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- **Exploring Mumbai**

Gateway of India, Colaba, Causeway, St. John's Church, Prince of Wales Museum, Jehangir Art Gallery, Flora Fountain, Cathedral of St. Thomas, Victoria Terminus, Marine Drive, Chowpatty Beach, Taraporewala Aquarium, Malabar Hills, Hanging Gardens and Kamala Nehru Park, Mahalaxmi Temple, Haji Ali Tomb and Mosque, Juhu Beach, Nehru Planetarium and the Elephanta Island 10 km north east of Mumbai.

- **Shopping**

Kalbadevi, Bhuleshwar, Crawford Market, Mangaldas Market, Zaveri Bazaar, Colaba.

- **Currency**

Indian Rupee (INR)

- **Language**

English is widely spoken and understood in all cities and Tourist areas. Hindi is the official language.

- **Climate**

The best time to visit India is in the winter. 3 major seasons. Winter summer and monsoon.

- **Flying Time**

Flying time from Muscat : 2 Hours 30 Minutes

- **Time Difference**

GMT + 5.30 Hours