

# Bhubaneswar & Cuttack

For that deeply immersive, highly stimulating introduction to Odisha let your discoveries begin from the state capital Bhubaneswar. Explore centuries-old temples like the Lingaraja, mingle with locals in the bazaars, and sign up for heritage walks and cycling tours. Enjoy present-day attractions such as the new Kalabhoomi Crafts Museum. Do sample authentic Odia dishes at Nimantran Restaurant and tour Nandankanan Zoological Park and the ancient Buddhist site of Dhauli. In Cuttack, recapture Odisha's maritime heritage, shop for silver filigree jewellery and sample the delicious street food.



Junior Men's Hockey World Cup in 2021. The Biju Patnaik swimming pool complex at the Kalinga Stadium hosted the Junior Aquatic Nationals and the national camp for water polo wherein the Serbian national team engaged in friendlies. It also hosted the 48th National Junior Aquatic Championship'22. Kalinga Stadium is also scheduled to host the 2023 FIH Men's Hockey World Cup. One can also book a sports session and try out different kinds of sports at the various stadiums.

## Nimantran Restaurant

OTDCs flagship chain of Nimantran restaurants is a wonderful initiative to promote authentic Odia culinary delights. Tuck into specialities



such as Baripada Mudhi Mansa, Chilika Crab Curry, Kakara Pitha, Poda Pitha, Chatu Besara, Chhena Tarkari and Chhena Poda from a menu that represents dishes from all over the state. The first restaurant was opened in Bhubaneswar at Rupali Square. Another branch overlooks the Golden Beach in Puri. Plans are afoot to expand the Nimantran chain's footprint further.

## Nandankanan Sanctuary and Biological Park

Get ready for a thrilling safari ride at this fantastic natural habitat for a wealth of flora and fauna. Established as a sanctuary in 1979



Nandankanan is a part of the Chandaka forestlands and includes the Zoological Park, Botanical Garden and Kanjia Lake. It was at Nandankanan that for the first time ever, gharials and white tigers were bred in captivity. Gharial breeding is one of the important projects here. Do make a point of checking out the melanistic black tigers for which the sanctuary is famous.

## Khandagiri Jain Temple & Udayagiri Caves

Turn back the pages of Odisha's spiritual history here at this ancient complex of a relic monastery and residential blocks. The spot represents Jain sites of great archaeological, historical, and religious significance. Embedded naturally amidst hilly forests Udayagiri has 18 natural caves, and Khandagiri has 15 natural caves. The Udayagiri caves were developed around the

2nd century BCE by the Meghavahana dynasty's King Kharavela, considered to be the most powerful king in the history of Odisha. The Hathigumpha, or the elephant cave, features the inscriptions of King Kharavela. A ticketed site, it falls under the purview of the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI).

## Deras- Godbari Nature Camps

An unmissable back-to-nature experience awaits you at the Deras Nature Camp (8 cottages) and Godbari Nature Camp (8 suites), both of which serve as an excellent base to explore the Chandaka-Dampara Elephant Wildlife Sanctuary. You can enjoy a comfortable stay and sample local delicacies, along with thrilling activities such as jungle safaris, cycling, trekking, boating and birding at the camp located just 20km away from Bhubaneswar.



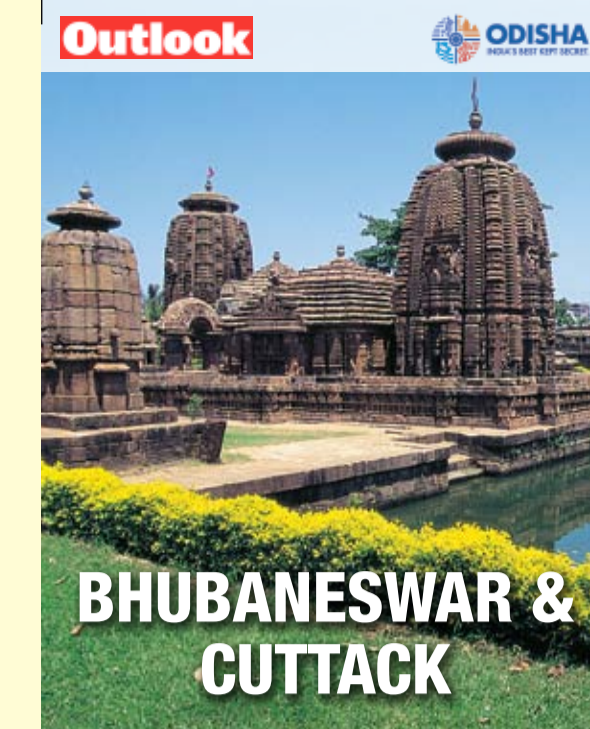
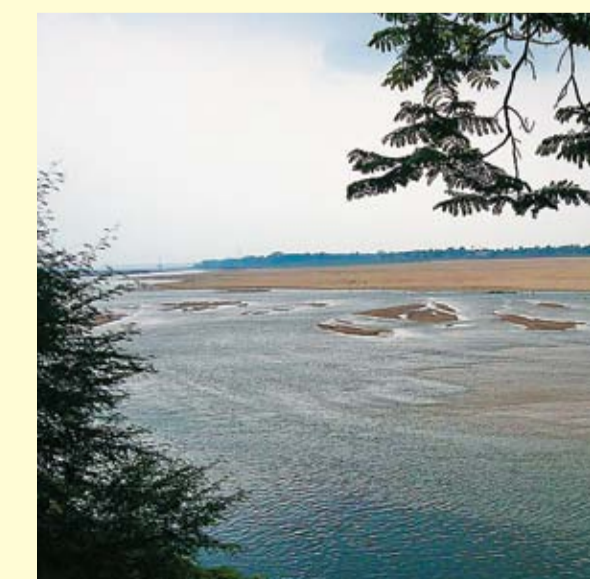
## CUTTACK

### Silver City Boat Club

While exploring the ancient maritime hub of Cuttack do explore the offerings of this spanking new leisure hotspot. An initiative of Odisha Tourism and run by OTDC, the boat club has become a popular recreational venue and hub for water sports such as jet skis, speed boats, day cruises, rides on banana boats, inflatable boats, water scooters, pedal boats; it also offers kayaking, canoeing, scuba diving etc. along the Mahanadi River. The Boat Club also operates a bar and a restaurant. A boat transports guests to newly launched floating restaurants which offer an excellent menu of delicious culinary options.

### Naraj Dam Picnic Point

While traveling to this picturesque picnic spot be prepared to be blown away by the gorgeous views of the mighty Mahanadi. This is where



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the river begins its journey as the River Kathajodi. Devotees often stop by to pay their respects at the nearby Sideshwar Temple. Naraj was once famed as a seat of Buddhist culture and learning.

### Barabati Fort And Cricket Stadium

Dip into the annals of Odisha's past at this 14th century fort built during the reign of the Ganga



dynasty. Barabati Fort, though in ruins now, represents the amazing engineering skills of the Kalingan architects from medieval times. Nearby you will spot Barabati Cricket Stadium, the home ground of Odisha cricket team. Built in 1958, it is one of the oldest sports venues in India and regularly hosts international Cricket Sporting Events.

## BHUBANESWAR

### Temples - Heritage Walks

Long renowned as Ekamra Kshetra, or temple city, Bhubaneswar is the cradle of Kalinga School Architecture. Set aside time for the beautifully curated Ekamra Walks which lead you on a thrilling exploration of this astonishing heritage captured in its grand landmark temple sites such as Lingaraja, Rajarani, Mukteswar, Parasurameswar, Ananta Vasudev, amongst others.

Linger awhile to soak in the centuries-old living traditions that have flourished around these temple sites which offer a stimulating insight to Odisha's rich temple culture. An initiative of Odisha Tourism, these guided heritage tours introduce tourists to the places of historical and cultural significance in the city. You must taste the delicious afternoon abadhā, the vegetarian



sacred food (prasada) offering to the deities at the Lingaraja Temple and Ananta Vasudeva Temple. Another unmissable experience is the annual Rajarani Music Festival, which draws throngs of Indian classical music lovers to the ancient Rajarani temple site.

If you have the time load up on more memories of Odisha on the Heritage Walk in the Old Town, the Museum Walk at Kala Bhoomi Museum and the Heritage Walk in the Khandagiri Hills for the centuries-old Jain heritage sites of Udaygiri and Khandagiri caves.

### Dhauili Shanti Stupa

Just 8km from Bhubaneswar Dhauili is the site of Emperor Ashoka's devastating Kalinga War. A



must visit here is the serene Dhauilgiri Shanti Stupa or Peace Pagoda, commissioned in 1972 by the Japan Buddha Sangha and the Kalinga Nippon Buddha Sangha. It commemorates the

Buddhist path of peace adopted by the legendary emperor after one of the bloodiest wars ever fought in the annals of history. Of the 14 major edicts established across his empire in India by the emperor, the first one was set up there by him. At the beautifully mounted Sound and Light Show recapture vignettes of the epic events of Emperor Ashoka's life and his transformation from Chanda (war-mongering) Ashoka to Dharma (peace-loving) Ashoka at this historic site. You will enjoy a grand fiesta of cultural delights in the showcase of classical music and dance, and martial art dance forms at the annual 3-day Kalinga-Dhauili Mahotsav, organized by Odisha Tourism.

### Kalinga Stadium

Discover Odisha's growing popularity as a premier sporting hub of India at the multi-purpose Kalinga Stadium. Built in 1978 it is India's first athletic stadium. Equipped with world-class facilities for hockey, athletics, football, basketball, tennis, table tennis, badminton, volleyball, wall climbing and swimming, it's a popular venue for major sporting events in the city. Notable too are its international standard brand new turf laid on the Kalinga Hockey Stadium with its 15,000 seating capacity, ahead of the Men's Hockey World Cup 2023; other developments are the new indoor aquatics stadium, tennis centre, staff accommodation, hockey High-Performance Center (HPC) building and a sports hostel.

Bhubaneswar has hosted an impressive line-up of big ticket international sports events, amongst them the Men's Hockey Champions Trophy in 2014, the Asian Athletics Championships, 2017 and the FIH Men's Hockey World Cup in 2018. It also held the FIH



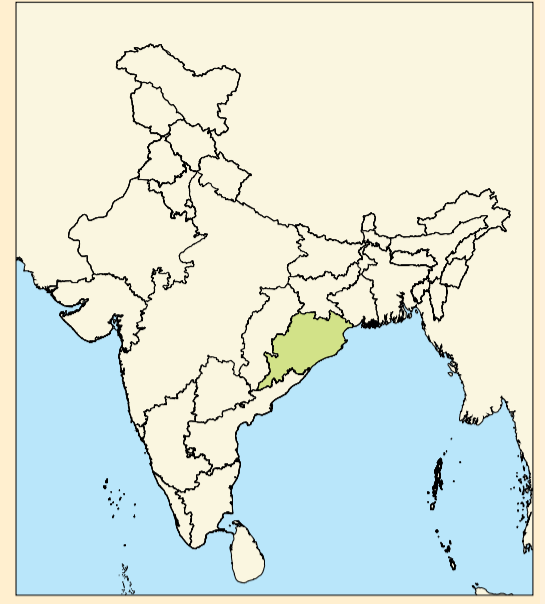
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