



# Walking Tour: Architectural Mumbai

Mumbai's defining visual feature is its distinctive mix of colonial-era architecture, including gorgeous art deco creations from the 1920s and '30s.

**Start** Gateway of India  
**Distance** 3.5km  
**Duration** 1¾ hours



**6** Backtrack past Flora Fountain and south to the august High Court and the ornate **University of Mumbai** ([www.mu.ac.in](http://www.mu.ac.in); Bhaurao Patil Marg).

**7** Cross the Oval Maidan for the art deco beauties along its west side, especially **Eros cinema** ([www.eroscinema.co.in](http://www.eroscinema.co.in); Maharshi Karve Rd, Churchgate).

**4** Continue to Flora Fountain and turn east down Veer Nariman Rd to **St Thomas' Cathedral** (3 Veer Nariman Rd, Churchgate; ☀7am-6pm).

**5** Ahead lies stately **Horniman Circle**, an arcaded ring of 1860s buildings around a beautifully kept botanical garden.

**Classic Photo** The Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya, a blend of Islamic, Hindu and British styles fronted by tall palms.



**3** Continue up Mahatma Gandhi (MG) Rd, passing the glorious **Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya** museum.

**2** Walk to **Regal Circle** to admire buildings like the art deco Regal Cinema.

**1** Start at the **Gateway of India**, with the world-famous Taj Mahal Palace hotel behind it.

**Take a Break...** Stop for the legendary breakfasts at **Pantry** (ground fl, Yashwanth Chambers, Military Square Ln, B Bharucha Marg, Kala Ghoda; ☀8.30am-11pm).



Back Bay

