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Goa - Land of Beautiful Beaches and a Lot of Other Things by [Sanjana Singh](#)

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Goa has several beautiful beaches. But apart from beaches, Goa is also famous for its wide variety of tourist attraction which range from famous churches and temples to wild life attractions, thick forests and waterfalls. A comprehensive tour of the state should include the various flavors of the state. Tourists can choose from the many Goa packages which offer myriad attractions.

Government of Goa earns significant amount of revenue through tourism. Because of the government's encouragement tour operators and Goa hotels offer a wide variety of Goa tour packages starting from a couple of days to a weeklong leisure tour.

Fort Aguada is a well maintained fort which was built in 1609-1612 to defend Old Goa from enemy attacks. There is a fresh water spring inside the fort. For wildlife lovers, Goa tour packages cannot do without visits to Dr Salim Ali Bird Sanctuary and Bhagvan Mahavir Wildlife Sanctuary.

Mayem Lake, an ideal picnic spot with boating facilities, is located in the midst of thick green hills. Carbolim Lake is another beautiful water body which attracts more than 80 different species of migratory birds. Apart from these two major lakes, there is the Netravalli Lake along with many springs, a few of them being the Kesarval Spring, Pomburpa Spring and Boca De Vaca spring. Two beautiful waterfalls, Arvalem falls near Rudreshwar Temple and Dudhsagar falls near Coem railway station, should invariably find a place in any of the Goa packages. These picturesque water bodies are a treat for tourists who enjoy natural splendor.

Among many temples one can visit while in Goa, most important are the Shree Mahalasa and Shree Mahalaxmi temples. They not only offer a divine feeling but also are architectural marvels.

Goa's Churches stand apart from other churches not only from the religion view point, but also from the architectural view point. Basilica of Bom Jesus is where the mortal remains of St Xavier are enshrined and hence is one of the most revered churches. This church has been declared as World Heritage Monument by UNESCO. Se Cathedral Church has the biggest bell in Goa, which is called the 'Golden bell'. Other than these two famous churches, tourists can visit St. Cajetan Church, Church of Our Lady of Rosary and Church of St. Francis of Assissi, among many others. Goa packages include visits to all these important churches because they transcend religious confines.

There is no dearth of beautiful beaches in Goa. Famous beaches of Goa include Calangute, Baga, Anjuna, Colva and Miramar. If not doing anything else, a tourist can simply lounge under the umbrella looking at the vast expanse of clear blue water. As such, a tourist can enjoy the sea at many such beaches. To visit and enjoy all these beaches, a tourist is advised to opt for any of the Goa tour packages offered by recognized tour operators. Most of the premium Goa hotels are abutting Arabian Sea and have their own exclusive beaches.

Goa hotels offer different category of accommodation. Even a tourist with a shoe string budget should find the visit to Goa within his reach because of many budget hotels offering cheap accommodation.

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Goa being a tourist's paradise offers several a [Goa tour packages](#) through which a visitor can comfortably see all of Goa within a few days. Many of the top rated a [Goa hotels](#) even offer different a [Goa packages](#) which includes sightseeing along with accommodation.

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