- 1 guest: 7000
- 2 guest: 3500 each
- 3 guest: 3000 each
- 4 guest: 2500 each

Note: Accompanying officials including bodyguards, are charged the same way as tourists.

KIDS FEES (0 to 12 years): Free (but kids must be accompanied by at least one adult)

- **Included in fee:** GUIDANCE BY A CULTURE RINGS CULTURE AMBASSADOR and REFRESHMENT BASKET in the car.
- **Not included in fee:** TAX, CAR with driver, Hotel pick ups, LUNCH, BREAKFAST, PERSONAL EXPENSES

EXTRAS IN DETAIL

- **18% GST tax**
- **Tour Car:** We need a car and driver to accompany us throughout the duration of the tour. Bring your own, or pay 2000 extra overall + 18% TAX for group size 5 and under, if your group is bigger than 5 people but less than 12 people, a luxury 10 seater van costs 10000 rupees for a full day tour, and a regular tempo traveller basic costs 3750 rupees for a full day tour. For bigger groups 12 people upwards please write to us.
- **Hotel pick up and drop back:** If we are using our car, our pick up for guests within 3km from MG road is free. Beyond that is chargeable at 13 INR per km + 150 per hour extra driving.
- **Lunch:** 750 rupees per person plus you pay 750 for guide, Kids at half price if they are over 5. Less than 5 free.
- **Breakfast:** 200 INR per person plus 200 INR for guide. Kids 5 to 12 years at half price if they are over 5. Less than 5 free.
- **Personal Expenses:** In case you choose to buy things along the way, you are encouraged to spend your own cash so that reimbursements aren't invoiced to you with added taxes. Otherwise please let us know in advance if you would like us to pick up any bills along the way and invoice them to you in the end.