## THE GOLKONDA FORT & QUTB SHAHI TOMBS TOUR

## **MORNING HALF DAY TOUR**

June 03, 2014 (Tuesday) - 8:30 AM to12:00 PM June 05, 2014 (Thursday) - 8:30 AM to12:00 PM

Min-Max Group Size: 10 to 30 persons

Travel in AC Coach

8:30 AM to 9:00 AM - Drive from HICC to Golconda Fort 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM - Tour of the Fort 10:00 AM to 10:15 AM - Drive to the Qutb Shahi Tombs 10:15 AM to 11:15 AM - Tour of the Qutb Shahi Tombs 11:15 AM to 12:00 PM - Drive back to HICC

## The Golkonda Fort



The Golkonda Fort is one of the most impressive forts in the country. The architecture includes some amazingly advanced acoustics systems that were used for signalling approaching enemy as well as for detecting conspiracies being hatched in palace corners.

The climb up the Fort would be a sometimes steep, sometimes easy climb of about 360 steps and has excellent views of the Qutb Shahi tombs just outside the Fort area, the Charminar in the distance and the rest of the city's landscape.

## The Qutb Shahi Tombs



The rulers of the Qutb Shahi Dynasty had a tradition of constructing their tombs during their lifetime. The Emperors tried to outdo their predecessor and the magnificence of the architecture advanced over time. The tombs tower over the landscape majestically. This architecture is a fascinating mix of Persian and the local styles. Remnants of the blue tile work on some of these elegant structures give us a peek into the richness of that was a trademark of this dynasty.