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INTRODUCTION

Beaches, Deserts & Mountains - The Diverse Natural Escapes of India

India's geographical diversity is nothing short of breathtaking—offering travelers a journey through sun-kissed coastlines, golden deserts, and majestic mountains, each landscape telling a story of its own. These natural escapes are not just destinations, but immersive experiences that stir the soul and awaken a sense of wonder.

The beaches along the western and eastern shores—from the tranquil shores of Goa and the untouched sands of Gokarna to the serene stretches of the Andaman Islands—invite visitors to relax, rejuvenate, and reconnect with the rhythm of the ocean. Whether basking in the sunset, practicing yoga by the sea, or walking barefoot on wet sand, the coastline offers moments of stillness and joy.

To the northwest, the vast Thar Desert unfolds like a golden tapestry. Here, camel caravans move across rolling dunes under the vast expanse of sky, and ancient forts rise out of the sands like mirages of history. In Rajasthan, desert life pulses with color—folk music, traditional dances, and warm hospitality contrast beautifully with the harsh beauty of the terrain.

And then there are the mountains, where time seems to slow. The towering Himalayas in the north, the verdant Western Ghats, and the Eastern hill ranges provide a serene escape for trekkers, nature lovers, and spiritual seekers alike. Misty peaks, hidden monasteries, winding trails, and quiet villages tucked in the folds of green hills create a world of peace and introspection.

Whether you seek the calming lull of waves, the stark poetry of desert silence, or the cool embrace of high altitudes, India's diverse landscapes offer not just beauty—but a deeper connection to nature and the self.

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How Easy is it to Visit India?

India is a welcoming destination for travelers, offering convenient services and facilities to ensure a smooth and enjoyable visit. Here's a breakdown of key aspects that make visiting India easy for tourists:

Visa Process

- E-Visa Facility: India offers a hassle-free e-visa system for citizens of over 160 countries. Tourists can apply online for tourist, business, or medical visas.
- Multiple Entry Options: E-visas allow multiple entries with stays of up to 60 days.

Connectivity & Transport

- International Airports: Major cities like Delhi, Mumbai, Bengaluru, and Chennai have well-connected international airports with global flight options.
- Domestic Flights: A robust domestic flight network connects all major tourist destinations.
- Efficient Rail Network: India has one of the largest railway networks in the world, offering affordable and scenic travel options.
- Road Transport: Well-developed highways and affordable public transport, including buses and taxis, make getting around convenient.

Safety & Security

- Tourist Police: Major tourist destinations have dedicated tourist police to ensure visitor safety.
- Hotel & Transport Security: Most hotels and transport services have adequate safety protocols.
- Emergency Services: Helplines like **112** for emergencies and **1363** for tourist helplines offer 24/7 assistance.

Currency Exchange & Payments

- Easy Currency Exchange: Currency exchange services are available at airports, banks, and hotels.
- Digital Payments: Widespread acceptance of digital payments (UPI, credit/debit cards) makes transactions hassle-free.
- ATMs Everywhere: Tourists can easily withdraw cash from numerous ATMs across the country.

With its strong infrastructure, rich culture, and visitor-friendly policies, India provides a seamless and memorable experience for tourists from around the world.









DAY 1-3: BEACH TOUR

Day 1: Goa

Arrive in Goa, which is easily accessible via Dabolim Airport. Goa is known for its vibrant beaches and lively atmosphere. Stay at Taj Exotica Resort & Spa (South Goa), The Leela Goa (South Goa), or W Goa (North Goa), offering luxurious beachside accommodations. Spend your day exploring famous beaches like Baga Beach, Anjuna Beach, and Palolem Beach. Engage in water sports activities such as parasailing, jet skiing, or even indulge in a beach party. You can also visit the Fort Aguada and explore the Portuguese architectural influence on the coastal town. As the day winds down, enjoy Goa's nightlife or unwind with a sunset stroll along the shore

Day 2: Kerala (Alleppey and Kovalam)

Next, fly from Goa to Trivandrum (approx. 1.5 hours) and head to Kovalam, known for its palm-fringed beaches and scenic beauty. Opt to stay at The Leela Kovalam Beach Resort, Turtle on the Beach, or Niraamaya Retreats Surya Samudra for a comfortable stay with great views. Explore Kovalam Beach and Varkala Beach, and relax in the laid-back vibe of Kerala's coastline. One of the major highlights here is the houseboat ride in Alleppey, where you can glide through the serene backwaters surrounded by lush greenery. If you're interested in wellness, Kerala offers some of the best Ayurvedic treatments, which can be enjoyed in Kovalam. Take some time to relax and enjoy the natural beauty and tranquility of Kerala's southern coast.

Day 3: Andaman and Nicobar Islands

(Havelock Island)

From Trivandrum, fly to Port Blair (approx. 2.5 hours), and take a ferry to Havelock Island (approx. 2-3 hours), known for its pristine beaches and crystal-clear waters. Stay at Barefoot at Havelock, Havelock Island Beach Resort, or Taj Exotica Resort & Spa for a perfect beach escape. Spend time at Radhanagar Beach, considered one of the most beautiful beaches in Asia, and Kalapathar Beach for a peaceful retreat. Havelock is also an excellent location for scuba diving and snorkeling, offering opportunities to explore vibrant coral reefs and underwater life. You can also enjoy relaxing beach walks and enjoy the peaceful, unspoiled surroundings.

DAY 4-6: MOUNTAIN TOUR Day 4: Himachal Pradesh (Manali)

Fly from Port Blair to Delhi (approx. 3.5 hours) and drive from Delhi to Manali (approx. 12 hours), or you can opt for a Volvo bus for a scenic journey through the mountains. Manali is one of the most famous hill stations in India and offers a perfect blend of adventure and relaxation. Stay at The Himalayan, Manali, Manali Heights, or Wildflower Hall, Mashobra for a luxurious mountain retreat. Activities in Manali include skiing and snowboarding in Solang Valley, trekking, and exploring Rohtang Pass (seasonal). Don't miss out on the Hidimba Devi Temple, a unique wooden temple set amidst the pine forest. If you enjoy

adventure sports, paragliding is another popular

Day 5: Solang Valley (Manali)

activity in this region.

Continue your stay in Solang Valley, just outside Manali, where you can enjoy activities such as paragliding, zorbing, and snow sports in winter. Stay at Solang Valley Resort or Club Mahindra Resort, offering a cozy and beautiful setting with breathtaking views. Solang Valley is also a great place for a nature walk or to experience the quiet mountain atmosphere, away from the bustle of Manali. Explore the local markets and shop for woollen garments and handicrafts, and spend the evening enjoying a warm meal by the fire in one of the local eateries.

Day 6: Uttarakhand (Nainital)

From Manali, drive to Nainital (approx. 10-12 hours) or fly from Kullu to Delhi and then to Pantnagar (Nainital). Nainital is a beautiful hill station nestled around the scenic Naini Lake, offering picturesque views and a relaxing atmosphere. Stay at The Naini Retreat, Shervani Hilltop Nainital, or Palace Belvedere for a charming experience. While in Nainital, you can enjoy boating on Naini Lake, visit the Naina Devi Temple, and take a cable car ride to Tiffin Top for stunning views of the surrounding mountains. Don't forget to explore Snow View Point, offering panoramic views of the snow-capped peaks of the Himalayas.

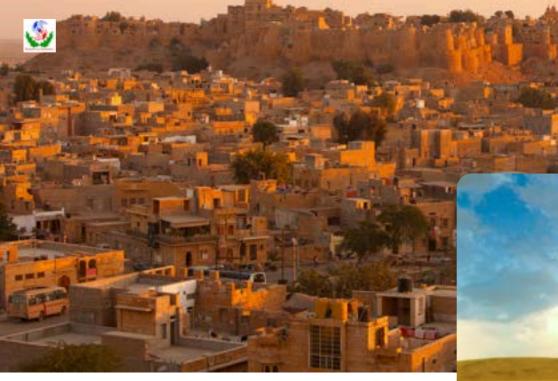
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DAY 7-9: DESERT TOUR

Day 7: Rajasthan (Jaisalmer)

From Nainital, fly to Jaisalmer (via Delhi), which is one of the most famous desert cities in India. Stay at Suryagarh Jaisalmer, a luxury desert resort, Fort Rajwada, or The Serai Jaisalmer, offering unique desert experiences. Jaisalmer is often referred to as the Golden City because of its golden sandstone architecture. Spend the day exploring the Jaisalmer Fort, the Patwon Ki Haveli, and other historic sites. Don't miss out on a camel safari in the Thar Desert, where you can experience the vast, peaceful desert landscape and enjoy a beautiful sunset over the sand dunes. Consider staying overnight in desert camps to experience the stillness and beauty of the desert under the stars.

Day 8: Rajasthan (Pushkar)

From Jaisalmer, drive to Pushkar (approx. 8-9 hours), a small town with a deep spiritual vibe, and stay at Ananta Spa & Resort, Pushkar Bagh Resort, or The Westin Pushkar Resort & Spa. Pushkar is famous for its Brahma Temple, one of the few temples dedicated to Lord Brahma, and its serene Pushkar Lake. If you're visiting in November, the Pushkar Camel Fair is a mustsee, where you can witness colorful cultural performances, livestock trading, and traditional Rajasthani rituals. You can also spend time exploring the local markets and experiencing the spiritual ambiance of this holy city.



Day 9: Rajasthan (Bikaner)

From Pushkar, drive to Bikaner (approx. 4-5 hours) and stay at Laxmi Niwas Palace, The Bikaner House, or Raj Vilas Palace, offering royal hospitality. Bikaner is known for its historical forts and temples. Visit the Junagarh Fort, one of the most well-preserved forts in Rajasthan, and the Karni Mata Temple, also known as the Temple of Rats, which is a unique and intriguing sight. Don't miss the chance to try the famous Bikaneri sweets such as Bikaneri bhujia and rasgulla.

Day 10: Rajasthan (Rann of Kutch)

From Bikaner, fly to Bhuj (approx. 1.5 hours) and head to the Rann of Kutch, especially if you are visiting during the Rann Utsav (winter months). Stay at Rann Utsav Tent City, Shaam-e-Sarhad Village Resort, or Vishwa Resort for an immersive desert experience. The Rann of Kutch is a vast, salt desert that comes alive during the Rann Utsav with cultural performances, traditional crafts, and the beauty of the full moon over the white desert. Visit local handicraft villages, where you can buy unique traditional items, and enjoy the stargazing experiences in the desert.

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