Mumbai is one of the most populous urban regions in the world. The sheer number of people you will encounter on its streets alone ought to make this trip a memorable one for you. It is India’s commercial and entertainment capital, attracting migrants from across the country to create what is a fabulous melting pot of language, culture and cuisine unlike any other city in India. Its inhabitation since the Stone Age, its unique position in the Maurya Empire founded in the third century BCE, the reference made to it by Greek geographer Ptolemy in 150 CE, its European rulers are a portion of its cultural history. Mumbai awaits. Plunge in.

**ATTRACTIONS**
- Gateway of India
- Elephanta Island
- Hanging Gardens
- Sanjay Gandhi National Park
- Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahaylaya
- Dr. Bhau Daji Lad Museum
- Colaba Causeway
- Juhu Chowpatty
- Mahalaxmi Racecourse
- INS Vikrant Museum

**WALKING TOURS**
- The Arts Walking Tour
- The British in India Tour
- Street Food Tour
- Glittering Bollywood Tour
- R.K. Laxman’s Mumbai
- Maximum City Tour

**GETTING THERE**

**BY AIR**
Mumbai’s ‘Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport’ (IATA: BOM, ICAO: VABB) has excellent connectivity with cities and airlines around the world.

The airport offers pre-paid taxi services and is around 28 km. from downtown Mumbai.

**BY ROAD/TRAIN**
ROAD: Mumbai can be reached by National Highway nos 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 17, and Mumbai-Pune expressway.
Air-conditioned cabs and private buses service nearby cities.

TRAIN: Mumbai has three arterial lines. Central line connecting to Southern India, Eastern India and parts of North India. The Western line connects to Gujarat, Rajasthan and parts of North India. The Konkan line connects the coast from Goa to Kerala.

**GETTING AROUND**

**BY CAR**
Black & Yellow taxis can be hailed on the street. A trip between any two points in the city does not exceed Rs. 1,000. For about 25% more cost, you can book, and travel by, one of the many private taxi services:

- Cabs: +91 22 33553355
- First Cars: +91 976531830
- Tab Cabs: +91 22 63636363
- Mega Cab: +91 22 42424242
- Maru Cab: +91 22 44424442
- Priyadarshini*: +91 98 2022 1107

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**BY BUS**
B.E.S.T. offers comprehensive bus services across the city. Most routes run at intervals of between 5 and 30 minutes. Tickets are purchased onboard from a ‘conductor’. You can buy a DayPass at the cost of Rs. 25 to be used on all buses except Express and A/C routes.

**BY TRAIN**
Mumbai is serviced by three lines:
- The Western line provides North-South connectivity.
- The Central Main Line travels from Mumbai CST to Kalyan via Mumbai’s Central Suburbs and Thane, with some slow services running beyond to Kharar, Khopoli, and Kasara.
- The Harbour Line has two sections, one from Eastern Suburbs and Navi Mumbai, up to Panvel. The other runs up to Mahim on the Western Line.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

**EMERGENCY NUMBERS**

- Police Control Room: 100
- Fire Station: 101
- Coast Guard: +91 22 2437 6133
- Air Ambulance: +91 98211 50889

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