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Kayaking in Mangroves Forest

Kayaking in Pondicherry Mangroves is an incredible experience you should not miss when visiting Pondicherry. Kayaking is always on adventure lovers' bucket lists. Imagine if you can kayak during sunrise surrounded by lush green mangrove forest – "Pure Bliss"!

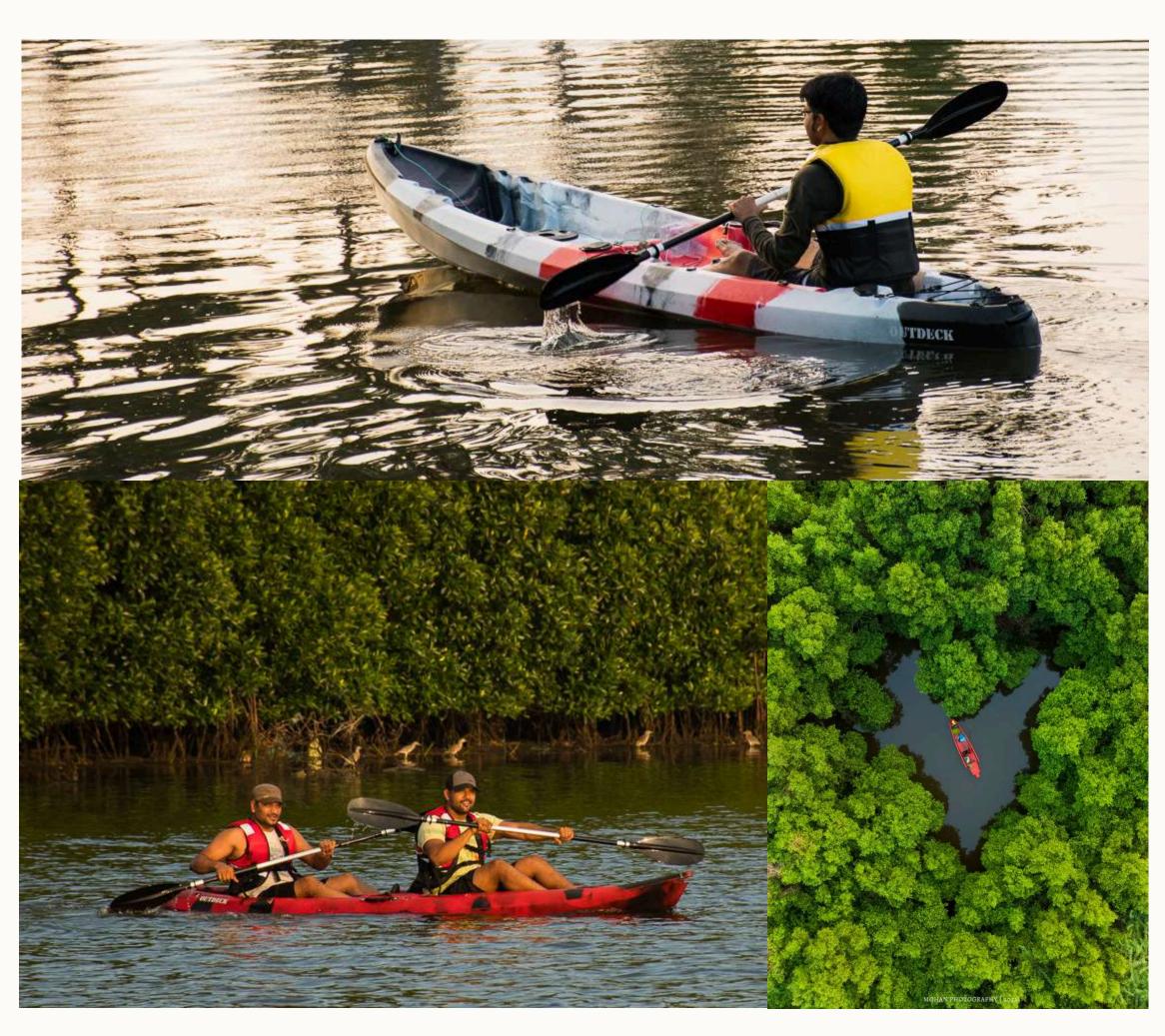
Kayaking takes place in the Gingee River, where the Mangroves are located. Kayaking is done in the backwaters; you can do it only in high tides. The best time to do this is during the early morning and sunsets. Kayaking during sunrise is an experience you will always remember.

Double Kayak (2 people in a single Kayak):

Rs.800 per person for 60 min

Single Kayak (1 person in a single Kayak):

Rs.1200 per person for 60 min



Surfing

Surfing is one of the popular adventure sports for tourists who are visiting Pondicherry. Surfing classes happen at Serenity Beach. Serenity beach in Kottakuppam is just 4 km away from Pondicherry city.

Surfing lessons start with 15 minutes of training; the rest of the session will be on the ocean. Once you are clear with the instructions, you will be trained in the sea. The instructor will explain the lessons in the shallow water so that you will feel safe and comfortable. You don't need to know about swimming to learn surfing. The surf school will provide swimming trunks, or you can bring your own. They will provide all the gear, including the surfboards. All you need to do is to bring towels for your personal use.

Group Lesson:

Duration: 60 - 90 min

Price: Rs.1500*

Private Lesson:

Duration: 60 - 90 min

Price: Rs.2000*



*Price may be subject to change depending on the season



Sailing in Pondicherry

Have you ever imagined sailing in the middle of the Pondicherry Sea? Then Pondicherry will make your dream come true. Sailing is one of the best water sports, not harming Mother Earth. There might be nothing in the world that packs as many life lessons as the activity of sailing. It teaches teamwork, engineering, history, patience, oceanography, and ecology all in one fell swoop. In December 2022, we bought the seabird class sailboat. It is named, Kai means "Ocean" in Hawaiian. Kai was added to fleet boats and is available for tourists to sail.

Sailing Tariffs:

Kai (SeaBird):

Sea Sail: Rs.3000 + 18% GST per person for 90 minutes

Lagoon Sail: Rs.1500 + 18% GST per person for 45 minutes

Lagoon & Short Sea Sail: Rs. 2000 + 18% GST per person for 60 minutes

Timings: Early Morning or Evening, depending upon the weather.



Scuba Diving

When you think of scuba diving, Andaman or Lakshadweep islands come to mind. But Pondicherry is breaking those myths and offering a lifetime experience. Pondicherry offers up to 26 Scuba diving sites from natural to artificial reefs. These dive sites offer thousands of marine species, which will be a treat for the eyes and an experience of your lifetime. Scuba diving in Pondicherry can surprise you/ with sightings of beautiful fish diversities, but sighting and visibility are pure luck.

What will you learn?

The Try Scuba Dive is organized into three main stages:

Step 1: Theoretical learning about the physical and physiological phenomena related to diving.

Step 2: Exercises and techniques of diving in shallow waters

Step 3: Diving at sea.

#Non-Swimmers also can participate; our trained professionals will be with you all the time

How long does it take?

Four hours a day is what you need most of the time. Each day starts at 6 AM at the Dive Center.

You can split the four hours by training one day and diving on the other day.

How much does it cost?

Rs 6500*



Snorkelling

Snorkelling in <u>Pondicherry</u> is fun; unlike shallow water dives, you will witness deep sea fish during your dive. Snorkelling is one of the exciting water activities that anyone can do with little training. You can experience the ocean wildlife through snorkelling if you want to avoid doing Scuba diving. Snorkelling is done by swimming face down on the surface of the water. You will receive swim vests, goggles, fins and snorkel. A snorkel is the pipe where you breathe the air.

#Non-Swimmers also can participate; our trained professionals will be with you throughout the session.

How long does it take?

You need Three hours a day (from training, travelling to the dive site, snorkelling session and return to the dive centre).

Each day starts at 7 AM at the dive Center.

How much does it cost?

Rs 3000





Ocean Safari

Sea Cruise in Pondicherry

Sea Cruise in Pondicherry allows one to marvel at the breathtaking sunrise views, exotic mangrove forests and pristine waters. It is one of the new adventure activities for tourists in Pondicherry. Have you ever imagined swimming in the sea? Then your dream can become true now. A sea cruise in Pondicherry is one of the popular fun activities you can explore when you are in Pondicherry.

Ideal for Adventure lovers, Adults and children.

How long does it take?

Duration: 2 hours

Ideal Time: Timings: 6.00 AM to 3.30 PM. Early Morning is best.

How much does it cost?

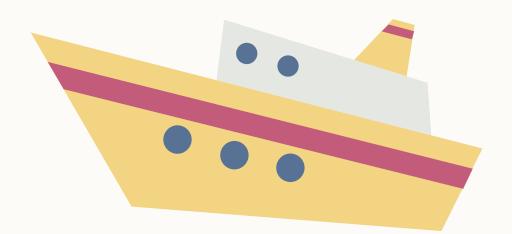
Rs.6000 for 5 Pax

Additional Persons: Rs.1200 per person

Maximum Persons: 10 Pax

Distance: 8 Kms (Up and Down)

Inclusions: Life Jacket, Life Guards





Heritage Tour of Pondicherry

Walk/Cycle/Cycle Rickshaw

Stroll with a local Pondicherrian and get to know the fascinating story of Pondicherry! A must-do tour helps to explore the French Quarter's architectural buildings, streetscapes, History and local stories, quaint corners, interesting photo stops, and places such as monuments, and the beach stretches from a by-gone era of Pondicherry, French India, until now. The tour will also explore the Sri Aurobindo ashram, its establishments, and the town's Tamil culture. This Heritage Tour will cover a distance of two kilometres and more than ten landmarks.

How long does it take?

2 hours. The session starts at 8 am at Sri Aurobindo Handmade Paper factory.

How much does it cost?

Rs.1500 per person for 1 Rs.1000 per person for 2 pax Rs.850 per person for 3-4 pax Rs.700 per person for 5-6 Pax RS.600 per person for 7-10 pax



*If you opt for Cycle Rikshaw, then, Extra Rs.750 for 1 Cycle Rickshaw for two people will be charged



Pottery, Doll Temple, Life of Pi, Paper and Weaving Experience

Experience the rustic villages and do hands-on pottery during this tour. You can get a chance to make clay art; the feel of wet clay and the delicate handling of clay between your palms and fingers will bring instant joy and satisfaction. During this tour, you will visit a unique doll temple, a sacred grove, and a Life of Pi movie location. If time permits, you will also be shown Papier mache, Weaving, and other interesting crafts of Pondy.

Pottery Experience, Doll Temple and Life of Pi (Half tour) How much does it cost?

INR 1250 per person for 2 pax INR 950 per person for 3 - 4 pax INR 800 per person for 5-6 pax

Pottery, Doll Temple, Life of Pi, Paper and Weaving Experience (Full Tour)

How much does it cost?

INR 1750 per person for 2 pax
INR 1500 per person for 3 – 4 pax
INR 1250 per person for 5–6 pax
INR 1000 per person for 7–10 pax
*Minimum two persons required



Auroville Introduction Tour

Auroville is not a tourist place but a place of experimentation created to realize human unity. The international township started from the vision of The Mother with the teachings of Sri Aurobindo.

Auroville will have interactive, unique, and meaningful visits with the community. The Auroville Introduction tour will be done on the visitor centre premises.

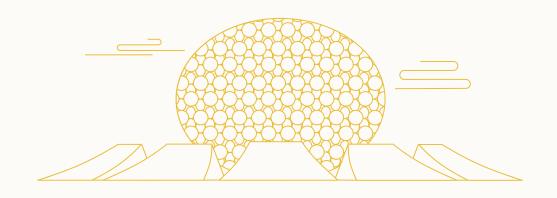
Ideal for: Ideal for seekers, sabbatical sort, Visionary, perfect getaway, Auroville culture, pop culture, spirituality.

How long does it take?

Duration: 1.5 hours | Ideal time for the tour: 9.30 AM; 2 PM

How much does it cost?

Rs.1500 per person for 1 Rs.1000 per person for 2 pax Rs.850 per person for 3-4 pax Rs.700 per person for 5-6 Pax RS.600 per person for 7-10 pax





Special Auroville Experience

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Auroville will have interactive, unique, and meaningful visits with the community. One is usually perimeter only at the visitor centre premises. This experience allows one to explore Auroville at their will and with the guidance of Aurovillian.

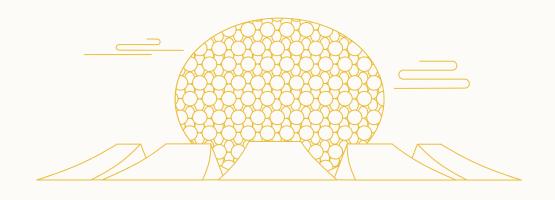
Ideal for: Ideal for seekers, sabbatical sort, Visionary, perfect getaway, Auroville culture, pop culture, spirituality.

How long does it take?

Duration: 3-4 hours | Ideal time for the tour: 9.30 AM; 2 PM

How much does it cost?

Rs.2500 per person for 1 Rs.2000 per person for 2 pax Rs.1500 per person for 3-5 pax Rs.1250 per person for 6-10 Pax RS.1000 per person for 11-15 pax







Hillock Trek and Cholas temples

Take a gentle walk to one of the hills on the outskirts of Pondicherry. On top of the hill and at the base of the summit were the temples from the Chola kingdom, which are worth seeing from an archaeological standpoint. You may enjoy a spectacular sunset view of the surrounding agricultural fields, ponds, and lakes from the top of the hilltop.

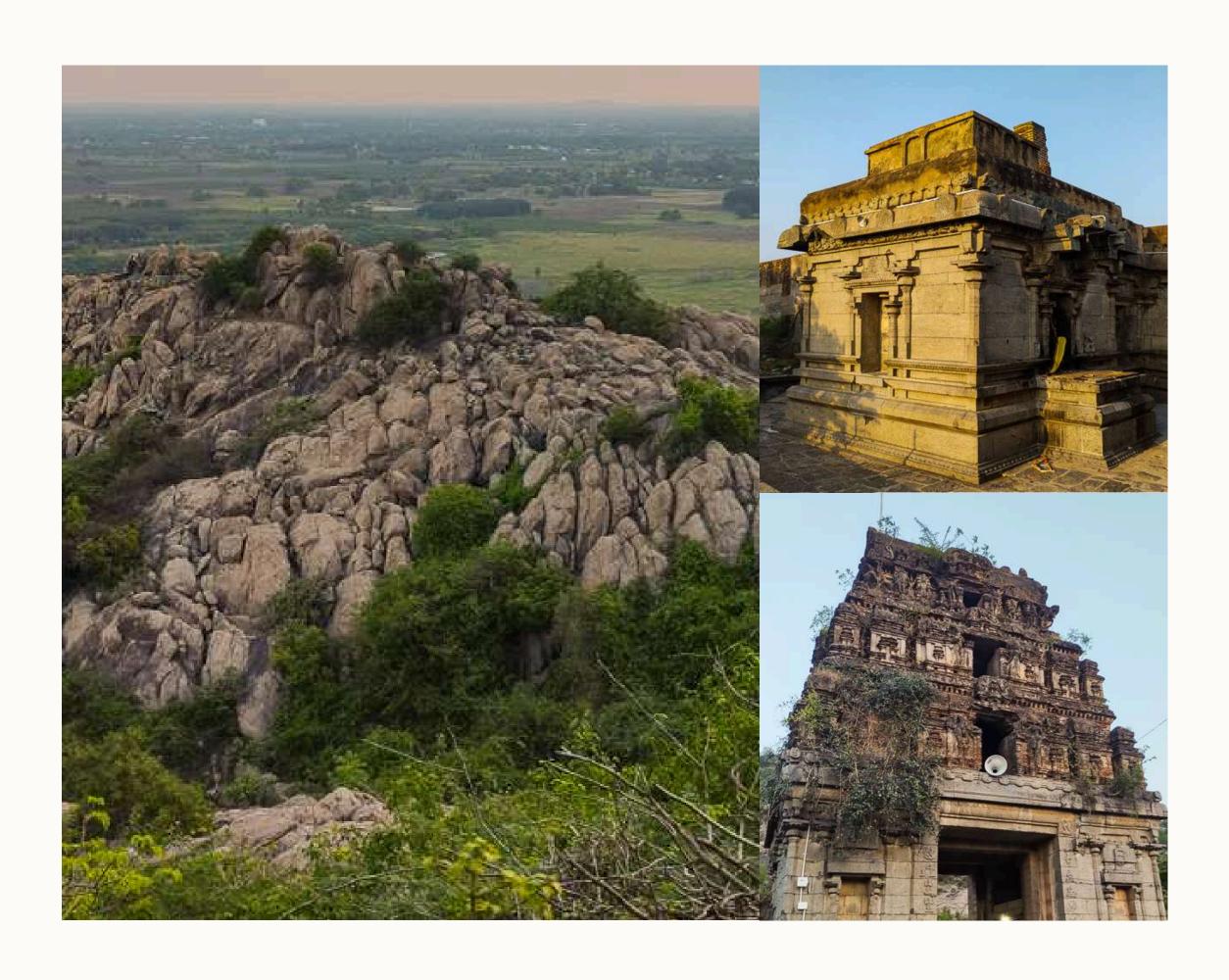
How long does it take?

3.5 hours, including travel time from Pondicherry.

How much does it cost?

Rs.1250 per person for 2 pax Rs.950 per person for 3-5 pax Rs.800 per person for 6-10 pax

Note: Need transportation to reach the place.



Sound Therapy - Special Sound Experience

A sound journey session will be conducted through diverse sounds and frequencies of natural instruments played live in a hall. You will be asked to lie in a reclined position throughout the session. It is an inner journey guided by numerous sounds with varying frequencies and vibrations, each resonating with different parts. These tones can lead you into a state of total relaxation in which healing and connection to higher consciousness can occur.

How long does it take?

Duration: 1 hour

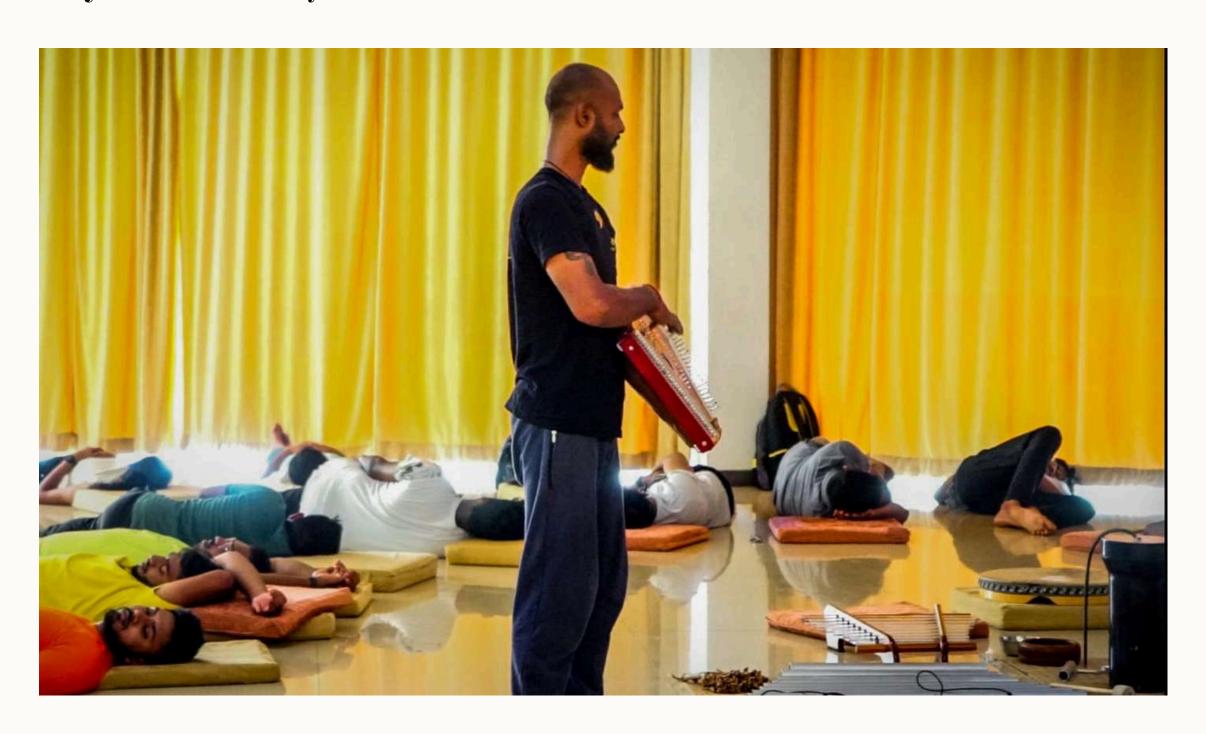
How much does it cost?

Rs.1800 per person for 1–4 pax Rs.1200 per person for 5–10 pax Rs.1000 per person for 11–16 pax Rs.800 per person for 17 pax and above



Timings: 7.00 am or 5.00 pm

Days: All Days



Bird Watching and trekking in a man-made forest

Visit a regenerated tropical dry evergreen forest & shrub jungle, and ravines in Auroville – 100 acres. The nature trail offers a sneak peek into knowledge about medicinal plants, indigenous trees, and lesser-known flora and fauna species, which help to sustain critical ecological balance and ideas of co-existence. We will encounter birds and mammals as per our luck on that day during our trek. The guide will be there throughout the session.

How long does it take?

1.5 hours a day is what you need most of the time.

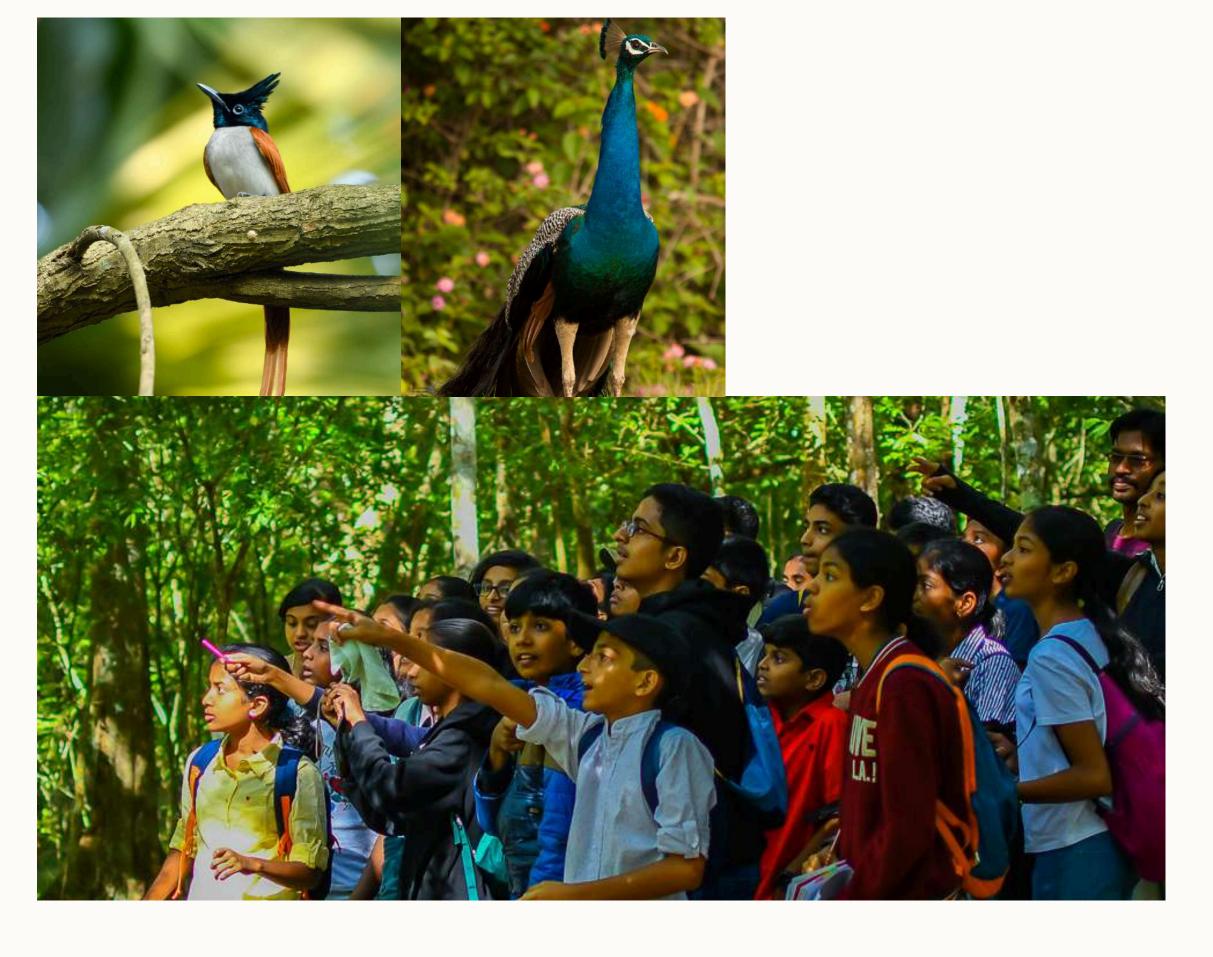
Ideal Time: Early mornings and evenings

How much does it cost?

INR 750 per person for 1 Hour & 30 Minutes

Note: A minimum of two persons required





Nature Trail Cycle Tour

Visit the indigenous Tropical Dry Evergreen forests (TDEF) of Pondicherry, Auroville and the surrounding region. They constitute the rarest forest type of India, which was only a minuscule to the sacred groves of the area until a decade back. These TDEF forests in and around Pondicherry host unique and fragile flora and fauna where you will feel like you are in the western ghats. It's time to share the excellent work of the people behind these fantastic regenerated forests. We are now doing this as a carbon-neutral experience – a nature cycling trail tour to experience these unique forests and landscapes.

What could one learn from this experience:

- Ideas on Indigenous, Regeneration, sustainability, climate resilience fauna and carbon neutrality.
- Bird watching and other flora fauna.
- A step towards fitness and fresh air
- Compassion and consciousness towards nature.

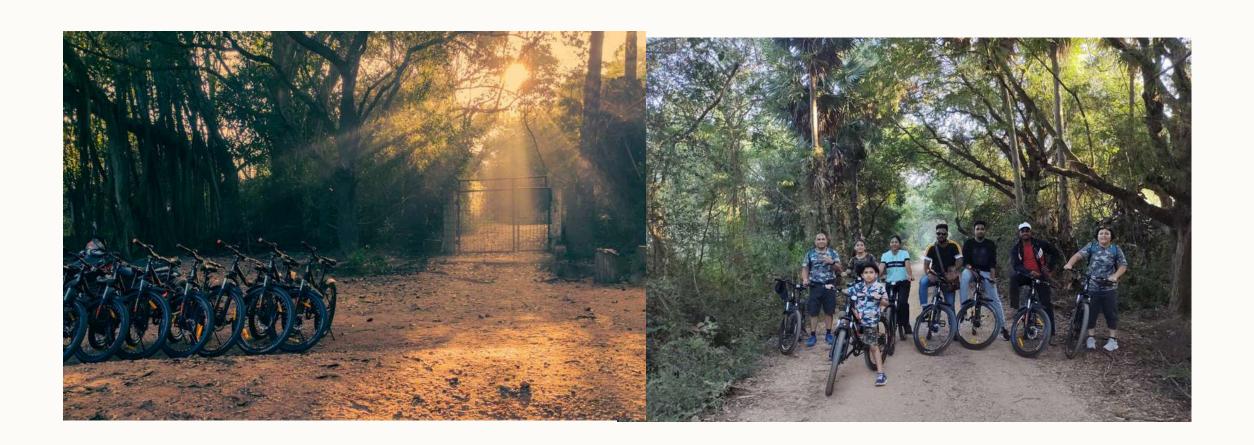
How long does it take?

3 hours a day is what you need most of the time. Ideal Time: Early mornings and afternoons

How much does it cost?

s.1500 per person for 1 Rs.1000 per person for 2 pax Rs.850 per person for 3-4 pax Rs.700 per person for 5-6 Pax RS.600 per person for 7-10 pax





Archaeological Exploration

Grand Canyon of Pondicherry

Visit the villages surviving from the megalithic times with burial grounds, cairns circle and tools. Explore the intricate Fossil woods, unique sandstone formations and ecologically critical ravines known as mini canyons, which are more than 20 million years old from the times of Gondwana. Fossil woods, Unique sandstone formations and unique ravines. An exploration of Pondicherry in a different special sense.

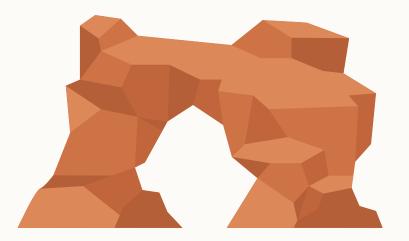
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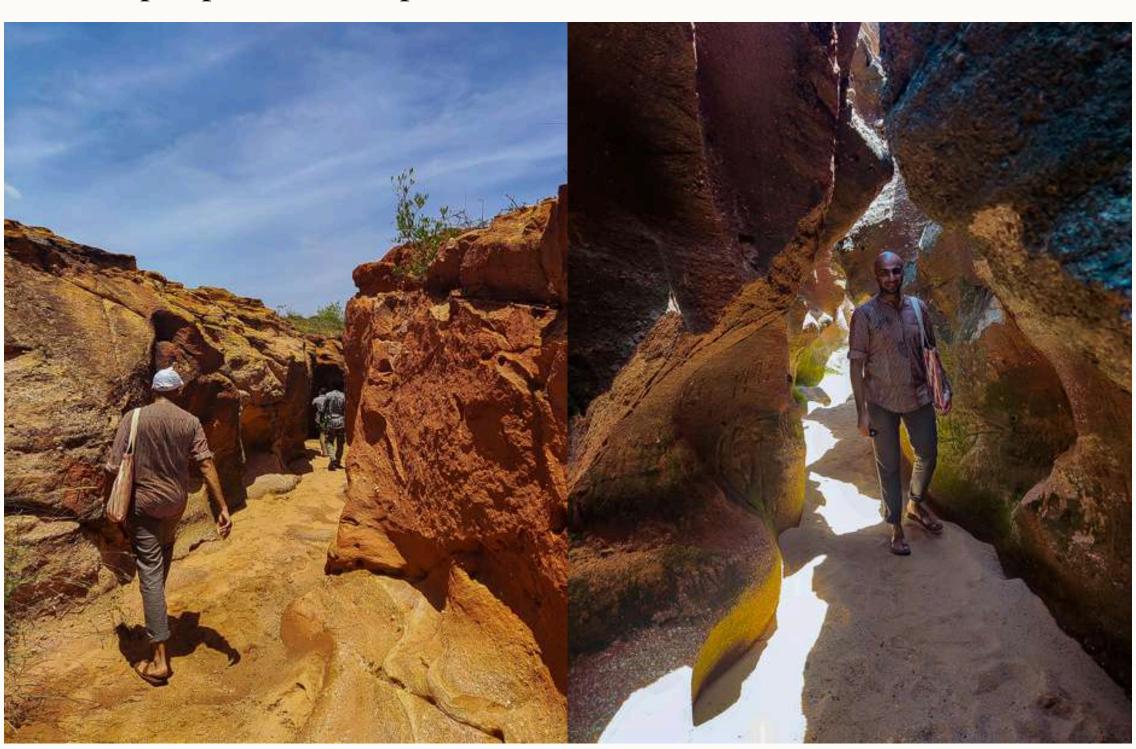
How long does it take?

Duration: 3.5 hours | 1.30 PM Post lunch.

How much does it cost?

INR 1250 per person for 2 pax INR 950 per person for 3 – 5 pax INR 800 per person for 6 pax and above





Arikamedu

Archaeological Wonder of Pondicherry

Relive the stories of the archaeological site (Arikamedu) in Puducherry's most prominent fishermen's village. Arikamedu is known as the centre of bead bead-making industry, dating back to BCE. They have imported raw materials like carnelian, quartz, agate, citrine, and onyx stones. Arikamedu also had Mosaic stones from the Roman Empire and lapis lazuli from Afghanistan. Riding the scooter to the beaches with beautiful views and shorelines, particularly one of the Blue Flag beaches of India, is an exciting experience during the tour.

Ideal for Adventure lovers, Adults and children

How long does it take?

Duration: 2 hours | 6 Am & 4 PM

How much does it cost?

Rs.1500 per person for 1 Rs.1000 per person for two pax Rs.850 per person for 3-4 pax Rs.700 per person for 5-6 Pax





Cheese Factory Tour

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The cheese factory tour can take an hour to an hour and a half, and our cheese maker will walk you through the equipment and process and explain the entire methodology. You will witness whatever cheese is being made on the tour day. The best part of any factory tour is tasting the cheese at the end of the time.

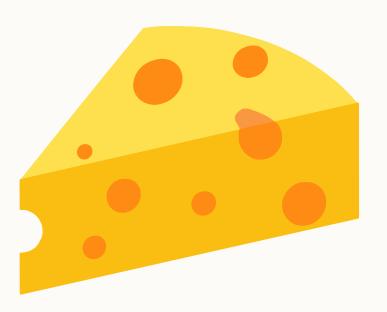
You will get to sample their top-selling cheese like Pondy Orange, Ricotta, Feta, Mozzarella, Bocconcini and a few specials! So, get cheesy, and all you cheese lovers, make sure you make the most of this experience since we have a cheese factory right here in our city!

Days: Monday - Saturday

Time: 10.30 am - 12 Noon

Tariffs:

Rs.1500 per person for 1-4 pax Rs.1250 per person for 5-7pax Rs.1000 per person for 8-10 pax





A Special Lunch: Farm to Table

A specially curated farm-to-table lunch served under a luxurious hut connects guests to wild and seasonal ingredients. The idea is to give you a memorable meal and food for thought. All components are grown or foraged from within the land or sourced from other high-quality regional food suppliers.

Experience the luxurious hut by sitting and chatting with your loved ones, catching the sunset, relaxing, and enjoying the views.

Natural Pool was created to harvest the rainwater (a great spot to dip in!). The water level increases from 4 to 8 feet, depending on the season. Birds like Common Kingfishers, Water Hens, and Cormorants regularly visit this Natural Pool. You can jump in for a swim in the natural pool. Also, you can trek on the 25-acre property for bird watching.

Traditional Banana Leaf style Meal:

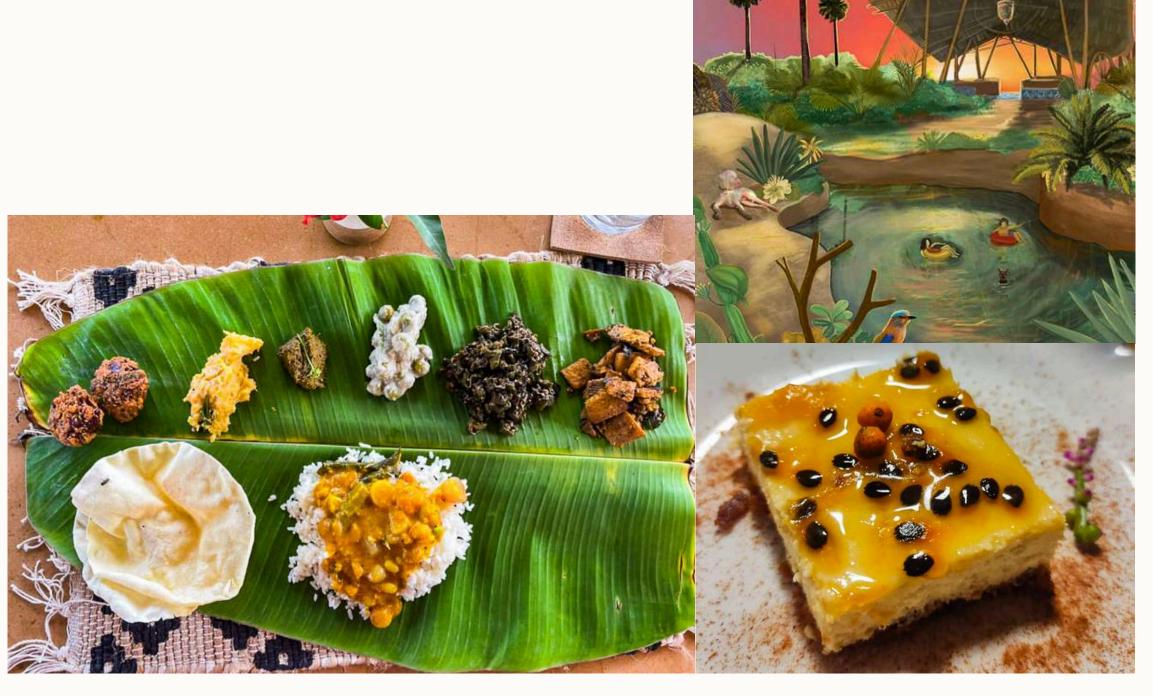
Rs.2000 per person for 2 pax Rs.1500 per person for 3-6pax Rs.1200 per person for 7pax and above

Timings: 12 noon – 2.00 pm

Days: All Days

Bookings: 24 hours advance notice

is required



Pondicherry is for everyone, and it offers something to explore.

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