

A man is walking on a dirt path through a lush tropical forest. He is carrying a large, woven basket filled with ripe oranges on his head. The basket is secured with a blue cloth. The man is wearing a white t-shirt and blue patterned shorts. The forest is dense with tall trees and large green leaves. The ground is covered with fallen fruit and leaves.

GOA

West India





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# Sanyog Gupta Voyages

Luxury Destination Management Company

As we have evolved as a company, we have come to realise that our love lies not in booking tour packages, but in showcasing the unique experiences across the nations we serve. We realised that there are many secret corners of our world, rare moments, mysteries and stories.

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THIS IS THE PLACE  
THIS IS GOA

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# GOA

## IT ALL STARTS WITH DEU BORO DIS DIUM

Goa's history goes back thousands of years and its rock art engravings are the earliest traces of human life in India. Much of the state exhibits the cultural influence of the Portuguese who first landed here in the early 16th century.

The city of Old Goa or 'Velha Goa' served as the capital of Portuguese India and the remains of the city are now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Rising high above the Chapora River, the 500-year-old ruins of Chapora Fort are also a pleasant place to wander. The ruins command views in all directions and far out to the Arabian Sea.

A biodiversity hotspot, Goa is also rich in flora and fauna, but it's the white-sand beaches which stretch out along the Arabian Sea that are what really make Goa holidays so special.

Here, you can spend your days lounging in the sunshine or exploring the colourful roadside markets just off the beach.

As the sun sets, enjoy an altogether different pace as the streets come alive with DJs playing the latest tunes in the busy bars.





## Taj Exotica

Attain complete relaxation in the landscaped grounds of the Taj Exotica, which lies on a private beach overlooking the Arabian Sea. Lush gardens, flower patios, old-world architecture, large banquet halls and sunshine-lined atriums all greet you here. Time will literally stop at this paradise that is just minutes away from Benaulim Beach. Relax your nerves with a therapy session at the Jiva Spa, lounge by the pool, gorge on some delicious fare, try your hand at archery or enjoy some fun watersports! Taj Exotica is renowned as one of the best hotels in Goa with private beach.

## Alila Diwa Goa

Paddy fields surround this lush heavenly abode where elegant design matches luxurious facilities. The Alila Diwa Goa has its own infinity pool that has a hot tub and an open-air jacuzzi where you can relax for hours on end. Its impressive services make it one of the best luxury hotels in Goa.

The long unwinding courtyards, cool verandahs, serene deluxe rooms and the scenic surroundings make this luxury hotel a perfect getaway.

Stay in comfort and experience the best of Goa at this enclave of sophistication and luxury. It is also one of the 5-star hotels in Goa for a honeymoon.



## Grand Hyatt Goa

Experience complete luxury trip at the Grand Hyatt Hotel, where you can relax in splendid rooms overlooking the Bambolim Bay.

There are also both outdoor as well as indoor pools where you can soak up the warm Goan sun. The kids will also have a gala time here as they will take part in creative learning experiences at Camp Hyatt.

There is also an aerial runway so you can enjoy the magical view of this hotel from up above that makes it one of the top luxury hotels and resorts in Goa.



## Vivanta By Taj

With mesmerizing views of the Arabian Sea, the cottages at Vivanta by Taj will keep you in high spirits on your trip to Goa. The fact that each cottage offers a unique, beautiful view of the private garden, beach, sea, and sunsets makes it one of the top hotels in Goa. There is also a sunset deck where you can enjoy romantic dinners with your loved one. Feast on some exquisite cuisines at the different restaurants in the hotel and then get pampered at the beauty salon. Vivanta By Taj is hands down the best 7 star hotel in Goa and definitely one of the best hotels in the country.



## Goa Marriott Resort And Spa

Located a stone's throw away from the Miramar beach, the Goa Marriott Resort and Spa is one of the grandest hotels you will come across in Goa.

The rooms are well furnished and luxurious with beautiful views of the sea and the beach. Since this is located bang in the middle of Goa, there is plenty of sightseeing to do here as well.

## Planet Hollywood Beach Resort

Undoubtedly one of the best resorts you will come across in Goa, the Planet Hollywood Beach Resort is a magical haven where you can escape from the world. Every room has massage chairs, individual climate control settings, electronic safe, seasonal tents, excellent views of the surrounding paddy fields, high-speed internet and much more.

There is also a fitness center and spa to help you unwind and stay healthy while on your perfect holiday and that is why it is considered one of the most luxurious hotels in Goa.







## Hard Rock Hotel Goa

Enjoy an iconic experience at one of the finest luxury hotels in Goa, the Hard Rock Hotel Goa. From spacious work desks to customized beddings, flat screen televisions, high-speed internet, a poolside bar serving a delicious array of cocktails, a rock spa and much more awaits you at this hotel. The chart-topping amenities here like the outdoor courtyard pool, the iconic outfits, the memorable collection of music and the fitness centers, will leave you totally in awe.

## The Lalit Golf And Spa Resort

If oceanfront privacy is what you seek, the Lalit Golf and Spa Resort is your best bet as it is one of the top luxury hotels and resorts in Goa. Nestled along the tranquil Talpone river and the Sahyadri ranges, this hotel has some of the most scenic views you will come across.

Grand Baroque-Portuguese style architecture, grand lobbies, an international golf course, majestic staircases and international cuisines await you in this one-of-a-kind breathtaking resort. This resort is undoubtedly considered as one of the top resorts amongst the various Goa resorts. Relax and rejuvenate yourself at 255 suites that include 10 luxurious villas.



## ITC Grand Goa

Hidden away in a tranquil, unspoilt corner of south Goa, this exquisite resort holds out the promise of an invigorating or intimate relaxed getaway. With direct access to the pristine, sun-drenched Arossim Beach, this 252 room resort sprawls over 45 lush landscaped acres and its 6 signature food and beverage outlets invites its guests to joyous culinary explorations from its home of Goa and across the world. The resort offers multiple outdoor & indoor venues for bespoke banqueting, special events and weddings.



## Taj Resort & Convention Centre

With a forested hillside perch and gorgeous Sea Views, the 299-room Taj Resort & Convention Centre, our 5 star business resort in Goa, oozes luxury & scale. 10 minutes from Panjim and neighbouring the Cidade de Goa, it stands tall, bold and generous. Much like the spirit of Goa.

Enter a cocktail of enviable spaces and modern design. After being greeted on arrival by vertical gardens and an elegant fountain, step into the views, starting with the lobby that sweeps in the Arabian sea. Look above and the boldness of Goa stares back at you, in the form of a suspended boat's hull. Look around and you discover a resort of plenty.



## The Leela Goa

The Leela Goa is a unique property set amidst the sprawling 75 acres of lush greenery and beautiful lagoons with a winding river on one side and the azure blue sea on the other.

This luxury beach hotel in Goa is as enchanting as it is unique. If you are looking for luxury in a beachside setting, then The Leela Goa is a perfect choice.

The resort offers spacious and airy rooms and balconies that open up to majestic views of the lagoons and the Arabian Sea, all the while adhering to strict hygiene and sanitization standards defined by The Suraksha initiative.



## Taj Fort Aguada Resort & Spa

Romantic, Charming, Vibrant. It has history woven in its walls. This is where royalty, heads of government agencies and the biggest celebrities are known to frequent.

The first luxury hotel in Goa. The picturesque settings at our 5 star resort in North Goa create a fantastic backdrop for the entire experience along with the nouvelle restaurants and the Jiva spa. Soak in a space that showcases the spirit of Goa.

The nouvelle restaurants showcase the master craftsmanship of our seasoned Chefs who would tease your palate with their epicurean delight.







## W Hotel Goa

Mix and mingle with other globe-trotting trendsetters, multicultural mavens and expat yogaphiles at W Goa. Our five-star resort is the gateway to West India's famous New Age raves, where "psytrance" dance music first gained a foothold. Stroll Vagator Beach under the moonlight or head up to HillTop for North Goa's best parties.

Greet the sunrise on the Chapora Fort Trail and use your cliff side vantage point to scout a sandy spot by the Arabian Sea.

## Le Meridien, Calangute

Discover the enduring lure of North Goa, India, from Le Méridien Goa, Calangute. Just steps from celebrated beaches, famous markets and attractions, our five-star hotel is the perfect choice for discerning travelers.

Explore historic landmarks and water sports at nearby Calangute, Candolim and Baga Beach. Our luxury hotel is inspired by Goa's rich art and cultural heritage, from the fresh breezes and natural light to local artwork and music. Ignite your senses with international cuisine at our restaurants, savour premium whiskey at our bar or relax poolside with a cocktail.



## Novotel Goa Dona Sylvia

Novotel Goa Dona Sylvia Resort, nestled between the tranquillity of the White Sands of Cavelossim Beach and opulent greenery, is one of Goa's finest and super luxurious beach resorts. This premium 20 acres property exudes extravagance and opulence harnessing your holiday with priceless moments. Novotel is known for its extremely clean and safe environment and has now gone a step further to strengthen its safety norms. The resort staff leaves no stone unturned and implements stringent safety rules.



## Hilton Goa Resort

Our hilltop resort overlooks Goa's lush greens and the Nerul River. We have four outdoor pools, a kids' club and signature concierge experiences.

Discover our contemporary resort enhanced by local Goan accents, just four kilometers from Candolim Beach and 10 kilometers from Panaji town. Goa International Airport is a 60-minute drive away.



## The Zuri White Sands Resort

The very mention of Goa, brings to mind serene beaches with the turquoise ocean water touching the shores lazily and also the Goan culture well known throughout the world. A land of rich and mystical heritage, Goa attracts people from all walks of life, be it the lone backpacker, the luxury vacationer or a businessman on a work trip. The sun-kissed beaches and the serene blue seas are only part of the Goan fable. Walk through the meandering lanes and you'll see a vibrant way of life, colourful and carefree in its nature. Goa thrives year-round, attracting people from all around the world.

## The Westin Goa

Experience the essence of susegad, the Goan concept of relaxed contentment, at The Westin Goa. Our hotel is set in one of the world's most desirable locations, near the vibrant nightlife of Anjuna, sun-kissed Arabian Sea beaches and verdant green hills; there are countless opportunities for adventure and rejuvenation here.

You'll find us nestled amidst an idyllic sanctuary that will captivate your senses from the moment you arrive. Sample delicious local cuisine at one of our hotel's four on-site dining options, featuring outdoor seating and scenic atmospheres.







## The Postcard Hotels - Goa

The Postcard Hotel is a collection of intimate luxury hotels hidden in holiday destinations across India and the world. Our hotels recall an era when holidays were sun-kissed and still, where the days were spent idling and flipping through old magazines against the backdrop of charming, quiet neighbourhoods. In that spirit, The Postcard Hotel combines luxury with simplicity, helping you retreat to a life you've always wanted - simple, un-hurried and filled with rich, little discoveries.

The Postcard Moira, Goa  
The Postcard Velha, Goa  
The Postcard Cuelim, Goa

## Ahilya by the Sea, Goa

Tucked away in a quiet corner of Dolphin Bay, Ahilya by the Sea is a serene and private escape. The property's nine tastefully decorated and welcoming rooms are spread across three independent villas and enjoy two beautiful swimming pools.

Ahilya by the Sea is the sister property of the renowned Ahilya Fort in Central India, and we carry forward the same philosophy of hospitality: the feeling of a staying in a family home, surrounded by understated elegance, enjoying the finer things in life.



## Radisson Blu, Cavelossim Beach

Located 45 minutes from Goa International Airport (GOI) and featuring brightly colored architecture and lush gardens, the Radisson Blu Resort Goa Cavelossim Beach creates an atmosphere that invites relaxation. Just a 10-minute walk from the Arabian Sea, our hotel makes your Cavelossim Beach getaway a breeze.

Our resort offers plenty of on-site water fun with two sparkling pools, including one just for kids. For more personalized attention while you unwind, take advantage of wellness treatments at Sohum Spa.



## Azaya Beach Resort

An experiential paradise, Azaya Beach Resort Goa draws inspiration from the Maldivian sense of place with uninterrupted soul-stirring sea views and powder-soft white sand spread deep into the resort. With a fresh, fun and trendy vibe, Azaya welcomes you to a new generation of luxury.

Azaya is a world without walls where you are at the centre of everything. Be it a leisurely breakfast at your private plunge pool, a rejuvenating massage at our spa by the sea, a boozy sundowner at our beachfront cabanas or an after-party at our high octane bar, Azaya has something for everyone.



## Cidade de Goa - IHCL

A few minutes from Panjim, past verdant paths, and on Vanguinim beach, await intimate alcoves, overhanging balcaos, historic murals, a backyard beach, and the friendliest hosts. Simply, Goa in a resort.

Designed as a Portuguese hamlet, with a Mediterranean influence, by world-renowned architect Charles Correa, Cidade de Goa, our beach resort in Goa, is a blend of luxury, warmth, and the laidback elegance of susegad. It embodies the heart of Goa, both in terms of location and vibe.

## Kenilworth Resort

Experience the beautiful environs and the cleanest sandy beaches at Kenilworth resort & spa, located in south goa. Alongside the portuguese architecture of goa, relax in the most luxurious abode in goa. With the largest family style swimming pool in south goa, enjoy a most memorable holiday with the entire family.

Located at Utorda, Salcete, this luxury hotel provides spacious deluxe rooms, executive suites, and a presidential suite, all furnished with essential amenities.









## Panaji - The Capital

Panjim, also known as Panaji, is Goa's capital city and belongs to the North Goa district. It is located on the banks of the Mandovi river. The city has colorful villas that are a reflection of the Portuguese Colonial Era.

Panjim has an interesting landscape – from beautiful hills and buildings to churches and riverside esplanades. Awe-striking Bridges connect Panjim to the mainland. There's an endless number of places to visit in Panjim that will simply leave you spellbound.

Panjim is admired for its historicity. Centuries ago, Panjim used to be a fishing settlement with coconut trees, creeks, and meadows. Today, Panjim is the State Capital and is the educational, commercial and cultural hub of Goa.



# EXPLORE



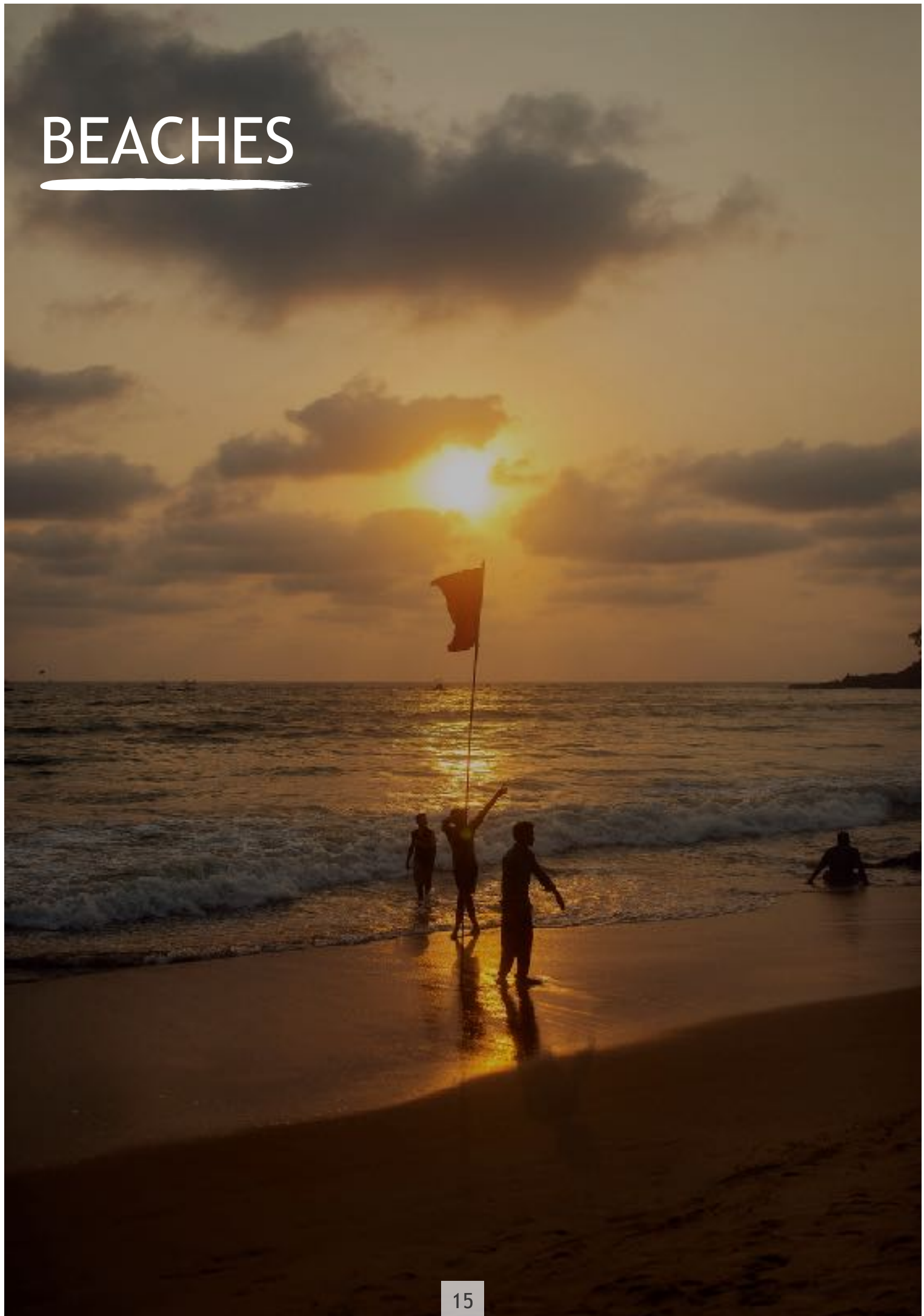


# AGRO ECO TOURISM





# BEACHES





A person with long dark hair in a braid, wearing a blue t-shirt, is seen from behind, holding a smartphone to take a photo of a large, powerful waterfall cascading over dark, craggy rocks. The water is white and frothy as it falls. The foreground shows a calm, greenish pool of water.

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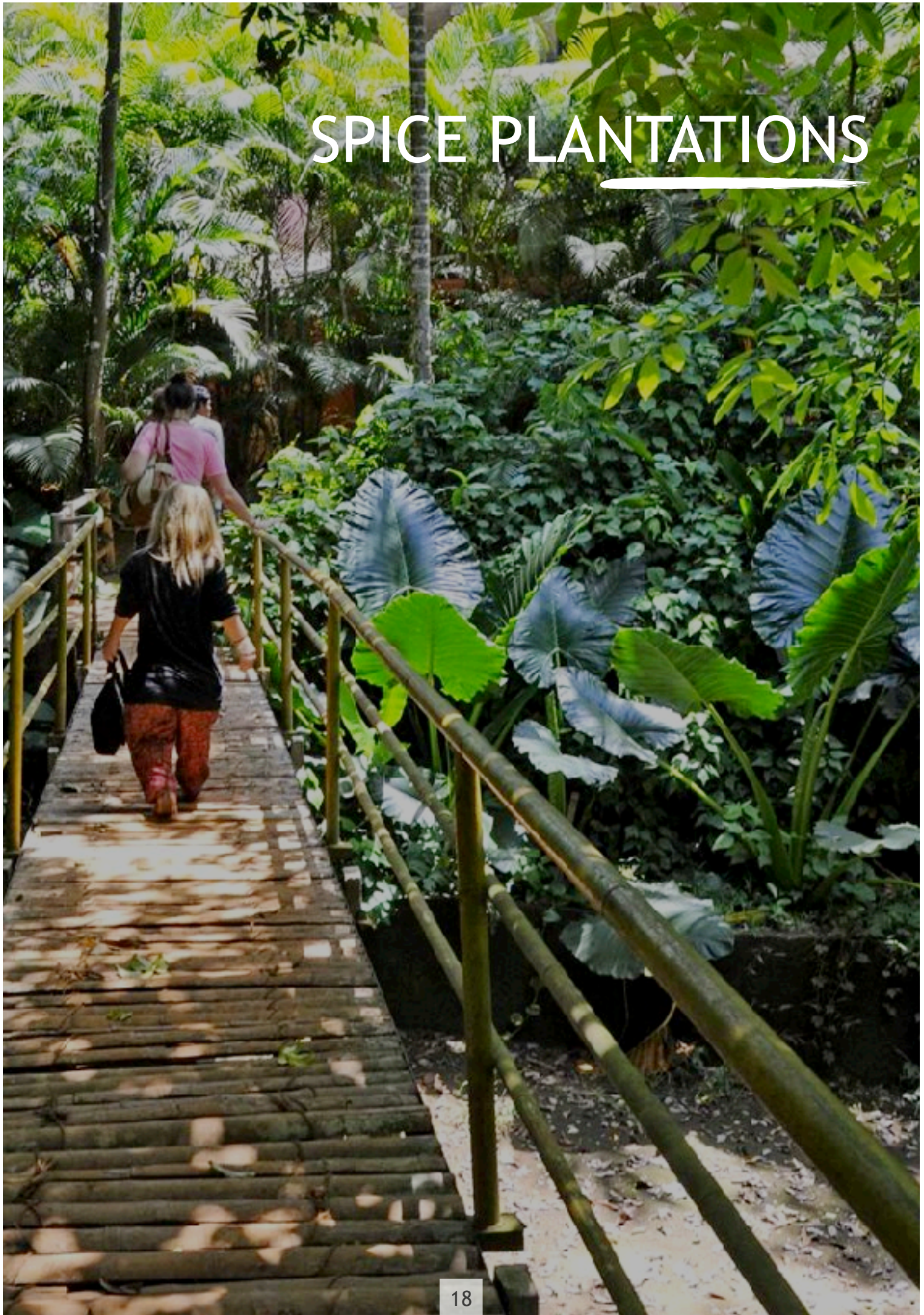


# CUISINE

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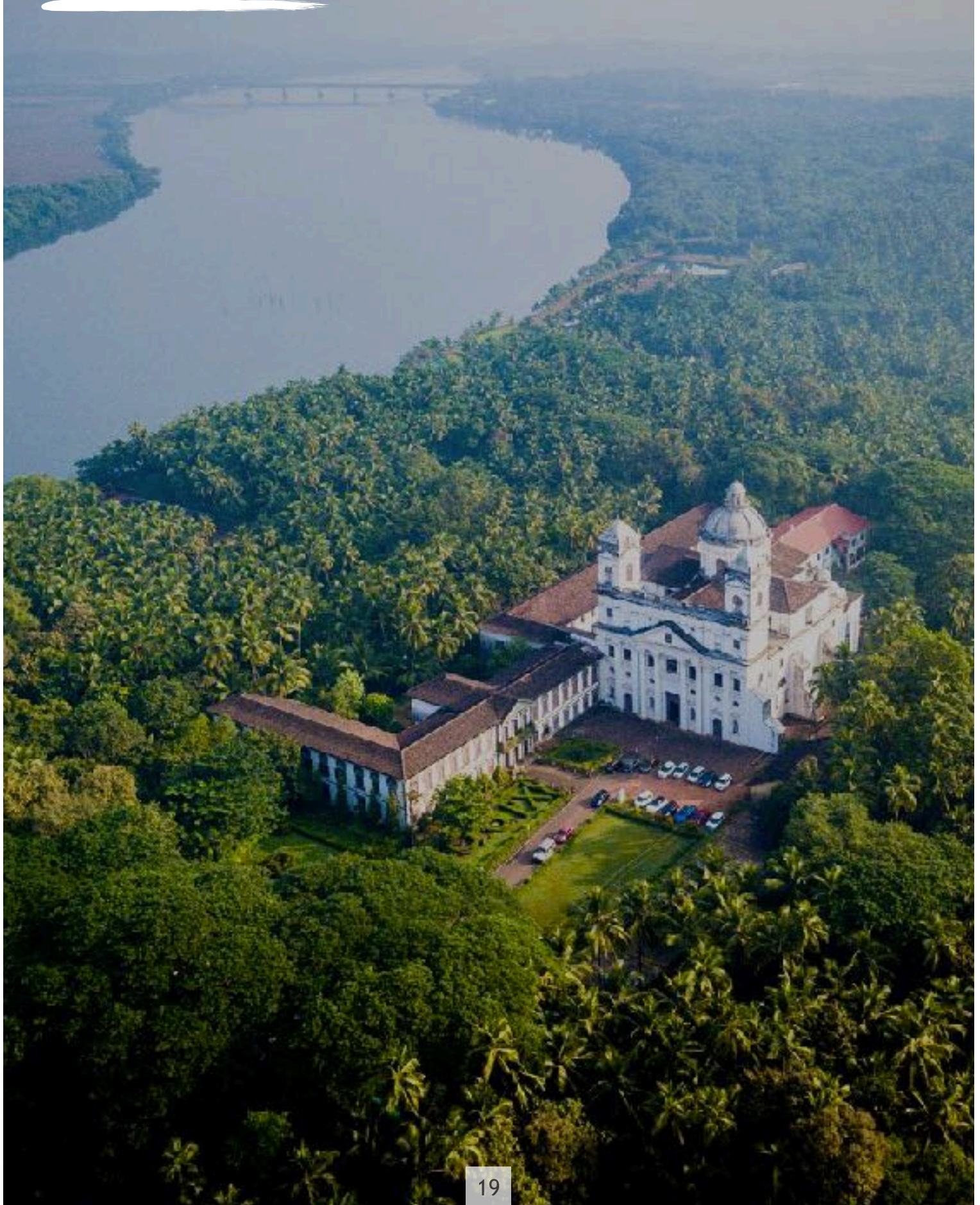


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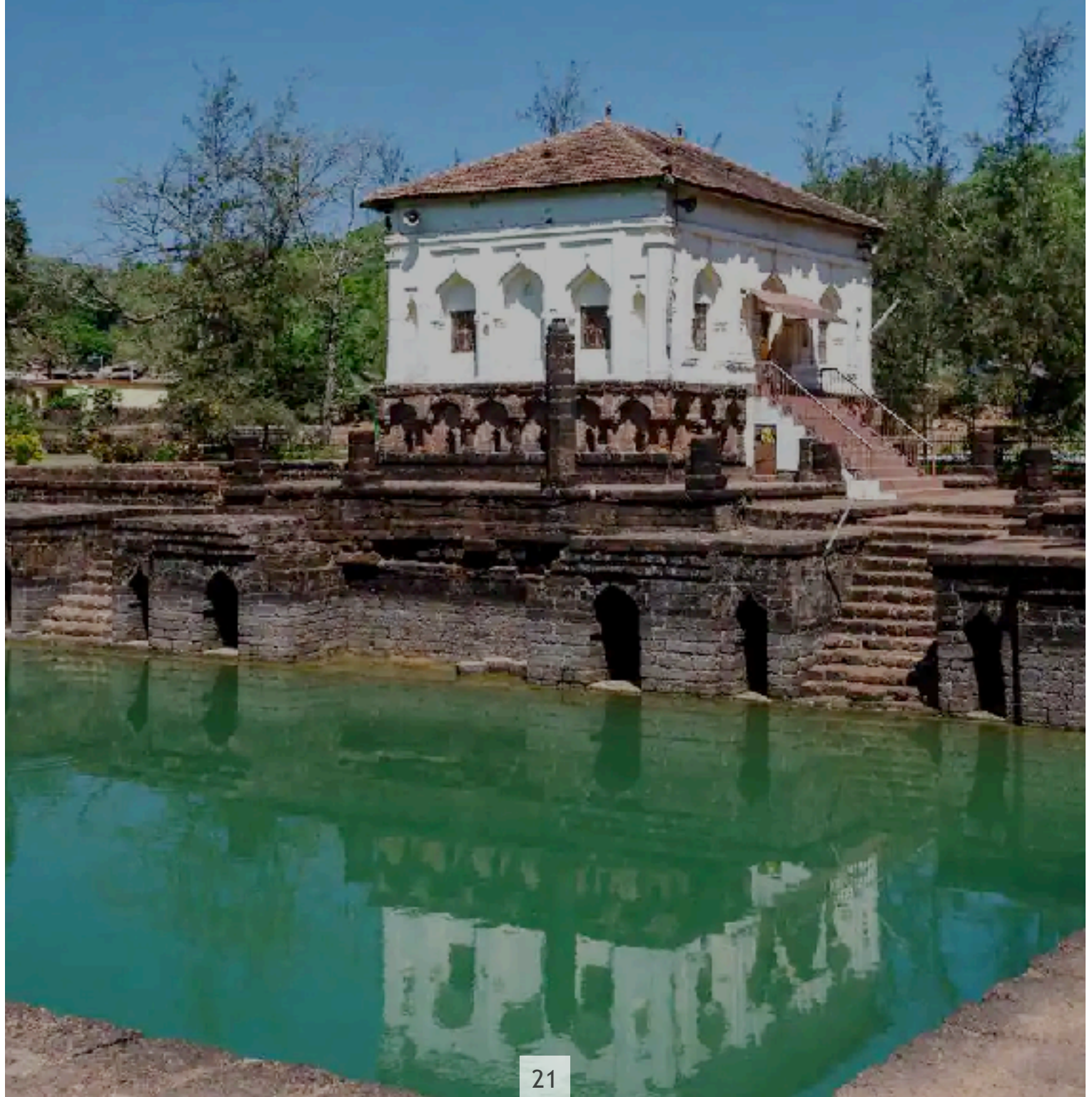
# TEMPLES





# MOSQUES

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# MUSEUMS





# CULTURE

A photograph of a soccer ball resting on a sandy beach at sunset. The ball is in the foreground, slightly to the right of center. The sand is textured with footprints. In the background, several people are standing on the beach, and the ocean is visible under a colorful sky. The word "CULTURE" is written in white capital letters in the top left corner, with a white brushstroke underline.



# ADVENTURE





# WEDDINGS

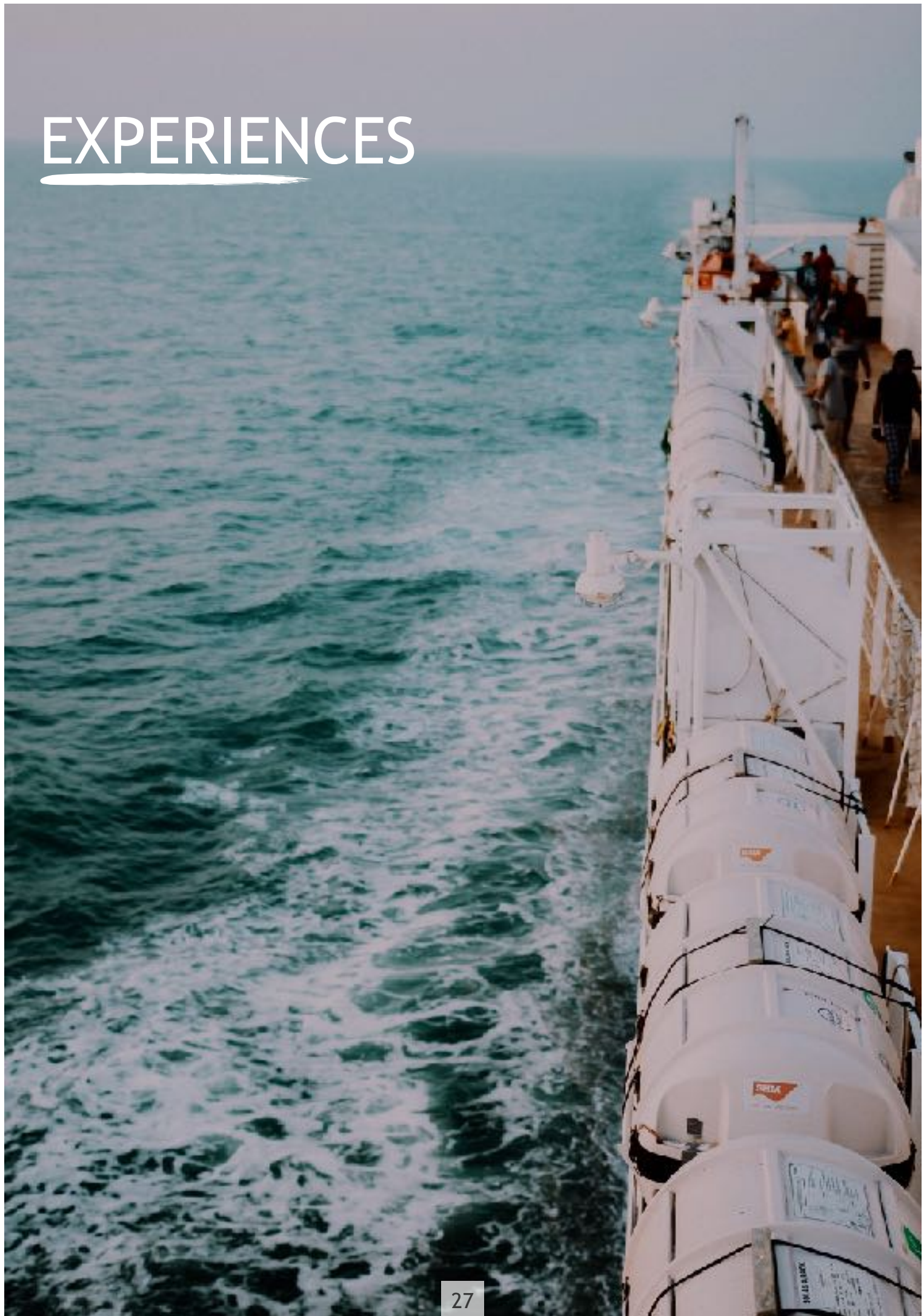
A photograph of a tropical wedding reception. In the foreground, several round tables are set with white tablecloths and white chairs. The tables are arranged on a green lawn. In the background, there are tall palm trees and a body of water. The scene is bathed in a warm, golden light, suggesting sunset or sunrise. The word "WEDDINGS" is written in white capital letters in the top left corner, underlined.







# EXPERIENCES



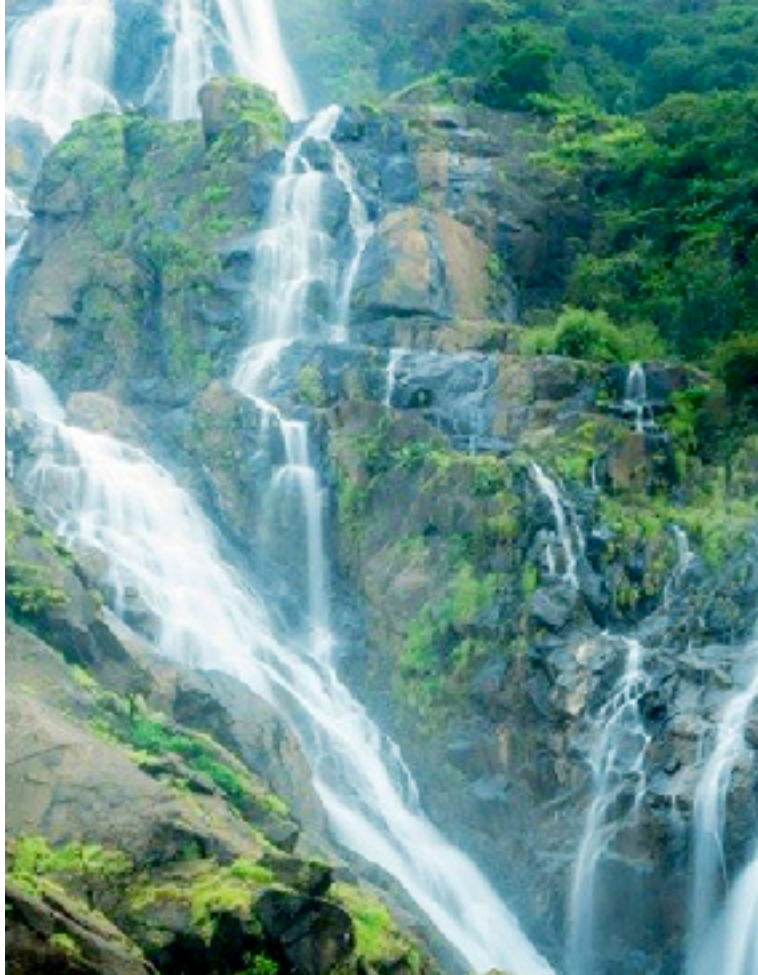


# Raj Bhavan Walking Tour

Raj Bhavan is a residential palace situated in Dona Paula, Goa which serves as the official residence of the Hon'ble Governor of Goa. The sprawling 88 acres estate is located on a cape in the Goan capital, Panjim, known by the name "Palacio do Cabo".

It hosts a number of residential suites along with the landmarks such as "Our Lady of the Cape Church", "Grotto", "The Estate", "The Estate Beach" and "The Jetty". Till date these landmarks were not open for the general public, however the Hon'ble Governor has decided to open the doors of Raj Bhavan for the general public w.e.f 5th Jan 2019.

Citizens will get to explore the grandeur and architectural beauty of Raj Bhavan, which will in turn generate revenue to the Government.



## Dudhsagar Waterfall

The majestic cascade of white water, gushing over the steep, nearly vertical face of the mountain from a spectacular height of 1017ft; is both breath taking and awe inspiring, making one aware that there are many forces in nature much more powerful than the human mind and body.

The name 'Dudhsagar' literally translates to 'sea of milk' which many believe is an allusion to the white spray and foam that the great waterfall creates as it cascades into the waters of the lake. The falls are at their zenith during the monsoon season, although they are a popular attraction all year round.

This waterfall is located in the Sanguem Taluka of Goa, and falls into the jurisdiction of the Goa Forest departments since it is a part of the Bhagwan Mahavir Wildlife Sanctuary. One can go by road or rail to Kulem railway station and then trek to the waterfall or hire a jeep with a driver to get closer in; however, there will still be a walk to reach the base of the falls.





## Bungee Jumping

After operating over 80,000 jumps since its inception in 2010 in Rishikesh, and earning recognition from the Ministry of tourism, Govt of India for their international safety standards, Jumpin Heights, the Bungy People - now bring their magic to Goa! Run by ex-Army officers and with Jump Masters trained extensively under Experts from New Zealand, Jumpin Heights adheres to Australia and New Zealand Standards of Safety for Bungy operations and have revolutionised how safety in adventure sports is perceived in India.

This August marks the beginning of the company's second project, and Goa's first permanent Bungy site- in Mayem Lake, North Goa, a 35 minute drive from the very popular Baga Beach. Jump from a height of 55 mtrs to experience adrenaline like never before.

## Scuba Diving

Get ready to be blown away with the rich marine diversity and over 100 species of fish that Goa has to offer as we take you on a magical boat ride with your friends and family on an 8 hour excursion on the sea. Sight delightful dolphins on the way to Grandé Island where you get to scuba dive and snorkel in amazing dive sites like Suzy's Wreck, Coral Garden, Bounty Bay, Lobsters' Avenue, and Shelter Cove.

As Goa Tourism's Official Diving Centre, we guarantee you an unforgettable and surreal scuba diving experience. In our 3rd season of operation, we are already on TripAdvisor's 'The 10 Best India Scuba and Snorkeling Activities.' We also have the added distinction of being affiliated with PADI and SSI, two of the world's leading diver training organizations. Our PADI and SSI certified instructors have dived in the waters all around the globe and are there to guide you, entertain you, and keep you safe in the event of any exigency.





# Hot Air Balloon Ride

Begin your day in the early hours of the morning at 6:30am at the Assolda Football Grounds in Chandor. Watch the balloon being prepared for flight as you receive a short safety briefing and the do's and don'ts of hot air balloon travel.

The pilot and crew are professionally trained and ensure that strict safety norms are followed. The total in-air time is approximately 1 hour. Balloons are capable of seating up to seven adults and balloons are made by Cameron Balloons, UK.

Once the balloon is ready, take off on a journey of a lifetime. Float over the green fields and golden beaches and enjoy a bird's eye view of Goa for an hour. The winds will steer you as you enjoy breathtaking views from the sky.

Whether with family, friends, or that special someone, a hot air balloon ride is a magical trip that deserves to be on your bucket list. As the rides involve a lot of preparation, make sure to book in advance.



## Motorised Paragliding

Among all recreational activities, paragliding is one of the most preferred ones by individuals of all ages. Tourists from all over the world prefer Goa as a hub of adventure sports and especially paragliding.

This recreational activity makes you fly high up in the sky while giving you the wings of your dreams.

Concepts are similar however paragliding in Goa as an adventure sport takes you a few meters high as 100 meters high.

Goa boasts a lot of fancy beaches which are a hub of enjoying paragliding. This refreshing activity is a must on your visit to North Goa and South Goa.

- Bird's eye view of the world below.
- Feels like sitting in a rocking chair and watching the world from 1000 feet above.
- A thrilling memory worth taking home





## Photoshoot

Photography experience in Goa is one of its kind.

We focus on local talent & curate the best photographers to help you freeze the most special moments of your Goa trip. Whether it's a beach relaxing shoot with your partner, a church hopping photoshoot with family, the moments with your little one or simply a travel photoshoot of your Goa trip with friends, we do it all.

With the team of more than 20 young and talented photographers, we are experts in shooting you at the right locations & creating out of the box shots which are not just pictures but a story that you will cherish forever.

## Birding Tours

Goa accounts for about 5% of the birds found in the world and about half the birds found in India within a driving distance of 90 minutes from anywhere in Goa & the season of operation extends throughout the year with bird sightings dependent on migration / breeding behavior.

Our team seeks to expose the traveler to the avian treasures of this State that is rich in cultural, historical, biological and geological heritage. Illustrated below, are the snapshots of the profiles of our guides on eBird.org for Goa. Our guides are amongst the top 5 eBirders in the State with enviable credentials and therefore we can confidently assure you that you are birding with the best!





# Shopping

Goa is a small pocket-sized state kissed by the Arabian Sea along its coastline. An incredible blend of Portuguese and Indian culture makes this place worth visiting. Goa is India's one of the most-loved beach destinations and biggest hippie marketplace. This charming and pulsating paradise has a variety of things to offer like sun, sand, seafood, surf, and shopping.

From the colourful flea bazaar of Baga to the dazzling night market of Arpora, and from the bubbly MMC bazaar to high-end panache stores, markets in Goa offer all kinds of quirky items to buy.

Shopping in Goa is not just about flea markets or night bazaars near beaches but one can also shop at designer boutiques, and customized shops that specialize in stylish clothing and accessories. Furthermore, Goa has eclectic book stores that offer everything from folklore to fiction and several government emporiums that trade in handicrafts and antiques at nominal rates.



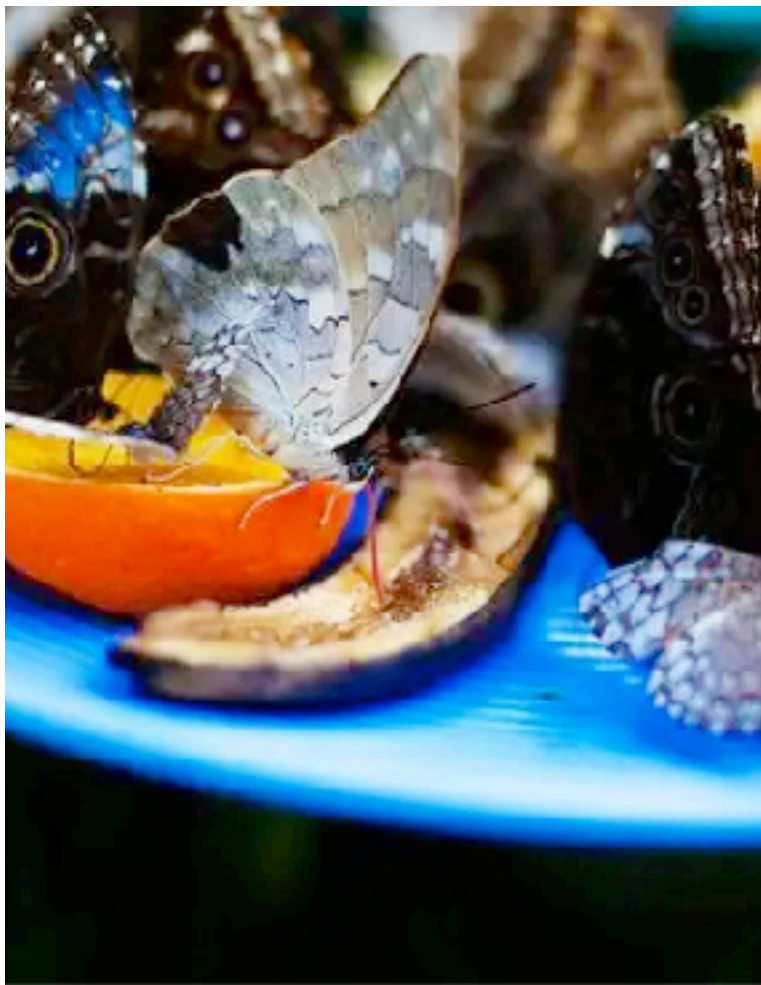
## Ayurveda

Recognized as the 'city of beaches', Goa is best known for its picturesque natural beauty, pristine churches and beneficial Ayurveda treatments. International tourists particularly visit India to experience and rejuvenate themselves from Ayurveda treatments. Ayurveda is basically the ancient science of treatment which cures and revives one's body and mind. The Ayurvedic sessions include yoga, diet, massage and exercise.

Goa is one of the top destinations in India for Ayurveda experience. Adorned with beautiful beaches and scenic surroundings, this top tourist destination attracts people by offering a holistic Ayurveda experience.

From the famed Panchkarma to Shirodhara to Nasyam, a wide range of Ayurvedic treatments can be availed in Goa. Apart from the therapies and rejuvenation of mind, body, and soul, one can also indulge in Ayurveda training, Yoga, and cooking courses at many of the Ayurveda resorts in Goa.





## Butterfly

Wondering what to do in Goa?

On your way back from the lush spice plantations of Goa you can visit the Butterfly Conservatory and see the most happy and colourful fluttering things to do in Goa.

And not just stand and watch, you can feed those beautiful beings with juicy fruits and watch them cheerfully gathering nectar.

Doesn't it sound exciting?

## Spice Plantations

In search of some places to visit in Goa other than beaches? The spice plantations are some of the most offbeat places to visit in Goa.

Walk through the aromatic fresh plantation and learn about various spices. Savoi plantations and Sahakar Spice Farm are the two of the most famous plantations that you must visit.

Apart from enjoying the natural beauty and walking through the plantation that happens to be one of the best things to do in Goa, you also get to play with the majestic tuskers. Give them a bath or sit on their back while the splash you with water.





## Goan Backwaters - Go Crab Catching

Crab catching is no child's play! Don't want to get your hands dirty? Scared of getting a little snap?

Well, then it's not your cup of tea. You make thing that it is one of the crazy things to do in Goa, but it's fun nevertheless. With homemade nets called 'Kobblem' you set up traps for the crabs and catch them in the Goan backwaters or the sea side.

There are various crab catching tours that takes place in Goa or you could just make a local friend in one of the villages and tag along with them for a little adventure. Do not miss out on this one as it is one of the must do things in Goa.



## Mandovi River - Go On A Romantic Sunset Cruise

Wondering what to do in Goa in the evenings?

The Goa Tourism Development Corporation (GTDC) runs different river cruises on the Mandovi river during daytime, sunset, and moonlight.

If you want to take a day cruise, there are two kinds- one from the Panaji jetty down the Mandovi into the Zuari bay and the second is up the Mandovi to Aldona and a mineral water spring.

There are also a few private firms that offer a variety of exclusive cruises or boat tours for sunset views as well as for crocodile or dolphin spotting.





## Go Island Hopping - For Variety

Confused what to do in Goa?

The choose to go island hopping – one of the must do things in Goa. Far from the city din and the rowdy tourists, these secluded islands of Goa are perhaps the most beautiful part of the state.

Multiple ferry rides away, these villages welcome you with old Portuguese-style houses dotting the landscape, lush vegetation and a quaint environment.

Indulge in the local ambiance, hog on some of the most delicious bakeries you've ever tried and interact with the lovely locals.

## Sinquerim - Play With The Dolphins

Dolphin sighting is one of the most wonderfully offbeat things to do in Goa. Not many people know of this amazing activity here and it is often ignored.

The cruises usually start from Fort Aguada, Sinquerim or Panaji Jetty. If you're allowed you can also take a dip in the sea and play with these lovely creatures but only if the adequate safety arrangements are made. Excited?

Do add this to your list of things to do in Goa.



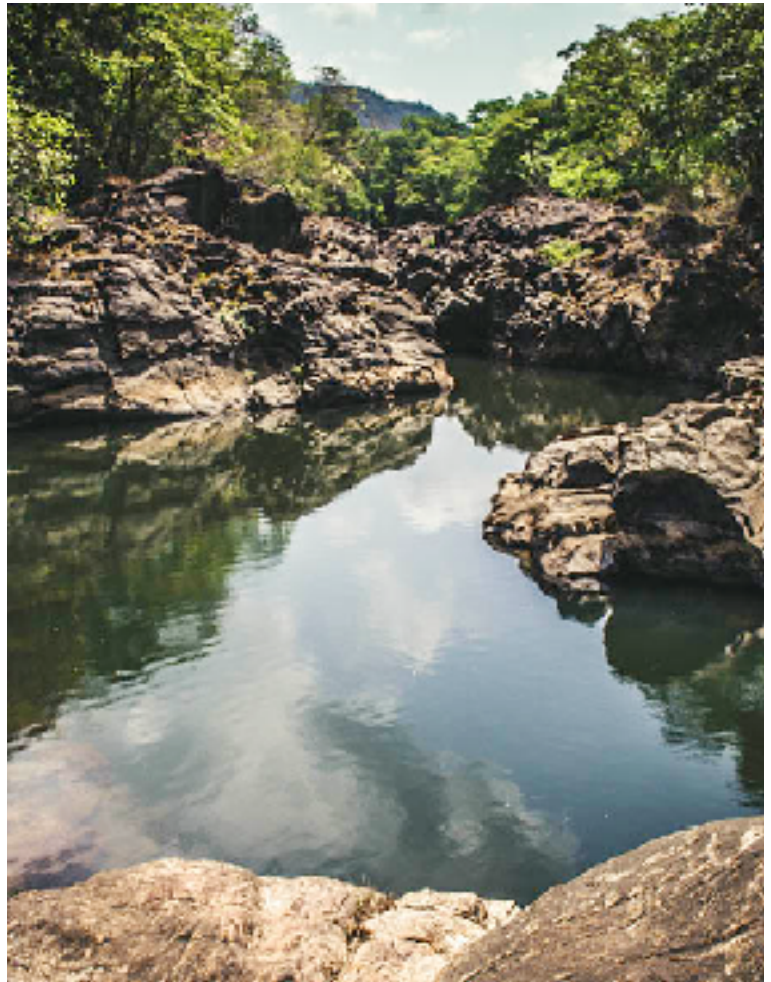


# Devil's Canyon - Feel The Chills Devil's

Looking for places to visit in Goa other than beaches? Then Devil's Canyon is the place to be.

They say a demon used to reign at this place having control over every living creature in the area including the fishes. However, when a local duped the demon and stole his fishes, the area was cursed. Even today when you go to the place you can feel its eerie vibes and the uncanny silence.

The turbulent river flowing in a deep gorge with various rock faces are infamous for taking the lives of many swimmers. Of all the offbeat places in Goa, this one is really an interesting one if spooky adventure is your thing.



## Goan Caves - Walk Through The Dark Passages

Few people know that there are surreal caves in Goa and that they have great historical and natural importance and can also be termed as some of the most romantic places in Goa.

Some of these caves are even man-made. Some of the most important Goan caves that you must check out are the Arvalem Caves, the Lamgao Caves, and the Rivona Caves. The next time you visit

Goa don't miss out on caving. We bet that the experience would be totally amazing! Do strike off one of the most impressive activities to do in Goa off your wishlist.





## Cabo De Rama - Witness The Ruins

Said to be Goa's oldest fort, Cabo De Rama has been conquered too many times in the starting from the Hindus to the Mughals to the Portuguese. The chapel and barracks were built by the Portuguese after conquering it in 1700.

Even though the fort is not very well kept and not very well known among tourists, you can see mind-blowing views of the sea from every corner of the fort. If you ever wonder what to do in Goa on your vacation, just find your way to the fort.



## Kayaking - Have Fun

Water activities are the best in Goa and kayaking is one of the offbeat activity to enjoy in Goa. One of the crazy things to do in Goa, there's nothing like rowing across the charming creeks crossing the villages of northern Goa. Row along the shore or into the sea and enjoy nature at it's tranquil best and carve some beautiful memories. Do add kayaking to your list!





## Catamaran Sailing - Sail Through The Waters

Another offbeat experience is catamaran sailing. Goa is the ideal destination for sailing and this is one activity that you should really try.

One can see the locals set sail often, and this is your chance to do the same. The weather conditions in Goa, apart from monsoons are quite favorable to go sailing. Book yourself a cruise and enjoy sailing into the sea.

The activity can be best enjoyed from morning till sunset. So, next time you wonder what to do in Goa, do add this to your list!



## Chapora River - Dine On A Houseboat

When we talk of Goa, houseboats usually do not come to our minds. But there are some amazing places offering a complete fun houseboat experience. Book yourself a place and go dine and dance on a houseboat in the waters of Goa, under the sky. Plan a date for your partner, or dance the night away with your friends on one of these houseboats on your vacay to Goa. One can choose an overnight tour or a day tour on a houseboat there.





## Mandrem - Practice Yoga

When we talk about Goa, then yoga is probably the last thing to come to our minds. But Goa has some amazing centers and yoga retreats. So if you want to relax, and unwind then heading to Goa to one of the yoga retreats is a great option. Mandrem, a village in Goa has a famous yoga retreat that you can check out if you are looking for some offbeat experiences there.



## Miramar Beach - Go Cycling

Goa is famous for hiring a bike, wandering, exploring, and partying. But instead of a bike, hire a cycle for a day. Try the cycling tours that are available there. It would be one of the best experiences you have in Goa. It is always fun to cycle, and exploring the beaches in Goa and rural parts of the city on a cycle can be very exciting. Some tours start at the Miramar beach, so that is one place where you can rent a cycle and explore around.

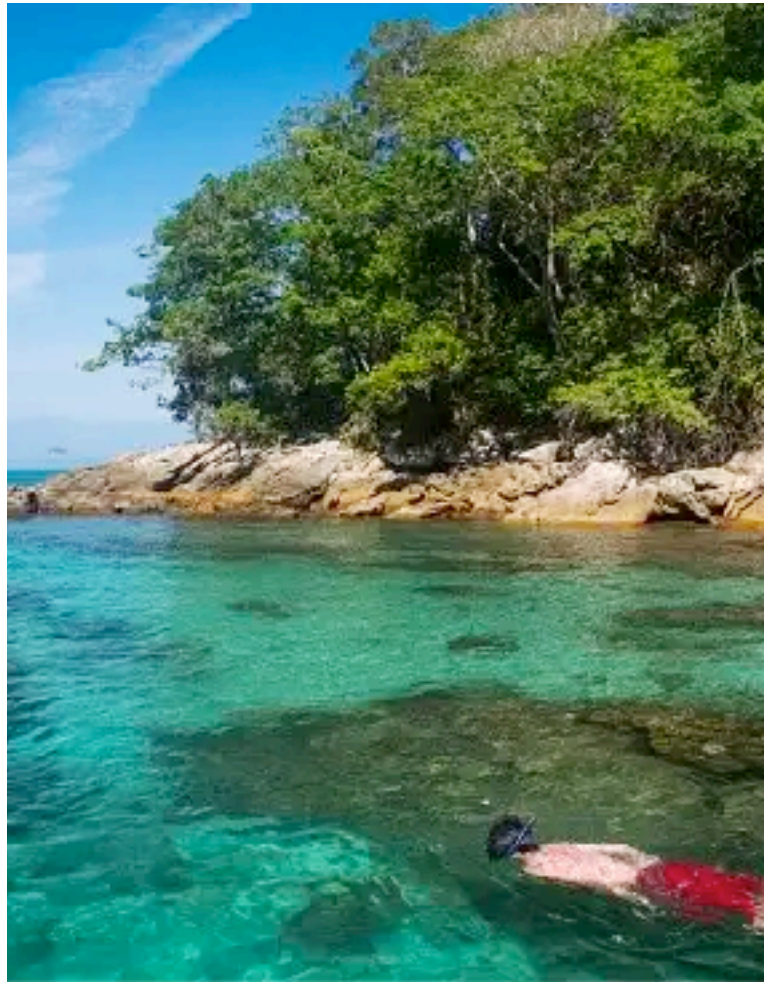


## Grande Island - Take A Day Trip

Ilha Grande in Goa is more popularly known as Grande Island or Bat Island. The only way to reach the island is by sailing to it and boat tours are available for the same.

The tours to Ilha Grande are usually half-day tours which start in the morning around 8 or 9 depending on the operators via which one has booked the tour.

It includes a visit to Bat Island and other activities like dolphin spotting, snorkeling, swimming, and lunch. The activities might vary from operator to operator and it is better to take complete details in advance. Nonetheless, Grande Island is one of the most offbeat places in Goa, so what are you waiting for? Pack your bags already!

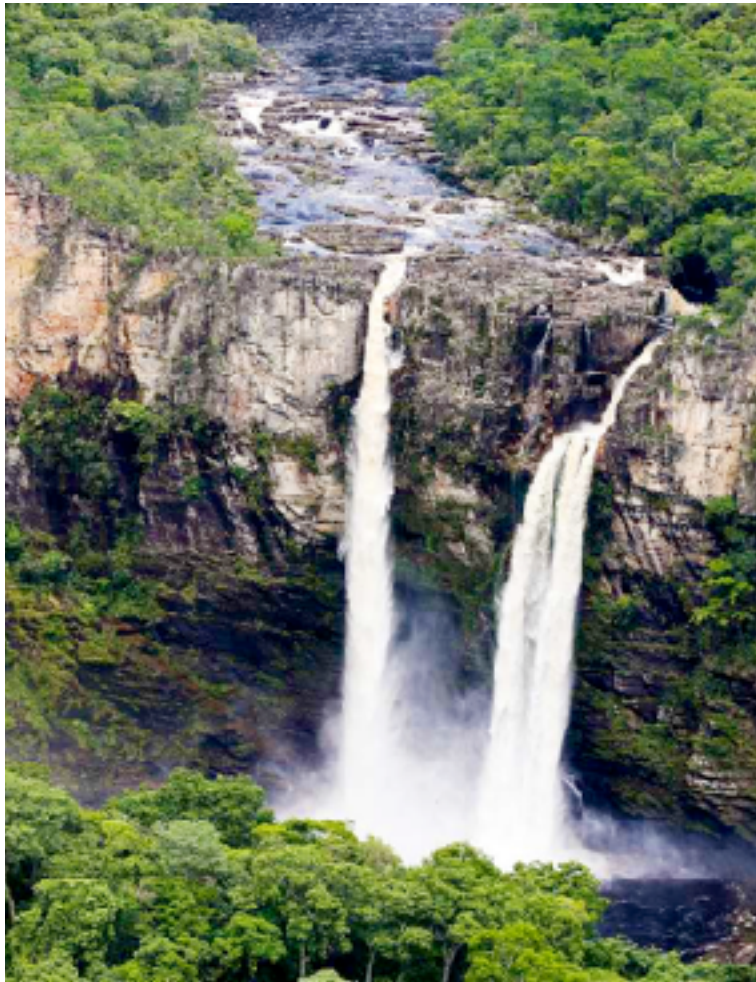


## Arambol Beach - Go On An Ocean Trek

All of us are familiar with hill and mountain treks, but one offbeat thing to experience in Goa is the ocean trek. There are quite a few secluded areas of Goa that one can discover through these treks.

Trekking through green groves, right by the vast endless ocean is altogether a different experience. One can enjoy an ocean trek at Arambol beach in Goa.





## Todo Waterfalls - Go On An Offbeat Trek

If there are new experiences that you are seeking in Goa, then this waterfall trek is something that you can add to your list of offbeat things to do in Goa. Todo waterfalls are in Netravali, a town in Goa. It is an exciting trek that would take you through the dense forests of Goa. Cross small streams on your way as you enjoy the natural scenic beauty till you reach the final destination, Todo Waterfalls.



## Mhadei River - Experience White Water Rafting

When one talks of rafting, Goa doesn't usually come to mind. But it sure is something that one can experience on their trip to Goa. One can enjoy white water rafting at river Mhadei in Goa. This thrilling water sport is available for one to enjoy during the months of June to September when the river is in full flow. The 6 km stretch of the river is full of rapids. So, get ready to raft through high and low waves, whirlpools, and more.





## Calangute Beach - Try Parasailing

If you are looking for must do things in Goa then trying parasailing is one. Calangute Beach is not just a place to try exotic seafood and try Goan cuisine but also for water scooter rides and parasailing. The best part is that you can try it here at affordable prices. An evergreen Goan attraction, Calangute is one of the best places to visit in Goa in May.



## Mandrem Beach - Enjoy Quad Biking

Imagine being on a bike that doesn't even look like a bike but a beast in the real sense of the term! Well, that's somewhat quad biking looks like. Mandrem Beach is one of the offbeat places in Goa and trying quad biking here is exciting. Get an exciting off roading experience while trying one of the most exciting things to do in Goa.





## Mapusa - Take Wing Chun Kung Fu Training

If you are looking for offbeat things to do in Goa then go out and try learning Wing Chun Kung Fu. A comprehensive martial art used for self defense, Wing Chun Kung Fu is one of the most interesting things to learn. Its not like any other martial art and emphasises on lethal street self defense.



## Zuari River - Crocodile Spotting

Now this might seem scary but what's life if not a little adventure? Well, Zuari River is one of the most beautiful places in Goa and you can spot crocodiles here which makes it even more popular. The crocodiles sun themselves on the mudflats. If you dare then you can even indulge in boating here.





## Anjuna Flea Market - Indulge In Shopping

It's common knowledge that shopping in Goa is one of the most exciting activities to indulge in and therefore Anjuna Flea Market has become one of the best places to indulge in shopping here. There is a weekly flea market here that sells everything at dirt cheap prices. You can even try street food here.



## Culinary Class

If you are a big time foodie, then you will find taking a culinary class as one of the most fulfilling activities to do in Goa. Why just stop at relishing the delicious Goan cuisine when you can learn its cooking secrets too? These recipes are an amalgamation of Indian, Portuguese and Coastal traditions. Interact with the chef and learn all you can about the art of cooking. If you are a home chef or just adore food experiences, then this is one of the must do things in Goa, especially if you are a couple on a honeymoon. Nothing will bring you closer than cooking together.

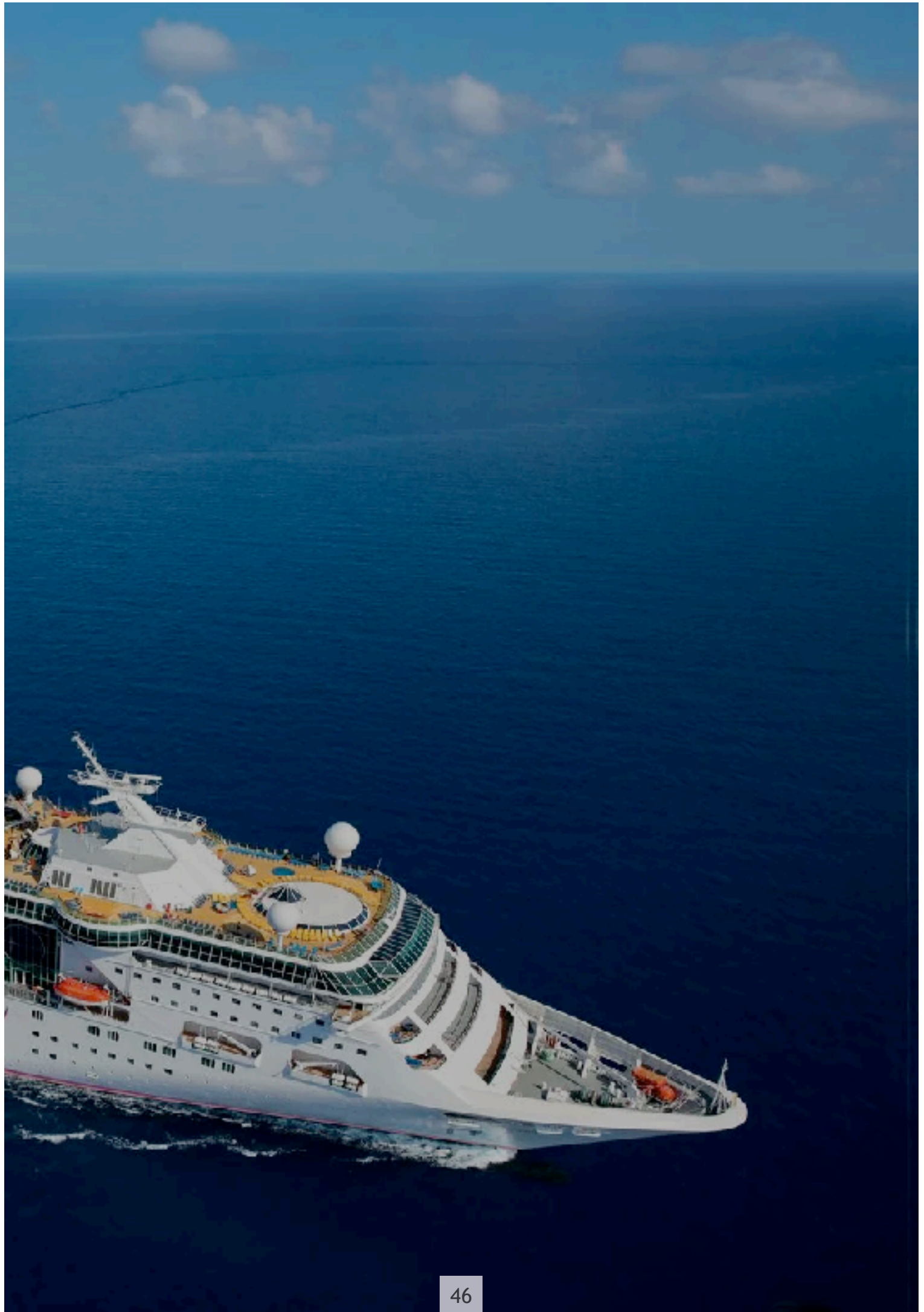


# Cruising in Goa

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# Casino in Goa









# BEACHES





## Querim Beach - Always A Good Time For Sunbathing

A calm and serene beach located in the northernmost region of Goa, Querim Beach is rarely crowded. It offers an ideal atmosphere to rejuvenate and reconnect with yourself. The white sand, backed with Casuarinas and palm trees, makes it one of the most beautiful beaches in North Goa.



## Mandrem Beach - For Sunset Romance By The Beach

Mandrem, a white sandy laid out beach, is one of the perfect beaches in North Goa for a break from the usual routine. The serenity of this place is a romantic bliss. Sitting on the Bamboo bridges, with feet dipped in water, and watching the sunset is something you shouldn't miss at any cost.







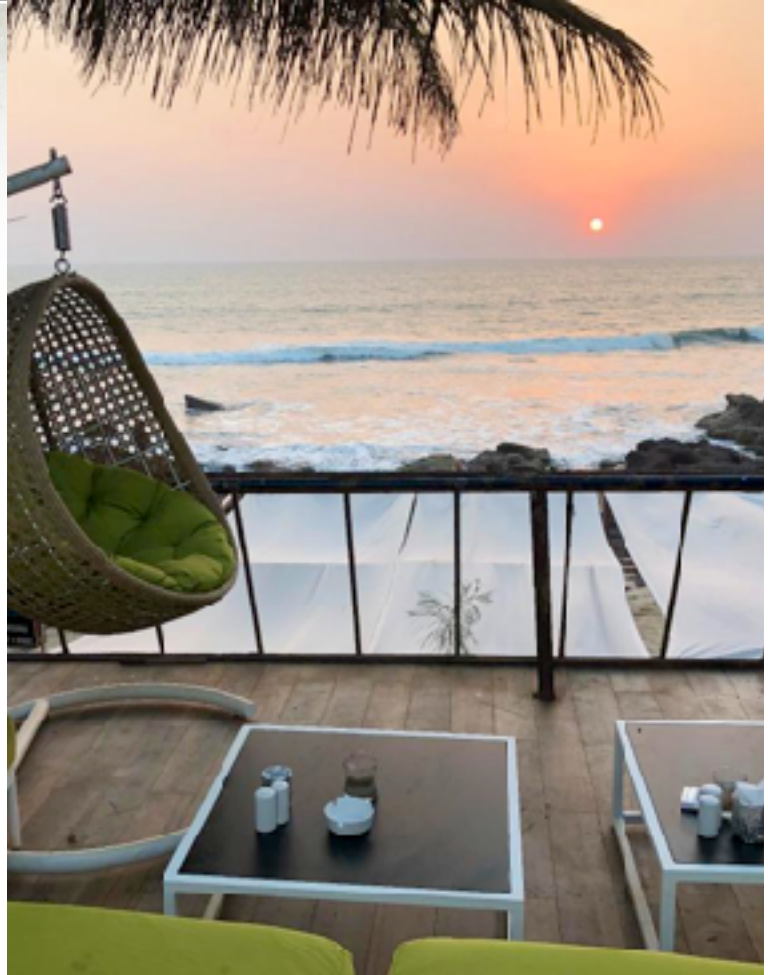
## Chapora Beach - Beach Beauty At Its

Every gang would have wanted to come to this fort and get clicked like Dil Chahta Hai. The Chapora Fort, complementing the white sand and lava rocks along the coastline, makes Chapora one of the wonderful beaches of North Goa.



## Ashwem Beach - A Peaceful Getaway

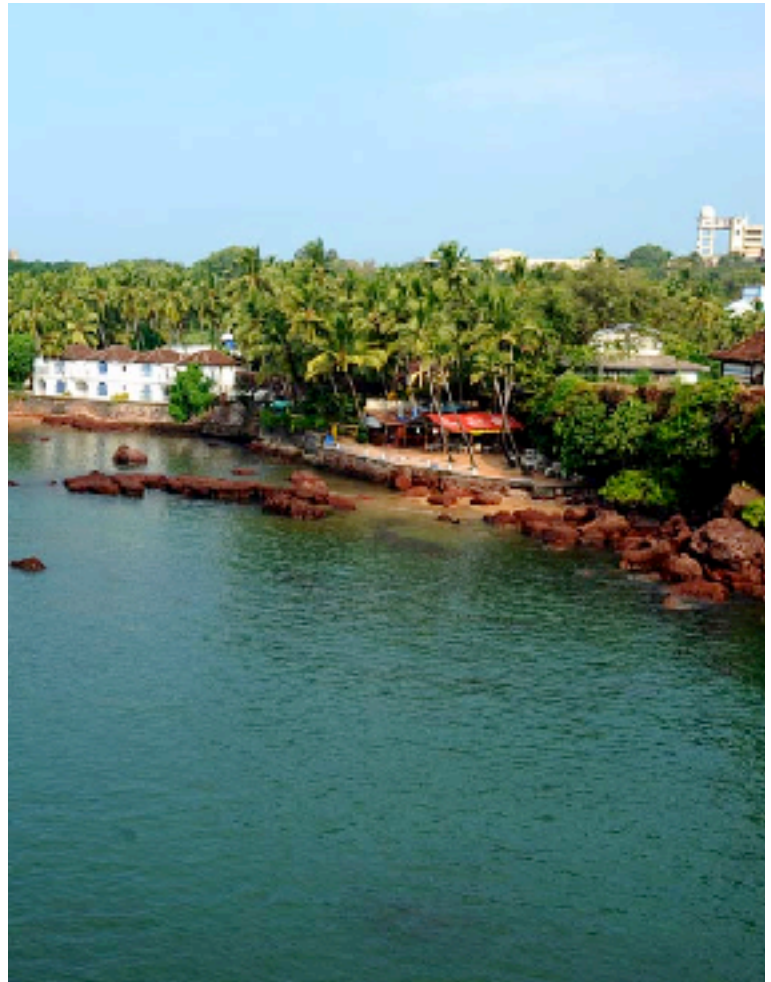
A rocky beach, which was carved by shellfish, stands out for its exquisite beauty lined with palm tree coastline and silver sand. Being a bit unknown to the tourist makes it an ideal place for a peaceful stay. It's also among the best beaches in North Goa for an ideal budget party,





## Dona Paula Beach - Hub Of Watersports

A lovely sandy cove known for its magnificent rocks, Dona Paula Beach is a lovers' paradise. People visit here not just to kindle their love but also to enjoy quality water sports. You can choose from a wide variety of sports, such as windsurfing, para-sailing, water-skiing, toboggan ski-biscuit, skibob, sports fishing, snorkeling, harpoon fishing, kayaking, yachting, water-scooter, cycle and motorboat rides.



## Calangute Beach - For An Absolute Beach Experience

Calangute offers a true beach vacation in every sense. Sitting in the proximity of Panaji, Calangute Beach not only boasts about the glittering beaches and swaying palm trees, but also colorful art exhibitions, bustling open air markets, adventurous water sports like parasailing and surfing, and trails for biking. The several pubs and shacks that cover the shores offer scrumptious oriental and Tibetan cuisines for one to choose from. If you wish to witness the best of beaches in North Goa, try paying a visit during Christmas!





## Anjuna Beach - For Hues Of Sunsets

Goa has a reputation of being a hub of hippies. Anjuna Beach is where there is maximum concentration of the young and eccentric people. Shacks blast with psychedelic music and the flea markets exude of hippie vibes even in the present days. For sunset lovers, this experience is something to not miss out on. Just imagine the sun setting far away into the ocean, hues of yellow, red, and orange spread all over, and trance music playing in the background. Do not forget to splurge on the artificial quirky jewelry and enjoy the nightlife at one of the best North Goa beaches.

## Baga Beach - An Isolated Trip

Baga Beach is sitting right next to Calangute. This Beach starts from where Calangute ends.

For those who prefer lesser crowds and peaceful beaches, Baga Beach could be your best bet during the day time. The nights in Goa are known to be wild. Baga Beach plays a significant role to prove it right. Renowned places like Tito's and Mambo's cafe are famed for offering rocking nightlife experience to tourists. This is the beach where the party in Goa never really stops.

If you seek peace even after the stars are out, head to the beach for a nighttime stroll under the beach sky.

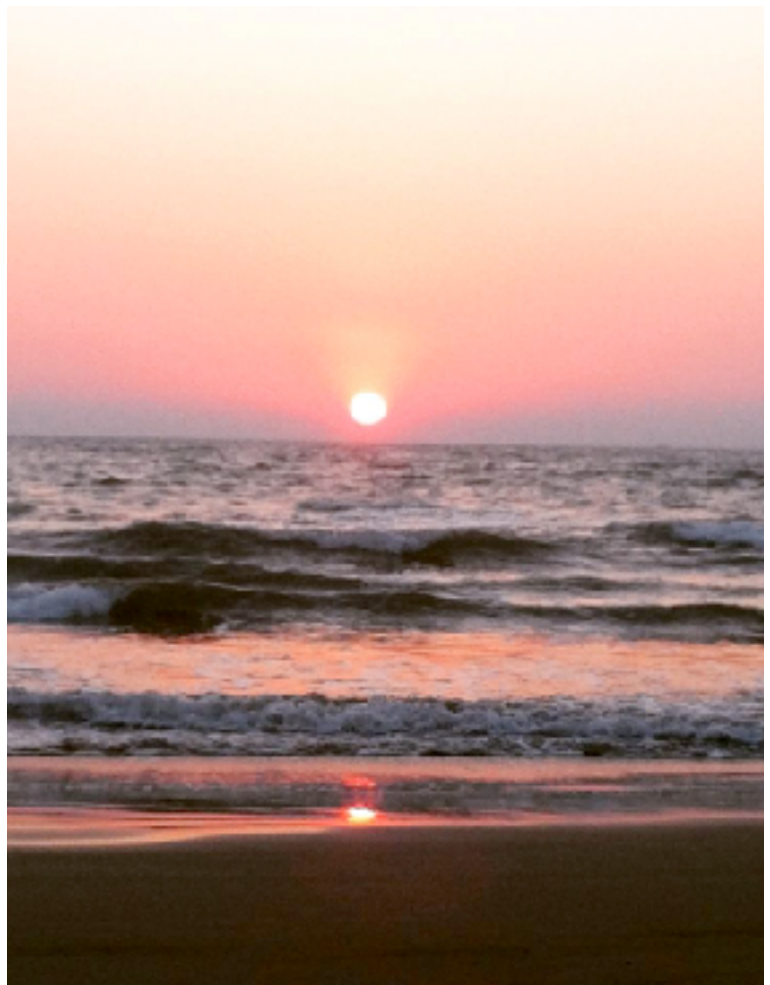




## Vagator Beach - Ferocious Red Cliffs

Vagator Beach is for those who marvel at the natural wonders. Sitting in the northern most region of Bardez Taluka, Vagator Beach has its floors covered with stupendous red cliffs that exhibits the marvelous views of two freshwater springs.

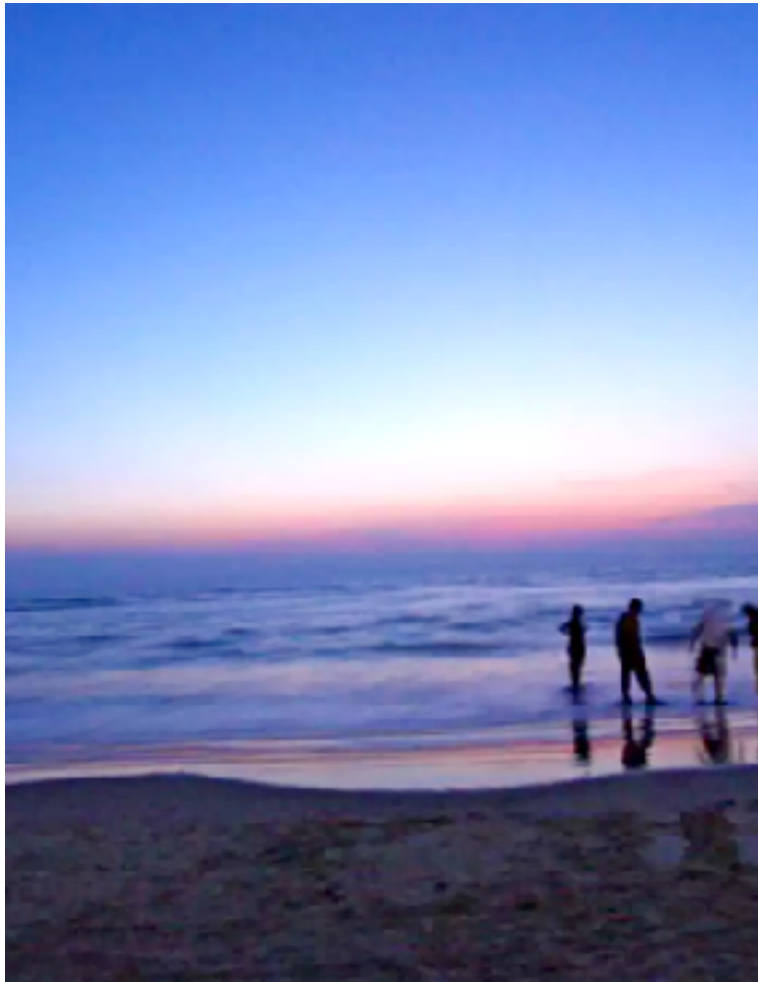
One can observe several tiny stalls covering the floors and selling clothes at pocket friendly rates, local food, and a variety of colorful trinkets and souvenirs to travelers. North Vagator Beach is named as the 'Big Vagator' and Ozran Beach is often tagged as 'Little Vagator Beach'.



## Candolim Beach - Wild Nights

One of the famous beaches of North Goa, Candolim Beach has its sands covered with several pubs, shacks, and shopping stalls. This Beach is perfect to embrace a true Goan experience. The lesser crowds of this beach acts as a magnet for the foreign nationals visiting Goa. After Baga, Candolim is one of the major party hotspots in Goa. Apart from the wild nights, Candolim also has thrilling water sports like parasailing, snorkeling, scuba diving, and more to offer to travelers. This beach is one of those that offers an absolute experience.





## Morjim Beach - The Little Russia

Morjim Beach is often also tagged as 'Little Russia'. This is because of the large Russian immigrant population residing in this spot. The scenic views and the hundred shades of green make this place look right out of a storybook. Goa is known for its marvelous ecosystem. Morjim Beach offers an impeccable space for the Olive Ridley sea turtles to lay their eggs and make this their habitat. Among the stunning beaches of North Goa, this Turtle Beach is the most silent one.

## Arambol Beach - Bohemian Culture

Arambol is amongst the newly added North Goa beaches. Arambol Beach boasts about the Bohemian vibes that do fail to exude. Attracting various foreign nationals, Arambol Beach is one of the most exciting ones in Goa. Live music gigs, an array of beach shacks, and the vibrant nightlife combine to offer a true and authentic beach experience to travelers.

The never ending sunset parties and the exciting barbeque events that take place on this beach are unmatched. The streets of Arambol Beach are filled to the brim with charming eateries and street vendors offering a number of wares.





## Sinquerim Beach - Marvelous Shoreline

Another one of the North Goa beaches that are not to be missed includes Sinquerim Beach.

Sinquerim Beach offers a marvelous shoreline that takes away the breath of travelers. Sitting in the proximity of Baga and Candolim, this beach is especially idyllic for jumping in the clear waters.

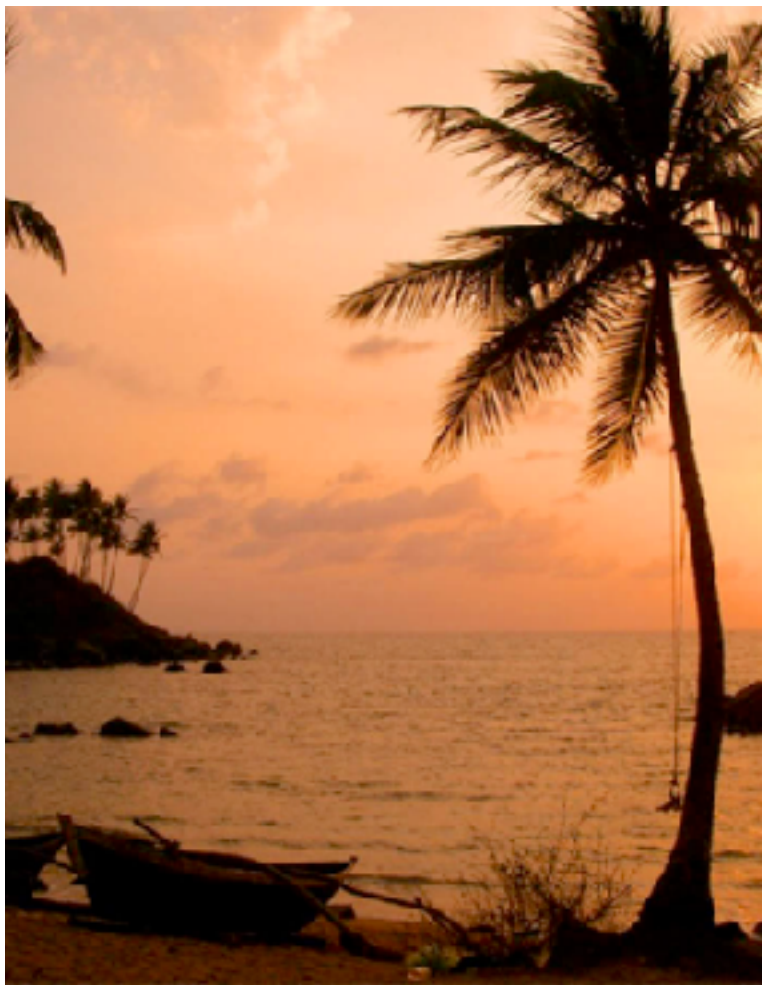
The Aguada Fort sitting on the beach exhibits the Portugese architecture that leaves history aficionados in awe. The varied water sports like scuba diving, parasailing, water skiing, and others are perfect to enjoy on this beach.



## Aguada Beach - Exciting Landmarks

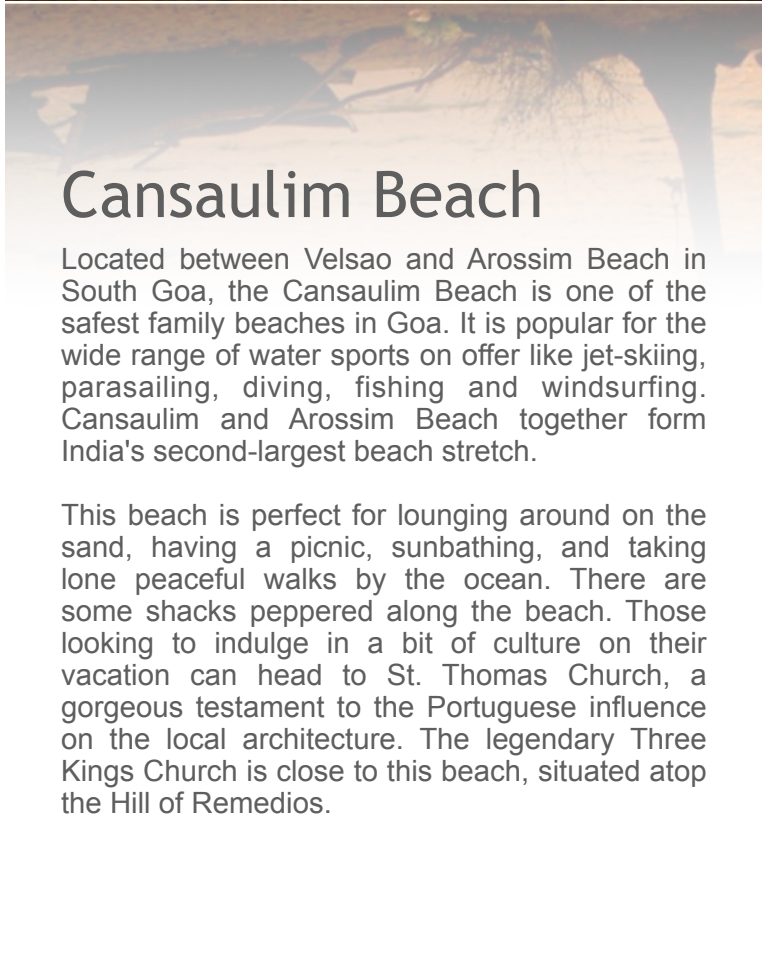
North Goa beaches are mostly sitting right next to each other. While on one side of Aguada Fort like Sinquerim Beach, the other side is tagged as Aguada Beach. The golden sands, nodding palm trees, and the calm clear waters of this beach offers a sight to behold. The spectators can lose themselves in the alluring beauty of these natural marvels that cover the floors of Aguada Beach. One should not miss out on the climbing up the lighthouse to witness the magnificent spread of natural wonders.





## Bambolim Beach - Not Your Usual One

Bambolim Beach is perfect to visit for an idyllic beach vacation. This beach is heavenly for those who love to spend time on the golden sands as well as surf the high waves, without much of the crowd. The swaying and slender coconut trees covering the shoreline offer brilliant shady spots to relax by the beach. If you are tired of the beaches being covered with vendors and shacks, this is the perfect place. Here, one can simply witness the majestic Andaman Sea and enjoy Goa in isolation.



## Cansaulim Beach

Located between Velsao and Arossim Beach in South Goa, the Cansaulim Beach is one of the safest family beaches in Goa. It is popular for the wide range of water sports on offer like jet-skiing, parasailing, diving, fishing and windsurfing. Cansaulim and Arossim Beach together form India's second-largest beach stretch.

This beach is perfect for lounging around on the sand, having a picnic, sunbathing, and taking lone peaceful walks by the ocean. There are some shacks peppered along the beach. Those looking to indulge in a bit of culture on their vacation can head to St. Thomas Church, a gorgeous testament to the Portuguese influence on the local architecture. The legendary Three Kings Church is close to this beach, situated atop the Hill of Remedios.





## Colva Beach: For A Candlelight Dinner

Colva beach is one of the best beach in South Goa which is enough to set your mood. Colva beach in South Goa is exclusively for the romantics. Fancy this— a candlelit dinner, a violin being played in the background in sync with the sound of water, followed by a long walk along the coastline. Colva is as mushy as it gets. Besides, this oldest beach of Goa it has something for everyone and this is the reason why it tops the list of popular places to visit in South Goa.



## Palolem Beach: For An Soul-Stirring Party

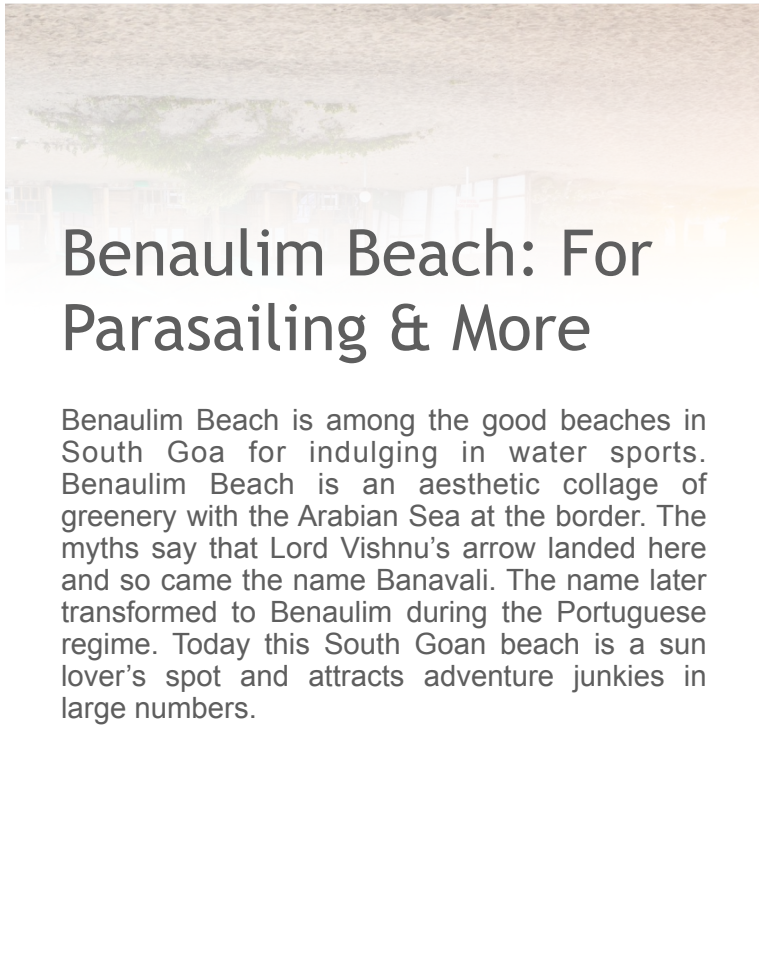
Palolem Beach is one of the best beach in South Goa for honeymoon. A serene welcome with natural beauty and rocky outposts, Palolem is one of the most idyllic beaches in South Goa. The crescent-shaped beach is perfect for an evening walk around the shallow shores. Also, it is a popular hub to witness the happening nightlife in Goa. Dawn and dusk views are to die for.





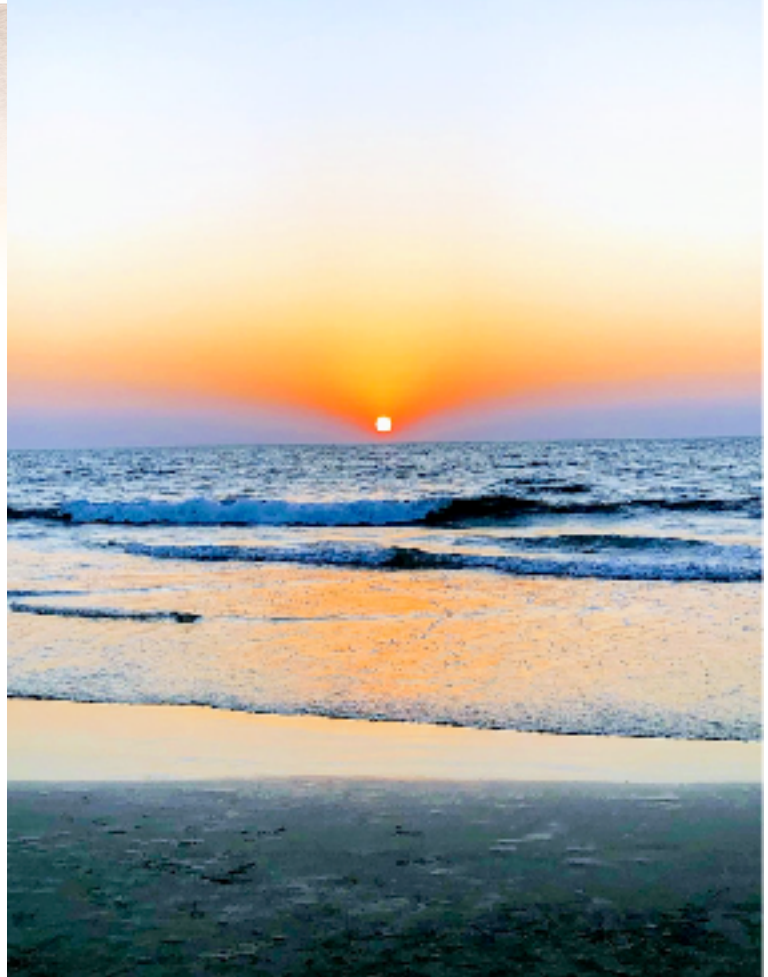
## Agonda Beach: For Having Fun With Dolphins

Agonda is less crowded in comparison to other South Goa best beaches. With limited network connectivity, this beach is an ideal getaway for solitude and peace seekers. The serenity of this quaint beach in South Goa guarantees a relaxing mood to pen simple thoughts like poetry, while bathing in the sun. With shacks available at almost throw away prices, Agonda beach tops the list of best weekend getaways in Goa. Agonda Beach is also popular for having some of the best and comfortable beach huts in South Goa.



## Benaulim Beach: For Parasailing & More

Benaulim Beach is among the good beaches in South Goa for indulging in water sports. Benaulim Beach is an aesthetic collage of greenery with the Arabian Sea at the border. The myths say that Lord Vishnu's arrow landed here and so came the name Banavali. The name later transformed to Benaulim during the Portuguese regime. Today this South Goan beach is a sun lover's spot and attracts adventure junkies in large numbers.

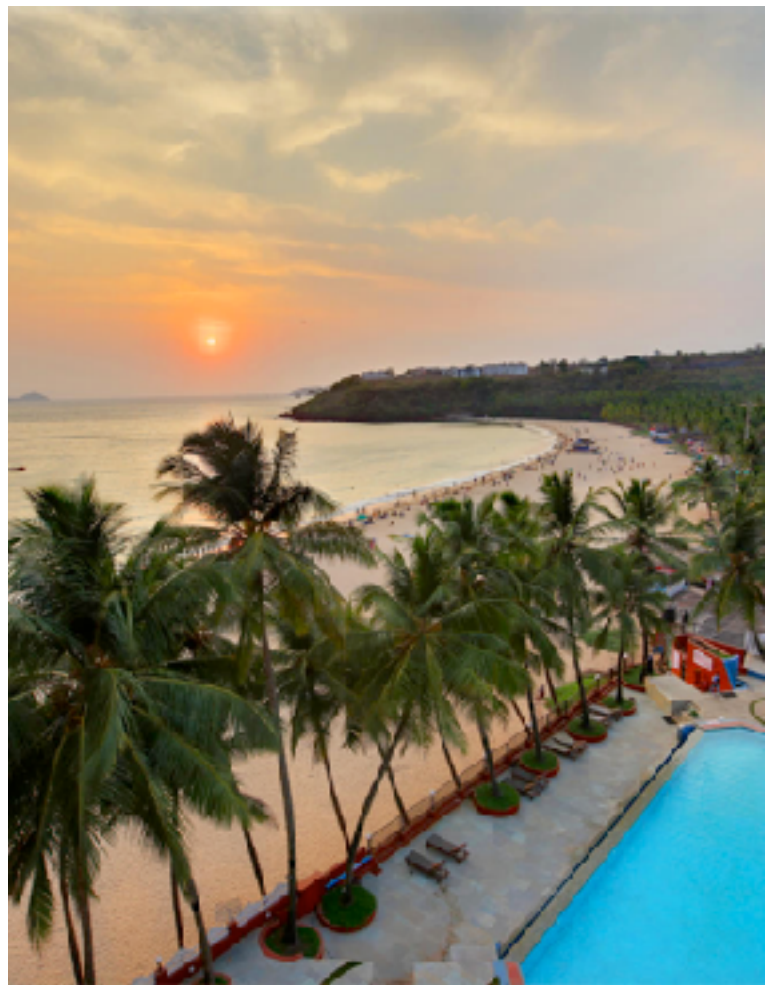




## Bogmalo Beach: For Goan Cuisine

Bogmalo is a small fishing village in South Goa. And Bogmalo Beach, among other beaches on South Goa map is an ideal place to experience the coastal lifestyle and participate in some fishing activities. It boasts of a secluded curvy sand beach, perfect for tranquility seeking wanderers.

Bordered by coconut groves, this rather small South Goan beach offers accommodation options for all pocket sizes.



## Betul Beach: For The Lighthouse

If you are looking for a romantic getaway amidst natural serenity of South Goa beaches, Betul beach is a must visit. This south Goan beach has some 60 huts available for accommodation at throwaway prices. The main occupation of the villagers here is fishing so a boat ride is not too hard to experience. This beach is an ideal chance to mingle with the locals and experience their lifestyle.





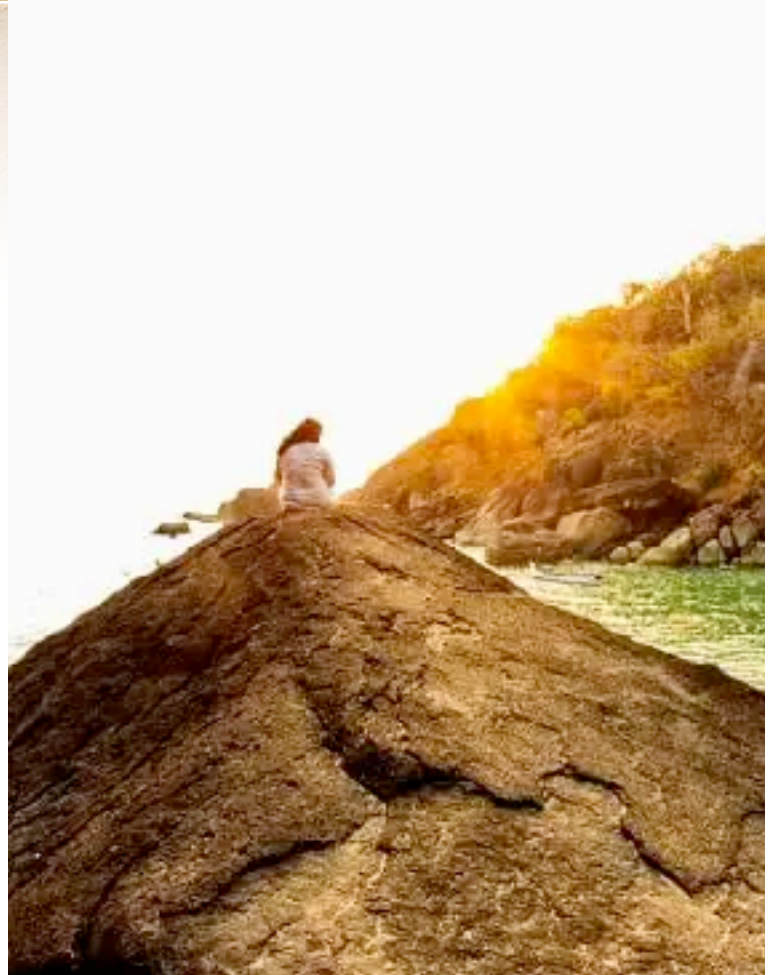
## Majorda Beach: For Jet Skiing

A must visit beach among all the South Goa beaches, Majorda beach, will overwhelm you with the natural beauty of lush green galleries amidst the white sand. This beach in South Goa is made for everyone's pocket. Mythologically famed as a place where Lord Rama was kept kidnapped, this beach could be that perfect safe house of your quiet self. Therefore, when looking for the safe beaches in Goa, then this is the one you should consider! It also happens to be one of the best picnic spots in Goa.



## Butterfly Beach: For Breathtaking Sunsets

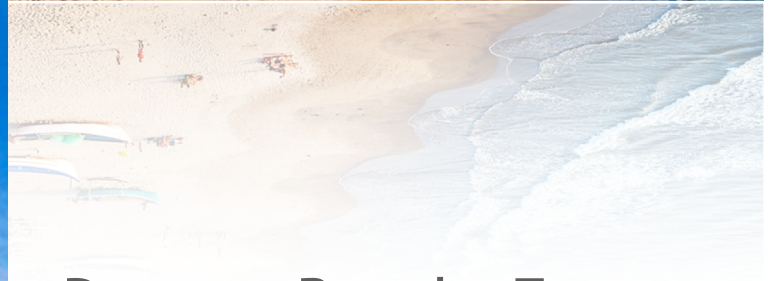
This is one of the most unique beach among all the South Goa beaches. Located between two hills, Butterfly beach is heaven. As the name suggests, this beach is home to some of the most exotic species of butterflies. It is accessible only through water – a boat ride from Palolem Beach is the shortest way to get here. With no shacks, no resorts and very few wanderers, Butterfly Beach among the beaches in South Goa is a perfect escape for that quaint weekend getaway.





## Polem Beach: For Solitary Vibes

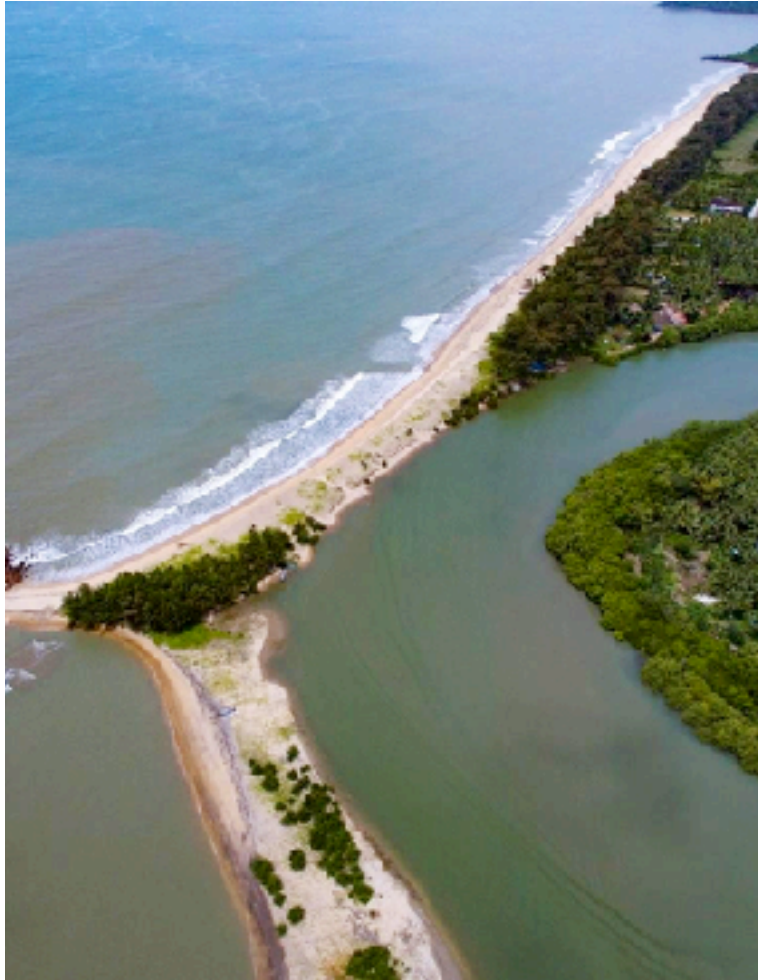
Polem beach is one of the best South Goa beaches which you must add in your itinerary if you are visiting Goa. Polem is the last beach along the South Goan coastline. Its 700 m long coastline is the most perfect end to any South Goan experience. With golden sand challenging the gigantic blue waters and small islands throwing solitary vibes – Polem beach is perfect for a Goan honeymoon. Homestays made of cane and palm leaves are perfect for backpackers and groups.



## Patnem Beach: For Wellness Treatments

Patnem Beach is one of the most happening night beaches in South Goa. Smaller but a livelier alternative to Palolem beach, Patnem is a nice destination to sit back and chill, leaving behind all the madness of Goan parties. Suitable for lazing, sunbathing, and indulging in rejuvenating Yoga treatments, Patnem offers pure bliss disguised as a vacation. Patnem Beach also has some of the coolest beach cottages in South Goa.





## Galgibaga Beach: For Spotting Turtles

Enveloped within lush-green vegetation and possessing a serene natural beauty, Galgibaga beach is one of the hidden gems under the list of best South Goa beaches. Here, you can Olive Ridley turtles that find a safe shelter in this beach. The coastline is about a kilometer long and is richly covered by greenery. Looking at the clear waters and silver sand simply make for a breathtaking view. This beach should top the list if you're looking for the best hidden beaches in South Goa.



## Cavelossim Beach: For A Relaxing Walk

The black rocks and white sand make for the perfect view in this beach. Not only this is one of the best beaches in South Goa but is also considered to be amongst the best in India. Holding the typical characteristic of South Goa, this beach is a lot quieter as well as cleaner than most of the beaches. This beach also makes for one of the best places where tourists can unwind after a long day of travel!

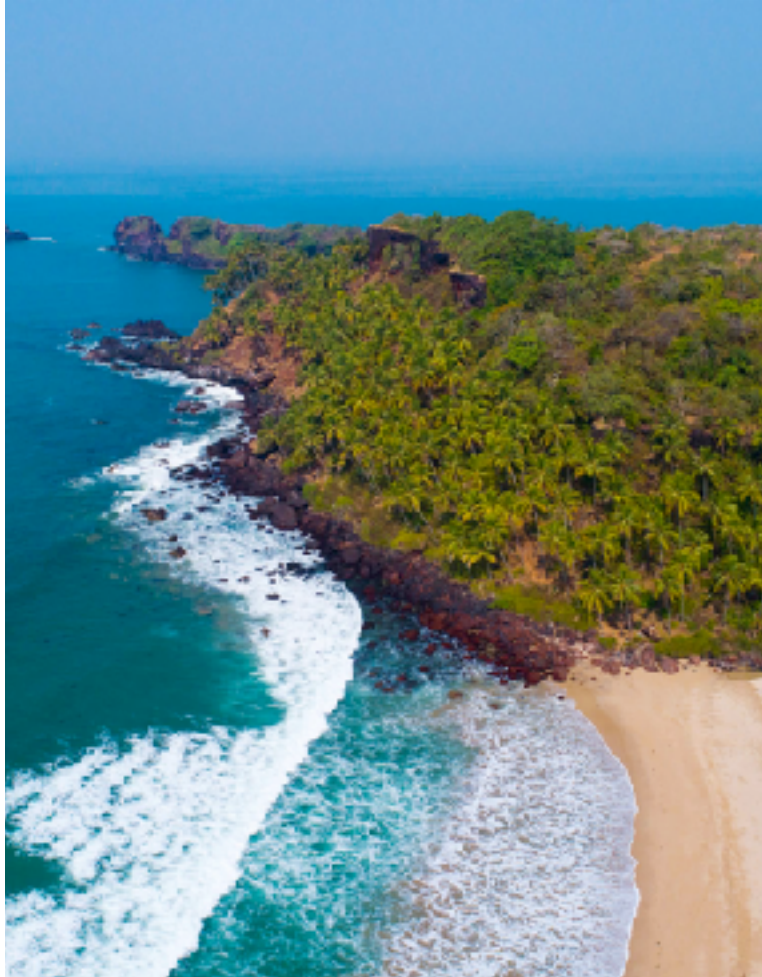
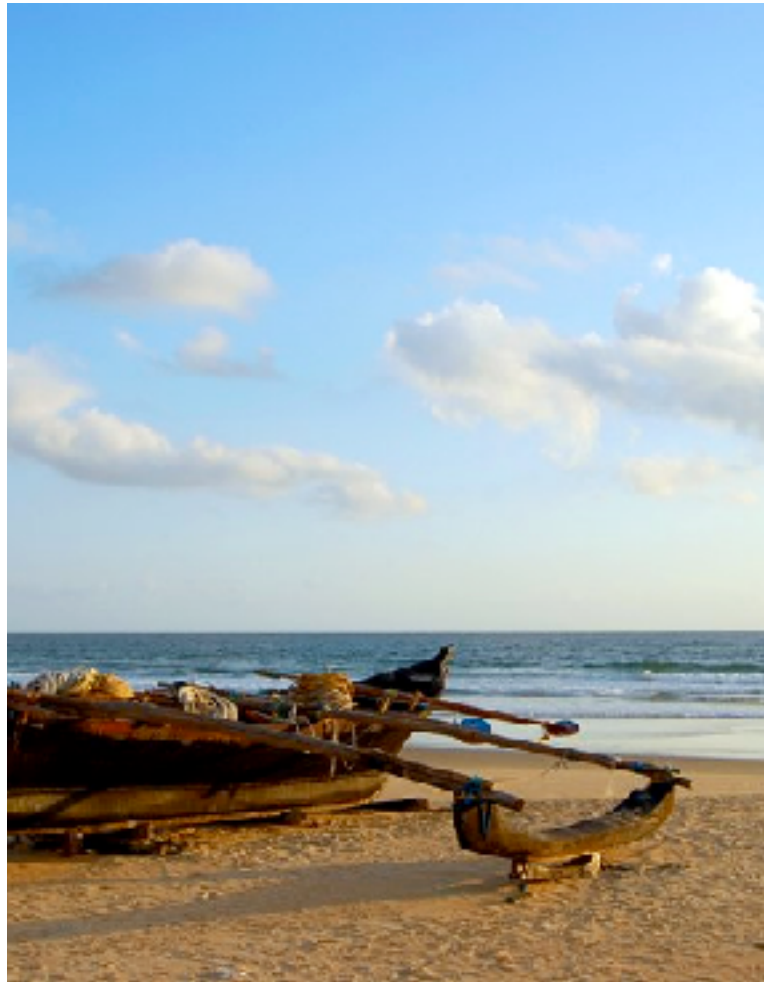




## Mobor Beach: For That Summer Tan

The southern region of Goa is essentially known for its peaceful beaches and an environment that helps the tourists to unwind themselves.

However, this is one of the best beaches in South Goa that is visited by the travelers for the purpose of partying! This beach is known to be an extension of the neighboring Cavelossim beach. It is also frequented by those tourists who want to try out the different water sports like windsurfing, jet skiing, parasailing, etc.



## Cabo De Rama Beach: For The Scenic View Of The Fort

This beach is situated in Margao and remains undiscovered by tourists, as it is at a bit inaccessible owing to the long distance from most of the pivotal areas of Goa. This is one of the best beaches in South Goa if you want your vacation to be unconventional. The Portuguese Fort named Cabo de Rama overlooks this beach and from here you can behold the breathtaking view of the whole beach.



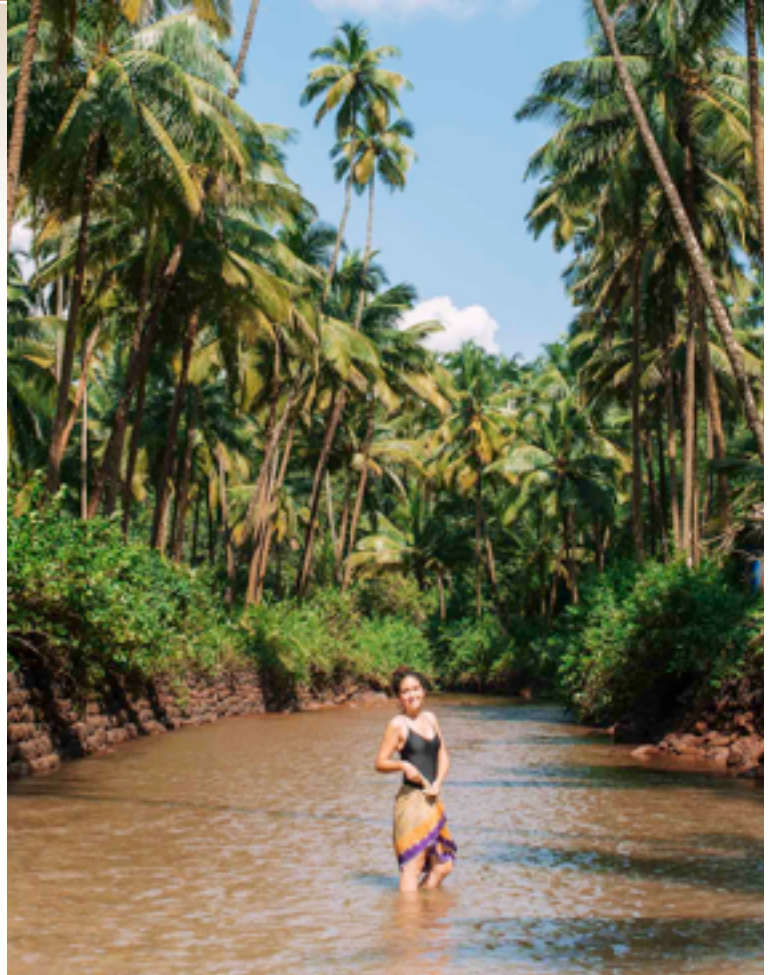


## Varca Beach: For Golden Sand

This is a serene beach in South Goa and is known for its golden sand turquoise water. If you're looking for some luxurious resorts in tranquility, then this is where you can easily find them. This is one of the best beaches in South Goa to spend your quality time with your loved one. Moreover, the Goan cuisine offered here is to die for!

## Cola Beach: For Witnessing The Blue Lagoon

Known as the serene beach with a ravishing blue Lagoon, Cola Beach is undoubtedly one of the best beaches in South Goa. If a relaxing yoga session on a tranquil beach is on your mind, then Cola Beach is the perfect spot for your next vacation. Not known to many, Cola Beach is dream come true. It is surrounded by palm trees and you can relax on the shimmering sand or you can take a dip in the turquoise beach. Luxury resorts and beach shacks are also available at the Cola Beach for a comfy stay.





## Kakolem Beach: Famous As The Tiger Beach

Famed as the Tiger Beach, Kakolem Beach is one of the hidden beaches in South Goa. The locals believe that you can spot tigers at this beach. The main reason for the popularity of this beach is the pristine view from the rocks and the natural bathtub formed the rocks and stream. There are no resorts or stay options available near this beach and you can only visit it for 2 or 3 hours on your vacation. The sand is soft and while sitting on it you can marvel at the beauty of this beach and the sun.



## Utorda Beach: For A Family Outing

Impressive resorts, delectable snacks, calming and cool breezes, glistening sand, and clean water, Utorda Beach is home to all things charming and unforgettable.

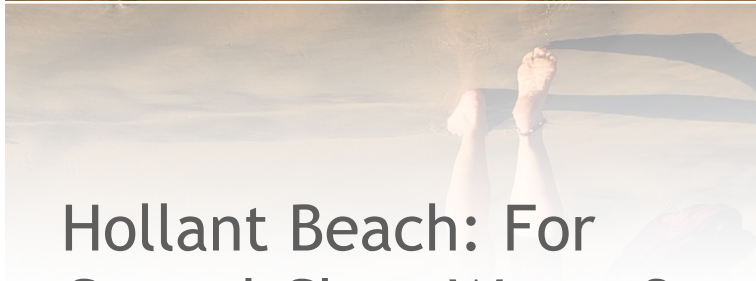
Perfect for photographers, foodies and swimmers, this is one of the most visited beaches in South Goa. If you are planning to take your family out for a picnic then add Utorda to your list and get ready to have a blast. Do carry your polaroids and swimming wear to make the most out of your visit!





## Talpona Beach: For A Peaceful Escapade

Secluded, clean and beautiful, Talpona is a mix of three. Another one on this list of best beaches in South Goa, Talpona Beach is a riveting beach that attracts a lot of travelers who are looking for a peaceful escapade. Get up early and witness the mesmerizing view of the sun rising and embracing the beach and its surroundings and make your visit memorable. If you are more of a sunset person then don't worry, the sunsets are equally bewitching!



## Hollant Beach: For Crystal Clear Water & More

With a stunning shoreline, Hollant Beach is located quite near the Goa Airport. Golden sand and crystal clear water allures a lot of beach lovers to this beach. Plan your visit between October to May and get ready to spot corals on this beach. To channelize the inner thrill-seeker, you must try Kayaking and scuba diving. Carry your swimwear and take a refreshing dip or get that perfect summer tan! You can relish seafood at the nearby restaurants and satisfy your foodie soul!













# GENERAL INFORMATION

## Welcome to Goa

Goa is a union territory, which is called as the Rome of East. This region was under the control of numerous rulers including French and British governance. This is why Goa is a land of unique culture and interesting heritage. Goa is very unique when compared to the rest of the regions in India. The land spikes with entertainment and western culture. If you are looking for a European vacation in India, it is time to visit Goa.

## Religion

Goa is a secular state with numerous religions being practiced freely. Hinduism, Islam, and Christianity are the top religions here. The majority of the population follows Hinduism.

There is a small 0.1% of Buddhists, Jains, and Sikhs living in this region. Ancient Goa was a Hindu region. During the rule of Portuguese, Christianity was imposed on the population. Roman Catholic was very common during the rule of Portuguese.

Many churches were built in Renaissance styled architecture in Goa. You can also find a few mosques around the region. Today, all the religions are thriving in harmony in Goa.

## Clothing

The traditional wear of the Goan population has a lot of influence from Western culture. The Koli fishermen dress in half-pants and bright shirts. Tribal communities wear loincloths with a thick blanket on their shoulders. The modern population has adapted western wear. Most of the womenfolk wear 9-yard sarees or skirts. Traditional jewelry is worn by women.

## Festivals

Goa is famous for its Indo-Latin festivals, carnivals, and fiesta. If you are looking for a European styled celebration, Goa is the right place to visit. On the other hand, traditional Hindu festivals are also common here.

Top festivals to enjoy here are Easter, Diwali, Christmas, GaneshChaturthi, Goa carnival, Feast of St. Francis Xavier and others. Apart from religious festivals, Goa is the land, where festivals for music, dance, and other cultural elements are conducted.

## Language

Konkani is the major language in this region. Almost all Goans can understand and speak Konkani. Apart from Konkani; Marathi and Hindi are quite common. Konkani was derived from the ancient language of Indo-Aryan civilization.

The languages spoken by different communities in this region vary from each other. The Christian communities speak Konkani with a lot of influence from Portuguese vocabulary.

Those who live in Northern Goa will have a greater accent of Marathi and Hindi, because of the proximity to Mumbai. Apart from this, English is a common language here.




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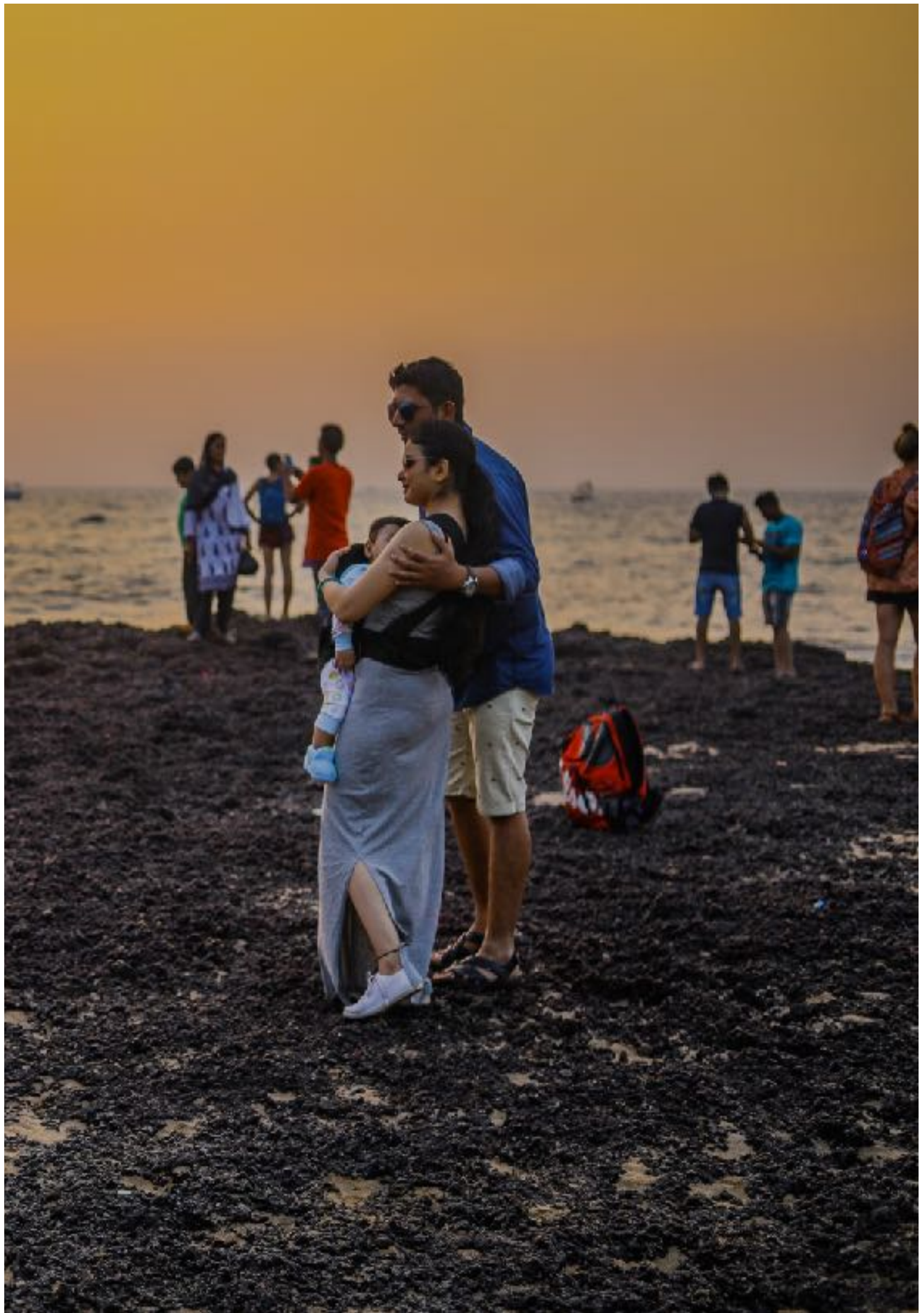
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