

Off The Beaten Track Around **Pune**

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| Kelkar Museum | Historical | 0 | Near Shukravar Peth (Good) | MSRTC buses | Street food and restaurants | No need | 1 | Timings - 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. | All year round |
| Parvati | Scenic spot | 12 | Pune City | MSRTC buses + a short trek | Street food | No need | 1 | Beautiful temples, timings - 5:00 am and close at 8:00 | All year round |
| Ghoradeshwar caves | Temple | 20 | Near Dehu Police station | Own transport / Local train | Small hotel | Not available | 1 | Caves built by Pandavas on small mountain covered with trees | All year long |
| Khadakwasla Lake | Water spot | 20 | Sinhagad Road (Good) | MSRTC buses | Chowpati food | No need | 1 | Beautiful Picnic spot | All year long |
| Sinhagad | Fort | 30 | Sinhagad Road (Good) | MSRTC buses + a short trek | Authentic maharashtrian food | No need | 1 | Beautiful Picnic spot | Ideally during winter |
| Baneshwar | Temple/ waterfall | 38 | Satara road | MSRTC buses | Available at hotels | No need | 1 | Old beautiful lord shiva temple and waterfall nearby. | Best between August & February |
| Purandar fort | Fort | 43 | Near Narayanpur | MSRTC buses | Not available | No need | 1 | | |
| Tikona | Fort/ Mountain trek | 48 | Near Kamshet | MSRTC buses | Street food | No need | 1 | Trekking, rock climbing and scenic views of Pawna dam | All year round |
| Panshet Dam | Water spot | 50 | Donaje Phata (Good) | MSRTC buses | Restaurant food | Not necessary | 1 | Beautiful Picnic spot | All year round |
| Lohagad | Fort | 52 | Near Malawli village | MSRTC buses | Restaurant and street food | Available at Lohagaon | 1 | Visit Vinchu kata and bhaje caves | All year round |
| Bedse Caves | Historical | 55 | Old Mumbai-Pune highway | Own transport | Not available | Not available | 1 | Nice place to visit because of its scenic location and remoteness | Best during or after monsoons |
| Morachi Chincholi | Heritage village | 56 | Ahmednagar road | MSRTC buses to Shikhrapur | Available at Hotels | Resorts and Eco-tourism centers | 2 | Famous for Tamarind trees and dancing Peacocks and Peahens. | June to December |
| Karla Caves | Historical | 58 | Near Lonavla (Good) | MSRTC buses | Some restaurants | Resorts and MTDC hotels | 1 | Rated on of the best caves in India | June to Jan |
| Lavasa | Hill station | 60 | Paud Road (Good) | MSRTC buses | Restaurant food | No need | 1 | Lots of scenic spots en route | All year long |
| Khandala | Hill station | 63 | Near Lonavla | MSRTC buses and Railway | Available at resorts and restaurants | Resorts & hotels | 1-2 | A pride of sahyadri mountains gifted with natural beauty. | Best between October and May |
| Bhushi Dam | Water spot | 69 | Near Lonavla (Good) | MSRTC buses | Street food | No need | 1 | Carry an extra set of clothes | All year long |

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| Karde Beach | Beach | 72 | Near Dapoli | Own transport | Available at restaurants | Available | 1 | One of the most clean and serene beaches | All year round |
| Nighoj Potholes | Water spot | 75 | Ahmednagar road | MSRTC buses | Tea stalls and small eats | No need | 1 | A deep canyon resulting a huge pothole like structures carved in rock beds formed by river. | Best time during June/July |
| Lions View Point | Hill station | 76 | Lonavala (Good) | MSRTC buses to Lonavala | Available at restaurants | Available | 1 | Awesome views, dozens of small waterfalls and strong winds. | Ideal during monsoons |
| Shivling Peak | Mountain trek | 76 | Lonavala (Good) | MSRTC buses to Lonavala | Available at restaurants | Available | 1 | Awesome view and gradual slope. Can try adventurous climbing. | Ideal During monsoons |
| Mulshi Dam/lake | Water spot | 76 | Paud Road (Good) | MSRTC buses | Restaurant food | No need | 1 | Beautiful Picnic spot | All year long |
| Tamhini Ghat | Tamhini Ghat | 77 | Before Mulshi (Average) | Own transport | Tea stalls and small eats | No need | 1 | Old beautiful lord shiva temple and waterfall nearby. | All year long |
| Korigad | Mountain trek/Fort | 88 | Near Aamby valley (Average) | Own transport | Restaurant and street food | Available at Amby valley | 1 | | |
| Wai village | Village/Scenic Location/Temples/Dam | 89 | Near Satara | MSRTC buses | Available at Hotels | Available | 1 | Surrounded by Mountainous region and located on the banks of Krishna River | All year round |
| Durshet | Nature trails | 100 | Khopli | Own transport | Restaurant food | Forest lodges | 1-2 days | Explore activities like Rappeling, Kayaking. River Crossing. Treks | Not recommended in January |
| Bamnoli | Village/Scenic Location | 100 | Near Satara (Good) | MSRTC buses till Satara and then autos | Tea stalls and small eats | Not necessary | 1 | Boat trip to Shivsagar lake and Tapola (mini kashmir) | June to September |
| Kundalika River | Water spot | 100 | Near Kolad | Own transport | Resorts and restaurants | Available | 2 | This place is famous for rafting | Ideal from October to March. |
| Panchgani | Hill station | 102 | Near Mahabaleshwar | MSRTC buses | Resorts and restaurants | Hotels available | 2 or 3 | Awesome scenic place settled & surrounded by 5 hills of sahyadri. | All Seasons |
| Varandha Ghat | Scenic spot | 108 | En route to Konkan | Own transport | Tea stalls and small eats | Not necessary | 1 | Lots of waterfalls en route | Ideally during monsoons |
| Pratapgad | Fort | 109 | Near Mahabaleshwar | MSRTC buses till Mahabaleshwar | Available at hotels | Not necessary | 1 | Historically important forts in Maharashtra | All year long |
| Kolad | Water spot | 114 | Mulshi road | MSRTC buses | Available at resorts and restaurants | Resorts & hotels | 2 | A spectacular place to experience pleasure of water river rafting. | Best in Jan-Feb |
| Mahabaleshwar | Hill station | 120 | Near Satara | MSRTC buses | Available at resorts and restaurants | Resorts and MTDC hotels | 2 | Soaring peaks, breathtaking valleys, cool mountain air. | All the year except monsoon months |

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| Karnala | Fort/Bird sanctuary | 122 | Near panvel | MSRTC & taxis | Resorts and restaurants | Resorts and hotels | 1 | Renowned fort city, greenery and natural habitat of many birds. | Best during Winter |
| Raigad | Fort | 125 | Konkan region | MSRTC buses | Local MH food, & restaurant food | No need | 1 | Famous for its ropeway | All year long |
| Matheran | Hill station | 126 | Raigad district | Own transport | Restaurant food | Hotels and resorts | 1 - 2 | Clean hill station, perfect for a romantic getaway | All year long |
| Bhimashankar | Temple | 127 | Near Khed | MSRTC buses | Available at Hotels | Hotels and Dharamshala | 1 | An ancient shrine, one of the 12 Jyotirlingas of Shiva. | Best between August and February |
| Maalsej | Hill station | 130 | Pune-Nashik and then Ahmednagar - Kalyan | MSRTC buses to Satara & autos | Restaurant food | Available | 2 | The route to Thoseghar is beautiful and scenic | Ideal during monsoons |
| Kaas Plateau | Scenic spot | 134 | Near Satara (Good) | MSRTC buses to Satara & autos | Restaurant food | Available | 1 | A place for flora researchers, nature lovers & photographers | Ideal in August to October |
| Murud | Beach | 166 | Near Dapoli | Own transport | Restaurant food | Hotels | 1 - 2 | Beautiful, clean beaches, with lots of water sports | All year long |
| Kashid beach | Beach | 171 | Mulshi road | MSRTC buses | Available at Hotels | Resorts and hotels | 2 | White sand, blue seas, green mountains, paddy fields and rivulets | All year round |
| Sandhan Valley | Mountain trek | 180 | Bhandardara near Nashik | Own transport | Restaurant food | Not available | 1 - 2 | River valley carved through narrow gorges | September to February |
| Panhala | Scenic spot | 232 | Near Kolhapur | MSRTC buses Kolhapur - Panhala | Restaurant food | Hotels | 1 - 2 | Explore the small forest near guhagar | June to September |
| Kundalika River | Water spot | 100 | Near Kolad | Own transport | Resorts and restaurants | Available | 2 | This place is famous for rafting | Ideal from October to March. |
| Guhagar | Beach | 250 | Ratnagiri district | Own transport | Restaurant food | Hotels available | 2 or 3 | Serence and picturesque place | All year long |
| Dajipur | Wildlife sanctuary | 283 | Near Kolhapur | Own transport | Restaurant food | Jungle resorts | 2 or 3 | This place is a bison wild life sanctuary | All year long |
| Ganpati Pule | Beach | 308 | Konkan region | MSRTC buses | Restaurant food | MTDC and resorts | 2 | Ideal place for peace lovers and those looking for some spirituality | All year long |
| Ajanta Ellora | Historical | 339 | Aurangabad | MSRTC buses | Restaurant food | Hotels | 2 or 3 | 300 rock-cut Buddhist cave monuments from 2nd century BCE | All year long |
| Amboli | Hill station | 346 | Goa road | MSRTC buses | Available at resorts and restaurants | Resorts and hotels | 2 or 3 | Beautiful Hill station with variety of fairly unique flora and fauna. | Best during or after monsoons |

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| Sindhudurg | Fort | 369 | Konkan region | MSRTC buses | Resorts food | Resorts, hotels & home stays | 2-3 | Stands on a rocky island and is famous for its historical reverence | All year long |
| Tarkarli | Beach/Scuba-diving/Boating | 392 | Near Sindhudurg | MSRTC buses | Hotel & restaurant food | Resorts and MTDC hotels | 2 | Beach with natural safety, famous for its clear water and silver sand. | All year long |
| Arambol | Beach | 410 | Goa road | MSRTC buses to Goa and taxis | Available at guest houses | Guest houses, Houses and Homestays | 2-3 | Beautiful beach in Goa with paragliding and kite surfing. | All year long |



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