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A city with well-known architectural beauties like the Taj Mahal Palace Hotel and the World One skyscraper set against the natural harbour of the Konkan coast, Mumbai is the capital of Maharashtra, India. It has now become one of the biggest melting pots in the world, boasting an ever-increasing population that is attracted by both the sights and business opportunities available here. Seeing all it has to offer may seem like a daunting task, but you are sure to find something to your liking in this megalopolis.



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The city is split into diverse areas, making Mumbai's urban setting a complex nest of cultures, greatly influenced by the wave of immigrants taking their shot in the city of opportunities.

Widely renowned as its pulsing heart, the southernmost precinct of Mumbai represents the downtown area and certainly the wealthiest neighbourhood in the whole of India. Home to the oldest and newest parts of the city, it boasts the iconic Gateway of India and the contemporary hustle around the Flora Fountain, along with other monuments, luxury retailers, art galleries and restaurants. South Mumbai is a fine starting point, a take-off platform to begin exploring the concealed wonders located throughout the city.

The birthplace of the Indian film industry, Mumbai also houses Bollywood and its light-filled studios, fascinating dances and intense rhythms, with a production volume of over 1000 films per year.

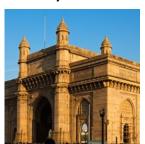
#### DO & SEE



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A complex tangle of cultures and creeds, the financial capital of India is a hub of activity. Get a flavorful sample of the country's food by visiting Crawford Market, experience a journey through the life of one of the most influential men in India at the Mani Bhavan Gandhi Museum and visit a fortune teller after a pony ride at Chowpatty Beach. Historical sites are located throughout the city, boasting ancient caves and temples while the city itself, with its bustling daily life and luxurious retail shops and restaurants, is an experience in itself.

# **Gateway of India**



The iconic Gateway of
India overlooks the
Arabic Sea and dominates
the port with its majestic
figure. Built to
commemorate the visit of

King George V and Queen Mary in the 1911, it is now a major draw for tourists thanks to the bustle filled with vendors and street food.

Photo: Nickolay Stanev/Shutterstock.com Address: Apollo Bandar, Colaba, Mumbai

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# Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus



An historic railway station and UNESCO heritage, Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus blends designs of a British architect with the

expertise of Indian craftsmen, giving this construction a peculiar Victorian Gothic style. It also comes equipped with seven platforms for suburban trains and eleven for long-distance ones.

Photo: Sapsiwai/Shutterstock.com

Address: Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus Area, Mumbai

# Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Market



Once known as the Crawford Market, it is located opposite the Mumbai Police headquarters, near Chhatrapati Shivaji

Terminus. It is more a throwback to a Victorian market than modern day India. The friezes on the exterior walls and the stone fountains in the interior are designed by Lockwood Kipling, father to writer Rudyard Kipling. Gobs of fresh fruit and vegetables are sold here, as well as chocolate and cheese.

Photo: Aguaviva/Shutterstock.com Address: Carnac Road, Mumbai Opening hours: Mon-Sat 11am-8pm

More Info: Located at the intersection of Dadabhoy Naoroji

Road and Carnac Road.

# **Chowpatty Beach**



Being a polluted metropolis, Mumbai is certainly not renowned for crystal-water beaches and white sand, so swimming here should be

avoided. Chowpatty Beach is a gathering point that, with its myriad stalls, offers street food and a nice backdrop for a leisure walk. At sunset, people flock down the quaint coastline that transforms itself into an open-air fair with pony rides, fortune tellers and local snacks.

Photo: O'SHI/Shutterstock.com Address: Chowpatty Beach, Mumbai

# Flora Fountain at Hutatma Chowk



Located in the heart of the business district, Flora Fountain is a popular Mumbai landmark built in 1864, and it has become a

heritage structure. Made of Portland marble, its namesake is the Roman Goddess of Flowers and the Season of Spring.

Photo: Michael.Siegel/Flickr(image cropped)
Address: Hutatma Chowk, Veer Nariman Road, Mumbai

# **Shree Siddhivinayak Temple**



Located in the heart of Mumbai, The Shree Siddhivinayak Ganapati Temple honors Lord Ganesh, the most revered god within the whole of

India. Dating back to the 1800s, it features carved wooden doors at the entrance and an inner roof plated with gold, and the idol of Shree Siddhivinayak is carved out of a single black



stone.

Photo: Darwininan/commons.wikimedia.org(image cropped) Address: Shree Siddhivinayak Ganapati Temple Trust,

Prabhadevi, Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 5.30am-9.50pm

Phone: +91 22 2437 3626

Internet: www.siddhivinayak.org

# Kanheri Caves



In the western outskirts of Mumbai, the Kanheri Caves are laid in the middle of the Sanjay Gandhi National Park. Carved out of rock

mountains and with an history that dates back to the first century BC, they are existing proof of the Buddhist influence on India. The surrounding forest features an area full of waterfalls and local flora.

Photo: Nickolay Stanev/Shutterstock.com

Address: Sanjay Gandhi National Park, Western Express

Highway, Borivali East, Mumbai Phone: +91 22 2886 0362

Internet: sgnp.maharashtra.gov.in Email: sgnpmumbai@gmail.com

# **Dhobi Ghat**



An evocative view stretches upon the horizon, workers bent over piles of clothes and a pungent scent of soap mixed with smoke - Dhobi

Ghat, the world's largest laundromat with workers bent over piles of clothes and a pungent scent of soap mixed with smoke, is still a reality in Mumbai. Thousand of clothes pass through the 700 stone washing platforms everyday and are hanged on intricate dry lines, in a colourful show that is one of a kind.

Photo: saiko3p/Shutterstock.com Address: Anandilal P Marg, Mumbai

More Info: Located near Mahalakshmi Station.

#### **Dadar Flower Market**



Right outside the Dadar station, the crowd of people flows into this tiny street filled with vendors and their red, blue and yellow bouquets of

flowers. If you're up for it, you can also bargain with them to get a chance at an even lower price.

Photo: PHOTOCREO Michal Bednarek/Shutterstock.com Address: N. C. Kelkar Road, Dadar West, Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 6am-8pm

# Global Vipassana Pagoda



Recently inaugurated, this meditation hall has become a major attraction in Mumbai. Loved for its golden decor and the massive dome,

the pagoda is surrounded by nature, and the Dhamma Pattana meditation center offers free 10-day meditation courses.

Photo: saiko3p/Shutterstock.com

Address: Gorai Village, Borivali (West), Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 9am-7pm Phone: +91 022 5042 7500 Internet: www.globalpagoda.org Email: pr@globalpagoda.org

#### Juhu Beach



Juhu is of the most popular beaches in Mumbai: a perfect place to get a tan and enjoy the marine breeze during the day and a meeting point



in the evening. With plentiful food stalls and vendors, it becomes even more lively at sunset.

Photo: Tukaram Karve/Shutterstock.com

Address: Juhu Beach, Mumbai

# **Elephanta Caves**



Located on Elephanta
Island, the 5th-8th
century ancient caves are
a nice option for a day
trip. The network of
rock-carved caves is an

important world heritage site, boasting sculptures of Trimurti and Gangadhara, being associated to the cult of Lord Shiva.

Photo: Robin Kay/Shutterstock.com

Address: Elephanta Caves, Elephanta Island, India

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 9.30am-5.30pm

Phone: +91 98677 07414 Internet: www.elephanta.co.in

More Info: It is a 1-hour boat ride away from the Gateway of

India.

#### Malabar Hill



Situated on a small hill in the southern part of the city, Malabar Hill represents one of the highest vantage point in central Mumbai.

Surrounded by upmarket residential areas, it is home to the ruins of the world heritage Walkeshwar Temple that, with its almost a thousand years, is one of the most ancient temples in town. The popular Baganga Festival of Music is usually held here in January.

Photo: gary yim/Shutterstock.com Address: Malabar Hill, Mumbai

# Mani Bhavan Gandhi Museum (Gandhi's House)



Architect of a form of non-violent civil disobedience, Gandhi was a spiritual and political leader whose influence stirred a nation, if not the

world. The Gandhi Museum, once house of the man who defined modern India, now preserves his memory by showing, every now and again, films about Gandhi and his speeches and guarding a library partly dedicated to his importance.

Photo: Radiokafka/Shutterstock.com

Address: 19 Laburnum Road, Gamdevi, Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 9.30am - 6pm

Phone: +91 22 2380 5864

Internet: www.gandhi-manibhavan.org Email: info@gandhi-manibhavan.org

#### **Nehru Centre**



Inspired by the most revered figure of Jawaharlal Nehru, prime minister and leader of the Indian Independence movement, this artistic

hub consists of a Planetarium and a permanent exhibition that covers every aspect of India's development and culture. Committed to promoting emerging artists, it also displays new talents, aiming to inspire new generations of young Indians.

Special arrangements are made to watch, study and photograph solar and lunar eclipses, and many similar events.

Photo: Sanyam Bahga/commons.wikimedia.org(image cropped)

Address: Dr Annie Besart Road, Worli, Mumbai

Phone: +91 22 2496 4676 - 80 Internet: www.nehru-centre.org Email: info@nehru-centre.org

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## **General Post Office**



Located just behind Victoria Terminus, the largest GPO in India was completed in 1913. The imposing building is the template for the

Indo-Saracenic architectural style and includes high vaulted ceilings and marble topped tables in the interior.

Photo: Ting Chen/Flickr(image cropped) Address: St. Georges Road, Mumbai Opening hours: Mon-Sat 10am-6pm

Phone: +91 22 2262 0693 Internet: www.indiapost.gov.in

#### **Snow World**



This indoor snow park is located inside the Phoenix Market City Mall, a -10 shield from the hot Indian weather with an entrance fee of Rs 600

(roughly 8.50 dollars). The activities available include snowboarding, ice skating and snow sledging, including a play area aimed at children and families.

Photo: Leonid Ikan/Shutterstock.com

Address: Phoenix Market City Mall, Kamani Junction,

Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 10am-10pm

Phone: +91 22 6180 1591

Internet: www.snowworldmumbai.com Email: info@snowworldmumbai.com

More Info: Phoenix Market City Mall, lower ground level 58-61. The theme park has warm clothes if needed.

# **Iskcon Temple**



The Iskcon Temple is a temple that honours Lord Krishna. It is located within a short walk from Juhu Beach and it hosts a marble temple, an

auditorium and a restaurant. Located in the so called Harekishna Land, it represents a nice escapade from the chaos of the city centre.

Photo: Vijay Kiran/Flickr(image cropped) Address: Harekrishna Land, Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 4.30am-1pm 4.30pm-9pm

Phone: +91 22 2620 6860

Internet: www.iskconmumbai.com
Email: iskconmumbai.juhu@gmail.com

#### **Prithvi Theatre**



Run by a family of actors and directors of Bollywood movies, Prithvi Theatre was founded in 1942 and offers shows all year round, 6 days a

week, to this day. The facility houses a bookshop selling theatre-related books and DVDs, as well as an open air cafe surrounded by bamboos.

Photo: Andrey Burmakin/Shutterstock.com

Address: 20 Janki Kutir Juhu Church Road, Mumbai

Opening hours: Shows: Tue-Sun. Tickets: Tue-Sun 1pm-9pm

Phone: +91 22 2614 9546 Internet: www.prithvitheatre.org Email: mail@prithvitheatre.org

# **EsselWorld**



The biggest theme park in India features different rides for adults, kids and families alike. You can find roller-coasters, carousels, water rides,



bumper cars and much more. EsselWorld can be reached by car, train or ferry, from Marve Beach or Gorai Creek.

Photo: KartikMistry/Wikimedia Commons(image cropped)

Address: Gorai Island, Mumbai

Opening hours: Subject to change as per management directions. Check the website for more accurate information.

Phone: +91 22 6528 0305 Internet: www.esselworld.com

Email: customercare@ew.esselgroup.com

#### DINING



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Renowned for its vast street food culture, Mumbai's streets bustle with food vendors and diverse stalls. Mumbaikars from all walks of life pour down the crowded streets indulging in the numerous delicacies the city has to offer, in a tradition that dates back several years and reaches its peak in Mumbai. Regional Indian cuisine can be sampled at this city's main roads, offering insights into its culinary tradition.

Pav bhaaji, a vegetable curry served with a soft bread roll, is a local speciality while Vada Pav, the poor man's burger and kebabs perfectly represent Mumbai and its thousands of flavors. Bhel puri, a sweet and sour dish made of deep fried pastry shells with onion, tomato and chili is a popular snack often linked with Mumbai's beaches.

Locals tend to prefer grabbing some street food rather than going to the restaurant. However, this cosmopolitan hub has a long list of places to try - traditional Indian cuisine, Italian, Asian, the city is well equipped with every kind of exotic eatery.

#### Olive Bar & Kitchen



This white-walled bar in Mumbai offers both small and large plates that give you the opportunity to sample the different dishes on offer, as well as

vegan and gluten-free options. Brunch is held on Sundays and they also provide seating in their courtyard.

Photo: Elena Elisseeva/Shutterstock.com

Address: 14 Nargis Dutt Road, Union Park, Mumbai Opening hours: Mon-Fri 7.30pm-1am, Sat-Sun

12.30pm-3.30pm

Phone: +91 22 4340 8228/9

Internet: www.olivebarandkitchen.com

## **Khyber Restaurant**



Located on one of the most crowded street of Mumbai, Khyber Restaurant's interior features of white marble floors, stone walls and

pillars, and traditional Patna tribal garb for the waiters. Its menu features curry, rice and bread mixes as well as specials like Nalli Nihari, mutton shank cooked in hot stew, dishes that were able to attract international royals and VIPs.

Photo: Joe Gough/Shutterstock.com

Address: 145 Mahatma Gandhi Road, Mumbai Opening hours: Daily 12.30pm-4pm 7.30pm-Midnight

Phone: +91 22 4039 6666



Internet: www.khyberrestaurant.com
Email: reservations@khyberrestaurant.com

# Golden Punjab



At Golden Punjab you can sample a variety of Punjab food and Tandoori Chicken. Chinese specialties and sandwiches are also

offered, as well as both vegetarian and meat-based curry. Reservations can also be made for their party hall.

Photo: Joe Gough/Shutterstock.com Address: Sector 17, Vashi, Navi, Mumbai Opening hours: Daily 11.30am-11.30pm

Phone: +91 22 2789 2742 Internet: www.goldenpunjab.in Email: info@goldenpunjab.in

#### **New Martin Hotel Restaurant**



New Martins stands out for serving Goan food, known for its strong spices and flavours. Among their dishes there are beef or sausage chilli

fry, but also non-spicy food like their steak and onion dish. Be aware that it may be crowded, so it is advisable to arrive a little before lunchtime.

Photo: PI/Shutterstock.com

Address: 11 Glamour House, Strand Road, Mumbai Opening hours: Mon-Sat 11.30am-3pm 6.30pm-9.30pm

Phone: +91 22 2202 9606

More Info: Located opposite to Old Strand Cinema.

#### Nawab Saheb at Renaissance Hotel



Located at the
Renaissance Hotel,
Nawab Saheb is a nice
choice for kebab and
curry lovers. The upscale
restaurant features black,

red and gold interiors and a menu with Indian staples such as rice with curry and kebab. It also hosts food festivals and live music.

Photo: Gregory Gerber/Shutterstock.com

Address: Renaissance Hotel & Convention Centre, 2 & 3B,

Powai, Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 7pm-11.45pm

Phone: +91 22 6692 7558

Internet: www.renaissancemumbairestaurants.com

# Thai Pavilion - Taj President



Located in Mumbai's downtown, the Thai Pavilion often requires reservation, in particular during the evening. With its white and dark brown

interiors complement the blue and red furniture, it has served for more than 25 years its staple dishes, such as Yum Ma Muang, a mango-based salad, and chicken green curry.

Photo: Kzenon/Shutterstock.com

Address: Vivanta by Taj President, 90 GD Somani Road, Cuffe

Parade, Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 12.30pm-2.45pm 7pm-11.45pm

Phone: +91 22 6665 0808

Internet: www.tajhotels.co.uk/our-properties/hotels/taj-presid

ent-mumbai/restaurants-and-bars/



#### Out of the Blue



At Out of The Blue you'll be able to choose between a softly-lit dining room and a courtyard near a waterfall as the setting for you meal. The

menu features vegetarian food, pasta, risotto, barbecue dishes and mock-tails, to be enjoyed while being entertained by stand up comedians and concerts. They also host a buffet every Wednesday from 00.30pm to 4pm.

Photo: kuvona/Shutterstock.com

Address: Le Sutra Hotel, 14 Union Park, Khar West, Mumbai

Phone: +91 22 2571 7344 Internet: www.outoftheblue.in

# **China House Lounge**



Peking Duck and Dan Dan noodles are some of the highlights of China House, served among numerous other specialities and signature

dishes of Chinese tradition. Its interior design mainly features bright wood, in order to capture the ambience of a typical Chinese home, coupled with a glass-walled kitchen.

Photo: Bastiaanimage stock/Shutterstock.com

Address: Grand Hyatt Mumbai, Santacruz East, Mumbai Opening hours: Daily 12.30pm-3pm and 7pm-12am

Phone: +91 22 6676 1149

Internet: mumbai.grand.hyatt.com

More Info: Located at Grand Hyatt Mumbai.

# Gajalee



Gajalee specialises in seafood dishes such as stir fry crab, butter pepper lobster and oysters and clams, while also offering tandoori

chicken and vegetarian paneer and masala. You can finish your meal by ordering the traditional Indian ice cream, kulfi.

Photo: symbiot/Shutterstock.com

Address: Amrapali Shopping Center, V.L.Mehta Marg Juhu,

Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 11.30am-3.30pm 7pm-11.30pm

Phone: +91 91 6789 1678 Internet: www.gajalee.in Email: info@gajalee.in

#### Mezzo Mezzo



Reservations are required in order to dine at Mezzo Mezzo, an Italian restaurant located at the JW Marriot Hotel. Here you'll be able to start

your meal with cold appetisers featuring buffalo cheese and Parma ham, followed by Ligurian soups, pasta or risotto, and sea-bass or lamb shank as second courses. Vegetarian and pizza options are also available, as well as gelato cakes to finish your meal.

Photo: flil/Shutterstock.com

Address: JW Marriott, Juhu Tara Road, Juhu, Mumbai

Phone: +91 22 6693 3344 Internet: www.marriott.com More Info: Located at JW Marriott.

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#### Swati Snacks



An award-winning restaurant in the southern neighbourhood of Mumbai, Swati Snacks features wooden benches around stainless steel

tables, as well as a visible kitchen. The cooks give their own twist on Gujarati cuisine, which features rice with different combinations of vegetables and spices.

Photo: sta/Shutterstock.com

Address: 248 Karai Estate, Javji Dadaji Marg, Tardeo,

Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 12.00pm-10.45pm

Phone: +91 90 2989 1205 Internet: www.swatisnacks.com Email: info@swatisnacks.com

More Info: Located opposite Bhatia Hospital.

#### Cecconi's Mumbai



Located at the Soho House Hotel, Cecconi's is an Italian restaurant that has options for both a full-on meal, with their wood-fired pizzas and

pasta dishes, and a quick aperitif made of cicchetti, Italian appetisers based on ham, tomatoes and cheese, and red, white or rosé wines. They also have brunch on Sundays, and outdoor seating overlooking the Arabian Sea.

Photo: Antonmaria Galante/Shutterstock.com

Address: Soho House Mumbai, 16 Juhu Tara Road, Mumbai Opening hours: Mon-Sat 12pm-1am, Sunday 12pm-5pm

7pm-1am

Phone: +91 22 6213 3333

Internet: www.cecconismumbai.com
Email: cecconis.mumbai@sohohouse.com

## **CAFES**



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With its own coffee culture and as a vibrant and constantly growing center, Mumbai boasts a wide range of cafeterias and afternoon tea spots. From happening cafes to elegant lounges, the city doesn't lack destinations for coffee connoisseurs and, considering the wide and diverse offer, there won't be difficulties in finding a place that best fits your needs.

Mumbai in the morning is a unique experience; bustling with people since the early hours, it offers the freshest ingredients and an ample variety of dishes from different culinary traditions. Breakfast tends to have rice or vegetable-based dishes, with a spicy touch that is ideal for a kick-start to the day.

# Café Royale



If you want to take a rest from the heat, you can do so at this air-conditioned cafe, serving their signature sizzler brownie with ice cream. Cafe

Royale has Hollywood-inspired artworks decorating its walls, as well as a live orchestra to complement your meal.

Photo: Alexandra Lande / Shutterstock.com Address: Oriental Mansion Building, Colaba, Mumbai



Opening hours: Daily 11am-00.30am

Phone: +91 22 2288 3985 Email: info@caferoyal.in

# **Cafe Mondegar**



Featuring walls painted by Mario Miranda, which suggestively describe the history of Mumbai, it should be no surprise that Cafe Mondegar

represents one of the most well known hangout spots in town. An old-fashioned jukebox adds background music to the guests' meals, and vegetarian, vegan and gluten-free options are also included.

Photo: Elroy Serrao / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: Mahakavi Bhushan Road, Apollo Bandar, Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 7am-12am Phone: +91 22 2283 0586

#### Cafe Coffee Day



There are over 42 establishments of this coffeehouse chain in Mumbai, serving plentiful choices of coffees, smoothies and milkshakes

as well as snacks that range from sandwiches and burgers to pastries and cakes. A delivery service for their products is also available.

Photo: Foodpics / Shutterstock.com Address: R-City Mall, LBS Road, Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 10am-11pm

Phone: +91 93 2286 8477

Internet: www.cafecoffeeday.com More Info: Located at R-City Mall.

# Sea Lounge - Taj Mahal Palace



The Sea Lounge at the Taj Mahal Palace pairs its art déco furniture with a broad view of the ocean and the iconic Gateway of India. Their afternoon

buffet features both English and Indian cuisine, to be coupled with your choice of beverage from their menu, including Chinese tea, African coffees or smoothies.

Photo: Jorge Láscar / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: The Taj Mahal Palace & Tower, Apollo Bandar,

Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 7am-Midnight

Phone: +91 22 6665 3285 Internet: www.tajhotels.com

More Info: Located at The Taj Mahal Palace & Tower.

#### Salt Water Café



A menu filled with European flavours, Salt Water Café offers their guests everything from breakfast, lunch to dinner. They also have

their own in-house bakery, where desserts and baked goods are produced and ready to be ordered, such as hazelnut mousse, hot chocolate fondant, Danish pastry and chocolate fudge cookie.

Photo: KittyKaht / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: 87 Chapel Road, Bandra West, Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 9am-Midnight

Phone: +91 22 2643 4441 Internet: saltwatercafe.in

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# Bombay to Barcelona Library Café



This dream project began in the mind of Amin Sheikh who, after a though childhood in the streets of Mumbai, decided to help kids who

are living through the same experiences by establishing this café. Bombay to Barcelona is fully staffed by street children, serving mainly Spanish dishes and books to read during your meal.

Photo: AS photo studio/Shutterstock.com

Address: Timmy Arcade 778, Makwana Road, Mumbai

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 10am-10pm

Phone: +91 98 2021 2029

Internet: www.iambecauseofyou.com/copia-de-cafeteria

Email: bombay2barcelona@gmail.com

#### Le15 Café



Le15 Café is primarily a bakery serving treats such as macaroons, eclairs and cakes that can also be ordered online, but it is also a café were

savoury dishes, like waffles with pork, pesto chicken and pineapple quinoa salad can be ordered. You can add their signature drink, the pink latte, to your meal as well.

Photo: October22/Shutterstock.com

Address: Shop 18, Lansdowne House Building, MB Marg,

Colaba, Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 9am-Midnight

Phone: +91 98 2159 4464 Internet: www.le15.com

#### Prithvi Café



Located not far from Juhu Beach, this café makes for a nice stop if you intend to pay a visit to the nearby Prithvi Theatre. They offer both savoury

and sweet treats, such as pizzas and paneer rolls or waffles and chocolate brownies.

Photo: StockImageFactory.com/Shutterstock.com

Address: 20 Juhu Church Road, Mumbai Opening hours: Mon-Sun 10.30am-10.15pm

Phone: +91 22 2617 4118

#### The Nutcracker



Although small, this café has earned its fans' endorsement due to the many options it has available, making it a destination suitable for

vegetarians and vegans as well. Of particular note are the Turkish eggs and burrito bowl, as well as their signature seven-layer cookie and four-cheese omelette.

Photo: pearl7/Shutterstock.com

Address: Dr VB Gandhi Marg, Kala Ghoda, Mumbai Opening hours: Mon Noon-11pm, Tue-Sat 9.30am-11pm,

Sun 8.30am-11pm Phone: +91 22 2284 2430

#### Mockingbird Café Bar



If you want to add some book reading or tabletop gaming to your meal, Mockingbird Café Bar is the right place. It comes equipped with a library,

and the menu is inspired by dishes coming from all over the world. Examples include Indian tandoori chicken, Chinese pork belly buns and



Italian stone baked pizzas.

Photo: WStudio/Shutterstock.com

Address: 80 Veer Nariman Road, Mumbai Opening hours: Daily 9am-00.30am

Phone: +91 22 6022 6023

Internet: www.mockingbirdcafebar.com
Email: contact@mockingbirdcafebar.com

# **BARS & NIGHTLIFE**



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The vigorous club and bar scene in Mumbai has become increasingly popular among party lovers. In the last ten years, the city has seen a multitude of happening hangouts rise up at a fast pace, making the commercial capital of India a suitable destination for night owls.

The district of Colaba is where most of the party-goers hover, starting the evening in one of its bars or cruising around local food stalls and souvenir shops squeezed down the crowded Colaba Causeway. From here the way is paved, opening up no shortage of options available until around 3am, when most bars and clubs tend to close.

#### Olive Bar & Kitchen



This white-walled bar in Mumbai offers both small and large plates that give you the opportunity to sample the different dishes on offer, as well as

vegan and gluten-free options. On Thursday you can stop by the bar for their Bar Nights to couple music with a taste of their red, white or rosé wine.

Photo: Elena Elisseeva/Shutterstock.com

Address: 14 Nargis Dutt Road, Union Park, Mumbai Opening hours: Mon-Fri 7.30pm-1am, Sat-Sun

12.30pm-3.30pm

Phone: +91 022 4340 8228/9

Internet: www.olivebarandkitchen.com

# Round About Bar & Kitchen



This brick-walled bar is located at Hotel
Evergreen, and comes equipped with a TV for spots lovers and open air seating at the rooftop.

You can also try a hookah, more known as water pipe, while enjoying vegetarian and meat-based snacks coupled with drinks like scotch, bourbon and whisky.

Photo: Monkey Business Images / Shutterstock.com

Address: Hotel Evergreen, Guru Gobind Singh Marg, Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily Noon-2am Phone: +91 22 2649 2895

# Aer Lounge



Located on the 34th floor of the Four Season Hotel, Aer Lounge boasts a sweeping view of the city and the sea, along with snack options going from



pizza and sandwiches to burgers and fries. The popular Happy Hour offers great deals on cocktails, champagne and cognac.

Photo: KieferPix / Shutterstock.com

Address: 114 Dr. E. Moses Road, Worli, Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 5.30pm-12am

Phone: +91 22 2481 8444 Internet: www.fourseasons.com

More Info: Located at 34th Floor, Four Seasons Hotel. An entrance fee has to be paid by non-guests of the hotel. Smart casual attire is required and the minimum age is 21.

#### Drop



This boho-chic styled nightclub comes equipped with a full bar and a specialty chef specialising in European cuisine. Among the

different events, their Saturday Shenanigans feature Hip-Hop and Bollywood music, and their DJ set comes with a giant screen, smoke and lights coordinated with the songs.

Photo: Pressmaster / Shutterstock.com

Address: G1/B, Krystal Building, Waterfield Road, Bandra

West, Mumbai

Opening hours: Wed-Sat 10pm-1.30am

Phone: +91 22 4229 6000

#### **Breeze Lounge**



A rooftop lounge from which you can enjoy a sweeping view of the town of Powai, Breeze offers strictly vegetarian food belonging to

Mediterranean and European cuisine, like Spanish tapas, to be enjoyed while listening to the background music. The list of drinks includes mojitos, sangria and wine.

Photo: Prasit Rodphan / Shutterstock.com

Address: Supreme Business Park, Hiranandani Gardens,

Powai, Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily Noon-1.30am

Phone: +91 22 6608 3939

More Info: Located behind Sharma Bungalow.

# Kitty Su Mumbai



This nightclub is divided into three areas: "The House of Commons", with its leather seating and dark wooden floor, which gives access to the dance

floor; "The Salon", which is instead a semi-private area with a minibar and butler service; "The List", made for those who want a more secluded experience, equipped with its own DJ console and premium beverages.

Photo: Salivanchuk Semen/Shutterstock.com

Address: The LaLiT Mumbai, Sahar Airport Road, Mumbai

Opening hours: Wed-Sat 10pm-3am

Phone: +91 99 8760 3114

Internet: www.kittysu.com/mumbai/club/venues

Email: kittysu@thelalit.com

#### Le Bar Diamantaire



Located inside the Sofitel Hotel at the Bandra Curla Complex, Le Bar Diamantaire is mostly known for its wine tower made with selected

Indian and international wine bottles. The interior features two elevated tables for those who wish more privacy, and you can order some finger food to accompany your drink, be it whisky or wine.

Photo: levgenii Meyer/Shutterstock.com

Address: C-57, Bandra Kurla Complex, Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 11am-1.30am

Phone: +91 22 6117 5000

Internet: www.sofitel-mumbai-bkc.com/gourmet-delights/le-b



ar-diamantaire

Email: H6451@sofitel.com

# Sin City Rooftop Resto & Lounge



Sin City has both outdoor and indoor seating: the first is in the area called "Sky is the limit", a rooftop restaurant, while the second is in "Heaven

on Earth", a lounge that comes equipped with a TV for live sports, a dance floor and a DJ console. They also host live music performances on their stage for selected events.

Photo: Evannovostro/Shutterstock.com

Address: 5th floor, Crystal Point Above star Bazar, Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 11am-1.30am

Phone: +91 86 5752 9313

Email: sincitybombay@gmail.com

# **Bombay Cocktail Bar**



A high end club, Bombay Cocktail Bar sports black interiors that mix Victorian-era style with Roman structures. The DJ console is installed on a

podium elevated over the dance floor, and balconies allow you to have a sweeping view of the bar. The signature drinks feature local ingredients such as kaala khatta syrup, while the food offering includes Indian, Chinese and Italian options.

Photo: alexkoral/Shutterstock.com

Address: Deluxe house, Ground floor, Off New Link Road,

Mumbai

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 7pm-1.30pm

Phone: +91 83 8383 8340

# **Rude Lounge**



The music featured at Rude Lounge goes from Hip-Hop and House to classic Rock, brought to you by live performers on an open-air stage. Along

with your beer pint or margarita you'll be able to order either vegetarian or non vegetarian finger food, along with pizzas and rice, or their signature dessert, the sizzling brownie.

Photo: zef art/Shutterstock.com

Address: Supreme Business Park, 8th Floor, B Wing

Hiranandani gardens, Powai , Mumbai Opening hours: Daily 11.30am-Midnight

Phone: +91 77 3889 2802 Email: rude.powai@3forks.co.in

# **SHOPPING**



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A wide range of upmarket outlets pop up sparsely throughout the city. Plentiful handicrafts, textiles and clothes of any sort sit in local shops, waiting to be discovered. Fruit and vegetable markets, typical clothes bazaars and thousand of hawkers located among outdoor dumps and upscale residential areas thrive within the lively city.

Mumbaikers, living in such a urban jungle, have learnt how to get the best deals out of the city's thousands of vendors. A Mumbaiker would tell you that the stalls along MG Road boast some



great quality signature items from brand manufacturers, that Colaba Causeway offers some of the best knickknacks in town or that fruit at the Crawford Market is fresher in the morning. There are lots of choices on Mereweather Road but you might, however, have to haggle to get the price you want.

# Crawford Market, Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Market



More a throwback to a Victorian market than modern day India, Crawford Market mostly specializes on fresh fruit and vegetables, although

it offers every shade of India's products. The building where it is located features scenes of Indian rural life and farmers on friezes designed by the artist John Kipling, as well as boasting Kipling's Fountain inside the market itself.

Photo: Aguaviva/Shutterstock.com

Address: Carnac Road, Mumbai

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9am-8pm, Sun only in the morning.

Internet: www.crawford-market.com

More Info: Located near the railway station.

#### **Shoppers Stop**



Shoppers Stop is a department store offering four floors filled with clothes by well-known brands but also traditional pieces of

clothing like kurtas and dupattas, for men, women and kids. Here you can also find cosmetics shops and a salon.

Photo: Pressmaster / Shutterstock.com

Address: 211-D S.V Road, Andheri West, Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 11am-9pm Phone: +91 22 4074 6000 Internet: www.shoppersstop.com Email: estore@shoppersstop.com

# Colaba Causeway



Colaba Causeway is a commercial street where the quest for bargains never ends. From jewellery and books to handicrafts and clothes,

this popular road bustles with tourists and locals searching for the best deals. If you need some rest, you can take a break at one of the cafes along the way.

Photo: Baishampayan Ghose / commons.wikimedia.org(image

cropped)

Address: Colaba Causeway, Colaba, Mumbai

#### **Chor Bazaar**



Closely resembling a flea market, at Chor Bazaar anything, from second-hand merchandise to collectibles and antiques, can be found.

Food vendors are a peculiarity of this buzzing street, offering a wide range of local food. On Fridays the shops close so that Chor Bazaar can host a street market.

Photo: Mathanki Kodavasal / Flickr(image cropped)

Address: Mutton Street, Mumbai Opening hours: Sat-Thu 11am-7.30pm

# **Fashion Street**



A market spreading for over one kilometre and housing more than 150 shops, Fashion Street is a worthy destination if you're looking for any

sort of clothes, souvenirs and knickknacks. It is



an enjoyable solution for an afternoon of bargaining or browsing through the merchandise. In the meantime, you can also enjoy some of the street food available here.

Photo: Sudhamshu Hebbar / Flickr(image cropped)

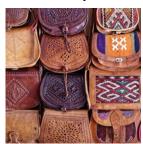
Address: Karamveer Bhaurao Patil Marg, M.G. Road, South

Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 11am-8pm

More Info: Located opposite Azad Maidan.

# **Kulture Shop**



Kulture Shop wants to shed light onto the contemporary Indian art scene by selling affordable articles designed by local artists.

Here you'll be able to find not only wall artwork, but also fashion items such as t-shirts, bags and pouches, mugs and cushion covers for your home as well as notebooks and postcards.

Photo: Yavuz Sariyildiz/Shutterstock.com

 $Address: 9 \ Examiner \ Press, \ 115 \ Nagindas \ Master \ Road, \ Kala$ 

Ghoda, Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 11am-8pm Phone: +91 22 2267 7006 Internet: www.kultureshop.in Email: info@kultureshop.in

More Info: Located opposite Mehboob studio,

# **High Street Phoenix**



One of the biggest malls in India, High Street Phoenix is divided into different zones: Palladium is filled with boutiques by upper-range brands and

luxury shops while Skyzone has more affordable options. The third floor houses restaurants and the mall's food court, but there are also a courtyard and PVR cinemas, as well as events

with free admission.

Photo: Foto2rich/Shutterstock.com

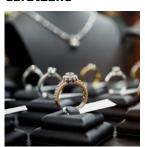
Address: 462 Tulsi Pipe Road, Lower Parel, Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 11am-10pm

Phone: +91 22 4333 9999

Internet: www.highstreetphoenix.com Email: info@highstreetphoenix.com

#### CaratLane



This jewellery brand has opened many shops in Mumbai, with one of them located at the Infiniti Mall. They sell rings, bracelets and

bands for both women and men, while also having articles made for children. The store provides pick up service for orders made through their website and jewellery cleaning.

Photo: Kwangmoozaa/Shutterstock.com

Address: Infiniti Mall, Ground Floor, New Link Road, Malad,

Mumbai

Opening hours: Daily 11am-9pm Phone: +91 99 2022 2500 Internet: www.caratlane.com Email: contactus@caratlane.com

## Hill Road



A famous shopping area in the Bandra suburb, Hill Road has shops ranging from high-end fashion boutiques to low-budget street markets selling

footwear and bracelets. You can also stop by the many restaurants or take something with you from a food stall, while also visiting local landmarks, like the 160 years old St. Stanislaus High School.

Photo: Marben/Shutterstock.com Address: Hill Road, Bandra, Mumbai



#### Kitab Khana



Kitab Khana is not only a library where you can purchase your books, but also a gathering place for events such as book launches and writing

workshops. There's also an in-house vegetarian Café called "Food For Thought" that is open for breakfast and lunch, from 10am to 7.30pm.

Photo: Margarita Kheruimova/Shutterstock.com

Address: Somaiya Bhavan, 45/47 Mahatma Gandhi Road,

Mumbai

Opening hours: 10.30am-7.30pm Phone: +91 22 6170 2276 Email: enquire@kitabkhana.in

# **TOURIST INFORMATION**



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# Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport



Chattrapathi Shivaji International Airport is the busiest airport in India. Expect it to take around 90 minutes to get into the city centre as the

traffic can be very heavy. To get to the city centre you can either go by train, bus, rickshaw, taxi or by renting a car. The fastest way to reach the city is by train. The nearest station to the domestic terminal is Vile Parle and the nearest one to the international terminal is called Sahar.

www.indianrailways.gov.in

BEST buses provide bus services in the city and suburbs. From the domestic terminal you can take bus 312 to Vile Parle East and Andheri East. From the international terminal you can also take bus 312 to Vile Parle East, and number 308 will take you to Andheri East. www.bestundertaking.com

You can also reach the city centre by a rickshaw by finding them at the domestic terminal.

Taxis and car rental companies are available outside both the domestic and international terminals

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport, Mumbai

Phone: +91 22 6685 1010 Internet: www.csia.in

# Passport / Visa



All foreign nationals
entering India are
required to possess a
valid international travel
document with a valid
visa. A visa is required for

most nationalities, with the exception of Bhutan, Nepal and the Maldives (if not arriving from mainland China).

The visa has to be requested through an online application, and the instruction for filling in the application and for scheduling appointments can be seen at the visa department's website.



Be aware that a visa can only be acquired via this online application, and without any intermediary – do not follow agents who claim speedy/express grant of e-Visa.

Photo: TukTuk Design/Shutterstock.com

#### **Best Time to Visit**



The best months for visiting Mumbai are the ones going from October to February. The winter season here is warm overall, with a minimum

temperature of 10°C and low levels of humidity. This is also the period in which several events occur, from the Diwali Festival of Lights in October to the Moon Indigo Cultural Festival towards the end of December.

Coming a bit earlier though, around the end of August and the start of September, is also a good idea: this is when the monsoon season ends together with its heavy rainfall, leaving behind lush greenery making for worthwhile sights. You can also join the Ganesh Chaturthi, a ten day long festival in honour of Lord Ganesha.

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# **Public Transport**



The city buses are run by BEST (Brihanmumbai Electric Supply and Transport) and, although being normally crowded, they are ideal for short

journeys. To get around with public transport you must be acquainted to the system; if you are a tourist, it is advisable to plan your journey in advance.

Tickets can be bought from the conductor on-board.

The fastest way to get around the city is by train. The city has three different lines: Western Line, Central Main Line and Harbour Line.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair Address: Mumbai

Phone: +91 18 0022 7550

Internet: www.bestundertaking.com Email: transport@bestundertaking.com

#### **Rickshaws**



The 246,458 black and yellow metered auto rickshaws are an easy, flexible and fast way to get around Mumbai and to make the way through

the lousy Mumbai traffic. With their typical black and yellow color, rickshaws are easy to spot down the intricate roads of this crowded city.

Photo: vectorstockstoker / Shutterstock.com

Address: Mumbai

Internet: www.rickshawindia.com

# Taxi



There is no shortage of taxis in Mumbai and they can be easily found throughout the city. Taxis usually have meters, but watch out for those

meters set on the previous fares and make sure your driver has a conversion card.

Book my Cab: www.bookmycab.com

Taxi for Sure:

www.taxiforsure.com/mumbai-cabs

Photo: ArrivalGuides Address: Mumbai

Phone: +91 22 6123 4567

# Destination: Mumbai Publishing date: 2022-12-05



Internet: www.bookmycab.com
Email: mumbai@bookmycab.com

#### **Post**



Numerous post offices are located throughout the city, making it easy to find places to buy stamps and to post letters.

Letters can be posted at

the letter boxes sparsely located within the city, easy to find thanks to their characteristic vivid red color.

Government Post Office: GPO Building, Fort,

Mumbai

Post Office: Dadar East, Mumbai

Photo: Andy Fuchs

Address: GPO Building, Fort, Mumbai

Phone: +91 22 2262 0956 Internet: www.indiapost.gov.in

More Info: Located near CST Station, behind St. George

Hospital.

# **Pharmacy**



Within the various pharmacies located in town, Noble Medicals is one of the leading pharmacy retails chains and can be found in 27

locations in Mumbai.

Noble Medicals: Asha Parekh Hospital, S V Road, Santacruz West, Mumbai

Sind Ayurvedic Pharmacy: 3, Anju Shopping Centre, Tilak Road, Mumbai

Golden Chemist: Bharat Kunj Compound, West, Pheroz Shah Mehta Road, Santacruz East,

#### Mumbai

Photo: Gemma Garner

Address: Asha Parekh Hospital, S V Road, Santacruz West,

Mumbai

Phone: +91 22 2649 4746

Internet: www.noblemedicals.com

# Telephone

Country code: +91 Area

code: 22



Photo: Jardson Almeida

# **Electricity**



220 V (round pins), 50/60 Hz

Photo: Stirling Tschan

## **Population**

City: 13 million

City including metropolitan area: 20.5 million

#### Currency

Indian Rupee (INR) Rs1 = 100 paise

#### Opening hours

Shops in Mumbai are generally open from 10am to 8.30pm, depending on the area, with some shops staying open for longer. General banking hours are Monday to Friday from 9am to 3pm, and from 9am to 1pm on Saturday.

#### Newspapers

Mumbai Mirror - www.mumbaimirror.indiatimes.com The Times of India - www.timesofindia.indiatimes.com Hindustan Times - www.hindustantimes.com Afternoon Despatch & Courier

# **Emergency numbers**

Police: 100 Fire Brigade: 101 Ambulance: 102

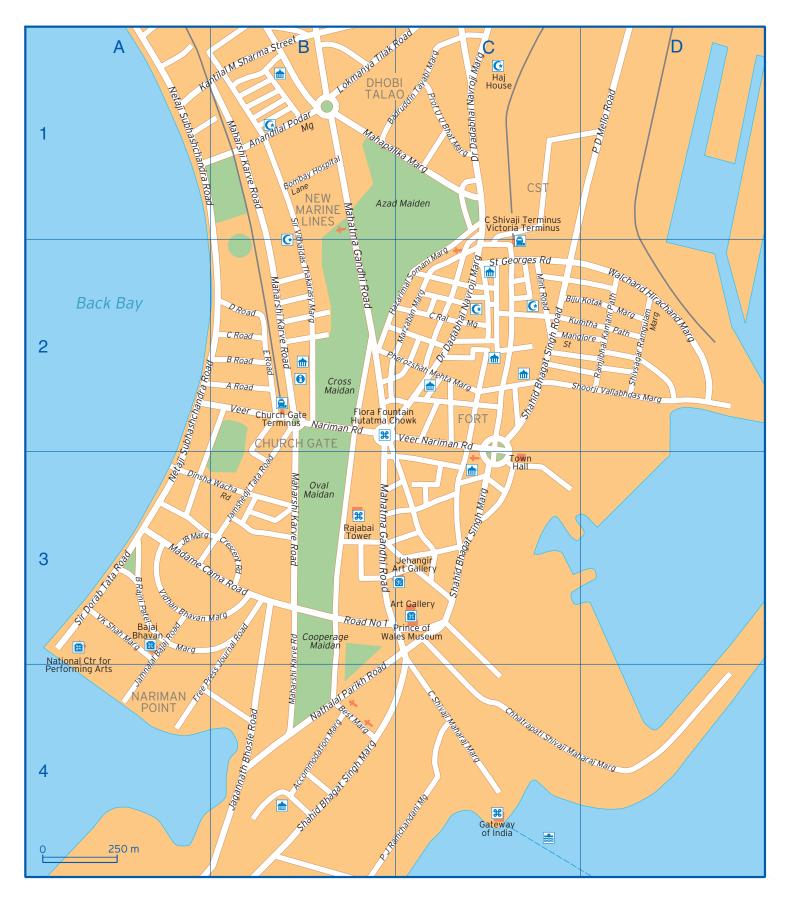
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Indiatourism Mumbai 123, Maharshi Karve Road, Mumbai (Opposite Church Gate Station)

+91 22 2203 3144



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B Rajni Patel Marg	A3	Jamnalal Bajaj Road	A3 A4	Pherozshah Mehta Marg	B2 C2
B Road	B2	Jamshedji Tata Road	В3	Prof U U Bhat Marg	C1
Badruddin Tayabi Marg	B1 C1	Jeevan Bima Marg	A3	Ramjibhai Kamani Path	D2
Best Marg	B4	Kantilal M Sharma Street	A1 B1	Road No 1	В3
Biju Kotak Marg	C2 D2	Kumtha Path	C2 D2	Shahid Bhagat Singh Marg	B4 C2 C3
Bombay Hospital Lane	B1	Lokmanya Tilak Road	B1 C1	Shivsagar Ramgulam Marg	D2
C Road	B2	Madame Cama Road	A3 B3	Shoorji Vallabhdas Marg	C2 D2
C Shivaji Maharaj Marg	C4	Mahapalika Marg	B1 C1	Sir Dorab Tata Road	A3
Charanjit Rai Marg	C2	Maharshi Karve Road	B1 B2 B3 B4	Sir Vithaldas Thakarasy Marg	B1 B2
Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Marg	C4 D4	Mahatma Gandhi Road	B1 B2 B3	St Georges Road	C2
Crescent Road	В3	Manglore Street	C2 D2	Veer Nariman Road	B2 C2
D Road	B2	Marzaban Marg	C2	Vidhan Bhavan Marg	A3 B3
Dinsha Wacha Road	A3 B3	Mint Road	C2	Vinayak K Shah Marg	A3
Dr Dadabhai Navroji Marg	C1 C2	Nathalal Parikh Road	B4	Walchand Hirachand Marg	D2
E Road	B2				