

Eco Gujarat 5-Night: Birding at Nalsarovar & Wetland Walks

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Destination
Gujarat



Duration
5 Nights 6 Days



Starting from
Rs. 16,250 / person

ITINERARY ROUTE

↖ **Ahmedabad · 2N**

↖ **Nal Sarovar · 2N**

↖ **Velavadar / Bhavnagar region · 1N**

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Overview

Eco Gujarat 5-Night: Birding at Nalsarovar & Wetland Walks is a curated Gujarat tour package designed for nature lovers, families and wildlife photographers. This 5-night, 6-day Gujarat Family tour package blends world-class birding at Nal Sarovar, wetland walks at Thol Lake, and grassland safaris at Velavadar with gentle cultural experiences in Ahmedabad. Ideal as a Gujarat Family package, the itinerary focuses on slow travel, expert-guided birding, and comfortable family-friendly stays.

Highlights:

- Nal Sarovar Bird Sanctuary – iconic pelican and migratory bird habitat
- Thol Lake – bird hide and wetland walk close to Ahmedabad
- Velavadar National Park – blackbuck sightings and grassland birding
- Guided boat rides & village walks – intimate wetland experiences
- Family-friendly accommodations & easy-paced schedule

Note: This 5 and 6 Gujarat Family tour package is best between November and March when migratory birds are abundant. Comfortable walking shoes and binoculars are recommended.

✓ **What's Included**

- ✓ 5 nights accommodation in twin/double/family rooms as per selection
- ✓ Daily breakfast and 3 selected dinners (as per itinerary)
- ✓ All transfers & sightseeing by private air-conditioned vehicle
- ✓ Expert local naturalist/guide for all birding & wetland walks
- ✓ Entry fees, boat rides at Nal Sarovar and Thol Lake as listed
- ✓ Park/permit fees for Velavadar National Park
- ✓ Bottled water during sightseeing
- ✓ All taxes and service charges
- ✓ Important: Boat rides are subject to weather and water-level conditions.

✗ **Not Included**

- ✗ Flights / train tickets to/from Ahmedabad
- ✗ Any personal expenses, tips, phone calls or laundry
- ✗ Camera/video permits (where applicable)
- ✗ Travel insurance and medical evacuation
- ✗ Meals not mentioned in inclusions and alcoholic beverages
- ✗ Any optional activities, festival surcharges or high-season supplements
- ✗ Tip: Carry binoculars, a camera with a telephoto lens if possible, sun protection and a reusable water bottle.

Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day

1

Arrival, Thol Lake Wetland Walk & Heritage Stroll

Arrive at Ahmedabad Airport/Railway Station. Meet your driver and transfer to the hotel to freshen up. After breakfast or depending on arrival time, visit Thol Lake for an introductory wetland walk and bird hide session — prime for resident and winter migrants such as ducks, waders, and kingfishers. Return to Ahmedabad for an evening guided heritage stroll through Old Ahmedabad (Pols & Manek Chowk) to experience the city's living heritage and street food (optional). Overnight in Ahmedabad.

Day

2

Transfer to Nal Sarovar: Village Walks & Sunset Boat

Early departure for Nal Sarovar Bird Sanctuary. Check in to a lakeside resort/guesthouse. After lunch, enjoy a guided village walk on the island fringes to learn about local wetland livelihoods and bird-friendly farming practices. In late afternoon, take a classic wooden boat ride across Nal Sarovar for spectacular sunset birding — the best time to see pelicans, flamingos (seasonal), egrets, and cormorants. Return to the resort for dinner. Carry a light jacket for the evening breeze.

Day

3

Full-Day Birding at Nal Sarovar

Full-day guided birding with an experienced local naturalist. Start with a pre-dawn boat ride to reach deeper lake areas and bird blinds; focus on waterfowl identification, migration patterns and photography tips. Midday rest at the resort, then afternoon exploration of peripheral wetlands and reed-beds. Evening community interaction or optional night-sky viewing. This day is tailored for families and photographers — pace can be adjusted.

Day

4

Velavadar Grasslands: Blackbuck Safari & Wetland Walks

After an early breakfast, depart Nal Sarovar and drive to Velavadar National Park (grassland habitat). Arrive in time for a guided safari/walk to spot blackbuck, bustards, larks and migratory shorebirds in adjoining wetlands. Learn about grassland conservation and local pastoral life. Evening transfer to a comfortable lodge in the Bhavnagar/Velavadar area for dinner. Wear neutral clothing for best wildlife viewing.

Day

5

Grassland Birding & Return to Ahmedabad

Morning grassland walk or vehicle safari in Velavadar for last-minute birding and photography. After lunch, drive back to Ahmedabad. On arrival, enjoy free time for shopping (textiles & handicrafts) or visit the famous Sabarmati Ashram (time permitting). Farewell dinner in Ahmedabad. Overnight in Ahmedabad.

Day

6

Departure: Last-Minute Birding & Transfer to Airport

Optional early morning visit to Thol Lake or a short urban birding walk in Ahmedabad (time permitting) before checking out. Transfer to Ahmedabad Airport/Railway Station for onward journey. End of Eco Gujarat 5-Night: Birding at Nalsarovar & Wetland Walks. Do reconfirm your departure timing and allow extra time for airport transfer.

? Frequently Asked Questions

? What are the top tourist attractions in Gujarat?

Gujarat boasts captivating attractions like the Rann of Kutch, Gir National Park (home to Asiatic lions), the historic city of Ahmedabad, the surreal salt desert, Dwarka's ancient temples, and the UNESCO-listed Sun Temple at Modhera. Don't miss the vibrant culture and local cuisine!

? When is the best time to visit Gujarat?

The best time to visit Gujarat is between October and March. During these months, the weather is pleasant and ideal for exploring attractions like the Rann of Kutch, Gir National Park, and the vibrant cities of Ahmedabad and Vadodara. Enjoy festivals, culture, and stunning landscapes during this season!

? How can I travel around Gujarat?

You can travel around Gujarat using various modes of transport like buses, trains, and private taxis. State-run buses connect major cities, while the extensive railway network offers convenience. Car rentals or auto-rickshaws are also popular for exploring smaller towns and attractions like the Rann of Kutch, Gir National Park, and historical sites.

? What are the popular festivals celebrated in Gujarat?

Gujarat is renowned for its vibrant festivals, including Navratri, celebrated with garba dances; Diwali, the festival of lights; Uttaryan, famous for kite flying; and Makar Sankranti. The state's rich cultural heritage shines during these festivities, attracting tourists to experience the lively atmosphere and traditional celebrations.

? What type of cuisine can I expect in Gujarat?

In Gujarat, you can expect a vibrant vegetarian cuisine, characterized by a blend of sweet, spicy, and tangy flavors. Popular dishes include Dhokla, Thepla, and Undhiyu. Don't miss the traditional thali that offers a variety of local specialties, showcasing the state's rich culinary heritage and diverse ingredients.

❓ What are some adventure activities available in Gujarat?

Gujarat offers a range of adventure activities including camel safaris in the Rann of Kutch, trekking in the Gir National Park, water sports at Tithal Beach, and rock climbing in the Saputara hills. Discover vibrant culture while indulging in thrilling experiences!

❓ Is Gujarat safe for tourists?

Yes, Gujarat is generally safe for tourists. The state offers a rich cultural heritage, stunning landscapes, and vibrant festivals. While it's advisable to follow standard travel precautions, tourists often find the locals friendly and helpful, making for a pleasant travel experience.

★ Traveller Reviews



Avani Joshi

★★★★★ 5/5

A Historical Odyssey through Gujarat

Each city we visited had its unique charm, from the ancient forts to colonial architecture. An insightful journey!



Samir Khanna

★★★★☆ 4/5

Embracing the Spirit of Gujarat

The spirit of Gujarat was infectious! Loved how every interaction felt genuine and warm. Must visit!



Sneha Mehta

★★★★★ 5/5

Landscape and Culture in Sync

The tranquility of the landscape coupled with local festivities made for an enchanting experience. Will recommend to all!



Prachi Singh

★★★★★ 5/5

Unique Architectural Wonders

Exploring the distinct architectural styles in Gujarat was enlightening. Every structure had a tale to tell.



Kunal Shah

★★★★★ 5/5

Cultural Extravaganza at Rann Utsav

The Rann Utsav festival was a highlight! The vibrant local culture and music made this trip unforgettable.

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