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GOA UNSEEN

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FOREWORD BY **ABHAY DEOL** ACTOR

Goa - just the mention of this place conjures up images of sunlit beaches, golden sand banks, and carefree holidays. However, Goa is so much more than its postcard-perfect coastlines. It is a sanctuary where life finds a slower, richer rhythm. It's a place that unveils its soul when you step away from the tourist trails and delve deeper into its serene surroundings and vibrant communities.

For me, Goa has always been a place of discovery. Over two decades of visiting this idyllic land, I've explored not just its landscapes but also facets of my own creativity and identity. Ten years ago, I decided to make Goa my home. Nestled amidst lush greens, my house is designed to be one with its surroundings – a glass house in the forest that lets the outside flow seamlessly in. It's not just a home but an extension of who I am: clean, unconventional, artistic, eco-conscious, and inviting.

Goa has changed over the years, transforming into a haven that offers something for everyone. Whether you crave solitude or seek a lively social scene, this place lets you curate the life you want. For me, it's about balance – a community of like-minded individuals, moments of quiet introspection, and beautiful scenic nature hidden amidst serene beaches, emerald-green paddy fields, and secluded waterfalls that inspires me to bring out my best version. Through the pages of *Goa Unseen*, I am excited to share my well-kept secrets about Goa, and hope you find inspiration to look beyond the familiar and embrace the lesser-seen sides of this magical state. And what better way to do so than through Airbnb? Whether you're seeking a cozy home in a heritage village, a beachfront retreat, or an offbeat stay tucked away in the hinterlands, Airbnb connects travelers to unique homes and authentic experiences hosted by locals who know Goa best. After all, Goa is more than just a destination; it's a state of mind, a way of living that celebrates both the bold and the tranquil.

This guide is your invitation to step into the Goa I know and love - a land of dense forests, vibrant neighborhoods and creative souls who thrive in harmony with nature.

Welcome to my **GOA**.
Let it captivate and inspire you as it has for me.



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FOREWORD BY AMANPREET SINGH BAJAJ

AIRBNB'S COUNTRY HEAD FOR INDIA AND SOUTHEAST ASIA

Goa has been a special destination for Airbnb for over a decade, fostering a community of incredible hosts who have opened up their homes to thousands of international and domestic travelers and making it the most booked¹ destination in India.

In 2022, Airbnb signed a Memorandum Of Understanding with the Goa Tourism Department to launch the Rediscover Goa campaign, highlighting a shared vision to promote Goa's hinterlands and unique homestay ecosystem, inviting travelers to engage meaningfully and explore the undiscovered aspects of the state.

This partnership has also been one of the firsts. With Goa harbouring Airbnb's first Entrepreneurship Academy in India that is focused on empowering local hospitality entrepreneurs across urban and rural areas and providing them with the resources and training to begin their hosting journey.

This year, with Rediscover Goa 2.0, we are proud to launch 'Goa Unseen' - a guide for travelers seeking immersive experiences through the lens of a local. I would like to thank Abhay Deol for being our insider and sharing about his unconditional love for Goa. I would also like to thank Avinash Martins, Garv Vohra, Insia Lacewalla, Nolan Mascarenhas, Scarlett Rose, and Siddharth Kerkar for their insights that capture the eclectic culture, rich heritage, culinary delicacies and lush landscapes of Goa, as well as our Airbnb hosts, Panav (Earthscape Mandrem), Shefali (Riverview Villa), Simon (Vivenda Dos Palhacos), Tiya (Birdsong Moira), and Hardik (Masaya off the grid)- for bringing to life Goa's renowned hospitality through their one-of-a-kind accommodations.

Through this guide, we aim to support Goa's thriving and resilient tourism ecosystem by creating responsible and inclusive travel. For our guests and explorers, we hope you discover the state's inherited traditions, wellness and cultural legacy beyond its traditional hotspots - uncovering Goa Unseen in its most authentic form.



¹ Based on internal Airbnb data for year-over-year growth for Goa bookings between 1 Jan 2024 - 31 Dec 2024 compared to the same booking period in 2023.



FOREWORD BY SHRI ROHAN KHAUNTE

HON'BLE MINISTER FOR TOURISM, GOVERNMENT OF GOA

Tourism is not just about destinations; it's about people, culture, and the experiences that truly define a place.

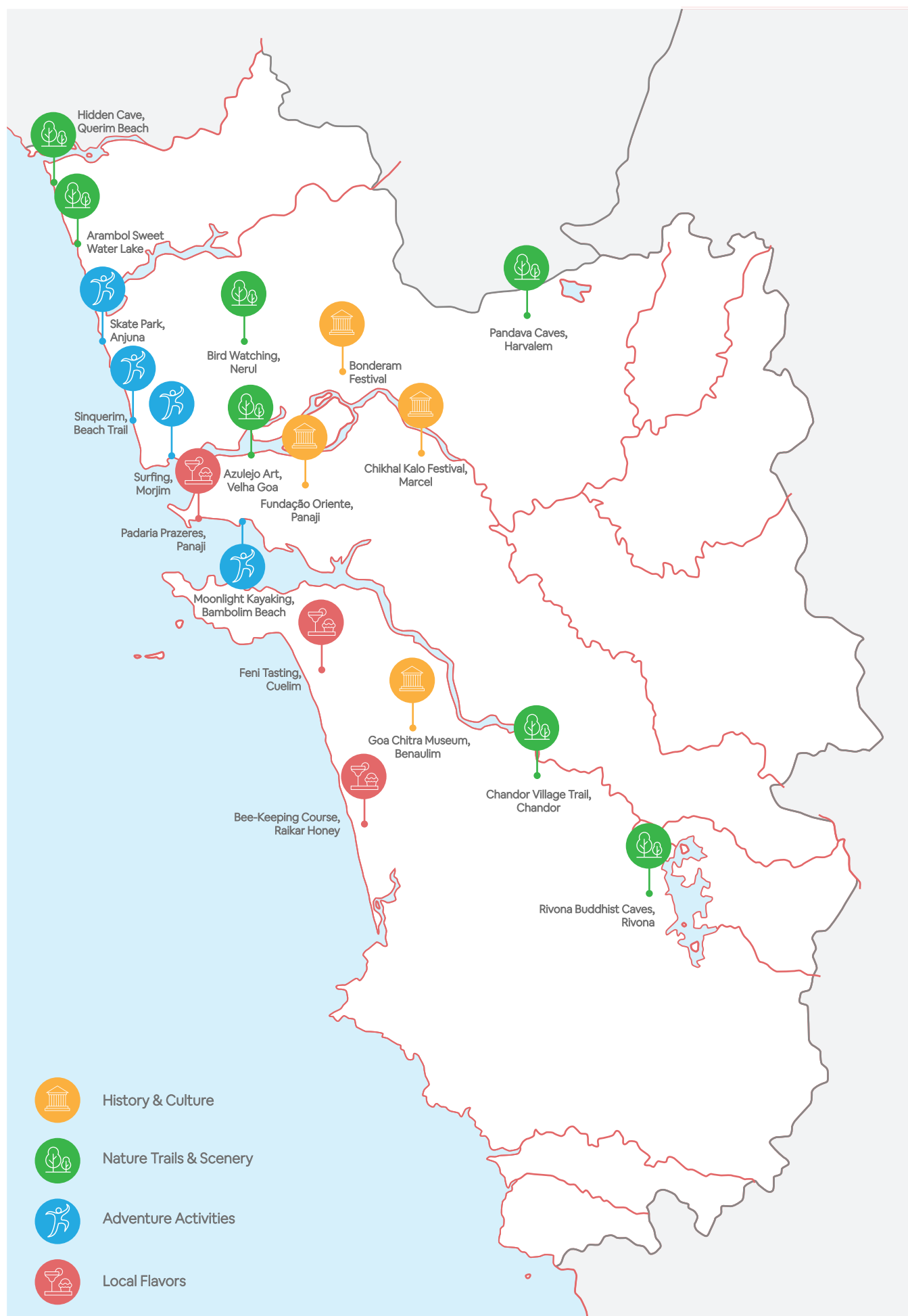
Goa's tourism industry has long been the backbone of our economy, providing livelihoods, fostering entrepreneurship, and preserving our rich heritage. As we move forward, our vision is clear: to promote sustainable and responsible tourism—one that uplifts our local communities while preserving the essence of Goa.

Taking inspiration from Prime Minister Narendra Modi ji's vision of "Nari Shakti" and "Yuva Shakti" as key drivers of India's growth, we are committed to empowering our women entrepreneurs and young changemakers through the growth of homestays. These homestays do more than just provide accommodation; they create an augmented inventory of lodging options in a sustainable way, especially around spiritual and eco-tourism destinations. By integrating hospitality with local culture, they ensure that tourism benefits Goan families directly.

Goa is the first state in India to adopt Regenerative Tourism. As part of our Regenerative Tourism initiatives and recognizing the potential of homestays, the Government of Goa has introduced a comprehensive Homestay Policy, focusing on providing fiscal and non-fiscal benefits to encourage homestays, particularly in rural areas. This policy is designed to make it easier for locals to open and operate homestays, ensuring that the economic benefits of tourism reach the grassroots level while enhancing the overall visitor experience.

Our partnership with Airbnb has further strengthened this initiative. The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Airbnb has facilitated capacity-building and training, particularly for rural women, equipping them with skills to run successful homestays and become entrepreneurs in their own right. The success of Rediscover Goa in 2022 highlighted the demand for authentic Goan experiences, and with the relaunch of Rediscover Goa 2.0 in 2025, we are reaffirming our commitment to showcasing Goa beyond its beaches—through its vibrant villages, rich traditions, and warm hospitality. By formalizing and promoting homestays, we are ensuring that tourism revenue circulates within Goan communities, creating sustainable employment while offering travelers a truly immersive experience. Goa's tourism future is bright, and I invite all stakeholders—businesses, local communities, and travelers—to join us in building a more inclusive and responsible tourism ecosystem. Together, we can make Goa not just a destination, but a deeply enriching experience for all.





Explore Goa Through the **Lens of Local Insiders**





A CULTURAL VOYAGE THROUGH GOA, **UNCHARTED**

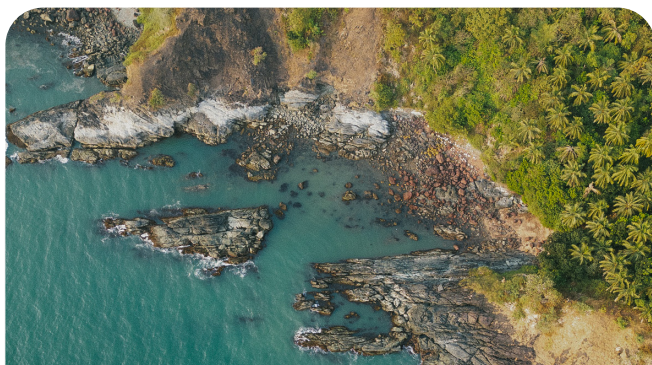
Abhay Deol

Abhay Deol is a versatile Indian actor known for his unconventional film choices and natural performances. Abhay is admired for his nuanced portrayals in socially relevant and offbeat roles that challenge industry norms. With his effortless charm and commitment to meaningful storytelling, he continues to be a distinctive voice in Indian cinema. He often shares glimpses of his adventures on social media, showcasing his passion for art, architecture, and nature. His journeys go beyond just sightseeing—they are about discovering new perspectives and meaningful stories along the way.



Hidden Gems

- **Kakolem Beach:** A hidden paradise with dramatic cliffs and an untouched shoreline, perfect for a secluded escape.



The shoreline of Kakolem Beach

History and Culture

- **Chikhal Kalo Festival:** A vibrant Goan mud festival that celebrates Goan traditions, community, and the joyous spirit of togetherness.
- **Museum of Christian Art, Old Goa:** A showcase of Indo-Portuguese heritage with rare artifacts and sacred art.



Inside the Museum of Christian Art

- **São João Feast:** An iconic monsoon festival where locals jump into wells, dance to lively tunes, and embrace Goa's vibrant traditions.
- **Fado & Mando with Fadista Sonia Shirsat at Madragoa, Panaji:** Lose yourself in the magic of Fado and Mando, the music genres of Portugal and Goa.
- **Old Churches of Goa:** Fall in love with the serene beauty of Goa's old churches.



A delicacy at C'est L'avi — A Table in the Hills

Local Flavors

- **C'est L'avi — A Table in the Hills by Avinash Martins, Velim:** A one-of-a-kind dining experience set in the lush countryside, offering a connection between food and nature.
- **State of Good Vibes, Moira:** Relish the freshly made treats at this sourdough bakery-n-café.

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Goa is more than a destination; it's an experience that unfolds in its festivals, hidden beaches, and cultural heritage. Every visit is a chance to explore its depth and character.



GOAN FOOD FOR THE **SOUL**

Avinash Martins

Ranked among India's top chefs, Avinash Martins is a culinary maestro who's redefining Goan cuisine. His restaurants help him realize his vision. While 'Cavatina' in Benaulim has gained acclaim for innovatively reviving old recipes, 'C'est L'avi — A Table in the Hills' in Velim offers a true farm-to-table dining experience, using seasonal, locally sourced ingredients. More recently, Avinash has also set up a new restaurant, 'Janot', in the heart of Panaji. Avinash has first-hand knowledge of Goa's cultural heritage and recommends some of the places and experiences that are close to his heart.



Sunset reflections viewed from Galgibaga Beach

Hidden Gems

- **Galgibaga Beach, Canacona:** Known as one of the cleanest and most secluded beaches in Goa, Galgibaga is also a nesting site for the 'Olive Ridley', a protected species of turtle. With its smooth silver sands and a backdrop of coconut, palm and casuarina trees, Galgibaga Beach is definitely worth a visit.
- **Talpona Beach, Canacona:** The golden sands of Talpona beach, framed by swaying palm and pine trees and exotic-looking rocky outcrops, make it a perfect spot for seaside photography. Its proximity to a fishing village allows visitors to interact with the locals and gain insight into traditional fishing practices.

History and Culture

- **Goa Chitra Museum, Benaulim:** Established and run by artist-curator-restorer Victor Hugo Gomes, Goa Chitra is a collection of three museums spread across 1,17,000 square meters in Benaulim. It houses over 4,000 artifacts, showcasing Goa's traditional agrarian technology and lifestyle.
- **Shigmo Festival:** Shigmotsav, or Shigmo, is the vibrant spring festival celebrated by several Goan communities. Enjoy energetic folk dances, groovy musical performances, and magnificent floats in cities like Panaji, Margao, Mapusa, Vasco, and Ponda, depicting scenes from Hindu mythology and Goan culture.

- **Museum of Goa, Pilerne:** Founded by Subodh Kerkar, it is one of the largest privately-owned contemporary art spaces in Goa, celebrating the state's history and its people. On Sundays, you can even attend lectures by eminent artists, scholars and activists on various topics of interest.



Inside the Museum of Goa



Colourful float from Shigmo Festival

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There are many things worth exploring in Goa's beautiful hinterlands – the Savoi Plantation; the fruit-and-vegetable markets in Quepem; the seafood in Betul; the spice plantations in Netravalli and Ponda, just to name a few. You should also consider visiting Canacona for its amazing seaside vibes and gorgeous orchards. And if you enjoy alcoholic drinks, you simply must enjoy either or both of the Goan feni experiences hosted by Solomon Diniz and Hansel Vaz.



GOA OF ART, **GOA OF MY HEART**

Siddharth Kerkar

The son of renowned artist Subodh Kerkar, Siddharth Kerkar is a contemporary artist himself and is closely associated with the Museum of Goa founded by his father. Siddharth has a deep understanding of the influences of Goa's heritage on its evolving art landscape. He is also a well-known travel influencer. Here, he shares his personal recommendations on the cool places to visit and things to do in his home state.



Hidden Gems

- **A Sunset Yacht/Boat Ride from Benaulim Beach:** Embark on a tranquil ride from Benaulim Beach, where you'll be treated to stunning views of the coastline as the sun gracefully sets behind the horizon.



A boat ride from Benaulim Beach



Skateboarding in Miramar

- **Skateboarding in Anjuna, or at Skate Park in Miramar:** Join the vibrant Goan skateboarding community where thrilling tricks and high-energy vibes create an unforgettable experience.

History and Culture

- **Bonderam Festival:** Held on Divar Island on the fourth Saturday of August, Bonderam is a lively festival featuring street-dancing, vibrant music, and colorful floats that celebrate the rich Goan traditions and culture.
- **Three Kings Feast:** Join the locals from the villages of Chandor, Cansaulim, and Resi Magos in commemorating the visit of the Three Wise Men to the infant Jesus.

Local Flavors

- **Grumps, Sangolda:** For some of the best continental food.
- **Sopó, Assagao:** If you're a Khao suey fan.
- **Praca Prazeres, Panaji:** For European food with a Goan twist.
- **Feri Bar, Porvorim:** For crafty cocktails and some great grills.
- **Slow Tide, Anjuna:** For small plates, cocktails and music that will make you groove.
- **Pisco by the Beach, Anjuna:** For the most breathtaking views to accompany your meal.
- **Room One Cocktail Bar, Assagao:** A hidden gem in Assagao, this intimate bar is where art meets nightlife, featuring stunning interiors by local artists.
- **Hideaway, Vagator:** If live music is your thing, this cozy cafe bar is the spot for you.
- **Antonio 31 de Janeiro, Panaji:** An ode to Old Goa, this bar is the perfect place for cocktails and new connections.
- **For The Record, Panaji:** This Tokyo-inspired vinyl bar offers superb feni-based cocktails along with Indian craft spirits and brews.
- **Casanoni, Panaji:** For Italian small plates, pizzas, risottos, vermouths and more.

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There's more to Goa than beaches, parties, churches, and temples; there's, for instance, a wealth of traditional art. I recommend checking out the Museum of Goa, along with the events and workshops it hosts. There's also a children's art studio that offers art courses and walk-in art workshops every day.



GOA UNEXPLORED: **BOLD ADVENTURES & CULTURAL ESCAPES**

Scarlett M Rose

Scarlett M Rose is a Goan TV host, model, content creator, and travel enthusiast known for her bold and adventurous spirit. She shares her passion for fashion, fitness, and travel through immersive content that highlights stunning destinations, lifestyle trends, and self-expression. Her work blends luxury and adventure, inspiring her audience to embrace confidence and exploration.



A local fisherman with his fishing net



An example of Azulejo art

- **Tiatr – Goa’s Traditional Theatre:** Experience the vibrancy of Konkani drama, music, and social storytelling in this unique Goan art form.
- **Goa Carnival:** A vibrant and colorful festival celebrated in February or March to mark the pre-Lenten festivities with grand parades, themed floats, music, dance, and street performances. The highlight of the carnival is the grand parade led by King Momo.



Musicians at the Goa Carnival

Hidden Gems

- **Crocodile-spotting and Fishing Trips:** Explore Goa’s serene backwaters, where you can witness crocodiles basking in the sun and experience the region’s rich fishing traditions up close.
- **Chandor Heritage Trail:** Take a walk through time in this ancient Goan village, home to grand Portuguese mansions, lost ruins, and fascinating local legends.

History and Culture

- **Azulejo Art at Velha Goa, Aquem:** Buy hand-painted traditional Portuguese ceramic tiles designed by skilled artisans in a timeless blend of history and creativity.

Local Flavors

- **Feli Tavern, Benaulim:** A classic Goan tavern serving traditional feni and small bites in an old-world setting.

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Goa is where tradition meets the thrill of the unknown. Whether you’re watching a Tiatr performance, cruising through hidden backwaters, or discovering indie fashion labels, every moment here is an adventure waiting to unfold.



SIP, SAVOR & **WANDER IN GOA**

Nolan Michael Mascarenhas

A food journalist, entrepreneur, and food influencer, Nolan Michael Mascarenhas is an expert in Goan cuisine, mixology, and hospitality. His knack for uncovering hidden gems and sharing authentic local experiences makes him an invaluable guide to Goa's rich culinary and cultural landscape.



Hidden Gems

- **The Coastline of Canacona, and the Hidden Cave on Querim Beach:** For a beautiful seaside excursion.
- **Bee-keeping Experience, Benaulim:** Learn about bee-keeping and sample Goan honey at Raikar Honey.



A bee-keeping technique at Raikar Honey

Local Flavors

- **Motley Brew, Aguada:** For coffee and tea lovers.
- **Café Tato, Panaji, Madgaon, Vasco Da Gama:** For local breakfast.
- **Karma Café, Canacona:** For vegan bites.
- **Jaali Café, Patnem and Kefi, Assagao:** For their unique interiors.



Thali at Amaraanth Kitchen

- **The Lab at Amaraanth by Countertop India, Colva:** For innovative cocktails, and the Amaraanth Kitchen for delicacies curated by Ritu Dalmia.
- **Mum's Kitchen, Panaji:** Prawn curry inspired by founder Rony, Suzie and Premila Martins' mother's recipe.
- **George Restaurant & Bar, Panaji:** The iconic prawn-stuffed papad with chorizo pulao.
- **Petisco, Panaji:** A gastrobar with creatively curious food and cheeky cocktails.
- **Cajy Bar in Arpora and Joseph Bar, Antonio 31, Casa Luisitana (all in Panaji):** For a drink with the locals.
- **Miguel's and Miski Bar, Panaji:** For expertly crafted cocktails.

History and Culture



Buddhist Cave in Rivona

- **Buddhist Caves in Lamgao and Rivona:** A peek into Goa's lesser-known spiritual and historical heritage.
- **Pandava Caves in Harvalem:** A historical marvel steeped in legend.
- **Netravali Nature Walk & Birdwatching:** Explore the breathtaking forests of Netravali with Nature's Nest and discover Goa's rich biodiversity.

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Goa is more than its nightlife – it is a way of life. Beyond the beaches, a slower, richer Goa thrives in its hinterlands, where nature, tradition, and community blend seamlessly. Today's travelers seek meaningful experiences, and Goa offers exactly that – a state of mind where time slows down and every moment is a discovery.



EXPLORE GOA LIKE A **LOCAL**

Insia Lacewalla, Food & Travel Writer

Insia Lacewalla is an avid traveller known for curating immersive travel experiences that celebrate India's rich culture, heritage, and cuisine. Her work highlights the essence of local traditions and authentic storytelling, offering unique insights into India's diverse cultural tapestry.



Hidden Gems

- **Fundação Oriente Art Gallery, Latin Quarter Fountainhas, Panaji:** Art lovers can experience Goan heritage through the eyes of local artists at this art gallery nestled in the charming Latin Quarter of Fontainhas.
- **Crab-catching and Bird-watching on Nerul River with The Lazy Goose:** A unique experience for nature lovers to engage in local crab-catching techniques, while spotting a wide variety of indigenous birds along the river.



Crab-catching at Nerul river



Sweet-water lake in Arambol

- **Arambol Sweet Water Lake and Multani Mitti Springs:** This hidden lake in North Goa is renowned for its healing waters. The natural *multani mitti* springs nearby offer an earthy, rejuvenating experience—perfect for a refreshing dip away from the crowds.

- **Moonlight Kayaking at Bambolim Beach:** Experience the tranquillity of Goa's coastline while kayaking under the moonlight in the calm waters of Bambolim Beach. Perfect for those seeking a peaceful adventure with a touch of magic.
- **Mystic Woods by The Butterfly Conservatory of Goa:** Nestled in the tranquil village of Mhadei, this enchanting conservatory offers a serene escape into nature.

Local Flavors

- **The Goan Kitchen, Loutolim:** A must-visit for those looking to savor traditional flavors in a cozy, rustic setting.
- **Savoi Spice Plantation, Ponda:** Immerse yourself in Goan spice culture while exploring the diverse spices that give Goan cuisine its unique flavor. Also enjoy a freshly prepared traditional meal on the plantation grounds.
- **Sirsat No. 1, Assagao:** Visit to relish the best Ros Omelette in town. A simple, hearty dish made with an omelette topped with a Chicken Xacuti, served with poi, this is a must-try for those looking to experience Goa's culinary soul.



Fresh produce at Savoi Spice Plantation



Goa may be famed for its beaches and vibrant nightlife, but the real magic lies in its quiet corners, off the beaten path where you can explore nature, heritage, and local life at your own pace.



IMMERSE IN GOA'S OFFBEAT SPOTS AND LOCAL FLAVORS

Garv Vohra, Founder, GoaGetterr

Garv Vohra is the founder of GoaGetterr, a bespoke concierge service specializing in luxury experiences and unique explorations. Whether you are seeking hidden gems, authentic local flavors, vibrant nightlife, or offbeat adventures, Garv's insights on offbeat spots and community-driven events will help you unlock the best of Goa!



Hidden Gems

- **Sinquerim Beach Trail:** A scenic coastal hike.
- **Island Hopping Cycle Tour:** Discover Goa's lesser-known islands.
- **Jungle Trails in South Goa:** Waterfalls, cliff jumping, and lush greenery.
- **Surfing Lessons:** Ride the waves in Ashwem or Morjim.
- **Sound Healing & Yoga Sessions:** Rejuvenate in Assagao, Mandrem, or Arambol.



Artisanal drinks and bites at Boilermaker

Local Flavors

- **Boilermaker, Siolim:** A hidden treasure for classic drinks.
- **Blue Moon, Aldona:** A must-visit for homestyle Goan meals.
- **Fountain View, Anjuna:** A cozy spot for Goan delicacies.
- **Spice Goa, Mapusa:** Known for its spice-infused seafood dishes.
- **Siolim Deck, Siolim:** A picturesque setting with delicious Goan fare.
- **Pablo's, Assagao:** An ideal place to enjoy Chicken Xacuti.
- **Samrat, Saligao:** A beloved spot for Ros Omelette.
- **Joseph's Bar, Panaji:** A go-to spot for Chicken Cafreal.



Delicacies at Padaria Prazeres

- **Antonio's, Panaji:** A must-visit for perfectly crisp and delicious Prawn Rissois.
- **Padaria Prazeres, Panaji:** Savor artisanal desserts and gourmet sandwiches.



The interiors at Marai, Arpora

- **Marai, Arpora:** A delightful fusion of good food and an inviting atmosphere.
- **Pablo's, Assagao:** A vibrant hotspot with great cocktails.
- **Juna, Anjuna:** A chic destination for crafted cocktails.
- **Opoco, Anjuna:** A lively venue featuring a pool table and gigs.
- **1240 Speakeasy Bar (Hidden), Anjuna:** Enjoy exclusive gigs twice a week.
- **Don Robs, Vagator:** The go-to karaoke bar for music lovers.



Goa appeals in a different way to each individual. While some find joy in the world of partying and entertainment, others crave to explore the inner self amidst nature and peace. With so much to offer, it is up to you to shape your own experience in this land of sun and sand.

Experience These Beautiful **Airbnb Homes**





BIRDSONG MOIRA: A MAGICAL HOMESTAY

An idyllic setting for family reunions, group retreats, special occasions and peaceful escapes from the city.

Nestled in North Goa's Bardez district, Moira is a village that offers the perfect blend of tranquility, heritage, and natural beauty with its churches, chapels and old Goan homes. It is a place where time slows down.

At the heart of this treasure trove is Birdsong, a six-bedroom villa, originally built in 1804, which is the perfect base for relaxed holidays, where staying in is just as tempting as stepping out.

Outdoor Experiences in Moira

Walking through Moira can take you across emerald-green paddy fields, to the banks of the Moira river, or to the neighbourhood bar. Indulge in activities such as kayaking, cycling, walks, and dine at eateries in and around the village. Two-wheeler rentals can be found in Mapusa, which is 10 minutes from Birdsong, to help you get around.

Accessibility

21 km from Mopa airport,
12 km from Thivim railway station.

Key Attractions of the Property

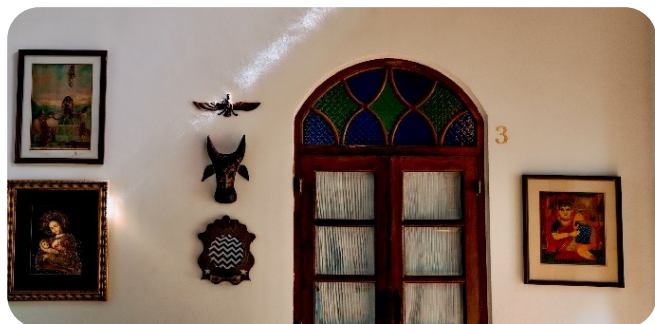
6 guest suites, courtyard swimming pool.

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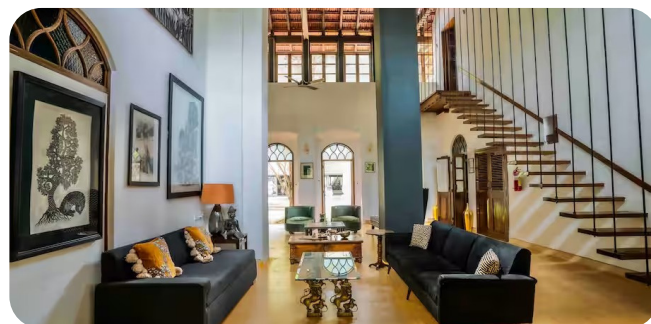


Birdsong is more than a home; it is a living, breathing space where history, culture, and warm Goan hospitality come together. Our 220-year-old villa has been reimaged with love, blending old-world charm with contemporary comforts. From intimate family reunions to artist residencies and theatre performances, we take pride in being a nest for special moments. Goa is more than its beaches and nightlife – it is a treasure trove of heritage, nature, and gastronomy, and we love sharing its hidden wonders with our guests. Here, every stay is personal, every experience is curated, and every guest leaves as part of our story.

- **Tiya** , Airbnb host for 8 years, Birdsong Moira



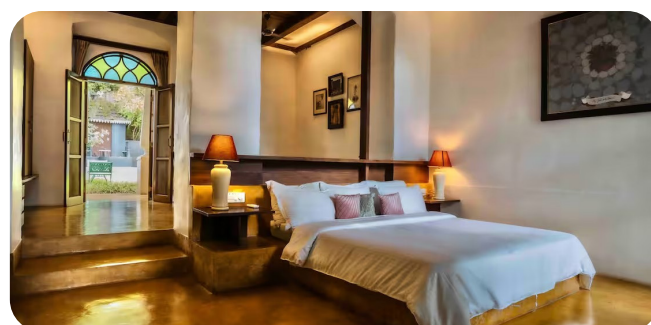
Birdsong has a plethora of paintings, linocuts, sculptures, masks, plates and artifacts collected over three decades from across India and the world.



The main hall, with its towering ceiling, contemporary furniture and beautiful art, is generous in space and has an inviting feel.



Birdsong has a courtyard swimming pool, a pool house, and lush greenery that surrounds it all.



One of the cozy bedrooms, featuring a comfortable king-size bed, two bay windows and a sitting area.



VIVENDA DOS PALHACOS: A HOME AWAY FROM HOME

Experience luxury living in a modest mansion surrounded by two serene beaches and scenic views.

The quiet village of Majorda in South Goa is famous for its picturesque beaches, making it an idyllic escape for travelers visiting the state. This breathtaking coastal gem is home to a boutique Airbnb called Vivenda Dos Palhacos - a 100-year-old modest Portuguese Mansion, which is a unique space for those who are seeking a perfect home away from home.

Outdoor Experiences in Majorda

Majorda Beach is Goa's longest beach, known for its soft golden sand, calm atmosphere, and lush greenery in Goa. It is only a kilometer away from the property.

Start your day with a peaceful morning walk along the beach, take in the stunning evening views as the sun dips below the horizon, or grab a bite at the famous Martin's Corner, a favorite of cricket icon Sachin Tendulkar.

Accessibility

18 km from Dabolim airport,
11 km from Madgaon railway station.

Key Attractions of the Property

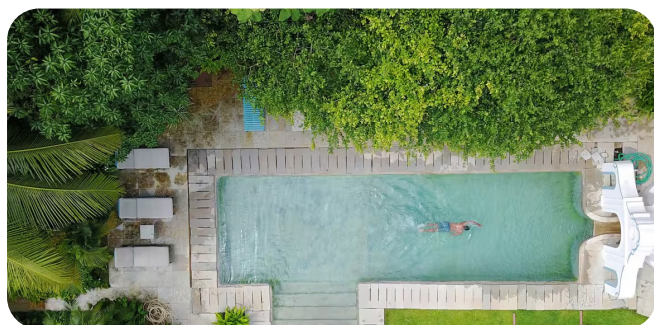
8 bedrooms, 12m swimming pool,
sunbathing area, lush garden area.

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There is something about Goan hospitality, which is untrainable and authentic. Vivenda Dos Palhacos is a home woven into the fabric of a traditional South Goan village. There are no signs, no reception, no rules, just a space where every guest feels like part of the family. Our staff, our furniture, and even our architecture tell a story of connection, history, and warmth. It's a place that attracts like-minded souls who arrive as guests and often leave as friends.

- Simon, Airbnb host for 13 years, Vivenda Dos Palhacos



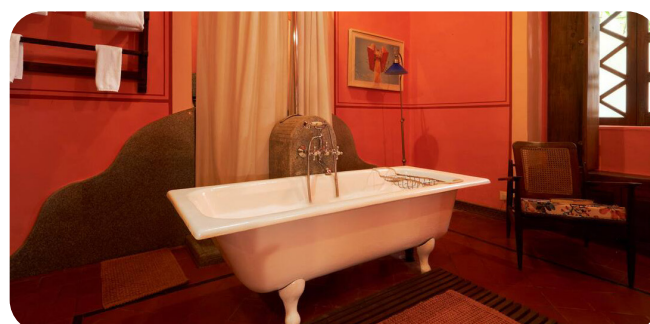
The 12-meter-long swimming pool, with sunbathing loungers sits peacefully at the back of the house.



The beautifully renovated exterior preserves the timeless charm of this 100-year-old Portuguese mansion.



The mansion features eight beautifully designed, uniquely themed bedrooms.



The spacious attached bathroom features a bathtub, perfect for a relaxing and aromatic soak.



EARTHSCAPE MANDREM: A BOUTIQUE LIVING EXPERIENCE, ELEVATED BY NATURE

Enjoy the tranquil side of North Goa, and rejuvenate your senses away from the bustle and the crowds.

With its white sandy beaches and serene ambience, Mandrem in North Goa is an idyllic destination for nature lovers. The roads here are bordered with palm trees, casuarinas, and green fields, and the tranquil neighborhoods evoke an irresistible old-world charm.

Nestled amidst this lush greenery and serene surroundings is Earthscape Mandrem, a delightful combination of modern amenities, open spaces, natural light, and earthy tones inspired by nature.

Outdoor Experiences in Mandrem

Enjoy a peaceful ride or an easy walk along the countryside in Mandrem. You will stumble upon boutique cafes, local restaurants, yoga studios, or wellness spas along the way. Unwind at a pottery workshop or partake in a spice-garden tour or browse through vibrant neighborhood markets. Closer to the beach, you'll have breathtaking views of vividly painted rustic wooden fishing boats against the backdrop of the blue sky and the gently rolling sea.

Accessibility

26 km from Mopa airport,
15 km from Pernem railway station.

Key Attractions of the Property

Twin cottages, swimming pool, poolside bar, sun loungers, open shower.



Goan hospitality is all about warmth, openness, and a genuine sense of care. We incorporate local elements in various aspects of our property and offer our guests the opportunity to experience traditional cuisine and the Goan ways of life. The idea behind Earthscape is to enable our guests to connect with nature and develop an appreciation for the local culture and craftsmanship. The property, the amenities, and the decor are inspired by Goan culture and designed to promote a sense of serenity, wellness, and eco-conscious living.

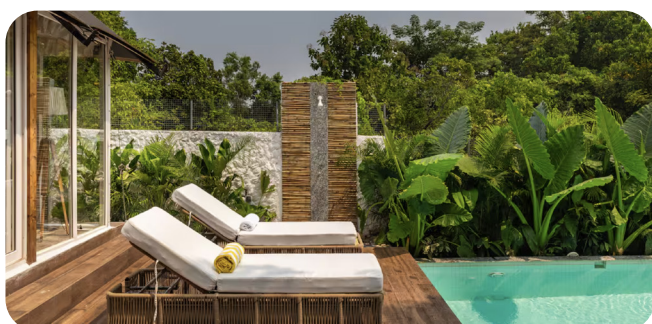
- Panav, Airbnb host for 9 years, Earthscape Mandrem



A cozy and elegant glamping retreat.



The bedroom has the airy, cozy feel of a large, luxurious tent.



Soak in the Goa sun on the poolside lounge chairs.



The stone-paved entrance to the homestay.



RIVERVIEW VILLA, CANACONA: A RIVERSIDE PERCH TO NATURE'S BEAUTY

Relax into the timeless charm and warm hospitality of this Goan home.

Nestled on the banks of the Talpona River in South Goa's Canacona, this beautiful villa offers a blend of natural beauty, luxuriant comfort, and modern design. Enjoy a serene, restful stay where indoors blend seamlessly into the outdoors through open verandas, airy bedrooms, and sunlit living spaces. And discover what Goa's 'susegad' way of life is really about.

Outdoor Experiences in Canacona

Sea-and-sand lovers will find Patnem Beach and Palolem Beach at a short walking distance. The host knows locals who can organize dolphin-watching boat trips, river tours, shoal-spotting, art and music workshops, and even teach you to climb a coconut tree. Nature enthusiasts can explore nearby forests, wildlife sanctuaries, dams, fishing spots, and turtle nesting sites. For those pursuing wellness and mindfulness, private yoga sessions at the villa are available on request.

Accessibility

22 km from Mopa airport,
15 km from Thivim railway station.

Key Attractions of the Property

2 bedrooms, spacious and sunlit living spaces,
private riverside deck, outdoor dining area.



I believe a great stay is about a picturesque location and a luxurious, personalized experience. We try to bring our guests closer to Goan culture through the villa's design elements, warm hospitality, and most importantly our food—whether it is freshly caught fish, fragrant coconut curries, or delectable vegetarian meals. We also have suggestions on some hidden gems and local experiences, beyond what's commonly known.

- **Shefali**, Airbnb host for 11 years, Riverview Villa, Canacona



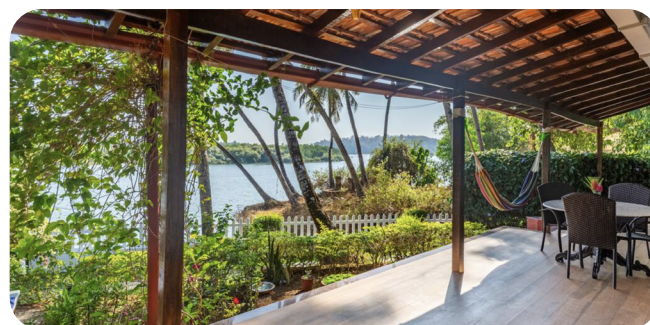
The elegant gazebo offers a breathtaking riverfront view and is ideal for morning coffees, sunset views, and stargazing at night.



The high-ceilinged interiors blend modern elegance and convenience with old-worldly Goan charm.



Wake up to bright morning sunlight, the chirping of birds, and a beautiful river view.



Relax in your own private garden surrounded by tropical greenery, hammocks, sunbeds, and an outdoor dining area. Ideal for summer trips.



MASAYA: AN OFF-THE-GRID MANSION HOUSE

Discover the charm of secluded luxury amidst the lush landscapes of South Goa.

Nestled in the village of Malkarne, Masaya offers an off-the-grid experience for those seeking a peaceful retreat. Surrounded by lush greenery and rolling hills, this home combines comfort and sustainability. The architecture is a blend of modern design and rustic charm, with earthy tones, open spaces, and natural light. The heated swimming pool, plush furnishings, handcrafted decor, and magnificent views of the surrounding hills create an alluring indoor atmosphere.

Outdoor Experiences in Malkarne

Malkarne's countryside is a treasure trove of natural beauty and cultural richness. Wander through the village's narrow lanes, lined with coconut groves and traditional Goan homes. Malkarne is also home to a unique annual festival called Sheni Ujo, celebrated in March as part of Shigmo, where locals gather to honor their agricultural heritage with music, dance, and vibrant processions. The village's hilly terrain adds to its charm, offering breathtaking views and peaceful nature walks. A short drive away, you can discover hidden beaches and pristine coves where the golden sand meets the turquoise sea.

Accessibility

46 km from Dabolim airport,
21 km from Madgaon railway station.

Key Attractions of the Property

6 bedrooms, green surroundings,
private chef, private home theatre
and party hall, heated swimming
pool.



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Masaya is an invitation to embrace the slower rhythms of life. We've created a space where guests can disconnect from the noise and rediscover the beauty of simplicity. From the carefully crafted interiors to the farm-to-table dining experience, every detail reflects our commitment to sustainability and mindful living.

- **Hardik**, Airbnb host for 3 years, Masaya



The heated swimming pool offers a breathtaking view of the mountains.



The bright, airy living room is a great place to sit and unwind with family and friends.



The bedrooms are luxurious and beautifully proportioned, with elegant wooden furniture.



Experience cinema-quality entertainment indoors with the fully equipped home theatre.

