

FORENOON CITY TOUR PACKAGE

7:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Here's a suggested Half-day **Chennai City Tour** Package from **7:30 AM** to **12:30 PM** that provides a quick yet enriching insight into Chennai's most famous attractions, history, culture, and spiritual heritage. It is designed to offer a balance of sightseeing, relaxation, and exploration within a short span of time.



The Victory War Memorial:
8.00am - 8.30am (15-20 minutes)
 Start your tour here to pay homage to soldiers who sacrificed their lives in various wars.



Dr. J. Jayalalitha Memorial:
08.30am - 08.45am (15 minutes)
 Proceed to the memorial, which is a tribute to the late Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, J. Jayalalitha.



Thiru. Karunanidhi Memorial:
08.45am - 09.00am (15 minutes)
 Located nearby is a memorial for the late Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK) leader, M. Karunanidhi.



Marina Beach:
09.00 am - 10.00 am (1 Hour)
 Take a leisurely stroll along Marina Beach. Enjoy the sea breeze, soak in scenic views, and savor local snacks like Sundal or Murukku from beachside vendors.



Santhome Cathedral Basilica:
10:15 am - 10:45 am (30 minutes)
 Head to Santhome Basilica, a beautiful and historical church built over the tomb of St. Thomas the Apostle.



Kapaleeswarar Temple:
11.15 am - 12.15 pm (50-55 minutes)
 Finish your tour at this iconic Dravidian - style temple dedicated to Lord Shiva. It's a cultural and architectural marvel.

TIPS:

Comfort: Wear comfortable clothes & footwear.

Hydration: Keep water and sunscreen handy.



Thiru. Karunanidhi Memorial

The Victory War Memorial

Kapaleeswarar Temple

Dr. J. Jayalalitha Memorial

Marina Beach

Santhome Cathedral Basilica



AFTERNOON CITY TOUR PACKAGE

2:00PM to 6:00PM



Here's a suggested **Half-day City Tour Package from 2 PM to 6 PM**, focusing on the city's most famous attractions. This package is ideal if you're looking to experience the essence of **Chennai** in a short span of time:

Pickup from Hotel

2:00 PM

Start your day with a pick-up from your hotel (in and around Chennai) by your tour guide or driver. Relax and enjoy the comfort of air-conditioned transport throughout the day. This half-day tour will give you a quick yet enriching insight into Chennai's history, culture, and spiritual heritage.



Visit the Birla Planetarium

02.15 pm – 02.45 pm – Duration (30 minutes)

The Birla Planetarium in Chennai is a prominent educational and recreational attraction located within the Periyar Science and Technology Centre campus in Kotturpuram.



Visit the Guindy National Park

03.00 pm – 03.45 pm (45 minutes) Begin

your tour with a visit to one of Chennai's most iconic landmarks. Guindy National Park is a small, yet ecologically significant protected area located in Chennai, .



Visit the Asthalakshmi Temple

04.15 pm – 04.45 pm (30 minutes)

The Ashtalakshmi Temple in Chennai is dedicated to Goddess Lakshmi and her eight forms. .



Drive to Eliots Beach

05.15 pm – 05.45 pm (30 minutes)

Take a short drive to Eliot's Beach, officially known as Edward Elliot Beach, is a popular and serene spot located in the Besant Nagar area of Chennai.

TIPS:

Dress Code: Modest attire is recommended as it's a place of worship.

Facilities: Shoe storage and clean drinking water are available.



PLEASE NOTE:

Private Tours are available

from 23rd Jan 2025

to 27th Jan 2025

(Individual trip are subject to your availability and can be customized)



CHENNAI – MAHABALIPURAM ONE DAY TRIP

7.30AM-7.30PM

A one-day trip to **Mahabalipuram**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site in Tamil Nadu, offers a delightful mix of history, art, and coastal beauty. Here's a suggested itinerary to make the most of your day

Start Early (Morning)

Depart from your location (e.g., Chennai) around 7:00 AM to avoid traffic. Mahabalipuram is about 60 km from Chennai and takes approximately 1.5 hours by car.



Shore Temple (09:30 AM)

Visit the iconic Shore Temple, a stunning example of Pallava architecture overlooking the Bay of Bengal and enjoy a peaceful stroll on the nearby beach.



Five Rathas (Pancha Rathas) – Mid-Morning

Explore these monolithic rock-cut temples, each dedicated to figures from the Mahabharata



Arjuna's Penance & Krishna's Butterball

Explore Arjuna's Penance, a stunning open-air bas-relief with intricate carvings. Visit Krishna's Butterball, massive boulder perched precariously on a slope.



Mahabalipuram Lighthouse and Hill

Climb the lighthouse for panoramic views of the town and the sea and Explore ancient cave temples and carvings nearby.



Mahishasuramardini Cave Temple

Marvel at this small but historically significant cave temple with intricate carvings of goddess Durga



Shopping and Relaxation

Shop for souvenirs like stone sculptures in local markets and relax with a snack or chai at a beachside café.



Tea (11:30 AM – 11:45 AM):
Start from Mahabalipuram



Dakshina Chitra (12:15 PM – 3PM)

Spend about 1.5 to 2 hours exploring this cultural heritage museum. DakshinaChitra showcases traditional South Indian architecture, art, and crafts.



Lunch (12:15 PM – 1:00 PM)



Muttukadu – Boating and Relaxation (3:30 PM)

Drive 10-15 minutes to Muttukadu for a boat ride or relaxing by the backwaters. Spend about an hour there.



Crocodile Bank (4:45 PM)

Visit the Madras Crocodile Bank, 15 minutes from Muttukadu, for an hour to explore the enclosures and conservation efforts. If available, visit the snake park and interactive sessions. Depart for the hotel around 5:30 PM.

TIPS:

- Wear comfortable clothing and walking shoes.
- Carry sunscreen, sunglasses, and a hat as it can get sunny.
- Bring a refillable water bottle to stay hydrated.
- Check for entry fees and camera charges at monuments

ONE DAY TOUR MAHABALIPURAM



Mahabalipuram (Mamallapuram), a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is a perfect destination for a one-day trip from Chennai. It's known for its rich cultural heritage, rock-cut monuments, and serene beaches. Here's a suggested itinerary for your trip:

This itinerary covers the key attractions while leaving enough time to soak in the beauty and history of mahabalipuram.

MORNING



Shore Temple

A magnificent stone temple overlooking the Bay of Bengal, dedicated to Lord Shiva and Lord Vishnu. One of the oldest structural temples in India.



Five Rathas (Pancha Rathas)

Monolithic rock-cut structures shaped like chariots, each dedicated to a different character from the Mahabharata.



Arjuna's Penance (Descent of the Ganges)

A massive rock relief depicting scenes from Hindu mythology, showcasing exquisite carvings.

AFTERNOON



Krishna's Butter Ball

A giant granite boulder balanced precariously on a slope, a natural wonder and a great spot for photos.



Varaha Cave Temple

A rock-cut temple dedicated to Lord Vishnu's Varaha (boar) avatar, featuring intricate carvings.



Mahabalipuram Lighthouse

Climb to the top for panoramic views of the town and the coastline.

EVENING



Mahabalipuram Beach

Relax and enjoy the serene beach with its golden sands and gentle waves. You can also explore local shops for handicrafts and souvenirs.



Tiger Cave

A rock-cut cave temple located a short distance from Mahabalipuram, known for its carvings and tranquil surroundings..

OPTIONAL ADD-ONS



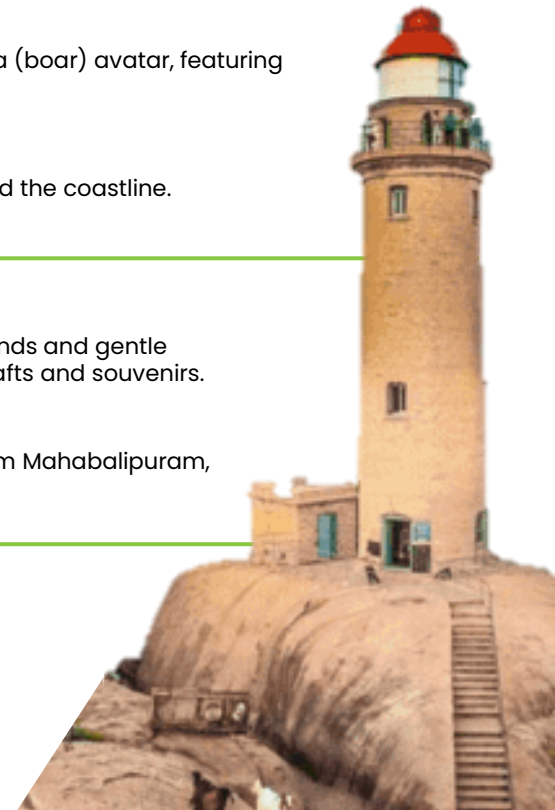
Covelong Beach (Kovalam Beach)

Located en route to Mahabalipuram, perfect for a quick stopover to enjoy water sports or relax.



Crocodile Bank

A reptile zoo and research center with a large collection of crocodiles and other reptiles.



EXPLORE CHENNAI IN ONE DAY TOUR

This tour provides a mix of historical, cultural, and scenic attractions.

MORNING



KAPALEESHWARAR TEMPLE

A historic Hindu temple dedicated to Lord Shiva in Mylapore. Known for its Dravidian architecture and vibrant local culture.



SANTHOME BASILICA

A beautiful white neo-Gothic church built over the tomb of St. Thomas, one of Jesus' apostles.



MARINA BEACH

The second-longest urban beach in the world. Ideal for a morning walk with scenic views of the Bay of Bengal.

AFTERNOON



FORT ST. GEORGE

The first British fort in India, now housing a museum with colonial artifacts. Explore the St. Mary's Church, the oldest Anglican church in India.



GOVERNMENT MUSEUM & EGMORE ART GALLERY

Displays a rich collection of ancient sculptures, bronzes, and art pieces. Perfect for history and art enthusiasts.



VALLUVAR KOTTAM

A monument dedicated to Tamil poet Thiruvalluvar, featuring intricate carvings.

EVENING



DAKSHINACHITRA

An open-air museum showcasing the traditional art, architecture, and crafts of South India. Offers interactive experiences and performances.



CHENNAI LIGHTHOUSE

Enjoy panoramic views of the city and coastline from the top of the lighthouse near Marina Beach.



BESANT NAGAR BEACH (Elliot's Beach)

A serene spot to unwind with street food and a peaceful atmosphere.

OPTIONAL ADD-ONS



Anna Centenary Library: One of Asia's largest libraries, located in Kotturpuram.

Guindy National Park: A wildlife sanctuary within the city.

Kalakshetra Foundation: Known for classical dance and music performances.

ONE DAY TOUR KANCHIPURAM AND VELLORE



A one-day trip to **Kanchipuram and Vellore** combines spiritual, cultural, and historical attractions. Here's a suggested itinerary for a balanced exploration:

MORNING

Kanchipuram (The City of Thousand Temples)



Kamakshi Amman Temple

famous temple dedicated to Goddess Kamakshi, a form of Parvati. Known for its stunning architecture and spiritual significance.



Kailasanathar Temple

The oldest temple in Kanchipuram, dedicated to Lord Shiva. Renowned for its intricate carvings and sandstone architecture.



Ekambareswarar Temple

A massive temple dedicated to Lord Shiva, symbolizing one of the Panch Bootha Sthalas (Earth). Features a 1,000-pillared hall and a sacred mango tree.



Varadharaja Perumal Temple

Dedicated to Lord Vishnu, this temple is part of the 108 Divya Desams. Known for its unique golden lizard sculptures.

AFTERNOON AND EVENING

Travel to Vellore (Approximately 1.5 hours from Kanchipuram)



Vellore Fort

A 16th-century granite fort known for its excellent architecture and the moat surrounding it. Includes the Jalakandeswarar Temple within the premises.



Sri Lakshmi Narayani Golden Temple

A magnificent temple covered entirely in gold sheets, dedicated to Goddess Lakshmi. A serene and spiritual experience with beautifully landscaped surroundings.



Amirthi Zoological Park (Optional if time permits)

A small zoo and nature park, ideal for a quick, relaxing visit amidst greenery..

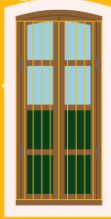
TIPS:

Start early to maximize time at each destination.

Wear comfortable clothing suitable for temple visits.



ONE DAY TOUR PONDICHERRY



This itinerary allows you to experience the highlights of Pondicherry in a single day, balancing sightseeing, relaxation, and cultural exploration.

Departure from Chennai

6:00 AM

Start your journey in a comfortable AC vehicle. Enjoy breakfast en route (optional stop).

Arrival in Pondicherry

9:30 AM

Sightseeing Tour

10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

- **Sri Aurobindo Ashram** – Experience peace and spirituality.
- **Manakula Vinayagar Temple** – Visit this historic Ganesha temple.
- **French War Memorial** – Pay homage to the soldiers of World War I.
- **Promenade Beach** – Walk along the picturesque seashore.

Lunch Break

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM:

Enjoy a delicious meal at a local restaurant. Options include French cuisine or South Indian dishes.

Afternoon Exploration

3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

- **Auroville (Matrimandir)** – Discover this unique spiritual and architectural marvel.
- **Basilica of the Sacred Heart of Jesus** – Admire the beautiful Neo-Gothic architecture.

Shopping and Leisure

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Stroll through local markets and explore handmade crafts, clothes, and souvenirs.

Return Journey to Chennai

6:00 PM

Stop for dinner en route (optional).

Arrival in Chennai

10:00 PM

End the day with cherished memories.

