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# Mumbai: Where Colonial Heritage Meets Modern India

Welcome to Mumbai, India's financial powerhouse and entertainment capital. This comprehensive 3-day guide will take you through the city's colonial architecture, bustling markets, serene beaches, and vibrant cultural scenes, perfect for first-time visitors.

## **Historical Overview**

Mumbai, formerly known as Bombay, has transformed from a fishing village to India's commercial capital. The city's rich history spans Portuguese and British colonial periods, leaving behind magnificent architecture and cultural influences that blend seamlessly with Indian traditions.

## **Iconic Landmarks**

- Gateway of India: A historic arch monument overlooking the Arabian Sea
- Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus: A UNESCO World Heritage site showcasing Victorian Gothic architecture
- Elephanta Caves: Ancient cave temples dedicated to Lord Shiva
- Haji Ali Dargah: An iconic mosque situated in the middle of the sea

## **Cultural Treasures**

- Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya: A premier museum housing diverse Indian artifacts
- Kala Ghoda Arts Precinct: Mumbai's cultural hub featuring galleries and colonial architecture
- Dr. Bhau Daji Lad Museum: The city's oldest museum showcasing Mumbai's history
- Nehru Science Centre: India's largest interactive science center

## **Charming Neighborhoods**

- Colaba: Historic district known for colonial architecture and shopping
- Bandra: The "Queen of Suburbs" with trendy cafes and shopping

- Worli Village: Traditional fishing village with modern skyline views
- Khotachiwadi: Heritage village with Portuguese-style houses

## Mumbai Lifestyle

- Street Food: Sample vada pav, pav bhaji, and bhel puri at various food districts
- Shopping: From Crawford Market to modern malls like Phoenix Marketcity
- Café Culture: Experience the historic Leopold Cafe and trendy Bandra cafes
- Beach Life: Relax at Juhu Beach or enjoy sunset at Versova Beach

## **Green Spaces**

- Sanjay Gandhi National Park: Urban forest with ancient Kanheri Caves
- Hanging Gardens: Terraced gardens offering sunset views
- Shivaji Park: Historic recreational ground and cricket nursery

## **Practical Travel Tips**

- Transportation: Use local trains, buses, or ride-hailing apps
- Best Times to Visit: October to February for pleasant weather
- Language: Hindi and English are widely understood
- Safety: Stay vigilant in crowded areas and during monsoon season

## **3-Day Itinerary Highlights**

## Day 1:

- Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya
- Hanging Gardens
- Crawford Market
- Kala Ghoda Arts Precinct

## Day 2:

- Gateway of India
- Elephanta Caves

- Colaba Causeway
- Leopold Cafe

## Day 3:

- Sanjay Gandhi National Park
- Juhu Beach
- Versova Beach
- Kanheri Caves

This guide presents a curated selection of over 30 locations, allowing you to customize your Mumbai experience. Each stop offers insights into the city's dynamic culture and vibrant street life.

Mumbai is more than just India's financial capital; it's a city of dreams where millions come to pursue their aspirations. As you navigate through its bustling streets, savor street food, and witness the contrast between colonial heritage and modern developments, you'll understand why Mumbai never sleeps.

Let this magnificent city captivate you with its energy, diversity, and warmth. Enjoy your adventure in Maximum City!

## **Itinerary Preview**

3 days

Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya



Hanging Gardens Crawford Market

Kala Ghoda Art Festival

Gateway Of India Mumbai Colaba Causeway Leopold Cafe

Elephanta Caves

Sanjay Gandhi National Park

Juhu Beach

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Kanheri Caves

Versova Beach



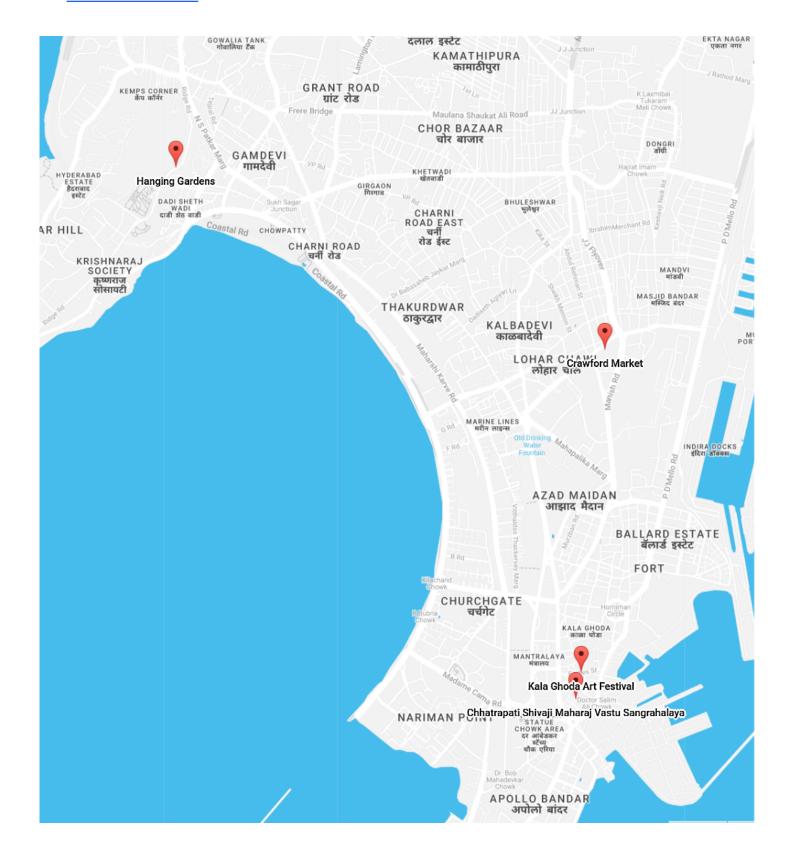
# **Daily Events**



## Day 1

09:00	Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya
	159-161, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Lion Gate, Fort, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400001, India
11:00	
11:45	Hanging Gardens
	Ridge Rd, Simla Nagar, Malabar Hill, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400006, India
13:45	
14:30	Crawford Market
	Crawford Market, Lokmanya Tilak Rd, Dhobi Talao, Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus Area, Fort, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400001, India
16:30	
17:15	Kala Ghoda Art Festival
	Forbes St, Kala Ghoda, Fort, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400001, India
19:15	

## Map for Day 1



## Day 2

09:00	Gateway Of India Mumbai
	Apollo Bandar, Colaba, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400001, India
11:00	
11:15	Colaba Causeway
	Colaba Causeway, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
13:15	
13:45	Leopold Cafe
	Shahid Bhagat Singh Road, Police Station, Colaba Causeway, near Colaba, Apollo Bandar, Colaba, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400001, India
15:45	
17:00	Elephanta Caves
10.00	Gharapuri, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra 400001, India
19:00	

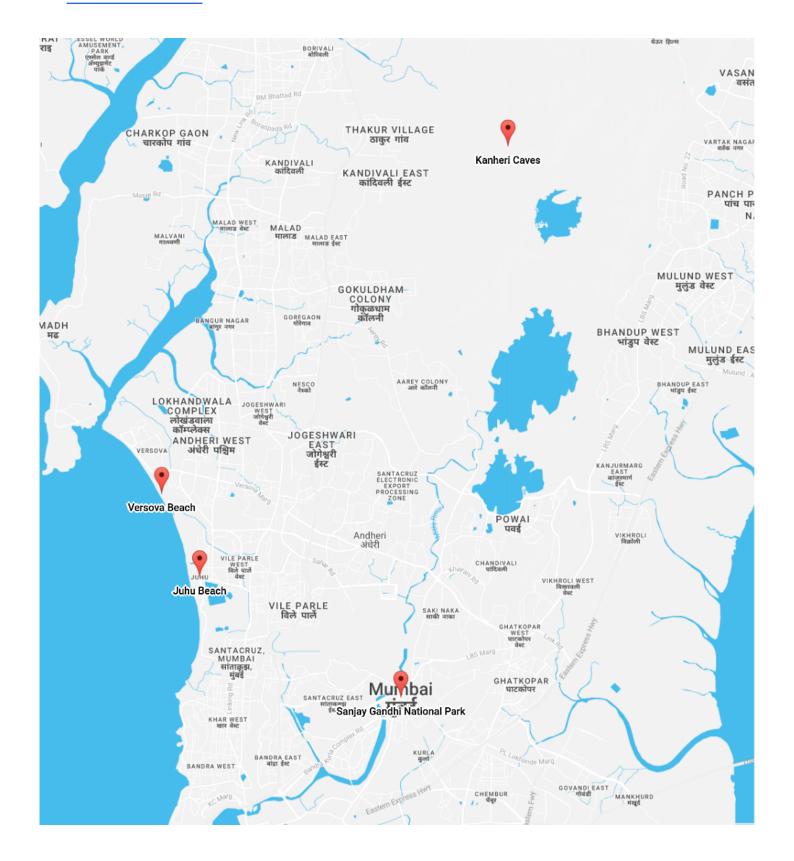
## Map for Day 2



## Day 3

09:00	Sanjay Gandhi National Park
	Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
11:00	
11:30	Juhu Beach
	Juhu Beach, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
13:30	
14:00	Versova Beach
	Versova Beach, Bharat Nagar, Versova, Andheri West, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400047, India
16:00	
17:15	Kanheri Caves
	6W53+4WV, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400101, India
19:30	

## Map for Day 3





# Spots





## Sanjay Gandhi National Park

Mumbai, Maharashtra, India

#### **Summary:**

Sprawling, forested park home to the ancient Kanheri Caves, a lion & tiger safari & nature trails.

## **Opening Hours:**

Monday: Closed Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM



## **FoodSpot**

Shop No. 17 & 18, Kamdar Shopping, Tilak Rd, opp. Love Ghatkopar Garden, Pant Nagar, Ghatkopar East, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400077, India

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 9:30 PM Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 9:30 PM Thursday: 10:00 AM - 9:30 PM Friday: 10:00 AM - 9:30 PM Saturday: 10:00 AM - 9:30 PM

#### **Phone:**

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## **Kumar Lunch Home (Bar & Restaurant)**

Shop No. 40, 41 & 42, railway Crossing, Near, Ghatkopar - Mahul Rd, Gulshan Baug, Chembur West, BMC Colony, Chembur, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400089, India

## **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 10:30 AM - 1:30 AM Tuesday: 10:30 AM - 1:30 AM Wednesday: 10:30 AM - 1:30 AM Thursday: 10:30 AM - 1:30 AM Friday: 10:30 AM - 1:30 AM Saturday: 10:30 AM - 1:30 AM

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## Haji Ali Dargah

Dargah Rd, near Lala Lajpatrai Marg, Haji Ali, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400026, India

#### Summary:

Mughal-style island mausoleum, holding the tomb of Pir Haji Ali Shah Bukhari, a Muslim saint.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 6:00 AM - 9:45 PM Tuesday: 6:00 AM - 9:45 PM Wednesday: 6:00 AM - 9:45 PM Thursday: 6:00 AM - 9:45 PM Friday: 6:00 AM - 9:45 PM Saturday: 6:00 AM - 9:45 PM

#### **Phone:**

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## Shree Siddhivinayak Temple

SK Bole Rd, Prabhadevi, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400028, India

#### **Summary:**

Dedicated to Ganesha, this grand Hindu temple features an inner gold-plated roof & carved doors.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 5:30 AM - 10:00 PM Tuesday: 5:30 AM - 10:00 PM Wednesday: 5:30 AM - 10:00 PM Thursday: 5:30 AM - 10:00 PM Friday: 5:30 AM - 10:00 PM Saturday: 5:30 AM - 10:00 PM

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## **Inorbit Mall Malad**

New Link Rd, Malad, Malad West, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400064, India

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 11:00 AM - 9:30 PM Tuesday: 11:00 AM - 9:30 PM Wednesday: 11:00 AM - 9:30 PM Thursday: 11:00 AM - 9:30 PM Friday: 11:00 AM - 9:30 PM Saturday: 11:00 AM - 9:30 PM



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## **Chapel Road** Chapel Rd, Bandra West, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400050, India



## **Phoenix Marketcity**

Lal Bahadur Shastri Marg, Patelwadi.Kurla, Kurla West, Kurla, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400070, India

#### Summary:

Retail complex with brand-name stores, restaurants & a cinema, plus extravagant, seasonal displays.

## **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 11:00 AM - 11:30 PM Tuesday: 11:00 AM - 11:30 PM Wednesday: 11:00 AM - 11:30 PM Thursday: 11:00 AM - 11:30 PM Friday: 11:00 AM - 11:30 PM Saturday: 11:00 AM - 11:30 PM

#### Phone:

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Lal Bahadur Shastri Marg, Amrut Nagar, Ghatkopar West, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400086, India

## Summary:

Huge mall with international fashion & lifestyle stores, a movie theatre, a food court & play areas.

## **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 11:00 AM - 11:00 PM Tuesday: 11:00 AM - 11:00 PM Wednesday: 11:00 AM - 11:00 PM Thursday: 11:00 AM - 11:00 PM Friday: 11:00 AM - 11:00 PM Saturday: 11:00 AM - 11:00 PM

#### **Phone:**

022 6775 5800





## **Dhobi Ghat**

1, Anandilal P Marg, Dhobi Ghat, Shanti Nagar, Lower Parel, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400011, India

#### Summary:

Landmark outdoor laundry where hundreds of workers wash & dry huge quantities of clothing & linens.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM Tuesday: 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM Wednesday: 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM Thursday: 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM Friday: 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM Saturday: 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM Sunday: 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM



## **Pali Hill** Pali Hill, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India



## **Flower Market Dadar**

2R8R+XJX, Tilak Brg, Lokmanya Tilak Colony, Dadar, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400028, India



## Byramji Jeejeebhoy Road & Bandra Fort Trail

BJ Road & Bandra Fort Trail, Mount Mary, Bandra West, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400050, India

## **Marine Drive**

Marine Dr, Mumbai, India

#### Summary:

3.6-km promenade along the coast of a natural bay lined with restaurants & art decostyle buildings.



## Bandra Worli Sea Link Bridge

2RP8+FX2, Rajiv Gandhi Sea Link Brg, Mount Mary, Bandra West, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400050, India



## **Gateway Of India Mumbai**

Apollo Bandar, Colaba, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400001, India

#### **Summary:**

Grand, Indo-Saracenic-style, 26m-tall triumphal stone arch, built on the waterfront in 1924.



## **Kanheri Caves**

6W53+4WV, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400101, India

#### **Summary:**

Ancient temples, hewn from rock, with Buddhist shrines, paintings of Buddha and 109 entrances.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: Closed Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM Thursday: 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM Friday: 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM Saturday: 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM

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## **Colaba Causeway**

Colaba Causeway, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India

#### **Summary:**

19th century city causeway with grand buildings, boutiques, cafés & an Art Deco cinema.



## Worli Fort

Worli village, 2RF8+FPM, near worli, Worli Tip, fort, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400030, India

#### **Summary:**

Remains of a 1600s, British-built fortress with wide sea views from the top of its walls.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 5:00 AM - 7:00 PM Tuesday: 5:00 AM - 7:00 PM Wednesday: 5:00 AM - 7:00 PM Thursday: 5:00 AM - 7:00 PM Friday: 5:00 AM - 7:00 PM Saturday: 5:00 AM - 7:00 PM



## Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya

159-161, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Lion Gate, Fort, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400001, India

#### **Summary:**

Grand museum with Indo-Saracenic architecture featuring history exhibits, cultural art & education.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 10:15 AM - 6:00 PM Tuesday: 10:15 AM - 6:00 PM Wednesday: 10:15 AM - 6:00 PM Thursday: 10:15 AM - 6:00 PM Friday: 10:15 AM - 6:00 PM Saturday: 10:15 AM - 6:00 PM

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## **Juhu** Juhu, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400049, India





## **Hanging Gardens**

Ridge Rd, Simla Nagar, Malabar Hill, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400006, India

## **Summary:**

Tranquil garden offering views of the Arabian Sea, flowers & hedges sculpted into animal shapes.

## **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM Tuesday: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM Wednesday: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM Thursday: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM Friday: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM Saturday: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM



## **Crawford Market**

Crawford Market, Lokmanya Tilak Rd, Dhobi Talao, Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus Area, Fort, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400001, India



## Versova Beach

Versova Beach, Bharat Nagar, Versova, Andheri West, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400047, India

#### **Summary:**

Spacious, well-known locale for walks, sunset viewing, swimming & get-togethers.



## **Leopold Cafe**

Shahid Bhagat Singh Road, Police Station, Colaba Causeway, near Colaba, Apollo Bandar, Colaba, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400001, India

#### **Summary:**

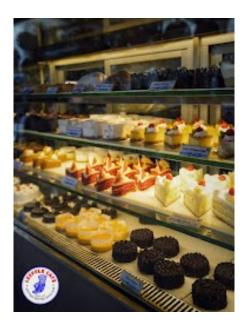
This old-school cafe/bar dating to 1871 serves Continental, Chinese & Indian snacks, plus cocktails.

## **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 7:30 AM - 12:30 AM Tuesday: 7:30 AM - 12:30 AM Wednesday: 7:30 AM - 12:30 AM Thursday: 7:30 AM - 12:30 AM Friday: 7:30 AM - 12:30 AM Saturday: 7:30 AM - 12:30 AM

#### **Phone:**

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## Kala Ghoda Art Festival

Forbes St, Kala Ghoda, Fort, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400001, India

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: Open 24 hours Tuesday: Open 24 hours Wednesday: Open 24 hours Thursday: Open 24 hours Friday: Open 24 hours Saturday: Open 24 hours Sunday: Open 24 hours

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## Nehru Science Centre

Jijamata Nagar, Worli, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400018, India

#### **Summary:**

Science museum featuring interactive exhibits for kids & adults, plus seminars, events & IMAX films.

## **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Tuesday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Wednesday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Thursday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Friday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Saturday: 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM

## **Phone:**

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## BDL Museum Plaza | Dr. Bhau Daji Lad Museum

91 A, Rani Baug, Veer Mata Jijbai Bhonsle Udyan, 91 A, Dr Baba Saheb Ambedkar Rd, Byculla East, Byculla, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400027, India

#### **Summary:**

Mumbai's first museum showcasing the city's cultural heritage with artistic & decorative artifacts.

#### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 10:00 AM - 5:30 PM Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 5:30 PM Wednesday: Closed Thursday: 10:00 AM - 5:30 PM Friday: 10:00 AM - 5:30 PM Saturday: 10:00 AM - 5:30 PM

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## **Girgaon Chowpatty**

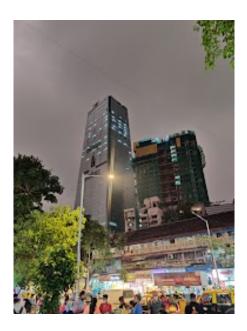
Girgaon Chowpatty, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India

## Summary:

No-frills beach where locals flock to dip Lord Ganesh idols in the sea for Ganesh Visarjan.



**Shivaji Park** Shivaji Park, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India



## **Elephanta Caves**

Gharapuri, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra 400001, India

## Summary:

Island with an ornately sculpted, 7th-century cave temple dedicated to the Hindu god Shiva.

## **Opening Hours:**

Monday: Closed Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

