

TOURIST GUIDE

ABOUT PUNE



- Pune is the 9th most populous city in India and the second largest in the State of Maharashtra after the State capital Mumbai.
- The history of the city is closely related to the rise of the Maratha empire of the 17th and 18th centuries. In the 18th century, Pune became the political centre of the Indian subcontinent, as the seat of the Peshwas who were the prime ministers of the Maratha Empire.
- After the fall of Peshwa rule in 1818, the new British rulers made the city one of their major military bases. Prior to British takeover, the city was confined to the East bank of the Mutha River. Since then the city has grown on both sides of the river. In the 19th and early 20th century, Pune was considered by the British as the centre of political unrest against their rule.

CULTURE

- Pune, the cultural capital of the state of Maharashtra is the eight largest metropolis in India and second largest in the State.
- It is situated at the eastern edge of the Western Ghats on the Deccan plateau, at an altitude of 559 m above sea level. Initiated as an agricultural settlement.
- Pune is now one of the developed cities of India. Located at a distance of approximately 220 km from Mumbai, the city attracts huge influx of tourist every year and has earned the reputation as a major tourist destination.
- The culture of Pune encompasses both the traditional Maharashtrian lifestyle that is prevalent in the heart of the city, as well as a modern, progressive outlook resulting from its being a hub for education and liberal thought.
- People from multiple religions and speaking different regional languages reside here. It also hosts various social and cultural events throughout the year.

MAJOR ATTRACTIONS

- Due to a large student population, Pune hosts many youth festivals which includes the famous Ganesh Festival, Sawai Gandharva Music Festival, Shaniwarwada Dance Festival etc.
- Apart from its various temples, other historical attractions in and around Pune include the rock-cut Pataleshwar cave temple, Aga Khan Palace, Shaniwarwada, Lal Mahal, Shinde Chhatra, Kelkar Museum and Sinhagad fort.
- Pune has a variety of foods and cuisines. A common meal item is bhakri-pitla, or flat millet pancakes and flour-based curry. Savoury items such as chivda and bakarvadi, and sweets are available in various shops and restaurants. Street vendors also offer snacks such as Vadapav, Bhelpuri, Misal and Kutchi Dabeli. One can also find the Mastani, a thick milkshake with dried fruits, which is named after Queen Mastani of the Peshwas and Kuka, a thick cold coffee.

PUNE WEATHER

- Pune stands on the leeward side of the Western Ghats on an altitude of 559m. (1863 ft.). The temperatures are pretty moderate. Though not as unpredictable as the British weather, the city of Pune does have its share of uncertainties in different seasons.
- Mild , pleasant ranges from 20⁰ - 25⁰ centigrades

- **WINTERS:** From November to January, Pune has its winter season. 6°C was the lowest recorded last year. Hot cups of coffee are highly enjoyable during mornings and evenings.

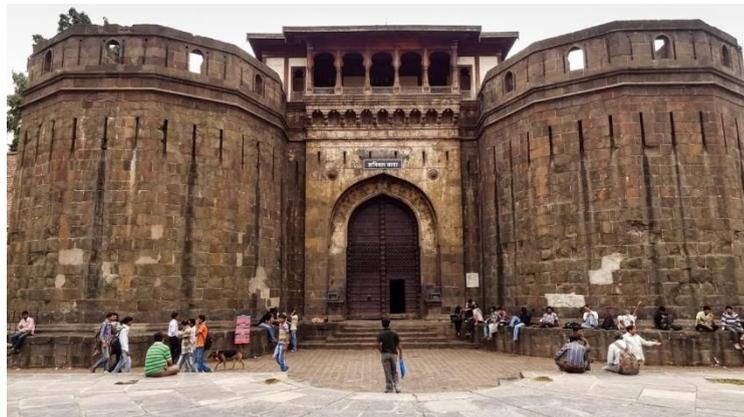
TOP TOURIST ATTRACTION IN PUNE

- **Aga Khan Palace, Pune:**(Distance : 2 km from Symbiosis Law School,Viman Nagar)



This is a historic landmark with Italian arches salons, suites and spacious lawns. During the 1942 Quit India Movement, the British jailed Mahatma Gandhi and his wife Kasturba Gandhi here.

- **Shaniwar Wada** (Distance 9.3 km from Symbiosis Law School ,Viman Nagar)



Bajirao Peshwa built the Shaniwar Wada in 1736. It is a seven storied mansion and served as a seat of political power during its time. It acclaimed tremendous importance and is the city's main attraction till date.

- **MG Road** (Distance 10.2 km from Symbiosis Law School ,Viman Nagar)



M.G. Road is one of the most expensive areas of Pune. This is the one-stop destinations for all brand loyal customers and buyers. All branded show rooms and shops are located here.

- **FC Road** (Distance : 10 km from Symbiosis Law School ,Viman Nagar)



The road is named after the famous college named Fergusson College. This road is popular for roadside shops. Sagar Arcade is one of the popular shopping complexes at FC Road.

- **Phoenix Mall, Viman Nagar** (Distance : 2 km from Symbiosis Law School ,Viman Nagar)



Pune is shopper's paradise. Shopping is itself a fun activity to indulge in and if it is in Pune the fun becomes all the more. This owes to the city's great numbers of shopping malls, shopping complexes and shopping streets that are always flocked by thousands of buyers both locals and tourists everyday. The shopping malls in the city are one

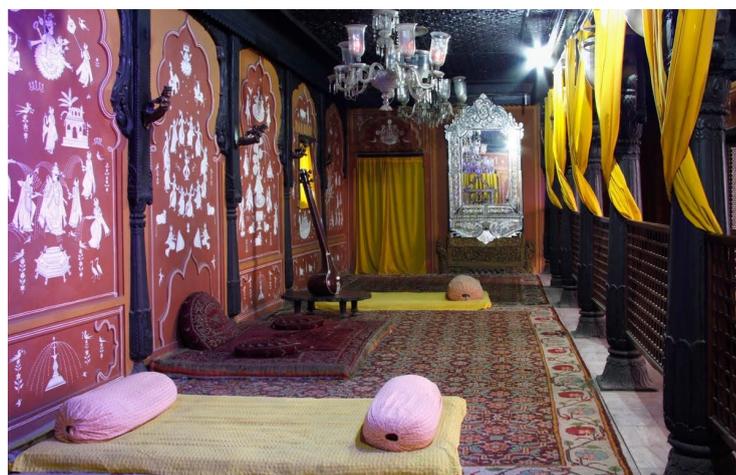
convenient way of shopping where you get all your brands and preferences under one roof. These malls are also one of the favourite hangout zones for the city's young genre.

- **Osho Ashram Pune** (Distance : 2 km from Symbiosis Law School ,Viman Nagar)



To calm the restless mind, seek inner peace and meditate in tranquillity, the premises of the famous Osho Ashram in Koregaon Park, is absolutely apt. The cool aura, calm ambience, burbling waters and the angelic sound of birds add to this blissful experience. As the brainchild of Bhagwan Rajneesh, the Osho Ashram reverberates the teachings and philosophy of Osho.

- **Museums in Pune**



Pune is quite significant from historical and culture point of view. Museums are the testimony of this rich history and tell you about the city's royal heritage and lifestyles of

the contemporary times. These museums are the warehouse of several artifacts that dates back to as far back as 17th century. Some of the renowned museums are: Tilak Museum, National War Museum, Tribal Museum, Raja Dinkar Kelkar Museum, Mahatma Phule Museum, Babasaheb Ambedkar Museum.

- **Places of excursions near Pune:**



Pune offers myriad of excursions that shouldn't be missed while on a tour to Pune. From forts to pilgrimages, caves to temples, varieties are ample to meet all your needs. Some popular excursions are Alandi, Bhaja Caves, Bhimashankar Temple, Bhuleshwar Temple, Dehu, Jejuri Temple, Karla Caves, Malshej Ghat, Shirdi, Shivneri Fort, Chaturshringi Temple, Dagdusheth Ganpati, Pataleshwar Cave Temple, St. Mary's Church, Ayyappa Temple etc.

- **Beaches near Pune**



There are several beaches near Pune which are great weekend destinations from Pune. Diveagar beach lies in Konkan region and is one of the popular weekend getaways from Pune. The beach is surrounded by small village at the back drop of lush green foliage. Some other popular beaches are Dapoli (Distance from Pune approx.300 km, Diveagar (Distance from Pune approx.300 km), Kashid(Distance from Pune approx.200 km), Murud(Distance from Pune approx.250 km) and many more.

➤ HILL-STATIONS AROUND PUNE

Pune is situated amidst numerous beautiful hill stations which are amongst the best hill stations of India. This provides ample scope for the Puneites to head for weekend getaways taking a break from the hustle-bustle of the city and hectic college and work schedule. Some of the most sought after Hill-stations around Pune are:

- Lonavala & Khandala (Distance : 50 km from Symbiosis Law School ,Viman Nagar)



The closest hill station to Pune is the Lonavala and Khandala. This is a preferred destination amongst the young genre. The natural beauty of his place has also made it the favorite shooting destination for bollywood. Monsoon evidences maximum crowd in this region.

- Mahabaleshwar (Distance : 200 km from Symbiosis Law School ,Viman Nagar)



Mahabaleshwar is a famous hill station in Maharashtra. It's a honeymooner's paradise. The best time to visit is during the months of winter from October to January. This region receives tourist from across the globe who comes to spend their winter vacation and rejuvenate their soul in the midst of nature.

- Panchgani (Distance : 220 km from Symbiosis Law School ,Viman Nagar)



Panchgani is another beautiful hill station 20 km East of Mahabaleshwar. The climate of Panchgani is cool and pleasant with pollution free as the automobiles are banned after a certain point. The place is also famous for boarding schools.

- Matheran (Distance : 120 km from Symbiosis Law School ,Viman Nagar)



Matheran is another pollution free region near Pune. Vehicles are banned here keeping the environment pure and clean. Monsoon is the best time to visit Matheran.

- **JADHAVGAD FORT**



Jadhavgad Fort is Maharashtra's only Fort Heritage hotel near Pune.

Sprawled over 25 acres of manicured landscape, Fort Jadhavgad offers a number of stay options ranging from the king's own maharaja suite to the luxurious royal tents. A truly regal welcome awaits you as soon as you set foot on the cobble-stoned steps of the magnificent Maratha marvel.

Payatha-the ethnic foothill restaurant, Chhajja - the all-day canopy dining, and Aangan - the outdoor courtyard cafe offer gastronomic indulgences, fit for a kingly appetite. Fort Jadhavgad is a one of a kind resort in India that houses a museum. There is also a poolside spa and plenty of other activities for your entertainment and relaxation.

Distance : 30 km from Symbiosis Law School, Viman Nagar

MUMBAI

Mumbai (formerly called Bombay) is a densely populated city on India's west coast. A financial centre, it's India's largest city. The distance from Mumbai to Pune is approximately 151.63 kms.

Travelling in a bus is one of the ways to reach Pune from Mumbai. The total journey between Pune & Mumbai takes around 4 hours in a bus. The bus ticket price for the journey is approximately Rs.550.

Travelling in a Rideshare /Prepaid cab/ Taxi is one of the ways to reach Mumbai from Pune. This journey will take you approx. 4 hours. There are pre paid taxi/cab booking applications like Ola & Uber which you can download on play store on any Android/ iOS phone.

Mumbai to Pune in a train will take you approx. 3 ½ hours. You can catch a train from Dadar and get down at Pune Junction (PUNE). The price of the train ticket is approximately Rs. 650.

SYMBIOSIS HISTORY



- **Symbiosis International University (SIU)** is a private co-educational, multi-institutional university located in Pune, Maharashtra, India. It has been given official recognition by the UGC and the AICTE. The National Assessment and Accreditation

Council have conferred an 'A' grade to the university. SIU is part of the Symbiosis Society, which is its managing body.

- Today Symbiosis International University has more than 30 academic institutions under its banner spread over ten locations in Pune, Noida, Bangalore, Hyderabad and Nashik. All form part of the Symbiosis Society, with the other institutes in the society being affiliated with other bodies.
- The first institutions belonging to the Symbiosis Society were established in 1971 and were affiliated with the University of Pune.
- Established in 1971 under the patronage of Dr S. B. Mujumdar, Founder and President , the Symbiosis Society is registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 and the Bombay Public Trust, Act, 1950. The pro chancellor is Dr.VidyaYeravdekar.
- In 2002, as part of a larger program to grant autonomy to institutions of academic excellence, the Ministry of Human Resources Development conferred the "Deemed to be University" status on three institutes under the Symbiosis umbrella: the Symbiosis Institute of Computer Studies and Research, Symbiosis Institute of Business Management (SIBM) and Symbiosis Society's Law College.

HISTORY OF SYMBIOSIS LAW SCHOOL PUNE



- **Symbiosis Law School (SLS)** is a law school located in Pune, India. It was established in 1977 under the banner of Symbiosis Society under the patronage of S. B. Mujumdar, President & Founder Director.
- It is registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 and the Bombay Public Trust, Act, 1950.
- Symbiosis Law School is a constituent college of the Symbiosis International University. It has recently shifted to Vimannagar, Pune in a campus shared with Symbiosis School for Liberal Arts.

BEST RESTAURANTS IN VIMAN NAGAR

One of the busiest and swankiest areas of Pune, Viman Nagar has a vast food culture. From Kathi Kebabs to Gourmet Kebabs, Sujata Mastani and Italian fare – it has everything a foodie desires. It has over 150 small and large restaurants, so every day there can be a new food story!

- **Boteco Snacks and Grill** (Address: Unit 4, Anand Square Viman Nagar, East Pune 411014)

A recent entrant in the bustling scene, it sparks a new South American cuisine fire in Viman Nagar. With large beautiful windows and a soothing ambiance, try the Chicken Pie or the Croque Monsieur along with a tall Cappuccino! It's a taste that you've never had before! You'll love it.

- **Largo Pizzeria** (Address: 6, Gera Villas, Opposite Silver Line Apartments Viman Nagar, East Pune 411014)

No list can be complete without at least one to-die-for pizza joint! Largo is the name of the place and it serves pizzas by the slice. What started as a small outlet is now a large space with scrumptious pizzas that you can enjoy with your friends! Our favorites are the BBQ Chicken, Pepper and the Mojitos!

- **The Flying Saucer Sky Bar** (Address: Sky Vista Building, 9th Floor, 904, New Airport Road Viman Nagar, East Pune)

Dinner with your loved one over a candlelit setting and a great view of Viman Nagar from up top? If that sounds like your ideal night, then head over to The Flying Saucer Sky Bar. Get yourself a cocktail along with a great plate of kebabs and your evening is set! Come here for romantic and party nights!

- **Where Else Cafe & Bar**(Address: 8, Ground Floor, Lunkad Sky Max Viman Nagar, East Pune 411014)

Where Else will you find the best Mac and Cheese in Viman Nagar? Right here! One of the only restaurants in the area to serve authentic Parsi cuisine, it's also very pet-friendly! Try the Dhansak or dive into a giant burger or even a great plate of breakfast bhurji, we're sure that the satisfaction level will always be high!

- **212 All Day Cafe & Bar**(Address: Phoenix Market City, G-53, Upper Ground Floor, Nagar Road Viman Nagar, East Pune.)

Who'd ever think that a mall can have some of the best restaurants ever? 212 makes the list with a large menu full of delicious dishes and some even for the diet friendly! Try their Calamari, Chocolava Cake or even the Tiramisu and have a lovely lunch. They also host The Big Brunch every Sunday which has the largest food spread ever!

- **Indigo Delicatessen**(Address: Phoenix Market City, Third Floor, Viman Nagar Road Viman Nagar, East Pune 411014)

The Mumbai brand comes to Pune with stellar pizzas, homemade ice creams, pies, desserts and the biggest bacon burger ever. Get yourself a tall glass of a seasonal juice, have a fruity feta salad and end the meal with some Nilgiri Vanilla! No alcohol served here currently.

- **Shizusan**(Address: Phoenix Market City, Upper Ground Floor Viman Nagar, East Pune 411014)

If you want Asian food that will remind you of the best flavors of the East – then you are in for a treat here. Dive into some truly delicious crab sushi, soupy dim sums,

veggie baos and choice udon noodles! It's one of the finest restaurants in Viman Nagar with food that never disappoints! Go on a journey with Shizusan!

- **Incognito- Restaurant, Bar and Café**(Address: Phoenix Market City, 1st Floor, Nagar Road Viman Nagar, East Pune 411013)

Ever heard of KacchaPuri or had the best Vodka Penne of your life? Incognito's world cuisine serves the best from everywhere! Try their KheemaPav, Pizzas or Quesadillas along with some great mocktails! Don't forget to have desserts such as the warm Apple Pie- they're delightful!

- **Zaheer Khan's Dine Fine**(Address: Phoenix Market City, S-53/54, Nagar Road Viman Nagar, East Pune 411040)

Craving some delicious desikhana? Look no further than Dal Makhni, Butter Chicken, PaneerKhurchan and PaneerTikka! The food is delicious along with some choice mocktails. It's got a very homely ambiance for some fun famjam dates!

MODE OF TRANSPORT

Various modes of transportation like auto-rickshaws, pre-paid cabs (Ola/Uber), Buses etc are available across the city to visit the above mentioned places. Ola & Uber are Cab/Taxi sharing applications. They are available on play store of every Android/ iOS phone. The locations are well connected by bus services from a wide network of bus stations across the city. The various above mentioned destinations can also be reached by rickshaw services which work on a government approved tariff card.