

# Statue of Unity & Tribal Trails 8-Night: Kevadia to Kutch

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Destination  
**Gujarat**

Duration  
**8 Nights 9 Days**

Starting from  
**Rs. 39,500 / person**

## ITINERARY ROUTE

↗ Kevadia · 2N

↗ Vadodara · 1N

↗ Ahmedabad · 1N

↗ Bhuj · 3N

↗ Mandvi · 1N

## Overview

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Discover Gujarat with "Statue of Unity & Tribal Trails 8-Night: Kevadia to Kutch" Gujarat tour package – ideal as a Gujarat Family tour package or Gujarat Family package. This 8 nights / 9 days journey blends the monumental Statue of Unity and the engineered marvel of Sardar Sarovar Dam with the vibrant tribal culture and the surreal landscapes of Great Rann of Kutch. Travel from Kevadia through historic cities like Vadodara and Ahmedabad, and end your adventure exploring Bhuj and Mandvi in Kutch. Highlights include photography at the White Rann, tribal handicraft villages, palace tours, beach time at Mandvi, and immersive cultural experiences. Perfect for families, photography groups, and culture seekers.

### ✓ **What's Included**

- ✓ Accommodation for 8 nights on twin/double sharing basis (as per itinerary)
- ✓ Daily breakfast and 4 dinners (as specified)
- ✓ All transfers and sightseeing by private air-conditioned vehicle
- ✓ Entrance fees for major attractions mentioned (Statue of Unity gallery entry included)
- ✓ Local English-speaking guide for city tours and Rann visit
- ✓ Boat ride at Sardar Sarovar (seasonal) and Rann viewpoint permits
- ✓ Mineral water during transfers, emergency assistance
- ✓ Note: Family-friendly amenities available on request.

### ✗ **Not Included**

- ✗ Airfare or train tickets to/from Gujarat
- ✗ Personal expenses, tips, laundry and telephone charges
- ✗ Meals not mentioned in inclusions
- ✗ Permits or fees for optional activities (e.g., Rann night camping, guide fees for private experiences)
- ✗ Any government taxes or changes in entrance fees after booking
- ✗ Important: Travel insurance is strongly recommended. Children's discounts and extra bed charges vary by hotel.

## Day-by-Day Itinerary

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Day

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### **Arrival at Kevadia – Riverside Welcome and Relax**

Arrive at Kevadia (Statue of Unity town). Transfer to your hotel and unwind. Afternoon visit to the Valley of Flowers and the Statue of Unity Viewpoint for panoramic shots. Evening at leisure with an optional Statue of Unity Laser & Sound Show.

Highlights:

- Check-in and welcome
- Short guided orientation walk
- Valley of Flowers visit
- Optional evening light show at the Statue of Unity

Tip: Carry light woollens for the evening as riverside breezes can be cool.

Day

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### **Full Day: Statue of Unity Complex and Surroundings**

Spend a full day exploring the Statue of Unity complex. Morning guided tour of the Statue, Museum & Audio-Visual Gallery, and the Sardar Sarovar Dam viewpoint. Afternoon options include a river cruise (seasonal) or a visit to Zarwani Waterfall and the nearby tribal hamlets to experience local life.

Highlights:

- Guided Statue of Unity tour and gallery
- Sardar Sarovar Dam viewpoint
- Optional boat cruise on the Narmada (seasonal)

Special note: Book the Statue of Unity viewing gallery tickets in advance during peak season.

Day

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### **Kevadia to Vadodara – Palace and Gardens**

After breakfast, drive to Vadodara (approx. 2–3 hours). Afternoon visit to the majestic Laxmi Vilas Palace, the expansive Sayaji Baug (Kamati Baug) and the Baroda Museum & Picture Gallery. Evening free to explore local markets.

Highlights:

- Explore Laxmi Vilas Palace and palace gardens
- Visit Sayaji Baug and the zoo/planetarium

Tip: Comfortable footwear recommended for palace and garden walks.

Day

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## Vadodara to Ahmedabad – Heritage of the Old City

Drive to Ahmedabad after breakfast. Visit the Sabarmati Ashram, Adalaj Stepwell, and the UNESCO-listed old city lanes (pols) with a heritage walk. Evening enjoy the vibrant streets and local delicacies.

Highlights:

- Sabarmati Ashram visit
- Adalaj Stepwell architecture
- Heritage walk in the Old City (Manek Chowk area)

Special note: Manek Chowk is best visited in the evening for street food; mornings are quieter for photography.

Day

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## Ahmedabad to Bhuj – Journey into Kutch

Early morning transfer to Bhuj by road or a short flight (optional). On arrival in Bhuj, check in and proceed for city explorations: Aina Mahal, Prag Mahal, and the Kutch Museum. Late afternoon visit to the artisan village Bhujodi to witness weaving and craft traditions.

Highlights:

- Explore Aina Mahal and Prag Mahal
- Visit Kutch Museum and Bhujodi craft village

Tip: Carry small cash to support artisan purchases in Bhujodi; many artists prefer cash for small sales.

Day

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## Excursion to White Rann (Dhordo) and Kalo Dungar

Full-day trip to the surreal White Rann of Kutch at Dhordo. Enjoy the vast salt flats and a spectacular sunset. En route or after, visit Kalo Dungar (Black Hill) for panoramic views and the Iconic Dattatreya Temple. Experience local tribal music and crafts in Dhordo's seasonal bazaars.

Highlights:

- Sunset at Great Rann of Kutch (Dhordo)
- Kalo Dungar vistas and photo stops
- Evening handicraft stalls and cultural interaction

Special note: The Rann is extremely bright during the day – bring sunglasses and sun protection.

Day

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## **Bhuj Local Life and Transfer to Mandvi**

Morning markets and village visits around Bhuj — meet potters, weavers and lacquerware artisans in surrounding villages (options include Hodko, Nirona or nearby hamlets). After lunch, drive to Mandvi on the Kutch coast. Evening at Mandvi Beach for relaxation and a beach sunset.

Highlights:

- Artisan village visits (weaving, pottery, lacquerware)
- Sunset and leisure at Mandvi Beach

Tip: Sample local Kutch snacks and seafood specialties at Mandvi.

Day

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## **Mandvi: Palace, Beach & Relaxation**

Spend the day exploring Vijay Vilas Palace, Mandvi's shipbuilding yards, and enjoy beach activities including camel rides and swimming (seasonal). Optional visit to the nearby Kutch Bustard Sanctuary or a relaxed day at the beach. Evening cultural program or campfire (seasonal).

Highlights:

- Vijay Vilas Palace and Mandvi Beach
- Traditional shipyard visit and local seafood

Special note: Sea swimming is seasonal—check local advisories before entering water.

Day

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## **Departure from Kutch – Transfer to Airport or Next Destination**

After breakfast, check out and transfer to Bhuj/Ahmedabad airport or railway station for onward connections. Optionally extend your Gujarat Family Retreat with additional days in Kutch or return to Ahmedabad for onward travel.

Highlights:

- Transfer assistance to Bhuj/Ahmedabad
- Optional extensions available (Dhordo night village camps, Rann Utsav season travel)

Tip: Allow buffer time for road transfers; Kutch distances can be long between attractions.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

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### **❓ 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!

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### **❓ 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!

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### **❓ 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.

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### **❓ 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.

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### **❓ 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.

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### **❓ 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!

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## 🔍 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

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**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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