Phaltan Rajwada-

The Rajwada (Royal residence of the Maratha Kings) is situated just 11kms from the hotel. Its construction commenced in 1861 & was completed on 6th May 1875. A new portion was added to the Rajwada whose construction was completed in 1911. This was named Mudhoji Manmohan Palace who ruled the Phaltan State from 10th February 1860 to 17th October 1916.

Mudhoji Manmohan Rajwada, an old palace in the city of Phaltan in Maharashtra, India was once the maternal home of Sambhaji Maharaj, son of the founder of the Maratha Empire, who succeeded the realm after his father’s death. The compound consists of residential buildings, The Ram Mandir, spacious courtyards, and long halls. The interior reflects the architectural style of the period, from the intricate hand-carved woodwork seen in the columns and arches to the rich color palette in the paintings and tapestries. All of the rooms in the palace open out onto a central courtyard, or chowk, demonstrating a key feature in Indian architecture, allowing cool air to flow throughout the various rooms. The opulence of this royal home along with its architectural wonder makes it a very sought after attraction for tourists visiting the town of Phaltan.
The excellent maintenance of this monument speaks volumes about the passion behind maintaining the glorious heritage. A guided tour of the Rajwada is available only through Hotel Jakson Inns. A meal experience can also be offered (Royal Maratha Thali) at the Rajwada which is charged separately & is not part of the tour cost.
**Ram Mandir- 8 KM**

Situated at Ravivar Peth, Phaltan, Distance from Jakson Inns to Ram Mandir is 8 KM, takes 15min to reach Mandir.

It is an old Temple of beautiful statues of Hindu gods **Ram, Sita and Laxman** in black stone who is said to be Gram Daivat of the city.

Ram Janm Ustav is celebrated every year, thousands of people gather for this celebration. "**Ram-Rath**" is the attraction for this festival.
Jabreshwar Mandir- 11KM

Temple of Lord Shiva which is called Jabreshwar Mandir is located at Ravivar Peth, Phaltan. Distance from Jakson Inns to Ram Mandir is 11 KM, takes 15 to 18 min to reach Mandir.

It is an 800 year old temple in Phaltan and has beautiful stone carvings.
Pussegaon Windmills- 60km

Pussegaon windmills is 60km away from hotel, takes 1.5hours to reach.

You can catch a glimpse of hundreds of gigantic windmills set amidst the adjoining hills. The windmills are at a height of 625 meters. They are made of reinforced Carbon Fiber & the towers of Reinforced Steel. The electricity generated is between V100 – produces 1.8MW/ second & V110 – produces 2 MW/ second. This occurs only if the wind speed is between 7 m/s to 20 m/s. If the speed of the wind drops to 3 m/s it will only produce 500KW of power.

Usually servicing takes place after 5-7 years. These blades are loaded onto trailers, brought to the site & scanned in 3D (internally). The engineers go inside the blades to rectify them. There is an elevator leading to the top of the windmills & yes they do change directions depending upon the direction in which the wind blows.

Jakson Inns offers picnics at the site (between 3:30 p.m to 5:30 p.m.) topped up with a basket of goodies & beverages. Lounge amidst the hills & enjoy the wind in your hair. The location is also ideal to experience mesmerizing sunsets.

Organic farm & Sugarcane fields- 15km-20 minutes from Jakson inns

Organic farms and sugarcane fields are located in the vicinity of Jakson Inns. Jakson Inns organized fruit & vegetable plucking such as tomatoes, coriander, brinjal, pomegranates. One can also taste freshly chopped sugarcane on farm tours. The tours are generally done by taking guests around in a tractor.

Other unique experiences of milking a cow, horse riding, feeding cattle are also provided to guests. To top it all, enjoy a farm breakfast by the riverside enjoying every inch of nature come alive.
Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK)- 22km-40 minutes from Jakson Inns

The Krishi Vigyan Kendra is a district level Farm Science Center established by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), New Delhi at Agricultural Development Trust Baramati for speedy transfer of technology to the farmers' fields. It imparts training to the farmers, farmwomen, rural youth and field level extension functionaries by following the principles of "teaching by doing" and "learning by doing".

Apart from scientific methods of farming, there is a beautiful farm with many varies of fruits & vegetables. Highly recommend are the beautiful Zebra(flower) plantations & the gladiola flowers. KVK also has a cattle farm. On can ride the farm on a bullock cart & experience fresh coconut water & organic fruit.

Dhumalwadi Waterfall- 27km

Distance from Jakson Inns to Waterfall is 27 km, takes 1 hour to reach.

Dhumalwadi is a one day picnic spot. Enter Dhumalwadi from a small Ghat. The scenery immediately changes from villages to beautiful greenery surrounded by forests & mountains. The route to waterfall from dhumalwadi is very scenic in rainy season, giving wonderful views all along the way.

The best time to visit is the monsoon season.
Varugad Fort- 27.3 km

Distance from Jakson Inns to Varugad Fort is 27.3 km, takes 1 hour to reach.

Varugad fort is situated at Satara region of Sahyadris. Varugad is a hill fort. It is at a 2900 ft height. History says that the fort built by Shivaji Maharaj. Varugad is comprised of twelve small villages called 'Vadyas'. The main point is Bhairavnaath Temple. At the back side of Bhairavnaath Temple, the actual fort is placed with a deep valley in front of the temple.
Morgaon Ganpati- 47.5 km

Shri Mayureshwar Mandir or Shri Moreshwar Mandir is Hindu temple dedicated to Ganesha, the elephant head of the God of wisdom. It is located in Morgaon at 47.5 km away from Phaltan, takes approximately 1.5 hours to reach.

The Morgaon temple is the starting point of the pilgrimage of eight revered temples of Ganesha, around Pune. The temple circuit is known as Ashtavinayak ("Eight Ganeshas"). The pilgrimage is considered incomplete if the pilgrim does not visit the Morgaon temple at the end of the pilgrimage. The Morgaon temple is not only the most important temple in the Ashtavinayak circuit, but also is described as "India's foremost Ganesha pilgrimage".
Jejuri Temple - 45km

Jejuri temple is located at Jejuri town, around 45 km from Phaltan and takes 1.15 hours to reach to the temple.

The town is known for being the venue of one of the revered temples in the state, known as Khadobachi Jejuri. The temple is dedicated to Khandoba also known as Martanda Bhairava and Malhari, is a Hindu God, worshipped as a form of Shiva. He is the most popular Kuladaivat in Maharashtra.
**Sakharwadi Sugar Factory- 15km**

Sakharwadi is a town and Gram Panchayat of Phaltan tehsil, Satara district, Maharashtra. This place is situated at about 15 km North-East from Phaltan City, takes 15min to reach from Jakson Inns to Sugar factory.

Sakharwadi Word Means Village of Sugar, as one of the Industrialist Mr. Apte from Pune established the first Private Sugar Factory of Maharashtra named New Phaltan Sugar Works Ltd., Sakharwadi (Phaltan) in the 1930s.

**Pandharpur- 115km, 2 hours from Jakson Inns**

Pandharpur is most popular pilgrimage city located on the banks of the Bhima River, which is alternatively known as Chandrabhaga because of its half-moon-like shape. The city is named after a great merchant, Pundalik, who achieved self-realization there.

Pandharpur, also known as Pandhari, hosts the renowned Vitthal temple on the banks of Bhimā.

Vitthal regarded in Hinduism as a form of Lord Krishna or Vishnu and his consort Rakhumai.

It is the most visited temple in Maharashtra. The Warkaris start marching from their homes to the temple of Pandharpur in groups called Dindi to reach on Aashadhi Ekadashi and Kartiki Ekadashi. A dip in holy river Chandrabhaga on whose banks Pandharpur resides, is believed to have power to wash Sins. All the devotees are allowed to touch the feet of the idol of Vithoba. In May 2014, the temple became first in India to invite women and people from backward classes as priests.
**Shirdi- 237.2km**

Shirdi best known as the late 19th Century home of the popular Guru Shirdi Sai Baba. It is one of the richest temple organizations. Shirdi being a pilgrimage centre, on any day some 25,000 devotees come for Darsha.

**Four Seasons Vineyard- 56.1 km, 1.45 hrs from Jakson Inns**

Four seasons Wines limited produces wines from Grapes grown around Sahyadri Valley in Maharashtra and at its state-of-the-art Four seasons winery near Baramati around 56km from Phaltan.

One can walk around the facility while a guide explains the process of making good quality wine. This exquisite tour will let you soak in the natural beauty and aroma of vineyards. Known for being the harvesting grounds for several award-winning Indian wines, this tourist destination will definitely let you savour some of India’s premium wines. It also educates you about the arduous process of winemaking. While on the tour, you will also get the chance to go back to the basics and stomp grapes to make wine! A meal experience at the vineyards also forms a part of this tour.
Fratelli Wines- 66km-1.45hrs from Jakson Inns

The word Fratelli translates to 'Brothers' in Italian. An Indo-Italian venture, Fratelli was set up in 2007 with the intention to produce the best wines in the country. Collaboration between three families along with the viticulture and wine-making expertise of Piero Masi, master wine maker from Tuscany, the partnership aims to bring in Italian wine making tradition coupled with the best that the Indian wine terrain has to offer. The winery has a beautiful cellar where wine tasting is also done. Best time to visit the vineyards is during harvest season Dec-March, where one can enjoy plucking & crushing of grapes. A meal experience at the vineyards also forms a part of this tour.
Thoseghar Waterfalls- 88km

Thoseghar waterfalls is a scenic spot located near the small village of Thoseghar, 88 km from Phaltan city, at the edge of the Konkan region. There are a series of waterfalls, some of them 15 to 20 metres and one of 500 metres in height. People come from all over Maharashtra to visit the area, especially during the rainy or monsoon season, July to November. Heavy rain falls during that season cause a gush of water pouring down the hills which make the falls even more spectacular. The immediate area is calm and quiet, with a clean lake and dark woods in a hilly area.
Sajjangad- 80km

Sajjangad is 80 kms from Phaltan where Samarth Ramdas took his Samadhi. Sajjangad is 3000 ft above sea level. Samarth Ramdas was an inspiration and mentor and a spiritual teacher/Guru to the Great Maratha King Chatrapatti Shivaji Maharaj in his fight for Swaraj.
**Bamnoli- 99km**

This is probably the easiest way to experience the lakes of Switzerland, right in Maharashtra! Bamnoli village on the banks of the Shivsagar lake formed due to the Koyna dam. There is a small community of people, who mainly cater to the tourists wanting to visit Vasota fort, Nageshwar Shiv Temple and also Tapola. Located at a distance of 99 km from Phaltan, one can just go for a ride around the Shivsagar lake or, go for a boat trip to Tapola, also known as mini Kashmir. One can also go on a guided tour to Vasota fort or the famous Nageshwar Shiv temple. This tour is highly recommended.

**Dhom Dam- 74km**

Dhom Dam, is a very beautiful picnic spot located at a distance of 74 kms from hotel near Wai Village. This Dam is built on Krishna River & it has boating facilities. From Wai village, it’s around 9Kms. This 9km stretch is full of greenery and mango trees on both sides of the road. This is one of the favorite location for Bollywood shoots. Some of the movies which are shot here includes Rab ne bana de Jodi, Swades, Chennai Express, Singham, Dabang.
Ajinkyatara Fort- 66km-1hours 20 minutes

"Ajinkyatara Fort is 66 from Phaltan city. Ajinkyatara (meaning "The Impregnable Star") is a fort on one of the seven mountains surrounding the city of Satara in the Sahayadri Mountains of Maharashtra. It is a 16th Century fort. The fort is located at Ajinkyatara Mountain, which is 3,300 feet high. As the fort is in the higher altitude, visitors can enjoy a magnificent view of the entire Satara city. In 1708, Shahu Maharaj won Ajinkyatara. It remained with the Marathas till 1818. The Ajinkyatara fort is a major historic place of Maharashtra, and was very vital as one could keep watch of the entire South of Maharashtra. "This was the place where Tarabai was imprisoned by Shahu".
Kaas Lake - 89.8km

Kaas lake is on the south of the Kaas Plateau, is surrounded by dense forests and lies between Sajjangad fort and the Kanher Dam. It is just like a bowl carved out of the Sahyadri mountains. Koyna project is around 30 km towards the south of Kaas Lake. Apart from these, there are number of other scenic places like caves, picnic spots, boating places, temples etc. which attract tourists from all parts of the world. The place is a hub of scenic beauty, wildlife and holy places. Vajarai Waterfall is also near from Kaas which is India's highest waterfall now.
Kas Pathar- 80km

Kas Pathar/Kas Plateau is about 80 kms from Phaltan city. It is where one finds the Valley of Flowers during monsoon, ie. in month of August/September. Nearly 300 different kinds of species of flowering plants, orchids (more than 150 types), shrubs and grasses can be spotted here. Many of the flowering plants are insect eaters ie these plants are carnivorous in nature. The flowering plants also bring in different types of birds amongst which one is bulbul. It has been declared as Biodiversity World Heritage Site by The United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).
Mahabaleshwar - 100.9km

Mahabaleshwar is a hill station in India's forested Western Ghats range, south of Mumbai and 100.9km from Phaltan.

Winding roads, cool breeze at all times, vantage points offering breathtaking views of hills and valleys, plenty of strawberries to gorge on and a main street full of shops offering all kinds of curios and snacks, that’s Mahabaleshwar which along with Panchgani makes for a wonderful day trip.

Mahabaleshwar is a vast plateau measuring 150 kilometers, bound by valleys on all sides. Mahabaleshwar comprises three villages: Malcolm Peth, Old ‘Kshetra’ Mahabaleshwar and part of a village called Shindola. The hill station is the source of the Krishna River that flows across Maharashtra, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh. The legendary source of the river is a spout from the mouth of a statue of a cow in the ancient temple of Mahadev in Old Mahabaleshwar.
**Wai Ganesh Temple- 68.8km**

Wai Ganesh Temple is located at Wai village, 68.8km from Phaltan takes 2 hours to reach from Phaltan.

Ganpati temple also known as Mahaganapati temple or Dholya Ganapati temple because of the big size of Ganesha statue. Its 10 feet tall and 8 feet wide. In Marathi language ‘Dholya’ means huge or fat.

The Ganesha statue is in sitting position and looks very happy and positive and is located on bank of Krishna river in Wai.

One of the unique feature of this temple is the ‘fish shape’ given to the back of the temple. This is done to protect the temple from floods in Krishna river. The fish shape of temple back, will divide the water current and will reduce the water pressure on the temple and thus protecting it from floods.

**Aundh Museum- 73km, 2 hours**

Aundh Museum is located at Satara, 73km away from Jakson Inns.

Museum was built by the Raja of Aundh, late Bhawanrao Pantpratinidhi in 1938. The museum has 500 miniature paintings of all major schools - Jaipur, Kangra, Mughal, Punjab, Bijapur, Pahadi and Maratha of the period between 15th and 19th century. Shri Bhavani Museum is probably the only museum in India, which has such a large collection. The Museum exhibits mainly the work of Bhawanrao done in his lifetime. Shri Bhavani Museum also has the famous stone created structure of 'Mother and Child' by Henry Moore. It was last exhibited in Delhi 10 years ago. The museum has four sections entirely devoted to Western paintings that includes Madonna of the Book by Andrea Del Sarto; a Rembrandt self-portrait, In The Prison Of Aurangzeb by A.H. Muller, Beggar Boy by Bartona Morilla, Franciso by L. Goya, Boy Volunteer by G.G. Hierice, Game of Draughts by F. Morelli, Pairs by Cornil and many more.
Places Of Interest In Phaltan

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