At Club Mahindra Emerald Palms, you have no choice but to slow down and catch your breath. Imagine long days just relaxing in the sand, getting tanned and sampling delicious cuisine at your lazy getaway, Goa, which offers much more than just beaches or seasonal water sports. Unhurried by the passage of time, it’s a doorway to ancient churches, forts, villages and the Goan culture. Come unwind at one of the world’s favourite beach destinations.

Weather report
Summer: 29°C to 35°C, March to May
Monsoon: 23°C to 29°C, June to Sept.
Avg. Rainfall: 21 to 29 inches

Getting there

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On track
(Railway Station closest to Club Mahindra Emerald Palms): Margao - 10 km

Resort comforts
A sprawling Portuguese villa, Club Mahindra Emerald Palms brings you the very best of Goan hospitality at the resort. Step in to enjoy the comfort and spaciousness of air-conditioned rooms complete with all modern amenities that include sofa-cum-beds, double beds and a Cable TV. Have a great time and enjoy some well-deserved fun in the pool. And if all the fun is working up your appetite, you can feast on some authentic Goan delicacies at the resort’s open-air restaurant, which is open during particular seasons only.

Things to do there
Goa offers a host of seasonal water sports guaranteed to keep you occupied for the whole day. Go snorkelling, jet skiing, paragliding or banana boat riding. Those with a penchant for culture will delight in the sheer number of churches, temples, forts and beaches that are just waiting to be explored.

Discover Goa

- **Varca Beach**
  Situated in Benaulim in South Goa, Varca is famous for its seafood and Dolphin watching.

- **Dona Paula Beach**
  One of the most famous beaches in India, it has a compelling history of love and heartbreak.

- **Miramar Beach**
  Located at the confluence of the Arabian Sea and an estuary of River Mandovi, Miramar is one of the most visited beaches of Goa.
**Places to see**

1. Varca Beach
2. Dona Paula Beach
3. Miramar Beach
4. Colva Beach
5. Benaulim Beach
6. Se Cathedral
7. Church of St. Augustine
8. Sri Datta Mandir
9. Sri Damodar Temple

- **Colva Beach**
  The oldest beach in Goa, this beach boasts of silver sands, swaying coconut trees, turquoise blue water and offers a picture perfect setting.

- **Benaulim Beach**
  The breathless beauty of this beach attracts tourists from all over the world.

- **Se Cathedral**
  This magnificent 16th century edifice was built during Portuguese rule in Goa and is considered to be the largest church in Asia.

- **Church of St. Augustine**
  The ruins of St. Augustine Church are one of the most spectacular monuments in Goa.

- **Sri Datta Mandir**
  Dedicated to the Hindu trinity of Lord Vishnu, Lord Shiva and Lord Brahma, devotees claim that people who come here with mental ailments are miraculously cured.

- **Sri Damodar Temple**
  Located in Sanguem, this beautiful temple is considered sacred by Hindus and Christians alike.

**Some foodie delights**

Combining the best of both worlds, Goan cuisine is a blend of Portuguese as well as native influences. Begin your love affair with Goan food with **Xitt-kodi** - a plate of steaming hot boiled rice and fish curry, a staple in every Goan household. Spice lovers; indulge your taste buds with a plate of **Shark Ambotik** or perhaps a **Fish Recheado**, a wonderfully tasty Goan red masala. Or gorge on dishes preserved in toddy vinegar, especially the fiery **Vindaloo**, **Balchao** and **Sorpotel**. Team it up with **Sannas**, fermented rice cakes, which make a perfect complement! And whatever you do, do not forget to have a go at the rich green **Chicken Cafreal** as well as the tasty **Xacuti**. Their addictive aroma will be ‘music’ to your senses.

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