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ABOUT THE TRIP

A journey through ancient caves, rugged cliffs and timeless landscapes.

Badami, the jewel of the Chalukyan dynasty, is a land of stunning rock-cut caves, ancient temples, serene lakes and dramatic red sandstone cliffs. This trip is a perfect blend of heritage, adventure and natural beauty — offering a refreshing escape from city life.

From exploring 1,500-year-old cave temples to trying rock climbing and rappelling, soaking in breathtaking views and experiencing the rustic charm of this historic town, Badami promises an unforgettable experience for every traveler.

Walk the ruins, feel the history, and take a piece of Badami with you.

DAY 0: BENGALURU TO BADAMI

THE JOURNEY BEGINS | FRIDAY NIGHT DEPARTURE

TIMED SCHEDULE

08:30 PM — **Majestic Bus Stand**
Gather at Majestic pickup point (Shantala Silk House / Bus Stand Gate). Meet your trip captains and fellow travelers.

09:00 PM — **Gorguntepalya Bus Stand**
Pick up from Gorguntepalya Bus Stand.

09:30 PM SHARP — **Boarding & Departure from Bengaluru**
Board the vehicle and let the adventure begin!

10:00 PM ONWARDS — **Overnight Highway Drive**
Comfortable overnight travel in a pushback tourist vehicle (Approx. 525 km / 10-11 hours journey). Rest well for an action-packed Saturday!

Route
Bengaluru → Badami

Distance
Approx. 525 km

Duration
10 - 11 Hours

Vibe
Night Trail Drive



"The road may be long, but the memories last forever."

"Not just a destination, but a journey through time."

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DAY 1: ADVENTURE & HERITAGE

Rock Climbing, Cave Temples, Fort Trek & Agastya Sunset



06:00 AM
Arrival & Check-in
Arrive at Badami homestay, check-in, freshen up.

06:30 AM – 09:30 AM
Morning Rock Climbing & Rappelling Session
Head to Badami's iconic red sandstone cliffs. Safety briefing by certified climbing instructors. Experience beginner-friendly climbing & thrilling rappelling down red cliffs. Candid DSLR photos included!

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM
Breakfast & Get Ready
Return to stay and enjoy a traditional hot South Indian breakfast. Get ready for your next destinations.

Cliffs Temples Sunsets Stories

12:00 PM – 01:30 PM
Badami Rock-Cut Cave Temples Exploration
Guided tour of the 4 magnificent cave temples dating back to the 6th century. Marvel at Nataraja with 81 dance poses, Lord Vishnu avatars, and Jain Tirthankaras.

01:30 PM – 02:30 PM
Lunch Break & Relaxation
Return to the stay/local restaurant for a satisfying authentic North Karnataka meal (Jolada Rotti meal recommended). Relax and recharge.

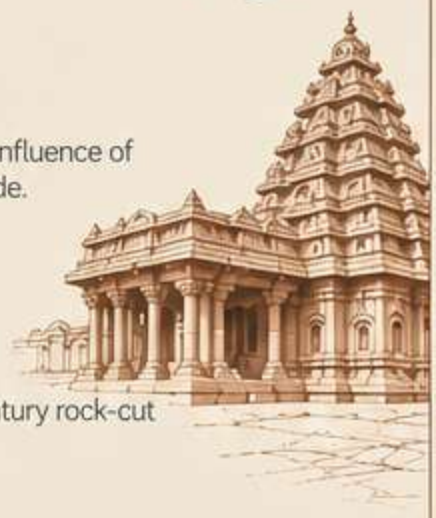
03:00 PM – 05:30 PM
Badami Fort Trek, Agastya Lake & Bhutanatha Temple Sunset
Trek up Badami Fort for panoramic clifftop views. Descend to the serene shores of Agastya Lake and watch the golden hour light reflect on the shore side Bhutanatha Temple.

06:00 PM ONWARDS
Banashankari Temple Visit, Dinner & Group Stargazing
Visit Banashankari Amma Temple. Return to stay for dinner, fun group ice-breaker games, and overnight stay.

DAY 2: THE ARCHITECTURAL TRAIL

Mahakuta, Pattadakal UNESCO Site & Aihole

Ancient Architecture Endless Inspiration



05:00 AM – 08:00 AM
Sunrise Trek to Sacred Pond at Mahakuta with a Holy Dip
Begin the sunrise trek to the sacred pond at Mahakuta and take a refreshing holy dip.

08:30 AM – 09:30 AM
Breakfast
Enjoy a hot traditional breakfast at homestay.

10:00 AM – 12:30 PM
Pattadakal UNESCO World Heritage Site
Explore the royal coronation site featuring 10 major temples. Witness the rare confluence of North Indian (Nagara) and South Indian (Dravidian) architectural styles side by side.

01:00 PM – 02:00 PM
Lunch Break
Enjoy authentic/North Karnataka lunch at Pattadakal.

02:30 PM – 04:30 PM
Aihole – The Cradle of Indian Temple Architecture & Ravanaphadi
Visit the iconic circular Durga Temple, Lad Khan Temple, and the ancient 6th-century rock-cut Ravanaphadi Cave depicting Ramayana sculptures.

05:00 PM ONWARDS
Return Journey to Bengaluru
Board our vehicle with unforgettable memories of Badami's heritage and adventure. Arrive in Bengaluru early Monday morning (approx. 05:00 AM).



"Different landscapes. Same timeless wonder."

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TRIP DETAILS

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INCLUSIONS

Transportation
Round trip transfers from Bengaluru in comfortable pushback vehicle.

Stay
1 Night stay in clean, comfortable homestay/hotel (2-4 sharing basis).

Meals
4 Meals included (2 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 1 Dinner).

Adventure
Rock Climbing session fees with safety gear.

Instruction
Certified climbing instructors & safety marshals.

Entry Tickets
All monument & temple entry permits included.

Media
High-resolution DSLR candid photography during activities.

Lead
Experienced Trip Captain support throughout journey.

EXCLUSIONS

- Lunch on Day 1 (to explore local food of your choices).
- Dinner on Friday night departure & Sunday return journey.
- Personal expenses, mineral water bottle purchases, extra snacks.
- Camera/Video camera charges if applicable at monuments.
- Medical insurance or emergency evacuation costs.
- Anything not explicitly mentioned under inclusions.
- Rappelling (optional / not included).

THINGS TO CARRY

Pack Light Travel Right

- 2-3 sets of comfortable cotton clothes & light jacket
- Comfortable sports/outdoor shoes with good grip (Mandatory)
- Water bottle (1-2 Litres), sun cap, sunglasses & sunscreen
- Extra pair of clothes for natural spring dip at Mahakuta
- Personal toilet kit, small towel & basic personal medicines
- Energy snacks (dry fruits, bars, chocolates) & Power bank
- Valid original ID Proof (Aadhar card / Driving License)

CANCELLATION POLICY

At Scenic Trails, we understand that travel plans may change due to unforeseen circumstances. The following cancellation policy has been designed to balance participant flexibility with the operational requirements involved in organizing treks and trips.

Note: Trip-specific cancellation terms and applicable refund/rescheduling conditions will be communicated as part of the booking confirmation.

