

## LOCAL BANGALORE TOURS

### HERITAGE HOMES WALK

About 4 hours including travel time

Price including taxes – Rs 2200/- per person

Travel in AC Coach (minimum 10 persons needed)

Fri, 26 June – 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Tue, 30 June – 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM



#### Of Beautiful Homes and a Laidback Lifestyle

Basavanagudi is a modern extension of Bengaluru in the late 1800s, with an ancient name. This walk takes one through the area when the home meant a vintage bungalow or at least an elegant home with fine architectural elements. Roads were spacious with broad pavements well lined by avenue of trees. The city's modern housing and lifestyle in the 1900s reflected the fact that Mysore was considered as a 'model' state for others to emulate.

The homes were not just beautiful structures but supported a certain lifestyle and culture of an era that has long gone. We visit some homes that have withstood against time & pace of the city. We will meet some owners who will take you to the Basavanagudi of the 60s or even beyond; the homes can be as varied as stately home of a Diwan (prime minister) of the Mysore Kingdom to a middle class home in the area. Architecture, nostalgia, lifestyle and culture of the neighbourhood, all served on a platter.

### MEDIEVAL BANGALORE TRAIL

Culture, History, Architecture

Price including taxes – Rs 3500/- per person

Travel in AC Coach (minimum 15 persons needed)

Sun, 28 June – 7:30 AM to 1:30 PM

(Breakfast & Lunch included)



Unhurried's Medieval Bangalore Trail is a heritage enthusiast's dream. It is one of the popular requests at Unhurried: a tour that unites all of medieval Bangalore, the dilapidated remains of Bangalore fort that stands as a testimony to its war history, the summer palace of Tipu Sultan, the ancient south Indian temple patronized by Hindu kings and Sultans alike.

Today's version of the old city of Bangalore is a century old City Market where whatever can be legally sold is displayed—ironware, flowers, fruits, banana leaves, tricycles, etc. The colourful flower market with mounds of orange marigolds,

yellow sevanthige, red roses, white jasmynes, stringed and un-stringed are sold and bought here.

This trail combines the buzz of present day with the dreams of the past, picking out in today's streets and markets the very places great men and women lived. It's not only a journey to the past, it's the treasure hunt for the past existing in the present. Explore the remains of the Kempe Gowda fort while we paint you an enigmatic picture of what the place once was. Take a leisurely walk down Avenue Road and indulge yourselves in the assortment of items that line the shops.

## RURAL CHARMS TRAIL

**Temples, Culture, History, Shopping**

**Price including taxes – Rs 3500/- per person**

**Travel in AC Coach (minimum 15 persons needed)**

**Mon, 29 June – 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM**

**(Breakfast & Lunch included)**



Bangalore is the greedy growing metropolis annexing little villages around it to become the big fat IT city it is today. Whitefield on one end to Basavanagudi on the other, little villages, often without realising it themselves, blurred their boundaries to join Bangalore. The blurring of boundaries, of course, did not mean the erasing of identities. Even to this day, every annexed village strives to maintain its identity: the lifestyle, culture, their histories, architecture and some surviving monuments. Exemplary are the two erstwhile villages of South Bangalore – Gavipuram and Basavanagudi.

The rural charms trail is one that looks for the villages in today's buzzing urban neighbourhoods. Gavipuram of the cave inhabitant Lord Shiva—Gavi Gangadhareshwara, temples of Dodda Ganesha and Basavanagudi (Bull) temples, set on hillocks, follow ancient traditions and live by age-old myths. These temples are metaphoric remains of rural life in the area.

Across the street is Basavanagudi post-Independence India's literary hotbed and home to many writers such as D V Gundappa, a poet, writer and philosopher; ironic to his austere lifestyle, an extremely busy commercial street bears his name today. A delicious dosa at the iconic Vidyarthi Bhavan (a hotel first started for students of the area!) is a must savour experience.

## THE SILK ROUTE TALES - A Day tour from Bangalore

**Price including taxes – Rs 4000/- per person**

**Travel in AC Coach (minimum 15 persons needed)**

**Sat, 27 June – 7:30 AM to 4:30 PM**

**Wed, 1 July – 7:30 AM to 4:30 PM**

**(Breakfast & Lunch included)**

A day tour is through the areas of Ramanagara and Channapatna, two towns near Bangalore famous for their cottage industries.

The Culture tour aims to take a visitor on a Silk route - from the humble silkworms, their cocoons to the markets & factories - in an effort to show the process and the diverse people behind the silk industry of South India. Did you know India produces 20% of the world's silk?



We journey onwards to Channapatna, learn about the communities that live here and their famous handicrafts livelihood. We will visit the toys' factories and the shops as we learn about how these colourful wooden toys are created, its journey across the changing times and the modern interpretations.

Apart from the industries, we will visit a quaint and a beautiful Sufi Dargah, a centuries old temple and return to Bangalore by evening.

## BIRYANI WALK

### Quest for best biryani

Price including taxes – Rs 2500/- per person

Travel in AC Coach (minimum 10 persons needed)

Sat, 27 June – 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM



Join us on a quest for the best Biryani in Fraser town among the five different types of Biryani on this walk. On the Biryani trail, we bring the time-tested combination for a good weekend enjoyed in the company of other foodies at some of the oldest as well as new outlets.

Known for its linguistic and ethnic diversity, Fraser town with its many thoroughfares is lined with eateries and stores that offer a veritable mix of the old and the new. While you are busy enjoying a sumptuous meal, our walk leads will narrate delightful snippets of local history in this potpourri of cultures. Top this all

with desserts comprising of the yummiest khoya naans, halwa puris and the best kulfi in town.

## IDLY-DOSA WALK

### Chutney, sambhar on the side: Taste Bangalore's best Idly-Dosa in the gullies of Basavanagudi

Price including taxes – Rs 2200/- per person

Travel in AC Coach (minimum 10 persons needed)

Mon, 29 June – 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Forget the spoons and forks; use your fingers to savour the best idlys and dosas in the city, with the tang of chutney and the sweet & spicy lentil sambhar.

One of the oldest neighbourhoods in Bangalore, Basavanagudi was once home to some of the brightest minds of Karnataka—writers, thinkers, theatre artists and others. Today, the busy streets of Basavanagudi still have among them the restaurants these luminaries ate in. In fact, several of these eateries are cultural institutions in themselves.



Join us as we tell you delectable tales of local history, urban myths and anecdotes as you sample slices of Karnataka at places that vary from hole-in-the-wall outlets to fancy restaurants.

## BANGALORE & ITS BEERS

Price including taxes – Rs 4500/- per person

Travel in AC Innovas (Minimum 8 and Maximum 10 persons)

Fri, 26 Jun – 3:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Tue, 30 Jun – 3:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Say Bangalore and 'Beer' could be an immediate reply in any word association game. Since the late eighties, Bangalore has been the official beer capital of the country. While the 90s saw the expansion of pubs in the city, the quantity of beer was more important than the quality or even variety. In the last few years, however, Bangalore has seen a huge growth of microbreweries and people are now relishing the different varieties available. Finally, beer drinking has become an adventure that more and more people are getting hooked on to.



On this tour, we will take you on a beer tasting trip in three of the leading microbreweries and also visit an old school pub to get a sense of the past.

If you love your ales and beers and want to get a taste of what the best in this country has to offer, this tour's a must for you.

## SHOPPERS' DELIGHT

Price including taxes – Rs 2500/- per person

*Stores Covered – Fabrics, clothing, local handicrafts, & jewellery)*

Travel in AC Innovas (Minimum 5 and Maximum 15 persons)

**Dates & Timings**

Sun, 28 June – 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Wed, 1 July – 10:30 AM to 2:30 PM



This tour is meant for those whose passion is shopping – serious shopping as well as window shopping. This tour will take you to the lesser known, non-touristy stores where the locals find the best fabric, the most exquisite crafts of the region and silver jewellery. Here's where you will get a chance to try out the latest trendy outfits and sample some unique products that this city has to offer. So go ahead, try on a local saree, bling yourself up with colourful gemstones and check

things off your shopping list at one go! Accompanied by a local expert, you can have all your shopping questions answered!