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# KONKAN COASTAL MOTORCYCLE CIRCUIT

PUNE → DIVEAGAR → DAPOLI / ANJARLE →  
GUHAGAR → GANPATIPULE → DEVGAD → DEVBAG ◀

MOTORCYCLE ITINERARY + TIPS

## How to use this guide

- This is a **rider-first itinerary**: routes, highlights, stays, and practical tips.
- Distances are **approximate** and depend on detours and ferries.
- Best for: **ADV / touring bikes**, relaxed coastal pace, photography.

## Quick Overview

Day	From → To	Map Distance (km)	Time	Notes
1	Pune → Diveagar (via Mulshi–Tamhini)	<b>160–165</b>	4–5 hours	Ghats + town exits/entries add a few km.
2	Diveagar → Savane (Anjarle / Dapoli)	<b>~78</b>	2–3 hours	Coastal route via ferry; detours can exceed +10 km, so range is not shown.
3	Savane (Dapoli/Anjarle) → Guhagar (via Dabhol jetty)	<b>~50</b>	1–1.5 hours	Short hop; any sightseeing pushes well beyond +10 km.
4	Guhagar → Ganpatipule	<b>~57</b>	1.5–2.5 hours	Coastal meanders; detours quickly exceed +10 km.
5	Ganpatipule → Devgad (coastal hopping)	<b>~120</b>	2.5–4 hours	Beach-hopping day; variance is large (>+10 km), so no range shown.
6	Devgad → Devbag (Malvan)	<b>~55</b>	1.5–2 hours	Kunkeshwar/Tarkarli access roads add ~5–10 km.
7	Devgad → Pune (return)	<b>~395–400</b>	7–9 hours	Highway + town bypasses add a few km.

## Day 1 - Pune → Diveagar

**Route:** Pune → Mulshi → Tamhini Ghat → Mangaon → Diveagar

**Distance:** ~150 km

**Ride Time:** 4–5 hours (without long stops)

### Highlights

- Mulshi–Tamhini ghat: lush, curvy, very scenic.
- Diveagar Beach: popular, lively, great sunsets.

### Must Visit

- Suvarna Ganesh Temple
- Rupnarayan Temple
- Diveagar Beach (sunset)

### Stay

- Plenty of homestays and small hotels near the beach.

### Tips

- Try to start early from Pune to avoid traffic in ghats.
- Weekdays or off-season are better to avoid crowds.
- Beach gets crowded in peak season-plan sunrise/sunset accordingly.

(see next page for Day 2)

## Day 2 - Diveagar → Savane (Anjarle / Dapoli)

**Route:** Diveagar → Kondvil → Aravi → (Detour) Harihareshwar → Bagmandale Ferry → Aade Bridge → Padale → Savane

**Distance:** ~160–180 km (with detours)

### Highlights

- Kondvil & Aravi beaches
- Glimpse of Harihareshwar
- Bagmandale ferry over Savitri River
- Padale Beach sunset point

### Food Stop

- Local **Konkani thali** near Harihareshwar area

### Stay (Recommended)

- **Ghummakad** campsite near Savane Beach (Instagram: [@beaghumakkad](#))

### Experience Notes

- One of the most memorable stays of the trip: great people, great vibe.
- Roads after the ferry are a bit rough but manageable on touring/ADV bikes.

### Tips

- Keep some buffer time for the ferry.
- If you have heavy luggage, Harihareshwar involves some walking - plan accordingly.

(see next page for Day 3)

## Day 3 - Savane / Anjarle → Guhagar

**Route:** Savane → Dabhol Jetty → Ratnagiri District → Guhagar

**Distance:** ~130–150 km

### Highlights

- Dabhol jetty crossing
- Chandika Devi Temple (inside a cave)
- Calm, family-friendly Guhagar Beach

### Must Visit

- **Chandika Devi Temple:** cave temple with diya light and beautiful carvings
- **Guhagar Beach:** coconut tree line, fine yellowish sand

### Stay (Recommended)

- **Osari** – budget-friendly, clean, calm surroundings

### Tips

- Great place for a relaxed evening walk on the beach.
- Good stop if you're riding with family or want a quieter town.

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## Day 4 - Guhagar → Ganpatipule

**Route:** Guhagar → Palshet → Velneshwar → Hedvi → Tavsal Ferry → Nandivade → Malgund → Ganpatipule

**Distance:** ~120–140 km

### Highlights

- Cliff-top view of Guhagar Beach
- Palshet Beach
- Velneshwar Shiva Temple
- Dashbhuj Ganesh Temple
- Hedvi
- Tavsal ferry over Jaigad River
- Malgund Beach (water sports)

### Stay (Recommended)

- **MTDC Ganpatipule Resort** (great location, beachside rooms)

### Must Visit

- **Ganpatipule Ganesh Temple**: 400-year-old self-manifested idol of Lord Ganesha

### Tips

- Try to get a room facing or close to the beach at MTDC.
- The temple is right opposite the beach - easy to cover on foot.

*(see next page for Day 5)*

## Day 5 - Ganpatipule → Devgad (The Big Coastal Day)

**Route Idea:** Ganpatipule → Ratnagiri coast → Devgad (with multiple beach hops)

**Distance:** ~200+ km depending on detours

### Beaches & Spots on the Way (Pick What You Can)

- Bhandarpule Beach
- Aare Ware Beach
- Mandavi Beach & Ratnadurg Fort
- Ganeshgule Beach
- Gavkhadi Beach
- Devghali Beach
- Vetye Beach
- Ambolgad Beach
- Madban Beach
- Rameshwar Beach & Vijaydurg Fort
- Girye Kotharwadi Beach
- Padavane Beach

### Major Bridges

- Sakhartar Bridge
- Purnagad Bridge
- Amberi Bridge (amazing sunsets)
- Wadatare Bridge (also great for sunsets)

### Destination Highlight

- **Devgad Beach & Windmills**
- Narrow road through hills leading to the beach-beautiful riding experience

### Tips

- Start early: this is a **long and photo-heavy day**.
- Don't try to cover everything-pick a few key beaches.
- Sunset at Amberi or Wadatare Bridge is highly recommended.

## Day 6 - Devgad → Devbag (Malvan)

**Route:** Devgad → Mithmumbri → Kunkeshwar → Achara → Tarkarli → Devbag

**Distance:** ~90–110 km

### Highlights

- Hill road views of Devgad windmills
- Taramumbri–Mithmumbri Bridge & Vitthal Rakhumai Mandir
- **Kunkeshwar Beach & Temple** (one of the most beautiful beaches of the trip)
- Achara Bridge (Kerala-like scenery)
- Tarkarli Beach (scuba diving & water sports)
- Narrow scenic road with Karli River on one side and Arabian Sea on the other

### In Devbag

- Relax at Devbag Beach
- Hire a boat to visit:
  - **SeaGull Island** (best at sunset, great for photos)
  - **Tsunami Island** (naturally formed during past tsunami)
- Don't miss the **confluence point** where Karli River meets the Arabian Sea

### Tips

- Keep the evening free for the boat trip and sunset.
- Carry cash for local boat operators.

*(see next page for Day 7)*

## Day 7 - Devbag → Pune (Return)

**Route:** Devbag → Konkan interiors → Panvel Highway → Pune

**Distance:** ~420 km

### Ride Notes

- Long highway + interior Konkan stretch
- Scenic but tiring-plan fuel and food stops
- A good day to reflect and plan the next Konkan trip 😊

### Practical Tips for Riders

- **Best Season:** Oct–Feb (pleasant weather, clearer skies)
- **Avoid:** Peak monsoon unless you're prepared for broken roads & ferries
- **Bike Prep:** Good tyres, chain lube, basic tool kit, puncture kit
- **Luggage:** Soft luggage works best for ferries and rough patches
- **Cash:** Keep some cash for ferries, small eateries, and boats
- **Start Early:** Coastal days get long if you stop for photos (you will!)

### Final Words

Konkan is not about rushing from point A to B-it's about **slow riding, small detours, beaches you didn't plan, and sunsets you didn't expect**. This circuit is perfect if you want a mix of temples, quiet beaches, scenic ferries, and soulful coastal roads.

Ride Safe. See you on the road. 

(see next page for extras)

## Packing Checklist (Touring / ADV)

### Riding Gear

- Helmet, gloves (summer + waterproof), riding jacket, riding pants
- Rain liner / poncho (Konkan weather changes fast)
- Riding boots or sturdy ankle-high shoes

### Bike & Tools

- Chain lube, basic tool kit, puncture repair kit
- Tyre inflator
- Spare clutch/brake lever (optional but useful on long trips)
- Microfiber cloth, visor cleaner

### Luggage & Tech

- Soft luggage / tail bag + tank bag
- Bungee cords / Rok straps
- Power bank, charging cables, phone mount
- Action cam / phone for photos + extra SD card

## Budget Snapshot (Per Person, Approx)

- Fuel (entire circuit): ₹6,000 – ₹8,000
- Stay (homestays / MTDC / camps): ₹1,000 – ₹2,500 per night
- Food: ₹500 – ₹1,000 per day
- Ferries + Boats (Devbag): ₹500 – ₹1,500 total

**Ballpark for 7 days:** ₹15,000 – ₹25,000 (excluding shopping / splurges). Actual costs vary by season, stay type, and food choices.

## Fuel, Food & Service Strategy

- **Fuel:** Top up whenever you see a good pump on the coastal stretch. Don't wait for reserve.
- **Food:** Small local restaurants near beaches serve excellent Konkani food. Carry some snacks for long empty stretches.
- **Service:** Do a full check before leaving Pune (chain, tyres, brake pads, oil level).

### **Good practice:**

- Start each day with a full tank.
- Lube chain every 500–700 km or after rain.

## **Maps & Navigation**

- Use Google Maps offline download for Konkan region.
- Save ferry points: Bagmandale, Dabhol, Tavsal.
- Create day-wise routes in Google Maps

### **Suggested structure:**

- Day 1: Pune → Diveagar
- Day 2: Diveagar → Savane (via Harihareshwar + Bagmandale ferry)
- Day 3: Savane → Guhagar (via Dabhol jetty)
- Day 4: Guhagar → Ganpatipule (via Velneshwar, Hedvi, Tavsal ferry)
- Day 5: Ganpatipule → Devgad (coastal hopping)
- Day 6: Devgad → Devbag (via Kunkeshwar, Achara, Tarkarli)
- Day 7: Devbag → Pune

## **Safety, Weather & Riding Notes**

- **Best Season:** Oct–Feb (pleasant weather, clearer skies)
- **Monsoon (Jun–Sep):** Expect broken roads, ferry disruptions, and landslides—ride only if experienced.
- **Start Early:** Coastal days stretch when you stop for photos (you will).
- **Ferries:** Check local timings at Bagmandale, Dabhol, and Tavsal; have a buffer plan.
- **Fuel Strategy:** Top up whenever you see a reliable pump on the coast.
- **Bike Prep:** Fresh tyres, healthy brake pads, chain service before departure.

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*Disclaimer: While I have based this document on my own personal motorcycle ride experience in Kokan, it has been augmented with the help of ChatGPT for formatting, presentation and calculating some distances. Always cross-check distances on Maps application to address issues of road blockages, detours. Do check local news and advisories.*