



“South Temple Tours”

DESTINATION: CHENNAI – MAHABALIPURAM – KANCHIPURAM – TANJORE – MADURAI

DAY WISE ITINERARY:

Day 01: Arrival Chennai

A representative from INDIAN JOURNEY will meet you at you arrival and transfer to hotel.

Overnight at hotel.

Day 02: Chennai – Mahabalipuram

Breakfast at hotel, drive to Mahabalipuram, on arrival check into hotel.

Mamallapuram, or Mahabalipuram, is a town on a strip of land between the Bay of Bengal and the Great Salt Lake, in the south Indian state of Tamil Nadu. It's known for its temples and monuments built by the Pallava dynasty in the 7th and 8th centuries. The seafront Shore Temple comprises 3 ornate granite shrines. Krishna's Butter Ball is a massive boulder balanced on a small hill near the Ganesha Ratha stone temple.

Overnight at hotel.

Day 03: Mahabaliuram – Kanchipuram – Mahabalipuram

After breakfast drive to Kanchipuram

Kanchipuram is one of India's seven sacred cities and one of its loveliest temple towns also known for its handloom silks, followed by visit to temples Kailasnathar, Vaikuntaperumal, Ekambareshwara, Kamakshamma and Sakiswarar. We visit Kailasanatha Temple. The temple is famous for exquisite carvings & attracts devotees & tourists alike. There are 58 small shrines situated around the main shrine, as a compound wall. Next we visit Ekambaranatha, ancient temple is dedicated to lord Shiva. The 3000 year old mango tree inside the temple has 4 branches each yielding different variety of mangoes. Before returning to Mahabalipuram we will also visit Kamakshi Amman Temple, known as Parabrahmaroonpini. You can do shopping of silk cloth market and weavers homes.

Later return to Mahabalipuram for overnight stay.

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Day 04: Mahabalipuram - Tanjore (300 Km - 06 Hrs)

Breakfast at hotel, proceed for Tanjore.

Tanjore, called the Rice Bowl of Tamil Nadu. Later we visit Brihadeshwara temple, also known as Big Temple, Built in the 10th Century A.D., by Raja "Raja Chola", the Temple Tower is capped by an 81.3 tones round monolithic cupola. The temple is considered an engineering skill of the Chola architects who planned its construction in such a way that the shadow of the cupola never falls on the ground.

Overnight at hotel.

Day 05: Tanjore - Madurai Via Trichy (200 Km - 04 Hrs)

After breakfast at hotel, drive for Madurai, rich cultural heritage passed for more than 2500 years old & has been an important commercial centre as early as 550 AD. Madurai is one of the oldest cities of India, with a history dating all the way back to the Sangam period of the pre Christian era. Madurai where the people wake up at the chant of hymns is proud of magnificent 'The Meenakshi-Sundareswara Temple. Of its 12 gopurams, four of the tallest stand at the outer walls of the temple. Later we visit Rockfort most famed landmark is an 83 m high rock which is the only outcrop in the otherwise flat land of the city. The most amazing fact about the rock is that it is one of the oldest in the world approximately 3,800 million years, which makes it as old as the rocks of Greenland & older than the Himalayas.

Overnight at hotel.

Day 06: Madurai

In the morning after breakfast you have an opportunity to take a Half Day Tour to Meenakshi Sundareshwar. It was first built 2000 years ago & was substantially expanded between the years (1623-55 AD). Initially there was only the Shiva temple. A striking feature of the temple is the astonishing structure known as Ayiramkaal mandapam or the Hall of a thousand pillars in the outermost corridor.

Overnight at hotel.



Day07: Depart Madurai

Transfer to airport, fly to your onward destination.

Services End
Thank you for travelling with us