

HOW TO REACH GOA

Goa, India | Best time: November to February

Goa is well connected by two airports, Konkan Railway services and national highways. Dabolim is convenient for South and central Goa, while Manohar International Airport at Mopa serves North Goa particularly well. Madgaon and Thivim are the main railheads. Choose your arrival point according to your beach because cross-state taxi travel can add several hours.

BY AIR

Dabolim Airport (GOI) | 29 km from Panaji | 45-60 minutes

Transfers: Airport taxi, app cab, rental car or hotel transfer. Taxi: Rs 900-Rs 1,800.

BY TRAIN

Madgaon Junction | 28 km from Panaji | 45-60 minutes

Transfers: Prepaid taxi, local bus or rental vehicle

ROAD ROUTES

Mumbai: 590 km, 11-13 hours. Daily sleeper and Volvo buses. Route:

Mumbai-Pune-Kolhapur-Belagavi-Goa

Bengaluru: 560 km, 10-12 hours. Frequent overnight buses. Route:

Bengaluru-Hubballi-Dharwad-Goa

Pune: 450 km, 8-10 hours. Frequent private buses. Route: Pune-Satara-Kolhapur-Belagavi

Mangaluru: 360 km, 7-8 hours. Coastal buses and trains available. Route:

Mangaluru-Karwar-Canacona-Goa

TRAVEL TIPS

1. Confirm whether your flight lands at Dabolim or Mopa before booking a hotel transfer.
2. Avoid peak Friday-evening highway traffic during long weekends.
3. Carry a valid licence if renting a scooter or car.
4. Book Christmas and New Year transport several weeks ahead.
5. Keep light rain protection from June through September.

BEST OPTION

Fly to the airport closest to your resort for short trips; the Konkan Railway is the best-value scenic option from Mumbai and coastal Karnataka.