

A VISIT TO OUR ROOTS...

-a village visit

The majority of India's population lives in its villages and yet, there exists a huge disparity and ignorance when it comes to urban India's knowledge about its rural counterpart. In an attempt to bridge this gap, DakshinaChitra also offers a visit to a nearby village, Siruthavur, which is about 30 mins from the center. The students will be accompanied by our tour guide, Mr. Ramachandran, a teacher and a local of the village.



Dakshina Chitra



THE LIVING MUSEUM

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workshops : Rs.400/- per student
village visit : Rs.500/- per student
Duration : 3 hours

Ideal for children between 8-15 years
With prior registration only
Workshops limited to 40 students

DakshinaChitra timings:

Weekdays: 10 am- 6 pm / Weekends: 10 am- 7 pm
Closed on Tuesdays

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DakshinaChitra presents...

Experiential Workshops



This year, we bring you workshops that have been carefully designed to make learning a memorable experience for children. Smaller groups ensure that the learning is more focussed and interactive. Students get to participate, discuss and think about new ideas.

COMMUNITY LIVING



A thought-provoking workshop on the pros and cons of community living in villages, this workshop enables children to think about how our definitions of "community" have changed because of urbanisation.

The students will explore two houses and study the role of various artists and architects in the building of our heritage. Several cultural activities are also part of this workshop, so that they can understand the role of such community activities in bringing people together. There will also be discussions on inclusivity and acceptance within a community.

SPECIAL ACTIVITY:
BLOCK-PRINTING
FOLK DANCING

SUSTAINABLE LIVING: being at peace with the environment

"What can we learn from villages about sustainable living? How do we reconnect with nature? How can we find solutions and alternatives to non-sustainable materials?"

In this workshop children will learn about sustainable materials used in villages, and they will begin to understand their responsibilities to the Earth and our environment.



SPECIAL ACTIVITY:
PAINTING ON CLOTH BAGS
CRAFTS FROM RECYCLED PLASTIC

APPRECIATING VERNACULAR ARCHITECTURE



How were homes constructed in the olden days? What purpose does each design element serve? This session will be about the vernacular architecture of our villages, the architecture of the bygone days. In this discussion, the students will also learn to appreciate the work of the artisans and the masons in the building of our ancestral homes. They will also understand the solutions which vernacular architecture can provide to our modern housing problems.

SPECIAL ACTIVITY:
DESIGNING A FLOOR PLAN
HANDS-ON BUILDING ACTIVITY