



# Odisha Tourism

Explore India's best kept  
secret...



# Why you should come our way!

Odisha is known for its rich heritage and lineage of vibrant and colorful culture. Be it Puri Jaganath Temple or Pre-historic paintings in Kalahandi, the place has something to offer to everyone..

The name of the state called Odisha is almost synonymous with the grand Konark Sun Temple, which is anyway one of its kind.

The state is not only known because of what it offers with its structures but is also one of the topmost choices for any traveler because of its natural beauty.

And trust us when we say... this is just the tip of the iceberg





# Places to visit

## Jagannath Puri

The Puri temple is famous for its annual Ratha yatra, or chariot festival, in which the three principal deities are pulled on huge and elaborately decorated temple cars.

Many great saints, such as Ramananda and Ramanuja, were closely associated with the temple

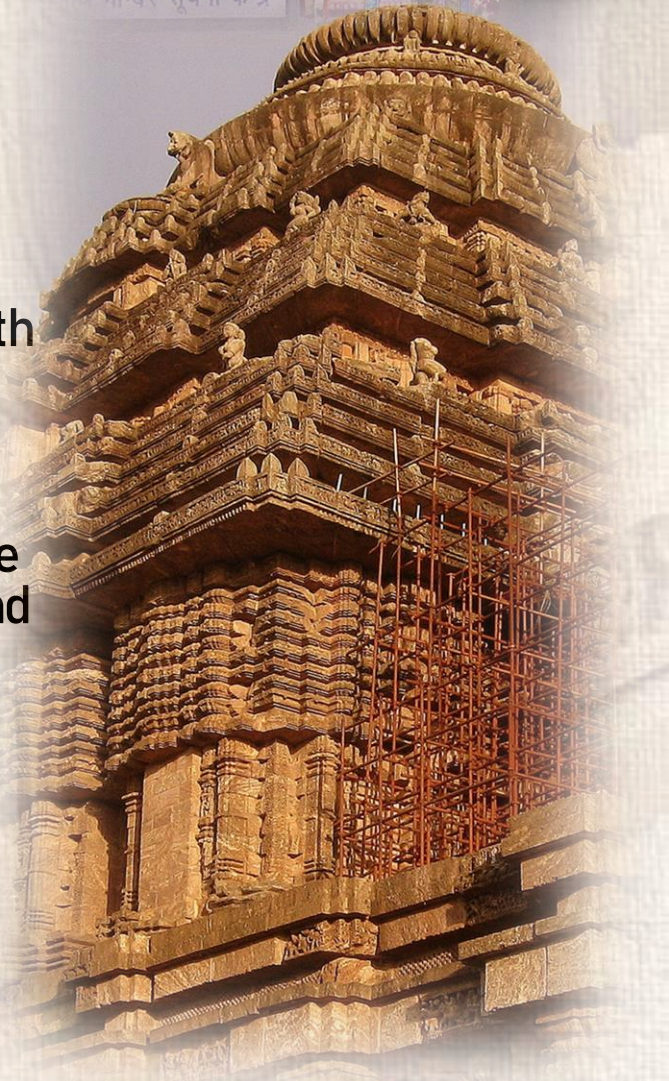
The Shree Jagannath Temple is an important Hindu temple dedicated to Jagannath, a form of Vishnu, in Puri in the state of Odisha on the eastern coast of India

## Konark

The Konark Temple, also known as the Sun Temple was built in the 13th century in Odisha. It is also known as the 'Black Pagoda'.

This temple is dedicated to the sun God Surya. This temple is one of the most renowned temples in India and is a world Heritage site.

Built by the Ganga dynasty ruler Narsimha Deva, it is one of the most sublime monuments of India. What makes it unique is the fine lines and carving and its flawless proportions.







## Paradeep The Famous Sea Port

Paradeep is a major Seaport city in the Singlipur district of Odisha, India. It is the main outlet and inlet of the sea borne trade of the eastern port. It has become the gateway of Odisha to the International Community and finds its place in the list of popular tourist destinations of Odisha

In addition to the busy dockyard, the city also has some amazing beaches that offer mesmerizing views of the surroundings.

**Key Attractions:** Paradip Port, Gahirmatha Sanctuary & beach, lighthouse, and Jhankad.

**Best Time To Visit:** October to February



## Gopalpur - The Beautiful Port Town

If you like port towns, then Gopalpur should be your pick. Located on the Bay of Bengal coast, this town is towards the south of the state. It is one of the top tourist places of Odisha. The town is a port city and has famous beaches. Go beach hopping here, in this Odisha town and chill and relax here, on one of the beaches, on your next trip to Odisha.

**Key Attractions:** Gopalpur Beach, Haripur Sea Beach

**Best Time To Visit:** November to February



# Embrace the Wildlife!

## Nandankanan zoological Park

Also known as the Garden of the Gods, the Nandankanan Zoological Park Bhubaneswar is located about 15 km away from the city bounds of Bhubaneswar.

The place is home to about 16000 animals from over 120 species. The Zoo is also well known for being India's first Zoo that is registered with the World Association for Zoos and Aquariums and its low death rate.

Visiting the zoo is a magical experience, as this is one of the best zoos in the country, where you can observe a massive and healthy variety of animals.

## Tikarpada Wildlife sanctuary

Spread across an area of 795.52 square kms, this wildlife sanctuary is one of the best places to visit in Odisha.

Resting by the Mahanadi river and surrounded by the lush-greenery, this place is home to a wide variety of species of wild animals, birds and plants.

One can spot around tigers, gaurs, simbal, four horned antelopes, sloths, gharial and simbal.







# Grasp the Culture!

## Baripada

Baripada is the cultural centre of Odisha, situated in the Mayurbhanj district. Known for its art and culture, it is one of the famous tourist places at Odisha. The town also has its own dance form which is quite famous in the world, known as the Chhau dance.

**Key Attractions:** Maa Ambika Temple, Shri Jagannath Temple, and Mayurbhanj Palace  
**Best Time To Visit:** October to June



## Sambalpur

Sambalpur, known for natural splendor & cultural sites, is one of the important tourist places in Odisha. The landscape is dotted with numerous waterfalls and lush green forests that allure photography buffs, nature lovers, and adventure enthusiasts.

**Key Attractions:** Hirakud Dam, Cattle Island, Chiplima, Huma, Samaleswari Temple.  
**Best Time To Visit:** September to March





# Cuisine

## Pakhala Bhata

A lunch staple for almost every household in the state of Odisha, Pakhala Bhata offers a delectable respite from the summer heat.

Made from soaking cooked rice in sour curd and water, this dish from Odisha is served with fried fish, potatoes, Badi choora, and papad on the side.



## Manda

Manda pitha or the rice flour dumpling looks like a twin sister of rasgulla from outside but has a coconut stuffing inside.

It also resembles South India's Kozhakkattai and Maharashtra's Modak. It is usually prepared during monsoons and post-monsoons for festivals like Gamha Purnima, Manabasa Gurubara or Kumar Purnima.



## Gupchup

Gupchup, which is known as 'puchka' in Bengal, 'golgappa' in the north, and 'panipuri' in western India, is the nation's favorite food.

In this dish, crunchy hollow balls made from maida, atta, or suji; filled with chana masala and dipped in spicy jal jeera, just enough to take your taste buds on a whirlwind of flavors.



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