

THE MUSEUMS TOUR

MORNING HALF DAY TOUR

June 3, 2014 (Tuesday) - 9:30 AM to 2:00 PM

Min-Max Group Size: 10 to 30 persons

Travel in AC Coach

9:30 AM to 10:15 AM - Drive from HICC to Salar Jung Museum

10:30 AM to 12:00 noon - Tour of the Salar Jung Museum

12:00 noon to 12:15 PM - Drive to the City Museum at Purani Haveli

12:15 PM to 1:30 PM - Tour of the Purani Haveli Museum

1:30 PM to 2:00 PM - Drive back to HICC

Salar Jung Museum



One of the greatest collections of art pieces in the world is housed in Hyderabad. This treasure trove is a fascinating amalgam of antiquity and modernity and represents the three Salar Jungs' efforts to find the most exquisite pieces from across the world. It is believed that during the colonial period a lot of the art wealth of the country was shipped to the metropolitan countries and the Salar Jungs are credited with bringing back some of it to enrich the collection. Some of the most well-known pieces that you can find in this museum is the Veiled Rebecca, a masterpiece in marble carved by Giovanni Maria Benzoni, the Musical Clock made by Cook &

Kelvy of England that features a woodcutter who comes out every hour to strike the hour, the Ivory Collection Gallery featuring stunning pieces of art from across the world, the sections on Indian textiles, miniature paintings and a double-figured wooden piece by an unknown sculptor.



The Nizam's Museum and the City Museum at the Purani Haveli is an exhibition of the wealth of the Nizams and a tribute to the city of Hyderabad respectively. The main attractions at the Nizam's Museum are the beautiful gifts received by the Seventh Nizam especially the ones gifted on his completion of 25 years of rule. It has also has several beautiful miniatures of the prominent buildings of the city in silver and some unique letter holders. The Purani Haveli also has what are believed to be the longest wardrobes in the world which are reflective of the Sixth Nizam's love for clothes.

The City Museum is a more recent addition and chronicles in detail the history, culture, food and arts and crafts of Hyderabad. This museum is a labour of love put together by those who call Hyderabad their home and beautifully reflects the uniqueness of the city.

Note: Most of the main areas of the Salar Jung Museum can be accessed by wheelchair. However, the City Museum at Purani Haveli is on the first floor with no elevator or ramp access.

