



TRIBAL TOUR OF ORISSA

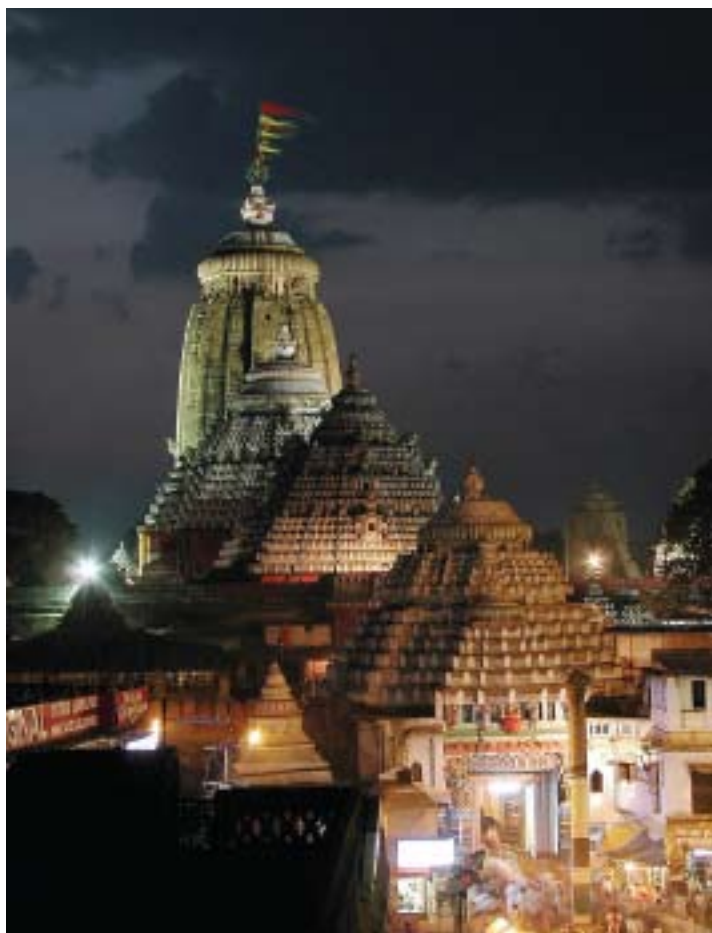
Tour Route: Bhubaneshwar (1) – Puri (1) – Gopalpur (1) – Rayagada (1) – Jeypore (2) – Gopalpur (1) – Bhubaneshwar

Tour Duration: 7 nights / 8 days (Saturday Arrival)

If you are looking for a unique Indian experience, embark on a fascinating tribal tour of Orissa. Located in the eastern part of India, Orissa is home to some of the most ancient Indian tribes. Take this road less traveled and step back in time to meet unusual tribes who still live in forests in a subsistence village economy, bartering their produce for survival. Meet this sect of the human race which is still far removed from the concept of clothing and wear wooden and stone artifacts as cover.

This tour takes you to tribal villages and markets, so you can have first hand encounters with primitive tribes of India. On this tribal tour of Orissa, you are sure to surprise yourselves with your discoveries of tribal India!





Saturday, Day 1: Arrive Bhubaneswar (L / D)

This morning, arrive Bhubaneswar, the capital city of Orissa. After clearing airport formalities, meet your local guide and transfer to your hotel.

This afternoon, visit Jain Caves, located atop the twin hills known as Udayagiri and Khandagiri. These rock caves are cut out in such a way that the weight and pressure on the sides and interior of the caves are maintained in equilibrium. Ancient wall carvings and sculptures are also preserved at the site.

Sunday, Day 2: Bhubaneswar to Puri (B / L / D)

This morning drive to Puri enroute visiting Dhauli, to see the famous Ashokan rock edicts, believed to be the oldest rock cut sculptures in India. Also stop en-route at Pipli, a native village known for its unique handicraft work & Konark to visit the famous Sun Temple.

Take a photo stop at Lord Jagannath Temple, one of the most popular Hindu pilgrim sites in India. Later, enjoy an evening at leisure at the beach in Puri, where you also get an opportunity to appreciate unique sand sculptures made by local artists.

Monday, Day 3: Puri to Gopalpur (B / L / D)

This morning, drive to Gopalpur, enroute visiting Chilika Lake, the largest salt-water lagoon of Asia and one of the most popular bird sanctuaries of India. Take a boat ride at Chilika Lake, observing native and migratory birds.

Arrive Gopalpur and enjoy an evening at leisure by the beach.

Tuesday, Day 4: Gopalpur to Rayagada (B / L / D)

This morning, drive to Rayagada, enroute visiting hot sulphur springs, and Desia Kondh and Saora tribal villages. Visit the weekly market of Desia Kondh tribe (market opens every Tuesday). The tribal village tours of Orissa will give you an insight into primitive lifestyles, as villages in Orissa are inhabited by some of the most ancient and unusual tribes of India.

Arrive Rayagada & enjoy an evening at leisure.

Wednesday, Day 5: Rayagada to Jeypore (B / L / D)

After breakfast, drive to Chatikona to visit the weekly tribal market of Dongaria Kondh tribes (market opens on Wednesday). A visit to the tribal market, also gives you an opportunity to interact with the local tribes and observe their way of life. Continue drive to Jeypore and enjoy an evening at leisure.

Thursday, Day 6: Day in Jeypore (B / L / D)

After breakfast, drive to Ankadeli to visit the famous Bonda tribes, believed to be the most primitive tribes of India. Later drive to Lampatput and the nearby villages, which are home to another interesting and primitive tribe called 'Gadaba'. Also visit the Gadaba travel market (market opens every Thursday).

Friday, Day 7: Jeypore to Gopalpur (B / L / D)

After breakfast, drive to Gopalpur, enroute visiting a Tibetan Settlement at Chandragiri. On arrival in Gopalpur, enjoy an evening at leisure by the beach.

Saturday, Day 8: Gopalpur to Bhubaneswar (B / L)

This morning, drive to Bhubaneswar airport to board your flight for onward journey.

PRICE INCLUSIONS

- Accommodation on twin sharing basis at 4*/heritage hotels or best available hotel in the region.
- All meals included (i.e. breakfast, lunch and dinner).
- All monument entrance fees included.
- Meeting and assistance on arrival and departures.
- Local English Speaking Guide for sightseeing tours. English speaking escort to accompany the group for minimum group size of 8 passengers.
- Chauffeured air-conditioned vehicles for all transfers, excursions and sightseeing tours.
- All currently applicable taxes.
- Boat ride at Chilika Lake.

PRICE EXCLUSIONS

- Expenses of personal nature like laundry, telephone, fax, internet, beverages, camera / video camera fee at monuments, medical expenses etc.
- Local payments in domestic currency, such as tips and gratuities.
- International airfares and airport tax.
- Indian Visa Fees and departure tax.
- Any other services not mentioned in Price Inclusions above.

DEPARTURES

Tribal Tour Of Orissa

The special interest tour is quoted on minimum of 4 passengers or above (Land only).		
Traveling period	Twin share price	Singleroom supplement
01 Oct 2009 - 15 Sep 2010	A\$ 998	A\$ 320
01 Nov 2010 - 30 Apr 2011	A\$ 1,100	A\$ 350