

DAY 5 TOUR PLAN:

**DAY TOUR PLAN: Puri → Lokanath Temple → Alarnath Temple
→ Satapada (Chilika Lake) → Return to Puri**

Theme: "From the Lord's Abode to the Dolphin's Paradise — A Sacred & Scenic Drive through Coastal Odisha"

Vehicle: Innova AC

Total Distance: 100 - 110 km (round trip)

Total Duration: 9 hours

Start Time: 7:30 AM

Return: 5:30 - 6:00 PM

7:00 - 7:30 AM - Breakfast in Puri

Have a light breakfast (Puri-Upma, Aloo Dum, Bara Ghugni, or Idli).

Carry: sunglasses, hat, light snacks, and water bottles.

Departure: 7:30 AM sharp.

Stop 1: Lokanath Temple (Puri City)

🕒 **7:30 AM - 8:15 AM**

Distance: Within 2 km of city centre

Highlights:

Ancient Shiva temple, believed to be the guardian deity of Lord Jagannath.

The lingam remains submerged under a natural spring and is visible only during Pankodhar Ekadashi.

Peaceful, spiritually charged start to the day.

Depart: 8:15 AM

Stop 2: Alarnath Temple, Brahmagiri

🕒 **8:15 AM - 9:00 AM (Drive 22 km via NH-316)**

🕒 **9:00 AM - 9:45 AM (Temple Visit)**

Highlights:

Dedicated to Lord Alarnath (Vishnu).

Visited by Jagannath devotees during the Anavasara period when the main temple remains closed after Snana Yatra.

Intricately carved, serene sanctum with centuries of heritage.

Small bazaar outside selling garlands, coconuts, and souvenirs.

Depart: 9:45 AM

Drive: Brahmagiri → Satapada (Chilika Lake)

🕒 **9:45 AM - 10:30 AM (Approx. 28 km Drive)**

Scenic route through coconut groves and coastal villages.

Light breeze and views of paddy fields en route to the lake.

Arrive: 10:30 AM at Satapada OTDC Jetty.

Stop 3: Chilika Lake - Satapada Dolphin Point

🕒 **10:30 AM - 1:30 PM (3 Hours Boating & Exploration)**

Highlights:

Asia's largest brackish lagoon, meeting the Bay of Bengal.

Irrawaddy Dolphin Safari (2 - 3 hour boat ride).

Optional visit to Kalijai Island by ferry.

Boat Details:

Book only from OTDC Satapada Counter (official ₹1500 – ₹2500).

Shared or private motorboats available.

Life jackets provided.

Best Time: 10 AM - 1 PM for maximum dolphin sightings.

🍽️ LUNCH BREAK (1:30 PM - 2:30 PM)

Recommended Restaurants:

OTDC Panthaniwas Satapada - Odia Thali, Prawn Curry, Crab Masala.

Dolphin Restaurant (Lake View) - Fish fry and fresh coconut water.

Must-Try: Chilika Prawn Curry, Crab Masala, Dalma, and Steamed Rice.

Depart: 2:30 PM

Optional Stop: Rajhans Island / Sea Mouth Point

Visit Rajhans Island and Sea Mouth Point, where the lake and sea merge.

Observe migratory birds (Nov - Feb).

🕒 If included in boat tour - stay till **3:30 PM**

Stunning sandbars and view of the Bay of Bengal.

Ideal for photography and quiet reflection.

Small tea stall serves snacks and tender coconut.

Drive Back to Puri

🕒 **3:30 PM - 5:30 PM (Approx. 2 Hours including one tea break)**

Optional Stops en route:

Brahmagiri Market for local sweet Chhena Jhili.

Evening Return to Puri

🕒 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM

Arrive back in Puri by sunset. Relax at your hotel

✓ Key Takeaways - Day 4: From the Lord's Abode to the Dolphin's Paradise — A Sacred & Scenic Drive through Coastal Odisha

Perfect Day Excursion - combines spiritual devotion, coastal beauty, and natural wonder in one relaxed full-day circuit from Puri to Satapada and back.

Short & Scenic Route - covers ~100–110 km round trip through serene rural Odisha, coconut groves, and lakefront landscapes.

Morning Spiritual Start - begins with divine blessings at Lokanath Temple, Puri's revered guardian shrine of Lord Shiva, followed by Alarnath Temple, an important Vishnu pilgrimage site.

Cultural & Religious Harmony - the journey beautifully connects Shaivite and Vaishnavite traditions, symbolizing Odisha's spiritual inclusivity.

Highlight of the Day - Chilika Lake

Asia's largest brackish lagoon and a UNESCO-recognized biodiversity hotspot.

Exclusive Irrawaddy Dolphin Safari at Satapada for 2–3 hours of boating, birdwatching, and tranquil exploration.

Optional visit to Rajhans Island or Sea Mouth Point where the lake meets the Bay of Bengal — breathtaking for photos and quiet moments.

Ideal for Families & Nature Lovers - calm waters, gentle boat rides, safe life jackets, and friendly local boat operators.

Authentic Coastal Lunch Experience - enjoy Chilika's famous Prawn Curry or Crab Masala at OTDC Panthaniwas or Dolphin Restaurant overlooking the lake.

Balanced Timing - smooth blend of temple visits in the morning, lake adventure mid-day, and scenic countryside drive back to Puri by evening.

Shopping & Tasting Local Flavors - stop at Brahmagiri Market for Odisha's signature sweet, ChhenaJhili.

Peaceful Return - arrive back in Puri by sunset (5:30–6:00 PM) for a relaxed evening at your hotel or beach.

Essence of the Day: A complete journey through faith, nature, and tranquility, moving from Lord Jagannath's land to the playful dolphins of Chilika.

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