

Hampi Gokarna Backpacking Trip

5 nights, 4 days

Overview

Hampi Gokarna Backpacking Trip: History, Beaches & Adventure

Embark on an unforgettable journey from Mumbai, Pune, or Bangalore to the wonders of Hampi, Gokarna, Yana Caves, and Murudeshwar. This 5-day adventure combines history, nature, spirituality, and thrilling experiences, making it perfect for solo travelers, friends, and female adventurers alike.

Your journey begins with an evening departure, where you'll meet fellow travelers, enjoy the road trip vibes, and get ready for a weekend full of exploration and fun. Overnight travel takes you straight to Hampi, the ancient capital of the Vijayanagara Empire, a UNESCO World Heritage Site renowned for its striking ruins, giant boulders, and temple architecture.

Wake up to a full day of adventure in Hampi's Hippie Island. Glide across the Tungabhadra River on a coracle ride, take the leap with cliff jumping at Sanapur Lake, and explore the sacred Sri Chintamani Temple and the historic Anegundi Village. End the day with a scenic sunset trek to Anjanadri Hill, the legendary birthplace of Lord Hanuman, and bond with your group over dinner and stargazing under Hampi's open skies.

On Day 3, explore South Hampi's heritage gems — Vittala Temple, Virupaksha Temple, Lotus Mahal, Elephant Stables, Queen's Bath, and the vibrant Hampi Bazaar. Capture stunning photographs, marvel at intricate carvings, and soak in centuries of history before traveling overnight towards the serene coastlines of Murudeshwar and Gokarna.

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Day 4 is a perfect blend of adventure and relaxation. Visit the towering Murudeshwar Temple and Shiva Statue, enjoy Honnavar backwater boating, stroll along the Mangrove Boardwalk, and unwind at Om Beach or Kudle Beach in Gokarna as the sun sets over the Arabian Sea. Along the way, you'll meet fellow travelers, enjoy group activities, and experience the welcoming, safe, and female-friendly vibe of the trip.

Day 5 brings you back to Mumbai or Pune, carrying memories of ancient temples, thrilling adventures, tranquil beaches, and the camaraderie of a like-minded travel community.

Note: Activities like coracle rides, cliff jumping, and boating are unavailable during the monsoon season.

This trip is perfect for history lovers, beach enthusiasts, solo travelers, and adventure seekers looking to experience the best of Hampi, Gokarna, Murudeshwar, and Yana Caves in one seamless journey.

Hampi – Gokarna – Murudeshwar Trip Quick Itinerary

Day 1: Mumbai/Pune → Hampi

Depart in the evening for an overnight journey filled with fun, music, and travel vibes. Get ready to explore the ancient wonderland of Hampi!

Day 2: Discover the Hidden Side of Hampi

Visit **Sri Chintamani Temple**, enjoy **cliff jumping at Sanapur Lake**, and experience a thrilling **coracle ride** on the Tungabhadra River. End your day with a magical **sunset at Anjanadri Hill**, said to be Hanuman's birthplace.

Day 3: Explore the Ancient Ruins of Hampi

Step back in time as you explore the **Vittala Temple**, **Virupaksha Temple**, **Lotus Mahal**, **Elephant Stables**, **Queen's Bath**, and **Hampi Bazaar**. Witness the grandeur of the Vijayanagara Empire before departing for Murudeshwar at night.

Day 4: Murudeshwar – Gokarna Bliss

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Visit the iconic **Murudeshwar Temple** and the **2nd tallest Shiva statue** rising from the Arabian Sea. Enjoy **Honnavar backwater boating**, stroll along the **Mangrove Boardwalk**, and relax at **Om or Kudle Beach** in Gokarna for a breathtaking sunset.

Day 5: Return Journey

Arrive back in **Mumbai/Pune** with memories of temples, beaches, and adventures that will stay with you forever!

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Hampi Gokarna Trip Pricing

- **Hospet to Gokarna:** ₹7,999 per person
- **Pune via Tempo Traveller:** ₹9,999 per person
- **Mumbai via Tempo Traveller:** ₹10,999 per person
- **Mumbai & Pune via AC Sleeper Volvo:** ₹13,999 per person *(Highly Recommended)*
- **Bangalore via AC Sleeper Volvo:** ₹10,999 per person

Add-On:

- Couple Room: ₹1,500 per couple

Booking & Payment

- Book your seat with just ₹5,000 upfront.
- Remaining payment to be made 15 days before the trip.

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- Extra charges: For long weekends and festival dates, an additional ₹1,000 per person applies.

Hampi–Gokarna Trip Highlights

- Glide across the Tungabhadra River on a coracle ride and feel the adrenaline with cliff jumping adventures.
- Drive through lush green rice fields and enjoy the laid-back countryside charm.
- Explore UNESCO World Heritage Sites that tell stories of the glorious Vijayanagara Empire
- Seek blessings at the majestic Virupaksha Temple, an ancient marvel still alive with devotion.
- Witness the awe-inspiring Murudeshwar Temple rising dramatically beside the Arabian Sea.
- Be amazed by one of the world's tallest gopurams — a true architectural wonder.
- Trek through the mystical Yana Caves, nature's masterpiece hidden in the Western Ghats.
- Unwind on the pristine beaches of Gokarna — golden sands, blue waves, and relaxed café vibes.

Hampi – Gokarna – Murudeshwar Trip Itinerary

Day 1: Departure from Mumbai and Pune

Get ready to begin your Hampi–Gokarna adventure!

Board your bus from the nearest pickup point.

Mumbai Pickups (Connecting Bus to Pune):

- 02:00 PM – Borivali (West)
- 03:00 PM – Andheri (East)

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- 04:00 PM – Sion
- 04:30 PM – Vashi Plaza
- 05:00 PM – Kalamboli

Pune Departure (Main Group Departure):

- 08:00 PM – Wakad Bridge
- 09:00 PM – Deccan Bus Stop (JM Road)
- 09:30 PM – Hadapsar

Overnight journey to **Hampi**, the UNESCO World Heritage Site famous for its ancient ruins and temple architecture.

Day 2: Explore Hippie Island – North Hampi

Wake up in the magical landscapes of **Hampi**!

After breakfast, dive into adventure and history as we explore **Hippie Island (North Hampi)**.

Highlights:

- Enjoy a **Coracle Ride** on the Tungabhadra River
- Try **Cliff Jumping** for an adrenaline rush (seasonal)
- Visit **Durga Temple**, **Sugriva's Cave**, and **Anegundi Village**
- Explore the sacred **Chintamani Temple**
- Hike to **Anjanadri Hill** for a breathtaking sunset view – believed to be the birthplace of Lord Hanuman

Evening free to explore **Hampi cafés** and relax by the riverside.

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Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Stay: Hampi

Day 3: Discover the Heritage of South Hampi

After breakfast, step back in time as you explore the grand monuments of **South Hampi**, part of the Vijayanagara Empire.

Attractions Covered:

- **Vittala Temple & the iconic Stone Chariot**
- **Queen's Bath, Elephant Stables & Lotus Mahal**
- **Royal Enclosure, Secret Chamber & Pushkarni Tank**
- **Hazara Rama Temple, Underground Shiva Temple**
- **Badavi Linga, Lakshmi Narasimha Temple & Sasivekalu Ganesha**
- **Virupaksha Temple** and meet **Lakshmi the temple elephant**
- Sunset at **Hemakuta Hills**

Evening departure for **Yellapur or Gokarna** (overnight journey).

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Day 4: Yana Caves & Gokarna Beaches

Morning visit to **Yana Caves**, a natural wonder with unique black limestone rock formations set deep in the Western Ghats.

Later, continue to the coastal paradise of **Gokarna**.

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Explore:

- **Kudle Beach** – perfect for sunbathing and relaxation
- **Mahabaleshwar Temple** – one of India's revered Shiva temples
- Chill at vibrant **Gokarna cafés** or explore the **local beach market** by auto-rickshaw

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Stay: Gokarna

Day 5: Murudeshwar, Honnavar & Jog Falls

After breakfast, begin the final leg of your Karnataka coastal tour.

Attractions Covered:

- **Murudeshwar Temple** – home to India's second tallest Shiva statue overlooking the Arabian Sea
- **Honnavar Backwaters** – walk through scenic **Mangrove Boardwalks**
- Visit the spectacular **Jog Falls**, one of India's highest waterfalls

Evening departure for Pune/Mumbai.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Travel: Overnight

Day 6: Arrival in Pune / Mumbai

- Pune Arrival: 5:00 AM – 8:00 AM
- Mumbai Arrival: 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Return home with unforgettable memories of **Hampi's ancient glory**, **Gokarna's serene beaches**, and **Murudeshwar's spiritual vibes**.

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Dates and Rates

- Sorry no more departures available. You could get in touch with us at highfive@treksandtrails.org if you'd like to make a booking.

Itinerary

Important Points to Know Before You Book This Tour

- No refund in case of any unused services/ Activities
- Scheduled pickup times are subject to change depending on actual start time and Traffic conditions If there is any delay in the pickup, organizers are not be blamed at all because we don't intentionally make it late and we are bound by external factors
- Pickup points are subject to change and we might ask to assemble at a common point in Mumbai
- Pickup will happen at highways and specific locations only, no after-requests will be entertained to make a pickup at specific locations
- Bus/vehicle will not wait for anyone you will be asked to come to the next boarding point/Or any rest stop at your own cost.
- In case anyone misses the bus, you have to make your own travel arrangements or if you to want cancel you are obliged to pay the full trip amount or else legal action can be taken.
- This is a very Reasonably priced budget trip hence we request you keep the expectations realistic.
- Good stays and quality food will be provided.
- The food menu is limited and not lavish.
- Organizers have the right to alter or change the itinerary and their decision will be final
- We are not responsible for allocating bus seats; seats are to be occupied on 1st come 1st serve basis.
- any nuisance caused on the trip will not be entertained and may result in expulsion from the trip without any refund.
- Sightseeing mentioned depends on time constraints, and if any spot is skipped, we are not responsible.

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- You need to follow the timelines given by organizers in or er to ensure the smoot functioning of the trip.
- Any solo male/ female joining this trip is requested to be respectful towards other solo females/males and behave in a socially acceptable way, any kind of harassment to any traveler will lead to termination of that specific person from the trip without any refund.
- The tour may get Cancelled if the minimum number of bookings is not received
- The trip Captain will not be there in case there are fewer than 6 people in the trip, in that case, the tour will be handled by our local managers
- We are not responsible for the breakdown of vehicles and we can try for alternate arrangements, any extra cost arising from the same will be directly payable.
- organizers are not responsible for Any delay due to traffic or breakdown of vehicles

Q1: What makes the Gokarna Hampi trip so special for travelers?

A: Gokarna and Hampi, both situated in Karnataka, India, provide a beautiful blend of rich history, serene beaches, and mystical landscapes, offering travelers a diverse palette of experiences within a single trip.

Q2: How can I travel between Gokarna and Hampi efficiently?

A: There are various travel options like buses, trains, and taxis available between Gokarna and Hampi. The blog details various routes and means to help you choose the most efficient and scenic journey.

Q3: What is the best time to plan a Gokarna Hampi trip?

A: Typically, the months between October and March are considered ideal for visiting Gokarna and Hampi due to the pleasant weather, allowing travelers to explore the destinations comfortably.

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Q4: What are the must-visit spots during the Gokarna Hampi trip?

A: Our blog navigates through the must-visit spots in both Gokarna and Hampi, such as the pristine beaches of Gokarna, the historic ruins of Hampi, and various temples and cultural sites that you shouldn't miss.

Q5: Can I undertake the Gokarna Hampi trip as a solo traveler?

A: Absolutely! The Gokarna Hampi trip is feasible and enjoyable for solo travelers. Our blog outlines tips and guides for solo explorers to navigate safely and make the most of their journey.

Q6: Are there budget-friendly options available for accommodation in Gokarna and Hampi?

A: Yes, Gokarna and Hampi offer a range of accommodation options catering to all budget types. The blog provides a guide on affordable stays, mid-range hotels, and luxurious resorts to help you select according to your budget.

Q7: Is the Gokarna Hampi trip suitable for family vacations?

A: Definitely! Gokarna and Hampi both offer experiences that can be enjoyed by travelers of all ages. From serene beaches to captivating historical sites, there's something for every family member to enjoy.

Q8: How many days are recommended for a well-rounded Gokarna Hampi trip?

A: A well-rounded trip to Gokarna and Hampi can be accomplished within 5-7 days. Our blog lays out a detailed itinerary, ensuring you have ample time to explore the key attractions in both locations.

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Q9: What are the local cuisines or dishes that I should try during my Gokarna Hampi trip?

A: The blog introduces you to a variety of local cuisines in Gokarna and Hampi, including the scrumptious seafood in Gokarna and the traditional Karnataka dishes in Hampi.

Q10: How do I ensure a safe and responsible travel experience during my Gokarna Hampi trip?

A: Safety and responsible travel are emphasized throughout our blog, providing tips on respecting local cultures, protecting the environment, and adhering to safety guidelines during your Gokarna Hampi adventure.

Inclusions

Transportation:

- Pune to Pune by comfortable Tempo Traveller
- Mumbai to Pune by shared cab

Accommodation: Hotel stay on a 3–5 sharing basis

Meals: 5 meals included:

- Day 2: Breakfast & Dinner
- Day 3: Breakfast & Dinner
- Day 4: Breakfast

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Sightseeing & Activities:

- All sightseeing as per itinerary
- Adventure activities: Cliff Jumping, Coracle Ride, and Honnavar Backwater Boating

  (Note: Activities may not operate during monsoon or dry summer months)

Additional Inclusions:

- Experienced Tour Leader throughout the trip
- All toll taxes, parking, and driver allowances covered
- Mechanical backup during the journey
- All required permits
- First aid kit available at all times

Exclusions

- **Taxes:** 5% GST on the total bill
- **Meals:** Any meal not mentioned in the package inclusions
- **Adventure Activities:** Water sports at Murudeshwar and Kudle Beach (Boating, Jet Ski, Banana Ride, Bumper Ride, Camel Ride, etc.), Sea Kayaking (₹300), or any other adventure activities not included in the package

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- **Insurance:** Travel, medical, or trek insurance
- **Personal Expenses:** Anything of personal nature, tips, or extra costs incurred due to delayed travel
- **Unexpected Costs:** Expenses due to bad weather, roadblocks, or other unforeseen circumstances
- **Accommodation & Food:** Additional costs arising from extended stays due to delays
- **Unused Services:** Any service not availed by the traveler
- **Compensation:** For lost items or accidents

Anything not explicitly mentioned in the **Inclusions** is **not covered**.

Highlights

- Most Important your ID proof
- Cap/Hats
- Sunscreen
- Moisturizer
- Charger
- Camera
- Powerbanks
- Bluetooth speaker
- Torch
- Glares
- Pair of clothes
- Towel
- Casual shoes and flip-flops
- Sanitary Kit
- Please avoid wearing Gold and other
- costly jewellery (at your own risk)
- Personal medicines (if any)
- An extra bag to keep your wet clothes
- Water bottle (Minimum 1-2 litre)

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Cancellation Policy

- The booking amount is non-refundable (Rs. 5000) in any case.
- Cancellations done 30 days prior to the date of departure - 20% of the trip cost would be charged as a cancellation charge
- Cancellations are done 29 - 15 days prior to the date of departure 40% of the total trip cost would be charged as cancellation fees
- Cancellations are done 14 - 7 days prior to the date of departure 70% of the total trip cost would be charged as cancellation fees
- Cancellations are done 7 - 1 days prior to the date of departure 100% of the total trip cost would be charged as cancellation fees
- You are not eligible for a refund if you fail to show up on the day of departure under the given timeline that has Been provided to you beforehand.

Terms and Conditions

- 3/4/5 Sharing Rooms with Attached private Washrooms, Double bed with Extra Mattress
- Standard check in time is 12pm so you'll get 1/2 common Rooms for fresh up.
- Long Weekend/Special Events Charges may vary.
- Seats will be allotted on first come first serve basis at the time of Pickup.
- The timing is practiced theoretically; Exact timing may vary!!!
- We Need at Least 12 Travellers to Manage our Trip. Treks and Trails Reserves the Rights to
- Cancel the Trip if the Minimum Batch size does not suffice!!!
- If you a-e booking after reviewing this PDF, please note that itinerary details are updated monthly. We recommend reconfirming tie details over a call before proceeding with your booking