

## Majestic South India



### Itinerary:

#### **Day 1 - Arrival in Chennai**

Arrive in Chennai to a warm welcome and proceed to Hotel. Upon arrival check in at the hotel. Later enjoy visiting places such as Kabalishwara Temple, Santhom Church, St. George Fort and Madras (Chennai) Museum. Enjoy a comfortable overnight stay at Chennai. Chennai was born as a metropolitan city soon after the British negotiated a strip of land from the King of Vijayanagar to build the fortified city, Fort St. George, in 1640. Here temples and buildings built by the erstwhile royalty stand side-by-side with the gothic churches and Indo-Sarcenic architectural landmarks. Popularly known as “the Gateway to South India”.

#### **Day 02 - Chennai to Mahabalipuram (65 kms / approx 1.30 hours)**

Drive to Mahabalipuram - the major seaport of the ancient Pallava kingdom based at Kanchipuram, and a wander round the town’s great, World Heritage–listed temples and carvings inflames the imagination, especially at sunset. Take an excursion to Kancheepuram - Visit the Ekambaranatha Temple, Vaishnavite

Vaikunta Perumal Temple, Varadharaja Perumal Temple, Kamakshi Temple, and Kailasanatha Temple. Overnight in Mahabalipuram.

### **Day 3 - Mahabalipuram | Sightseeing tour**

After breakfast, enjoy a sightseeing tour of Mahabalipuram including visits to Arjuna's Penance, Five Rathas, Shore Temple, Tiger Cave and Krishna's Butter Ball. Return to your hotel after the tour and enjoy a comfortable overnight stay.

### **Day 4 - Mahabalipuram – Pondicherry (100 kms / approx. 2 hours)**

After breakfast check out from the hotel and proceed to Pondicherry, which is a former French colony. The town still retains a French influence in its architecture, surroundings and planning. On arrival, check-in to your hotel and enjoy a comfortable overnight stay.

### **Day 5 - Pondicherry | Sightseeing tour**

After breakfast, visit the Aurobindo Ashram founded by a Bengali philosopher, Aurobindo, in the early 20th century. In the afternoon, you will have the option to visit Auroville or relax on the beach. Enjoy a comfortable overnight stay at the hotel.

### **Day 6 - Pondicherry | Departure**

This morning after breakfast you will be driven to Chennai Airport / Railway Station for your onward journey.

**Come home with beautiful Memories!**