

The heritage tourism of Chhattisgarh

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ABSTRACT: Chhattisgarh is the tenth largest and sixteenth most populous state in India. There are many places in Chhattisgarh which are important for tourism for various reasons. Some of these are important for archaeological reasons, while some are famous for natural scenes and wildlife. Chhattisgarh is situated in the lap of nature, due to which Chhattisgarh is full of natural beauty. Green forests, beautiful and picturesque waterfalls, beautiful plateaus and winding rivers make the eyes relaxed. Most important is the Adivasis living in Chhattisgarh, which are a center of great attraction for tourists. Chhattisgarh is proud of its spectacular natural beauty, wildlife, monuments and tribal mixed traditional rich cultural heritage. The seashore has everything for tourism here. India's largest waterfall (Bastar's Chitrakote Falls), South America's second most dense forest after Amazon, has three national wildlife parks and 13 wildlife sanctuaries. Chhattisgarh was mainly known as Dakshin Kosala which is mentioned in Ramayana and Mahabharata. The Chhattisgarhi Devi temple has 36 pillars on the basis of which it derives its present name. Chhattisgarh, one of the power and steel generating states of India, was established on 1 November 2000 after the partition from Madhya Pradesh. Raipur is its capital and is bordered by Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Orissa, Jharkhand and Uttar Pradesh. This state being the heart of the country, it is full of many historical, religious and natural scenic spots. Many religions have originated here and their propaganda is in place. From the tourism point of view, about 105 big and small places of Chhattisgarh state have been identified as tourist destinations.

I. OBJECTIVE:

The objective of Chhattisgarh Tourism Board is to develop the state as an international tourism state and to preserve and enrich the cultural heritage of the state. The state has ancient monuments, rare wildlife, carved temples, Buddhist sites, palace waterfalls, mountain plateaus, rock paintings and caves. Chhattisgarh has a domestic airport which is connected to almost all the airports in the country. Indian Airlines operates regular flights from Chhattisgarh to other parts of the country. Raipur and Bilaspur, the two major railway stations of Chhattisgarh, connect this state to the major railway stations of the country. The road network in Chhattisgarh is also excellent. NH 6, NH 16 and NH 43 highways connect major cities of Chhattisgarh to other parts of the country. The average rainfall occurs in the monsoon. Tourists can visit here from November to January. This time is good for traveling here.

II. INTRODUCTION

The beauty of Chhattisgarh and these natural places will surprise you, Chhattisgarh is a vast forested state of Central India known for its temples and waterfalls Chhattisgarh is the 10th largest and 16th most populous state in India. Chhattisgarh is mainly known as Dakshin Kosala, which is mentioned in both the Ramayana and the Mahabharata. Renowned for its natural diversity and its cultural and traditional history, Chhattisgarh is slowly evolving into the most popular holiday destinations in India. It is a relatively offbeat destination for tourism which makes it a wonderful place to visit, especially for those who love absolutely secluded and less crowded places. Waterfalls, ancient temples, monuments and culture located in dense forests still remind us of the old history and traditions of the state; Chhattisgarh has everything you want to see during the holidays.

In this article, i will give you information about the sights of Chhattisgarh, Every tourist should spend a day in Pukhotti Muktangan, a delightful garden reflecting the rich culture of Chhattisgarh. Honorable A.P. The place was inaugurated in November 2006 by J Abdul Kalam. Since then, the park has been a place that attracts tourists and locals. Best tourist places of Chhattisgarh





Chhattisgarh's historical tourist spot Dantewada:- Dantewada came into existence in 1998, after the formation of Chhattisgarh from Madhva Pradesh. Situated in Bastar district, the quaint little town of Dantewada offers spectacular views of rivers, spectacular hill peaks and lush green grasslands. Historically, the city was named after Danteshwari, the incarnation of Shakti. Who later came to preside over the Danteshwar temple. Dantewada was known as Tarapala and Dantavali in pre-historic days. However, at present, the area is affected by Naxalism. Dantewada gives you the opportunity to enjoy all the natural elements from the mountains to the rivers.



Chitrakoot natural waterfalls of Chhattisgarh:-Chhattisgarh is one of the major ecotourism destinations in India, with a variety of waterfalls, hills, valleys and rich terrain. Chitrakoot is a naturally occurring waterfall in Bastar district of Chhattisgarh. It is located in the western region of Jagdalpur and is one of the famous tourist attractions in and around Jagdalpur for breathtaking sunsets that mesmerize you during the fall. Also known as the Mini-Niagara Fall of India, this horse-shaped waterfall falls from a height of about 100 feet. Making its way through dense vegetation and cascades, it creates a spectacular view. Chitrakote Falls are formed from the waters of the Indravati River which flows through the Vindhya mountain range. The best time to visit the waterfall is between the months of July and October during the monsoon season. Overall Chitrakoot is a very beautiful tourist destination.



Manpat is a beautiful place to see in Chhattisgarh:- Mainpat is an underground hill station. The hill station has not been fully commercialized yet, which is why very few tourists know about the place. Mainpat is often referred to as Shimla and "Mini Tibet" of Chhattisgarh. The Tibet refugees were resettled in Manpat after the Chinese invasion of Tibet and have since found a home in Mainpat. The confluence of cultures and diverse traditions in Mainpat only adds to the charm of the picturesque village. This place is no less than a paradise for tourists who are relieved from the busy life for a few days of peace and peace.



The purkhouti Muktangan :- Every tourist should spend a day in Pukhotti Muktangan, a delightful garden reflecting the rich culture of Chhattisgarh. The place was inaugurated in November 2006 by the Honorable APJ Abdul Kalam. Since then, the park has been a place that attracts tourists and locals. It is not only a center of attraction for tourists, but it also spreads cultural awareness about the preservation of our bio-cultural diversity.





Bhoramdev Temple, ancient temple of Chhattisgarh:- If you are making a list of popular tourist places to visit in Chhattisgarh, then you should include Bhoramdev Temple in that list. The Bhoramdev Temple is similar to the Sun Temple of Konark and is believed to have been constructed during the 7th to 12th centuries. It is popularly known as Khajuraho of Chhattisgarh as it resembles the Khajuraho temple in Madhya Pradesh. Bhoramdev temple is also known as "Khajuraho of Chhattisgarh" this temple is dedicated to Lord Shiva. The temple has a splendid work of exquisite civilian style of architecture and intricately carved portrait art. The Bhoramdev Temple depicts the statues of the ten incarnations of Lord Vishnu, in addition to portraits of Lord Shiva and Lord Ganesha.



Tourist places in Chhattisgarh, Kailash and Kotusamar Caves:- The Kailash and Kotusamar Caves are not only a unique cave, but also the second longest cave in the entire world. The cave discovered in 1993 spans an area of 100 metersThe peculiarity of the cave is that it cannot be reached beyond a certain point due to the decrease in the flow of oxygen inside the deep cave. This twokilometer deep cave is surprisingly large amidst dense forests. If you want to have some fun here? So clap with your hands inside the cave and you will hear a musical sound moving through the hollow walls. The cave is located near Tirathgarh waterfall and about 40 km from Jagdalpur.



Madku Island: A good place to visit in Chhattisgarh:- Madku Island is a beautiful island located near the Maun River of Shivnath in Bilaspur district of Chhattisgarh. The island is in the shape of a frog, hence it is called Madaku Island. The beauty of this island is considered to be mesmerizing. The picturesque Madku island has an area of about 24 hectares and is full of greenery. The island is also famous for its ancient temples and their historical and archaeological significance. Madku island is also home to many ancient and unique idols of Lord Shiva, Ganesha, Shiva-Parvati, Nandi and many other deities. There are both old and new temples. Madaku Island is known as Kedar Tirtha and Hariharkshetra Kedar Dweep.

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<u>Chhattisgarh's historical city Malhar:</u>- Malhar is the most historic city of Chhattisgarh, which has great archaeological significance. Its exquisite sculptures and ancient charm have placed the city on the list of ancient monuments, archaeological sites and relics of national importance, maintained by the Archaeological Survey of India. Some of the remains found in Malhar belong to the Kalachuri rule by 1000 BCE.



Sirpur village in Chhattisgarh :- Sirpur is a small village in the state of Chhattisgarh, situated on the banks of the Mahanadi River. It is 35 km from Mahasamund district and about 78 km from Raipur city. The village of Sirpur is an archaeological wonder. The village is rich in its temple culture. It is a treasure for archaeological findings from the 8th century. There are many temples where people can go, and generally a center for passionate historians, the Buddhist monasteries of this village are considered to be the most important in India. The Chhattisgarh Tourism Board organizes a music and dance festival here to promote Buddhist sites and celebrate its culture. Offering a rare blend of art and culture with varying performances and a deep history and development of art, Sirpur is a wonderful village full of wonders.



Chhattisgarh's pilgrimage site Dongargarh:-Dongargarh is considered as the top pilgrimage center of Chhattisgarh and is also a top tourist attraction. There is a famous temple here called Maa Bamleshwari which is situated at an altitude of about 1,600 feet. The temple is also called Badi Bamleshwari. Another temple which is located about half a kilometer from this temple is known as Chhota Bamleshwari. Thousands of devotees throng the temple during Dussehra and during the Navratras of Chaitra (during Ramnavami). During the occasion of Navratri, fairs are organized in the temple which lasts for a long time in the day. If you come to visit Chhattisgarh at this time of year, there is a lot to see here.





tourist destination Raipur's top in Chhattisgarh:- You cannot skip a visit to Chhattisgarh, its capital Raipur. Raipur, the capital of Chhattisgarh, is the largest city in the state. With over hundreds of steel mills and six steel plants, Raipur is also one of the largest industrial centers in the country. Apart from steel, it is also home to the aluminum and coal industries. The primary trade and industrial center, Raipur is fast emerging in the tourism sector, attracting tourists from all over the world. The city is known for its temples, lakes, factories, educational centers as well as the development of Naya Raipur. Naya Raipur is a newly planned city and is about 17 km from the present city. Raipur has a rich history and was a part of Madhya Pradesh till 2000. After the formation of the new state of Chhattisgarh, Raipur was made its capital. With good shopping, one can also visit famous sightseeing places here. These include Barnawapara Wildlife Sanctuary, Dandak Caves, Bilaspur, Chitrakoot Falls, Amarkantak, Bhilai, Kanha National Park and Sitanadi Wildlife Sanctuary.



Chhattisgarh's famous tourist place Tiger Reserve:-Achanakmar 2009, In Achanakmar Tiger Reserve was declared a Tiger Reserve under Project Tiger. Which is spread over an area of over 557Sq kilometers. Located in Bilaspur district of Chhattisgarh, it is an impressive tiger house. Visiting the Achanakmar Tiger Reserve during a trip to Chhattisgarh can be an exciting experience. Apart from the tiger, you can also see the Indian giant squirrel, wild dog, hyena, leopard and other animals here. The Achanakmar Tiger Reserve is home to over 150 species of birds. Going to the park during your trip in Chhattisgarh can be a wonderful experience.

III. ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION

Chhattisgarh tourism throws light on the residents of this region. It is mainly inhabited by rural people. It is mainly inhabited by Gond, Halbi, Halba, Kamar and Oron tribes. The urban people speak Hindi language while the people of the village speak Chhattisgarhi, the Hindi language. Some tribes also speak Kosli, Oriya and Telugu languages. Rich in natural resources, Chhattisgarh attracts a lot of tourists. Every year a large number of tourists start coming here. The historical background here attracts people. Chhattisgarh is a beautiful state of our country separated from Madhya Pradesh, which is full of natural resources.

IV. CONCLUSION:

If your interest is not dependent on a single point then you can look for a destination of diverse importance. Chhattisgarh of India is a suitable option for you in the list of such sites. Chhattisgarh with its diverse folk culture is known for stunning waterfalls, beautiful landscapes, caves, temples, heritage sites. Each place of the earth is unique and unique in itself, although some things are enough to tell the specialty of such a place. When you plan a trip, a lot of thought needs to be done. You try your best to identify the place that you want from that place. If your interest is not dependent on a single point then you can look for a destination of diverse importance. Chhattisgarh of India is a suitable option for you in the list of such sites. Chhattisgarh with its diverse folk culture is known for stunning waterfalls, beautiful landscapes, caves, temples, heritage sites.

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