

Sindh: Indus Civilisation, Sufi Heritage & the Lower Indus

From Karachi and Makli to Sehwan, Mohenjo-daro and Sukkur—a journey through archaeology, sacred traditions and living river culture.

Duration	Activity	Start / finish	Best season
9 days / 8 nights	2 of 5	Karachi / Sukkur	November–March

Departures and indicative price

12–20 January 2027 | EP-005 | Registering interest

9–17 February 2027 | EP-005 | Registering interest

9–17 November 2027 | EP-005 | Registering interest

7–15 December 2027 | EP-005 | Registering interest

USD 1,500–2,500 per person, based on two people sharing

Journey overview

EP-005 connects Pakistan’s largest coastal city with the monumental necropolis of Makli, Sindh’s craft and Sufi centres, Ranikot’s vast fortifications, the Bronze Age city of Mohenjo-daro and the river heritage of Sukkur and Rohri.

The route is cultural rather than physically demanding. Private transport supports longer sectors, while walking concentrates on archaeological sites, old quarters, shrines, museums and riverfront landscapes.

Day-by-day itinerary

DAY 1 Arrival in Karachi

Sea level · Airport transfer 30–60 min · Activity easy

Meet your representative and transfer privately to the hotel. After rest, receive a briefing on Sindh's route, climate, religious etiquette, photography and the longer road sectors ahead.

DAY 2 Karachi: city, heritage and coast

Driving 2–4 hrs total · Walking 2–4 hrs · Activity easy

Explore selected landmarks such as Mazar-e-Quaid, Frere Hall, Mohatta Palace or the National Museum according to opening days, followed by an introduction to Karachi's historic commercial districts and Arabian Sea setting. Frere Hall was completed in 1865, while Mazar-e-Quaid commemorates Pakistan's founder, Muhammad Ali Jinnah.

DAY 3 Karachi to Thatta, Makli and Hyderabad

Approx. 190 km · Driving 5–7 hrs with visits · Walking 2–4 hrs

Leave Karachi for the carved funerary monuments of Chaukhandi before continuing to Makli and Thatta. Makli contains an extraordinary concentration of tombs and monuments created over roughly four centuries. Visit Shah Jahan Mosque, completed in the seventeenth century and celebrated for its tilework and acoustics, then continue to Hyderabad.

UNESCO status: the Historical Monuments at Makli, Thatta were inscribed as a UNESCO World Heritage property in 1981. Shah Jahan Mosque and Chaukhandi are important heritage sites but are not part of that inscription.

DAY 4 Hyderabad, Hala, Bhit Shah and Sehwan

Approx. 210 km · Driving 5–7 hrs with visits · Activity moderate

Travel through central Sindh with stops selected around craft traditions and access. At Bhit Shah, visit the shrine associated with Shah Abdul Latif Bhittai, the great Sindhi poet who died in 1752. Continue to Sehwan and the shrine of Lal Shahbaz Qalandar, who died in 1274, experienced as an active devotional centre rather than a static monument.

DAY 5 Sehwan to Ranikot and Larkana

Approx. 300 km · Driving 7–9 hrs · Rough approach sections · Activity moderate

Continue toward Ranikot Fort when road and access conditions permit. Its long defensive walls cross a rugged landscape on the edge of the Kirthar range. After an exterior exploration and selected viewpoints, continue north to Larkana for a two-night stay.

Heritage status: Ranikot Fort is on Pakistan's UNESCO Tentative List; it is not an inscribed World Heritage property. The visit is conditional because approach roads and site access can change.

Day-by-day itinerary

DAY 6 Mohenjo-daro

Driving 2–3 hrs return · Walking 3–5 hrs · Exposed archaeological terrain

Dedicate the day to Mohenjo-daro and its museum. The city flourished during the mature Indus civilisation, broadly between about 2600 and 1900 BCE, and demonstrates sophisticated planning, drainage and baked-brick construction. Time on site is paced around heat and conservation requirements.

UNESCO status: the Archaeological Ruins at Moenjodaro were inscribed as a UNESCO World Heritage property in 1980.

DAY 7 Larkana to Kot Diji and Sukkur

Approx. 160 km · Driving 4–6 hrs with visits · Activity easy–moderate

Travel toward Khairpur and visit Kot Diji Fort, built by the Talpur rulers in the late eighteenth century, together with selected local heritage stops according to time. Continue to Sukkur beside the Indus.

DAY 8 Sukkur, Rohri and the Indus

Local driving 2–4 hrs · Walking 2–3 hrs · Boat access conditional

Explore Sukkur and Rohri through bridges, river viewpoints, bazaars and sacred landscapes. A visit toward Sadh Belo is included only when access, permissions and safe river conditions allow. The day focuses on how trade, migration, religion and settlement have been shaped by the Indus.

DAY 9 Departure from Sukkur

Airport transfer 20–40 min · Activity easy

Private transfer to Sukkur airport for the onward flight. Domestic airfare is not included, but booking assistance is available. A road extension or return to Karachi can be quoted separately.



Accommodation plan

Eight nights in carefully selected hotels on a twin-sharing basis. Standards vary outside Karachi and Hyderabad; the best suitable available option is used.

Karachi | 2 nights
Hyderabad | 1 night
Sehwan | 1 night
Larkana | 2 nights
Sukkur | 2 nights

Journey profile

Reference | EP-005
Edition | 2027.1
Format | Private or scheduled heritage journey
Activity | 2 of 5
Start / finish | Karachi / Sukkur
Best season | November to March

Included

- 8 nights in carefully selected twin-sharing accommodation
- Private air-conditioned transportation with fuel, tolls, parking and driver expenses
- Experienced English-speaking guide or guide-driver
- Airport transfers connected to the itinerary
- Guided heritage, archaeological, shrine and cultural visits described
- Entrance fees to listed monuments and museums where charged
- Pakistan visa-support or invitation letter
- Applicable government taxes and service charges

Not Included

- International and domestic airfare; booking assistance is available
- Pakistan visa fee
- Travel and medical insurance
- All meals and beverages
- Personal expenses and hotel extras
- Tips and gratuities
- Optional activities or permissions not listed
- Costs caused by weather, road disruption, closure or circumstances beyond operational control
- Anything not expressly listed under Services Included

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