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Destinations Covered: Bijapur, Hospet, Hampi, Badami

Day 1: Pune - Bijapur (Approx 320kms)

Early morning proceed to Bijapur. Arrivelat Bijapur. Bijapur district is located in the northwest part of the state of Karnataka state. Bijapur kingdom played a significant r ole in the history of Karnataka by its contribution to art and architecture and by propagating Islam in the land. The main attraction of the city is the well-known Golgumbaz. Overnight stay at Bijapur.

Day 2: Bijapur - Hospet (Approx 200kms)

Drive to visit Gol Gumbaz, which is the most beautiful monument in Bijapur. Juma Masjid: This is quite a large monument covering an area of 10810 Sq. mts. And can accommodate 2250 worshippers and Ibrahim Rouza: The beautiful Ibrahim Rouza was constructed by Ibrahim Adil Shah II (1580-1627). The square enclosure consists of two buildings, one housing the tombs of Ibrahim Adil Shah II and his family and the other, a mosque. Also visit Malik-I-Maidan: This is one of the largest bell metal guns in the world. It was brought to Bijapur as a trophy of war and was set up here with the help of 10 elephants, 400 oxen and hundreds of men. The muzzle of the gun is shaped like the head of a lion with open jaw and between the carved fangs is depicted an elephant being crushed to death. Proceed to Hospet. Hospet or Hosapete, is a city in Bellary District in central Karnataka, India. It is on the Tungabhadra River, 12 km from Hampi, the World Heritage site consisting of the ruins of the medieval city. Over Night at Hospet.

Day 3: Hospet - Hampi - Hospet (12kms one way)

Drive from Hospet to Hampi. Strange and magical place, Hampi is one of the most beautiful towns in Karnataka. In Hampi you can visit Vitthal Mandir well-known for its exceptional architecture and unmatched craftsmanship, located at Tungabhadra River. The Virupaksha Temple is dedicated to Lord Shiva. The Shibaling and Ganesha Monoliths, The Queen's bath, Lotus Mahal and Other ruins of Vijaynagar Samrajya. After sightseeing comeback to Hospet.In Hospet Visit Tungabhadra Dam & enjoy the Musical Fountain Show. Over Night at Hospet.

Day 4: Hospet - Badami - Bijapur (Approx 200kms)

Drive from Hospet to Badami. Badami is picturesquely situated at the mouth of a ravine between two rocky hills. Badami is famous for its artificial lake, ancient temples and museum. The main attraction of Badami is the (caves) Cave Temple which are carved out of single sandstone rock with exquisite carvings on the top of the hill. Visit Banshankar Temple. After sightseeing proceed to Pattadakkal & Aiholi which are situated on the banks of Malaprabha River. At both places we visit various temples. After sightseeing proceed to Bijapur. Over Night at Bijapur.

Day 5: Bijapur - Pune (Approx 319kms)

Drive from Bijapur to Pune. Vacation comes to an end with good memories that will last forever.

Connectivity to & From Bijapur

By Road: Its around 320kms from Pune. (7-8hrs drive by car)

There is a direct bus to & From Bijapur. It takes around 10 hrs.

There is direct Train connective Pune – Bijapur – Pune (Station Code: BJP)

Nearest airport: Belgaum 185kms from Bijapur (Airport code: IXG)

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