

DAY 2 TOUR PLAN:

**Guest House → Khandagiri & Udayagiri → Nandankanan Zoological Park
→ Regional Museum of Natural History → Return to Guest House**

Theme: "From Ancient Caves to Living Wilderness - Bhubaneswar's Heritage & Nature Trail"

Vehicle: Innova AC

Total Distance: 70 - 75 km

Total Duration: 10 hours (with sightseeing, lunch & travel)

Start Time: 8:00 AM

Return: 6:30 - 7:00 PM

Stop 1 - Khandagiri & Udayagiri Caves

🕒 8:00 - 9:00 AM (Drive 8 km)

Visit: 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Highlights:

Twin Jain cave complexes, dating back to the 2nd century BCE.

Udayagiri (Sunrise Hill): ancient inscriptions & royal chambers of King Kharavela.

Khandagiri (Broken Hill): hilltop viewpoint overlooking Bhubaneswar.

Don't miss Rani Gumpha - a double-storey cave masterpiece.

Travel Tip: Carry drinking water and wear light shoes for the steps.

Depart: 10:30 AM

Stop 2 - Nandankanan Zoological Park

🕒 10:30 - 11:15 AM (Drive 20 km via Chandaka Road)

Visit: 11:15 AM - Onwards

Highlights:

One of India's best zoos, nestled around Kanjia Lake.

Home to white tigers, lions, elephants, and crocodiles.

Visit Reptile House, Butterfly Park, and Aquarium Gallery.

Take the Lion Safari & White Tiger Safari (₹100–₹150).

Boating option available on Kanjia Lake.

Large cafeteria & shaded rest zones inside.

Lunch Break (Inside or Near Nandankanan)

Stop 3 - Regional Museum of Natural History (RMNH)

Highlights:

Explore Odisha's wildlife, geology & ecology.

Exhibits include dinosaur fossils, marine life, bird dioramas, and butterfly zones.

Family-friendly, air-conditioned, and interactive.

Market Visits or Road Side Shopping

🕒 8:00 - 8:30 PM | Return to Ashok Nandini Guest House

✓ Key Takeaways – Day 2: From Ancient Caves to Living Wilderness — Bhubaneswar's Heritage & Nature Trail

Dynamic Full-Day Experience - blends ancient rock-cut history with Odisha's living wildlife and natural heritage, creating a perfect balance of culture and nature.

Seamless City Circuit - covers 70–75 km comfortably, connecting Bhubaneswar's western heritage hills to its northern green sanctuary, then looping back through the city.

Morning Heritage Exploration - Khandagiri & Udayagiri Caves set the tone with Jain artistry, inscriptions, and panoramic city views - a direct glimpse into 2nd century BC

Midday Wildlife Adventure - Nandankanan Zoological Park offers India's finest wildlife experience: white tigers, lion safaris, reptiles, butterflies, and scenic Kanjia Lake boating.

Ideal for Families & Nature Lovers - shaded zoo trails, rest spots, and on-site cafeteria make it enjoyable for all age groups.

Educational Afternoon - Regional Museum of Natural History (RMNH) adds a scientific touch, showcasing Odisha's biodiversity, fossils, and ecosystems in an interactive, air-conditioned setting.

Flexible Add-Ons - guests can include short local market or roadside craft stops on return for souvenirs and local treats.

Culinary Convenience - clean lunch options inside Nandankanan or nearby (Veg, Odia, or continental).

Balanced & Comfortable Pacing - moderate walking at caves and zoo, then relaxing museum visit before heading back.

Perfect for Photography - landscapes at Udayagiri, animal enclosures, lake reflections, and natural exhibits.

Return by 8 PM - a refreshing finish back at Ashok Nandini Guest House after a fulfilling day moving from ancient caves to the living wilderness of modern Bhubaneswar.

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Breakfast, Lunch, Snacks, and Dinner shall be borne by the party and are not included in the trip charges.