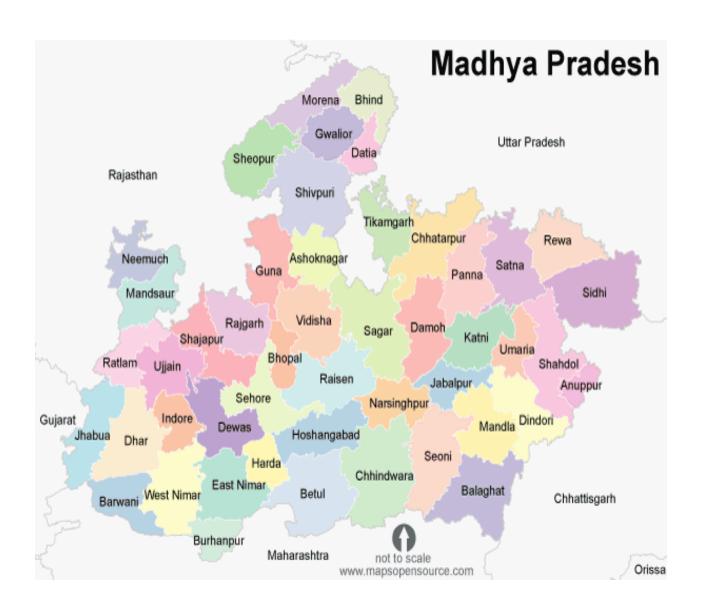


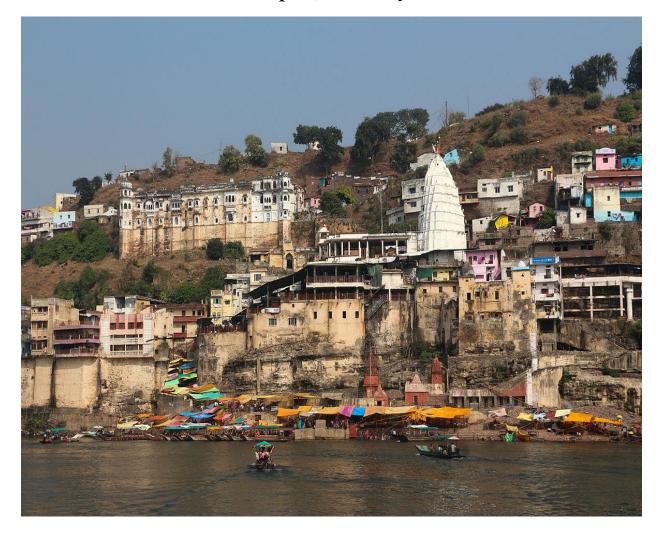
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Temples to be visited in Madhya Pradesh ...



1. Omkareshwar Temple, Madhya Pradesh



One of the 12 Jyotirlingas, the Omkareshwar temple, is located at the banks of river Narmada which takes the shape of "Om." Its serenity is what gives peace to the devotees who take parikrama of the temple and chant mantras. The temple has a Lord Shiva shrine and is well known for its evening Aarti of 8:00 P.M.

Timings: 5 AM to 10 PM

Specialty: Om shaped temple

Address: Omkareshwar Mandir Road, Mandhata – Madhya Pradesh

2. Mamleshwar temple



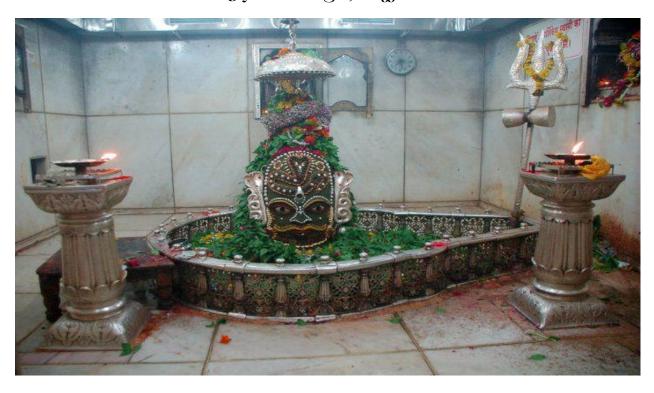
Another one of the Jyotirlinga, Mamleshwar temple sits opposite to the Omkareshwar temple at the banks of river Narmada. It is considered to be among the oldest and best temples in Madhya Pradesh and known by another name as Amareshwar temple. The temple's architecture is among the high attraction points imbibed with its rich history. The temple is said to be constructed in the 10th century.

Timings: 5:30 AM to 9 PM

Specialty: Temple walls have inscriptions of the historical stories.

Address: Mamleshwar Temple, Omkareshwar – Madhya Pradesh

3. Mahakaleshwar Jyotirlinga, Ujjain



The most famous historical temple in Madhya Pradesh, the jyotirlinga, attracts a vast number of devotees every day, is known as Mahakaleshwar Jyotirlinga. The name is said to have taken from the Mahakali avatar made by Lord Shiva years back to destroy the demon, Dushane. He resided in the holy city of Ujjain after vanquishing the devil. The temple is situated at the banks of Rudrasagar lake, where the Shiva linga is faced southwards.

Timings:4 AM to 11 PM

Specialty: Morning Bhasm Aarti when Lord Shiva is bathed from fresh funeral ash and the fair held at the time of Maha Shivratri Festival.

Address: Mahakaleshwar Jyotirlinga, Ujjain – Madhya Pradesh

4. Kal Bhairav Temple, Ujjain



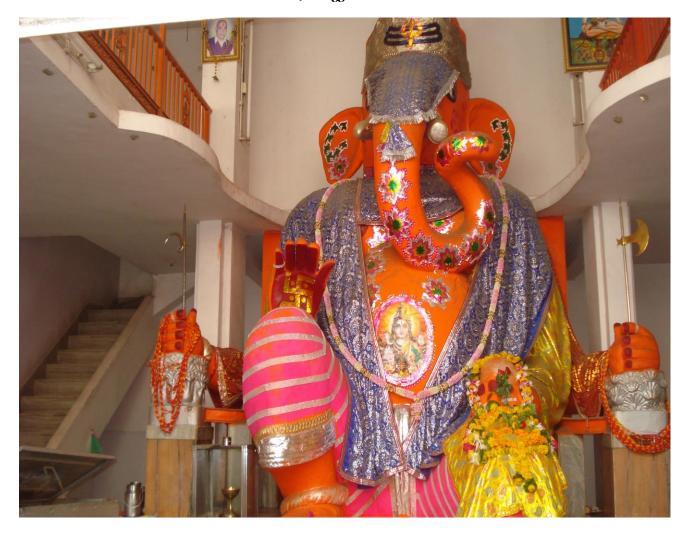
Kal Bhairav is said to be the guardian of the city, Ujjain. The temple is amongst the highly visited as well as famous temples in Madhya Pradesh. The temple is located at the banks of river Shipra, Kal Bhairav is said to be a form(incarnation) of Lord Shiva. The ancient temple in Madhya Pradesh was once destroyed, and the present temple is said to be reconstructed by Maratha king, Maharaji.

Timings: 5 AM to 7 PM

Specialty: Liquor is offered to the deity with priest opening the bottle and liquor level reducing in front of pilgrims.

Address: Jail Road, Bhairav Garh, Ujjain – Madhya Pradesh

5. Bada Ganesh Mandir, Ujjain



A lord Ganesha temple having Riddhi Siddhi on both sides, Bada Ganesh Mandir is a historical temple in Madhya Pradesh located near the Mahakleshwar mandir. Apart from Lord Ganesha, there is a bronze idol of hanuman and mother Yashodhara holding baby Krishna in her arms. Devotees from different parts of the world come to worship the Lord.

Timings: 5 AM to 7 PM

Specialty: Learning center imparting knowledge on astrology and ancient

language, Sanskrit

Address: Bada Ganesh Mandir, Mahakaleshwar Temple, Ujjain – Madhya Pradesh

6. Adinath Temple, Khajuraho



Jain temple claiming to have among the most beautiful architectural structures, Adinath temple is located on the east side of Khajuraho. The Khajuraho temple in Madhya Pradesh was built in the 11th century and is dedicated to the first Jain Tirthankar, Adinath, who is also the founder of Jainism.

Timings: 5 AM to 12 PM, 4 PM to 9 PM

Specialty: Carvings of Yakshas and Yakshis on the entire temple structure.

Address: Adinath temple, Khajuraho – Madhya Pradesh