

About Chennai



Chennai, the capital city of **Tamil Nadu** [2] is sited on the Coromandel Coast of the Bay of Bengal. Chennai is also known as the 'Gateway to South India'. The earlier name of the city, Madras is believed to be originated from Madrasapattinam, a fishing village located north of the St. George Fort. It has played a very crucial role in the traditional, historical and academic growth of the country, representing the different elements of the highest variety of the Dravidian civilization. Today, Chennai, the capital city is the 4th largest city of India and is also the leading commercial centre of South India. The credit of the booming economy of the city goes to the leading industries including automobile, software services, petrochemicals, financial services, textiles and hardware manufacturing. Also, Chennai, being an important metropolitan city is very well-connected to all the major cities of India as well as with the countries overseas. And, it is also considered as the cultural hub of South India which is famous for its affluent heritage in classical dance, music, architecture, sculpture, crafts, etc.

The Tidel Park of the capital city is the largest IT Park in Asia; it also houses the head offices of leading software companies. It is also known as the Detroit of India because of its automobile industry which produces more than 40% of the auto parts and motor vehicles in India. Chennai is the second leading exporter of information technology (IT) and business process outsourcing (BPO) services in India. Official language spoke in Tamil but English, Telugu, and Hindi, Malayalam are other language spoken in Chennai, which has population of 6.4 million with people belonging to Hindu, Islam, Christian, Sikhs, Parsis, Buddhists and Jains. Chennai is spread through 178.20 sq.km, with tropical season throughout the year. South west Monsoon is from June to September and North east monsoon from October to December. Best time to visit Chennai is from November to February.

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