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INTRODUCTION

India – A Journey through Sacred Temples and Spiritual Pilgrimages

India, a land rich in history and spirituality, beckons pilgrims and travelers alike to explore its ancient temples and sacred shrines. The country's diverse landscapes are home to some of the world's most revered pilgrimage sites, where visitors embark on transformative journeys that connect them with divine energy and eternal peace. From the holy cities of Haridwar and Rishikesh in the North to the sacred shrines of Varanasi and the mystical Char Dham, each pilgrimage tour offers a chance to step into India's profound spiritual heritage.

Whether it's the revered Golden Triangle with Amritsar or the Buddhist Pilgrimage Tour tracing the footsteps of Buddha across India and Nepal, each route unveils an unparalleled spiritual experience. The Char Dham Yatra, one of the most soughtafter pilgrimages, takes devotees to the holy shrines of Yamunotri, Gangotri, Kedarnath, and Badrinath, nestled in the majestic Himalayas. For those seeking a deeper journey, the Kailash Mansarovar Yatra offers an unforgettable pilgrimage to the sacred lands of Tibet, combining the spiritual significance of Mount Kailash and the serene Mansarovar Lake.

The Muslim Pilgrimage Tour invites travelers to walk through the rich cultural and spiritual heritage of Delhi, Agra, and Ajmer, offering deep insights into Islamic history and devotion. With each pilgrimage route designed to renew the soul, India's spiritual tours offer more than just visits to temples – they provide a deeper connection to the divine and a transformative spiritual experience.









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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.











 ${\tt DELHI-HARIDWAR/RISHIKESH-DELHI-VARANASI-DELHI}$

BEST OF NORTH TEMPLE TOUR









Upon arrival at Delhi International airport, our company representative will meet & assist you with traditional welcome and transfer to your hotel for check-in and day free for leisure and own activities. Overnight - Delhi hotel

Day 02 : Delhi – Haridwar

Post breakfast; drive to Haridwar and upon arrival check-in to the hotel and later afternoon proceed the guided sightseeing tour of Haridwar visiting Mansa Devi temple, Chandi Devi temple, Bharat mata temple and in the evening, enjoy the spectacular view of 'Aarti' at Har Ki PauriGhat on bank of River Ganga Overnight – Haridwar hotel

Day 03: Haridar - Rishkesh Half Day Tour

Post breakfast; proceed the guided sightseeing tour of Rishikesh visit Laxman Jhula, Ram Jhula& Geeta Bhawan and Ashrams later in evening drive back to Delhi. Upon arrival Delhi check-in to the hotel. Overnight- Delhi hotel

Day 04 : Delhi - Varanasi (By Flight)

Post breakfast; transfer Delhi airport to board the flight to Varanasi; the oldest city in India. Upon arrival at Varanasi airport, meet & assistance services by our company representative and transfer to your hotel and later procced the guided sightseeing tour of Varanasi visit the Bharat Mata Mandir dedicated to Mother India; Kashi Vishwanath Temple one of the holiest shrines of Hindus and other important places. Witness the evening sunset and Aarti ceremony (Lighting Lamps) at holy river Ganga River. Later return back to & rest or free for shopping and own activities. Overnight – Varanasi Hotel

Day 05: Varanasi – Delhi (By Flight)

Early morning before breakfast; enjoy a memorable and highlight of the tour, the boat ride on Holy River Ganges at sunrise. Later return back to the hotel to have your breakfast and have some relaxing time. Later we will leave for an excursion to Sarnath; where Gautama Buddha first taught the Dharma, and where the Buddhist Sangha came into existence through the enlightenment of Kondanna. In timetransfer to Varanasi airport to board the flight to Delhi. Upon arrive Delhi airport take connected flight to onward journey.

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DELHI - AMRITSAR - AGRA - JAIPUR - DELHI

GOLDEN TRIANGLE WITH AMRITSAR TOUR











Day 01 : Delhi Arrival

Today arrive Delhi; the national capital of India. Upon arrival at airport, our company representative will meet & great you and transfer to the hotel for check-in. Overnight at Delhi hotel.

Day 02 : Delhi – Amritsar

Morning transfer to Delhi railway station board the train to Amritsar. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel for check-in. Afternoon visit Golden Temple, the holiest shrines for Sikh religion .Look into Langar, a free community kitchen where food is served to all irrespective of their religious faith. Evening take an excursion to Wagah Border which lies at a distance of 32 kms from Amritsar. Every day of the year, Two hours before sunset, a flag lowering ceremony takes place at the Wagah Border between India and Pakistan. The Flag pole is the highest in India. Here we can see the changing of guards at the same time in a grand ceremony

Overnight at Amritsar hotel.

Day 03: Amritsar – Delhi

Today morning we again visit Golden Temple and other historic place called, Jallianwala Bagh, a memorial park build to remember the innocent and unharmed people including children massacred by British forces during peaceful demonstration against the British rule in India. Evening transfer to railway station board the train for Delhi. Upon arrival, transfer to the hotel for check-in. Overnight at Delhi hotel

Day 04: Delhi – Agra

Today morning have breakfast in the hotel. At 0930 hrs, the tour guide will meet you at your hotel and later proceed for half day guided tour in Delhi starting with old Delhi visiting Raj Gaht, Jama Masjid, drivepass through Red Fort. Later visit India Gate, drive pass through Parliament Street & President house. Later drive to Agra, the city of "Taj Mahal". En-route stops at Sikandra for a short photoshot. Later check-in to the hotel. Overnight at Agra hotel

Day 05: Jaipur – Agra via Fathehpur Sikri

Today morning have breakfast in the hotel and proceed for half day guided tour in Agra visiting Taj Mahal & Agra Fort. Afternoon check-out from hotel and drive to Jaipur; the capital city of Rajsthan state. Jaipur is also known as "Pink City". En-route visit FathehpurSikri, known as Ghost Capital. Later continue the drive to Jaipur. Upon arrival, check-in to the hotel. Evening free at leisure for own activities.

Overnight at Jaipur hotel



Day 06: Jaipur – Full day tour

Today morning after breakfast, we will proceed for full day guided tour in Jaipur starting with Amber fort. Later enjoy the Royal Elephant Ride to ascend the Amber Fort. After visiting the Amber fort, return back to the city and visit the City Palace & Jantar Mantar observatoryand a short photoshoot at Hawa Mahal. Post tour; free for own activities and last minute shooing.

Overnight at Jaipur hote

Day 07 : Jaipur – Delhi

Today morning post breakfast, drive back to Delhi airport. The total distance is 256 kms and you can cover it in 5 hours. Upon arrival Delhi, You will be dropped at Airport to board flight to onward journey or at the hotel for your onward program.....

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DELHI – VARANASI – BODHGAYA – PATNA – KUSHINAGAR – LUMBINI – SHRAVASTI – LUCKNOW – DELHI

BUDDHIST PILGRIMAGE TOUR









Day 01 : Arrive Delhi

Upon arrival at Delhi international airport, our company representative will meet & assist you with traditional welcome and transfer to your hotel for check-in. Rest of the day free & easy for own activities. Overnight at Delhi hotel.

Day 02 : Delhi – Varanasi (By Flight)

After breakfast, transfer to Delhi airport to board the flight to Varanasi; situated on the west bank of holy river Ganges. Upon arrival, check-in to the hotel and later in the afternoon, proceed for an excursion to Sarnath; where, after enlightenment, Lord Buddha gave his first sermon about the basic principles of Buddhism - Four Noble Truths, Eightfold Path & the Middle Way. Overnight at Varanadi hotel

Day 03 : Varanasi – Bodhgaya

Early in the morning proceed for a board ride on the holy river Ganges. Later return back to the hotel and have your breakfast. Later drive to Bodhgaya; the place of Buddha's supreme enlightenment and one of the most important place in the life of Gautam Buddha. Upon arrival, check-in to the hotel and rest of the day free at leisure.

Overnight at Bodhgaya hotel.

Day 04: Bodhgaya

After breakfast, proceed for a sightseeing tour of Bodhgaya visiting Mahabodhi Temple an UNESCO World Heritage Site. You can see the Bodhi Tree under which Buddha got enlightenment. Several Buddhist temples and monasteries are built by people of countries such as Thailand, Sri Lanka etc.. These temples reflect the architectural styles of their respective countries. Overnight at Bodhgaya hotel.

Day 05: Bodhgaya – Patna

After breakfast, drive to Patna. En-route visit to Rajgir; an ancient town, once the capital of the powerful state of Magadha. Also visit Nalanda, founded in the 3rd century BC the oldest university. At its peak it attracted students from all over the world Further continue to Patna and upon arrival, check-in to the hotel. Overnight at Patna hotel.

Day 06: Patna – Kushinagar

After breakfast, drive to Kushinagar. En-route visit Vaishali; a vibrant republican state established as a republic by 6th century BC, prior to birth of Gautama Buddha in 563, making it the world's 1st republic. Buddha delivered his last sermon at Vaishali & announced his Nirvana there. Further continue to Kushinagar and check-in to the hotel. Kushinagar also known as Kushavati; Lord Buddha is said to have attained 'Mahaparnirvana', the freedom from the endless cycle of birth & rebirth. Overnight at Kushinagar hotel

06 : Patna – Kushinagar via Vaishali

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Day 07: Kushinagar – Lumbini

After breakfast, visit to Nirvana Stupa the reclining statue of Buddha, Nirvana Temple and Madhukar Shrine. Afternoon, drive to Lumbini (Nepal); the birth place of Gautama Buddha. Upon arrival, check-in to the hotel.

Overnight at Lumbini hotel.

Day 08: Lumbini – Sravasri

After breakfast, visit Ashoka Pillar; the first epigraphic evidence relating to the life history of Buddha. Cross the Indo Nepal border and drive to Sravasti a town where Buddha spent good part of his life. One can see age old stupas, temples and monasteries associated with him. Upon arrival, check-in to the hotel.

Overnight at Sravasti hotel.

Day 09 : Sravasti – Lucknow

After breakfast, visit to Jetavana's monastery; Jetavana is said to once host Lord Buddha & his pilgrims, where one of his followers, a rich merchant, covered the whole ground of the park (Vana) with gold coins. Later we visit to Sri Lankan monastery. Afternoon, drive to Lucknow. Upon arrival, check-in to the hotel. Overnight at Lucknow hotel

Day 10: Lucknow - Delhi

After breakfast, proceed for a sightseeing tour visiting Bara Imambara, Alambagh and Dilkusha Palace. Afternoon, board the train to Delhi. Upon arrival, transfer to the hotel for check-in.

Overnight at Delhi hotel.

Day 11 : Delhi – Departure

Today on time transfer to Delhi airport to board the flight to onward journey.

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DELHI - HARIDWAR - HARSIL - YAMUNOTRI - BARKOT - GANGOTRI - GULTKASHI - KEDARNATH - PIPALKOTI - BADRINATH - SRINAGAR - RISHIKESH

CHAR DHAMYATRA











Day 01 : Arrive Delhi

Arrive Delhi. Upon arrival, meet and assist by our company representative and transfer to the hotel for check-in. Overnight at Delhi hotel

Day 02: Delhi – Haridwar

After breakfast, drive to Haridwar, the gate to the most sacred Hindu pilgrimage Yatra "char Dham Yatra". Upon arrival, check-in to the hotel and later visit to the Mansa Devi & Chandi Devi Temple.

Evening witness the daily Aarti ceremony at the Holy Ganges River.

Overnight at Haridwar hotel

Day 03: Haridwar – Barkot

Morning; drive to Barkot. En-route visit the Beautiful Hill Station Mussoorie. Upon arrival, check-in to the hotel.

Overnight at Barkot Camp/Hotel

Day 04: Barkot – Jankichatti

Early in the morning leave to Jankichatti. From Jankichatti, trek upto the Yamunotri Temple. After Pooja and Darshan, return back to Jankichatti and drive to Barkot. Overnight at Barkot Hotel/Camp

Day 05: Barkot – Harsil

After breakfast, drive to Harsil. En-route stop at Uttarkashi and visit the various temple. Upon arrival, check-in to the hotel/camp. Overnight at HarsilHote/Camp

Day 06: Harsil – Gangotri – Harsil

Early in the morning, leave for a full day excursion to Gangotri. Evening; after Pooja and Darshan, drive back to Harsil.

Overnight at Harsil Hotel/Camp

Day 07: Uttarkashi – Guptkashi

After breakfast, drive to Guptkashi. On the way, visit to Rudraprayag; the confluence of Alaknanda and Mandakini Rivers. Upon arrival, check-in to the hotel/camp. Overnight at Guptkashi Hotel/Camp

Day 08: Guptkashi – Gaurikund-

Gaurikund – Kedarnath

Early morning, drive to Gaurikund. From Gaurikund, start your trek uptoKedatnath Temple. Alternatively, you can take helicopter ride to reach the Temple. Upon arrival, check-in to the hotel. And evening free for Pooja and Darshan. Overnight at Kedarnath hotel

Day 09: Kedarnath – Gaurikund ,Gaurikund – Pipalkoti

Early morning after morning aarti, return back to Gaurikund. Further drive to Pipalkotianc check-in to the hotel.

Overnight at Pipalkoti hotel.

Day 10 : Pipalkoti – Badrinath

After breakfast, drive to Badrinath. Upon arrival, checkin to the hotel. Evening visit to Manna Village the last village of India before Tibetan Border. Later join the evening aarti ceremony in the Badrinath Temple. Overnight at Badrinath hotel.

Day 11 : Badrinath – Srinagar

After early morning aarti, drive back to Srinagar. On the way visit Karanprayag; confluence of River Pindar & River Alaknanda. Upon arrival, in Srinaagr, check-in to the hotel. Overnight at Srinagar hotel.

Day 11: Badrinath – Srinagar

After early morning aarti, drive back to Srinagar. On the way visit Karanprayag; confluence of River Pindar & River Alaknanda. Upon arrival, in Srinaagr, check-in to the hotel. Overnight at Srinagar hotel.

Day 12 : Srinagar – Rishikesh

After breakfast, drive to Rishikesh. Upon arrival, checkin to the hotel and later visit to Ram Jhula, Laxman Jhula, Triveni Ghat, Bharat Mandir. Overnight at Rishikesh hotel.

Day 13: Rishikesh – Delhi

After breakfast, drive straight back to Delhi international airport to board the flight to onward journey.

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12 Nights / 13 Days



KATHMANDU-KODARI-NYALAM-DONGBA-MANSAROVAR-DARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-DOLMALAPAS-ZUTHULPUK-DONGBA-NYALAM-MYALAM-KATHMANDU-MARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-DOLMALAPAS-ZUTHULPUK-DONGBA-NYALAM-MYALAM-MARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-DOLMALAPAS-ZUTHULPUK-DONGBA-NYALAM-MYALAM-MARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-DOLMALAPAS-ZUTHULPUK-DONGBA-NYALAM-MYALAM-MARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-DOLMALAPAS-ZUTHULPUK-DONGBA-NYALAM-MYALAM-MARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-DOLMALAPAS-ZUTHULPUK-DONGBA-NYALAM-MYALAM-MARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-DOLMALAPAS-ZUTHULPUK-DONGBA-NYALAM-MARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-DOLMALAPAS-ZUTHULPUK-DONGBA-NYALAM-MARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-DOLMALAPAS-ZUTHULPUK-DONGBA-NYALAM-MARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-DOLMALAPAS-ZUTHULPUK-DONGBA-NYALAM-MARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-DOLMALAPAS-MARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-DOLMALAPAS-MARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-DOLMALAPAS-MARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-DOLMALAPAS-MARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-DOLMALAPAS-MARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-DOLMALAPAS-MARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-DOLMALAPAS-MARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-DOLMALAPAS-MARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-DOLMALAPAS-MARCHEN-TARBOCHE-DIRAPUK-D

KAILASH WANSAROVAR YATRA











Day 01 : Arrive Kathmandu

Arrive Kathmandu. Upon arrival, meet & assist by our company representative and transfer to the hotel check-in. Evening, a short briefing about the Kailash Mansarovar Yatra. Overnight at Kathmandu hotel.

Day 02: Kathmandu – Kodari

After breakfast, visit to Pashupatinath Temple and Boudhanath Temple. Afternoon, check-out from the hotel and drive to Kotari (Nepal-China Border). Upon arrival, chek-in to the guest house.

Overnight at Kodari Guest House

Day 03 : Kodari – Nyalam

After breakfast, proceed to the border and finish the Visa formalities at the China Border. Later meet & assist by your Tibetan guest and transfer to the hotel for check-in. Overnight at Nyalam hotel.

Day 04: Nyalam – Free & easy

After breakfast, day free at leisure for acclimatization. A short trek will be taken in preparation for the Kailash Yatra. Overnight at Nyalam hotel.

Day 05 : Nyalam – Dongba

After breakfast, drive to Dongba. En-route passing through Lalungla pass, Paigu-Tso lake & Brahmaputra river. Upon arrival, check-in to the guest house. Overnight at Dongba Guest house.

Day 06 : Dongba – Mansarovar Lake

Early in the morning drive Holy Mansarovar Lake. Upon arrival, check-in to the hotel. The Sarovar (Lake) is the most naturally beautiful with pure water. You will be in Chiu Gompa hot-spring water.

Overnight at tourist lodge

Day 07: Mansarovar – Darchen

After breakfast,day free for Pooja and Havan. Take a dip in the holy Manasarovar Lake and do Pooja of Lord Shiva. Evening, drive to Darchen. Upon arrival, check-in to the Lodge. Overnight at tourist Lodge.

Day 08: Darchen – Tarboche – Dirapuk

After breakfast leave to Tarboche to start the Parikrama. Visit Yamdwar and later trek to Dirapuk. This is your first day of Kailash Parikrama where you will visit North Face of Mount Kailash and touching the feet of Mt. Kailash (Charan Sparsh).

Overnight at the tourist lodge.

Day 09 : Dirapuk – Dolma La Pas –

Zuthulpuk

After breakfast, start the 2nd day of Prikrama covering Dolma La Pass to Zuthulpuk. Today is the toughest trek where you have to trek upto the 18,600 ft. Overnight at Tourist Lodge.

Day 10: Zuthulpuk – Dongba

After breakfast, we will trek around 8 kms to reach to the same point from where we started our Prikrama. Overnight at the tourist Lodge.

Day 11 : Dongba – Nyalam

Today we drive to Ooty; queen of hill stations. It is one of the beautiful and popular hill stations in the south India. Upon arrival, check-in to the hotel and later enjoy the beautiful hill station.

Overnight at Ooty hotel

Day 12: Myalam – Kathmandu

After breakfast drive, back to Kathmandu. Upon arrival, check-in to the hotel and later proceed for a guided tour visiting the Patan city. Overnight at Kathmandu hotel.

Day 13: Kathmandu – Departure

After breakfast, on time transfer to Kathmandu international airport to board the flight to onward journey.

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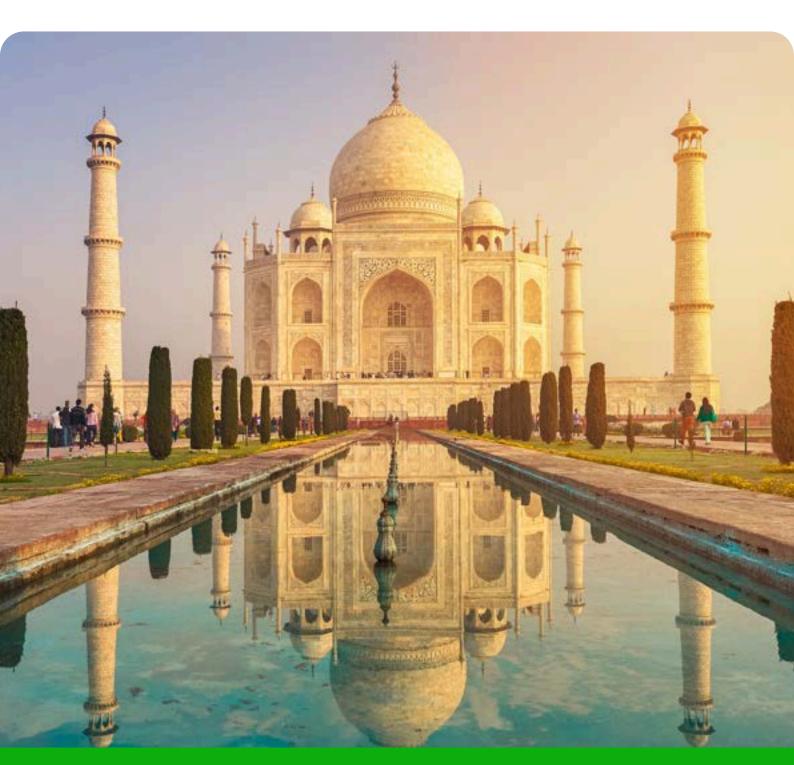
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DELHI – AGRA – JAIPUR – AJMER – DELHI

MUSLIMPILGRIMAGE TOUR











Day 01 : Delhi Arrival

Upon arrival at Delhi international airport, our company representative will meet & assist you with traditional welcome and transfer to your hotel for check-in. Rest of the day free & easy for own activities Overnight at Delhi hotel.

Day 02 : Delhi – Full day tour

After breakfast, proceed for a full day guided tour in Delhi starting with Hazrat Nizammudin Aulia, Qutab Minar, Humayun's Tomb, Jama Maszid, Red Fort & Nizamuddin Auliya. Overnight at Delhi hotel.

Day 03 : Delhi – Agra via Sikandra

Post breakfast; check-out from the hotel and drive to Agra; the city of Taj Mahal.. Upon arrival in Agra, checkin to the hotel and later visit to agra Fort and Itmad-ul-Daula's Tomb.

Overnight at Agra hotel

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{Day 04: Agra} - \textbf{Jaipur via Fathehpur Sikri} \\ \textbf{Early in the morning proceed for a visit to the World} \end{array}$ Wonder "Taj Mahal". After the tour, return back to the hotel and have your breakfast and relax till departure. Afternoon, check-out from the hotel and drive to Jaipur. En-route stop at Fathepur Sikri to visit Dargah of Sheikh Salim Chisti, BulandDarwaza, Diwan-e-aam

and Diwane-e-Khas. Upon arrival, check-in to the hotel and rest of the day at leisure for own activities.

Overnight at Jaipur hotel

Day 05: Jaipur – Full day tour

Post breakfast; leave for an excursion to Amber Fort. Enjoy the Elephant ride to ascend the Amber fort. After visiting Amber fort, visit to a traditional Rajasthani Handicraft & handloom factory to see the craftsmen performing.

Afternoon; visit to City Palace and Jantar Mantar observatory. Before returning your hotel; a short stop in front Hawa Mahal (Wind Palace) for photo shoot. Overnight at Jaipur hotel.

Day 06 : Jaipur – Ajmer

After breakfast, drive to Ajmer; the most sacred Muslim pilgrimage center in India. Upon arrival check-in to the hotel and later proceed to visit the Dargah of KhwajaMoid-Ud-Din Chisti.

Overnight at Ajmer hotel.

Day 07 : Ajmer – Delhi

Post breakfast; visit to Khawaja MoidudinChisti Dargah and also visit the the Adhai-Din-Ka-Jhoparan Mosque. Evening board the train to Delhi. Upon arrival, meet & assist by our representative and transfer to the hotel. Overnight at Delhi hotel

Day 08 : Delhi – Departure

On time, transfer to Delhi international airport to board the flight to onward journey.

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DELHI - AGRA - JAIPUR - GOA - MUMBAI

DIWALI TOUR INDIA











Day 01 October 27: Arrive in Delhi

On arrival at Delhi airport, we will be met by our local representative for transfer to our hotel. After checking in, take a few hours to rest and unwind from the long flight. That evening we will go to Akshardham which is arguably one of the best temples in India. The start of our culinary journey is at an are internationally acclaimed Indian restaurant in our hotel. Bukhara, famous for the Mughlai cuisine, is frequented by A-list celebrities and dignitaries from all over the world.

Day 02 October 28: Delhi

After breakfast at the hotel, we will go sightseeing. The contrast between Old Delhi and New Delhi, both with its distinct characteristics, history, and vibe is fascinating. For dinner we will enjoy a special culinary experience at Haveli Dharampura, a UNESCO Awarded Heritage Haveli in Old Delhi. We will enjoy the flavourful recreations of tangy and tasty street food of Chandni Chowk at the comfort of your table. Take in the breath-taking view of Old Delhi, participate in a session of kite flying and enjoy sundowners of cocktails and wines on the roof top while watching the sunset.

Day 03 October 29: Delhi – Agra by train

After an early breakfast we will check out from our hotel and embark on a 90- minute train ride to Agra. Our local representative will meet us at the train station and take us to Taj Mahal, one of the modern Seven wonders of the World. For lunch we will go to Sheros Café – an establishment run by victims of acid attacks. There is no price on the menu, but we will be generous with our offering to them. At dinner tonight we will replicate the luxurious ways of the Mughal Emperors. We will recreate the ambience and hospitality that was once the privilege of the Mughal's in the courtyard of our hotel. The taste and flavours of the food are as authentic as it can get.

Day 04 October 30: Agra- Jaipur

After breakfast we set off on a road trip to Jaipur. It is a 5-hour drive, but on the way, we will have a few stops to break the journey and take in some local sights such as one of the oldest stepwells that dates to the 8th century and is 13 floors deep. And Fatehpur Sikri, a historical complex that was commissioned by Emperor Akbar in the 16th century We will stop for lunch at Umaid Palace for a farm-to-table lunch experience. This resort is well known for its organically grown produce, and the food is cooked using ancestral cooking methods such as traditional woodfire ovens. Our first dinner in Jaipur is at 1135 AD, one of the best restaurants in Jaipur. It is situated in the Amber Fort, which was built in 1592. We will enjoy authentic Rajasthani food in an open-air courtyard under the star-studded night sky.

Day 05 October 31: Celebrate Diwali in Jaipur

After breakfast we will leave for an excursion to Amber Fort, the same place where we had dinner last night. But this time we will ride an Elephant to ascent the fort. Later in the afternoon we visit the City Palace – the royal residence for the Maharaja of Jaipur. And for dinner we have planned a special culinary experience in our hotel to celebrate Diwali, the biggest festival in India. Think earthen lamps, decoration lights, Diwali puja and fireworks.

Day 06 November 1: Jaipur – Goa

After breakfast at the hotel, we head to the airport for our flight to Goa. After 5 days of royalty, we will enjoy the sun and sand of Goa at our hotel, the ITC Grand Resort and Spa Goa. Our next 3 days in Goa are a perfect break before we reach the hustle and bustle of Mumbai and then head back home. The golden sands of Goa are warm and inviting and the water is always just right for a swim.

Day 07 - 08 November 2 - 3: Goa

There is no itinerary in Goa. We will have a lot of time for rest and relaxation by the beach or poolside or enjoy a spa at our Resort. We can dine at one of the beach shacks, we will visit a friend's home to learn how to cook Goan food, learn how to make Feni (Goan liquor made from cashews). We will visit a spice plantation and have a meal at the spice farm. We can also go sightseeing to marvel at the many Portuguese inspired churches and monuments.

Day 09 November 4: Goa - Mumbai

After breakfast we transfer to the airport for our flight to Mumbai. Or arrival, the day is at leisure in the hotel or transport can be arranged for shopping at a nearby mall. Dinner will be one of the highlights of this trip. We will dine at Masque, included in Asia's 50 Best Restaurants in 2021 and The Best Restaurant in India in 2023. We will be treated to a sensory experience like no other with their 10-course fine dining degustation menu that marries tradition and innovation.

Day 10 November 5: Mumbai

After breakfast, we'll explore South Mumbai's highlights like the Gateway of India, Hanging Gardens, and Marine Drive. Lunch is at Mirchi and Mime, a unique restaurant staffed by speech and hearing-impaired servers. Post-lunch, enjoy shopping at an upscale mall. Dinner features eclectic vegetarian cuisine inspired by Indian homes and street food. We'll end the day with farewell drinks at a chic rooftop bar.

Day 11 November 6: Departure

After breakfast at the hotel, we will be transferred to the airport for our flight back to NZ. Alternatively talk to us about extending your tour to spend some more nights in Mumbai, see some wildlife or stay at one of the stunning Tea Estates in Darjeeling.

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11 Nights / 12 Days



DELHI - JAIPUR - AGRA - LUKHNOW - AYODHYA - VARANASI

HOLI & SPIRITUAL TOUR INDIA









Day 01 March 12: Arrive in Delhi

On arrival at Delhi airport, we will meet our local representative for transfer to our hotel. After checking in, take a few hours to rest and unwind from the long flight. That evening we will go to Akshardham which is arguably one of the best temples in India. Dinner is a special welcome dinner at our hotel.

Day 02 March 13: Delhi

After breakfast at the hotel, we will go sightseeing. The contrast between Old Delhi and New Delhi, both with its distinct characteristics, history, and vibe is fascinating. We will also visit the Lotus Temple. This stunning structure, shaped like a blooming lotus flower, serves as the Bahá'í House of Worship. It is a symbol of unity, peace, and spirituality, welcoming people of all religions and backgrounds to come together in prayer and meditation. For dinner we will enjoy a special culinary experience at Haveli Dharampura, a UNESCO Awarded Heritage Haveli in Old Delhi. It is a cultural evening with classical dance, music and perhaps a session of kite flying on the roof top while watching the sunset.

Day 03 March 14: Delhi to Jaipur

Today is Holi, the festival of colours. After an early breakfast we will check out from our hotel and drive to Jaipur, the Pink City. On arrival, check in at the hotel followed by a special lunch to celebrate the festival of Holi. It will be a private celebration with friends and family in the comfort of your hotel... lots of colours., flowers, music and tasty food. Dinner is a cultural experience with authentic Rajasthani food.

Day 04 March 15: Jaipur

After breakfast we will leave for a sightseeing tour of Jaipur, including an excursion to Amber Fort with an Elephant ride to ascend the fort. For lunch you can explore the vibrant markets and enjoy some tasty street food. Later in the afternoon visit the City Palace, the royal residence for the Maharaja of Jaipur. Dinner is a Rajasthani Thali at one of the most iconic restaurants in Jaipur.

Day 05 March 16: Jaipur - Agra After breakfast we set off on a road trip to Agra. It is a 5-hour drive, but on the way, we will have a few stops to break the journey and take in some local sights such as one of the oldest stepwells that dates to the 8 th century and is 13 floors deep. And Fatehpur Sikri, a historical complex that was commissioned by Emperor Akbar in the 16th century. After checking in, we will proceed to see the Taj Mahal, arguably the most iconic building in India and one of the Seven wonders of the World. Later we will visit the Agra Fort and enjoy a light and sound show about the history and love story behind the Taj Mahal. Immerse yourself in the lights and be transported to a time where horses come galloping at an Emperor's command! Dinner is authentic Mughlai food with a Mughal theme.

Day 06 March 17: Agra - Lucknow

We will leave for the train station early today morning with a packed breakfast. On arrival check in at the hotel and later in the afternoon proceed for a half day sightseeing of Lucknow. In the evening explore some of the local markets for clothes and jewelry shopping. Dinner is authentic Awadhi cuisine at one of the most popular local restaurants in Lucknow.

Day 07 March 18: Lucknow - Ayodhya

After breakfast we start our drive to Ayodhya. After checking in at the hotel we will see some places of significance in Ayodhya such as Ram Janmabhoomi, Hanuman Garhi, Sita Rasoi, Kanak Bhawan, etc. In the evening visit some of the local markets to buy religious artefacts, colourful bangles, handicrafts, souvenirs and sweets. Later you can participate in Ram Arti on the Bank of Sarayu River. Dinner for the 2 nights in Ayodhya is local delights of vegetarian Awadhi cuisine.

Day 08 March 19: Ayodhya

Perhaps for some of you this is the day that you are joining us on this tour. After breakfast we will proceed to the Ram Mandir to seek blessings of "Bhagwan Shri Ram" in his child avatar known as "Ramlala". Ram Navami is around the corner and the temple will be decorated in all its glory to celebrate this auspicious day. After the 'Darshan' the rest of the day is at leisure to explore this divine city which has experienced a huge facelift after the construction of the Ram Mandir. The entire day is dedicated to embracing the divinity of Ayodhya.

Day 09 March 20: Ayodhya – Prayagraj – Varanasi

After breakfast we drive to Prayagraj (former Allahabad), Positioned along the sacred confluence (Sangam) of three holy rivers - Ganga, Yamuna and Saraswati. The history of the Triveni Sangam is rooted in Hindu mythology, where Lord Brahma is believed to have performed a grand yagna at the confluence. The river Saraswati, considered mythical, is believed to flow underground and join the Ganga and Yamuna here. Prayagraj is a popular pilgrimage destination for Hindus. It is one of the four holy cities that play host to the Kumbh Mela, probably the largest human congregation in the world and attracts millions of people. A dip at the Triveni Sangam is said to wash away all sins. Later that evening we will drive to Varanasi, the Eternal city. Dinner will be at our hotel in Varanasi.

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Day 10 March 21: Varanasi

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After breakfast we will explore the city of Varanasi, often referred to as the spiritual capital of India. Varanasi also known as Banaras or Kashi embodies the essence of Hinduism, spirituality, and ancient traditions. Situated on the banks of the sacred River Ganga, it is one of the oldest continuously inhabited cities in the world, with a history that dates to the 11th century BC. The city is dotted with over 2,000 temples, including the iconic Kashi Vishwanath Temple dedicated to Lord Shiva, which attracts millions of pilgrims and devotees each year. The ghats, or the along the riverfront are integral Varanasi's spirituality, where devotees perform rituals, last rites, offer prayers, and take holy dips to cleanse their sins. We will visit Sarnath where Gautam Buddha had given the first sermon after attaining Nirvana. It is a world heritage site and the inspiration behind India's national emblem. Later in the evening witness the sunset Aarti ceremony on the Ghat, a mesmerizing spectacle of light, color, and devotion, where priests offer prayers to the river goddess Ganga amidst chanting, incense, and the glow of oil lamps. It is a sight to behold. There will be enough time to enjoy the culinary delicacies of Varanasi. From street food stalls serving savory chaat, crispy kachoris, and sweet jalebis to traditional eateries offering delectable Banarasi thalis and luscious sweets, the city is a paradise for food lovers. If you want to buy authentic Banarasi sarees, we will suggest the best place for shopping.

Day 11 March 22: Varanasi - Delhi

Early in the morning we will enjoy the serene sight of sunrise on the river Ganga. Later, after breakfast at the hotel, we will be transferred to the airport for our flight to Delhi. On arrival in Delhi, check in at the hotel close to the airport. There will be transport available to take you to one of the best shopping malls in Delhi. Our last dinner together of this tour together will be the culinary highlight of the tour. It is a sensory experience like no other.

Day 12 March 22: March 23: Delhi – Departure

After breakfast at the hotel, we will be transferred to the airport for our flight back to NZ. If your flight is later in the day we can arrange transport for some more shopping. Alternatively talk to us about extending your tour to spend some more nights in Delhi, enjoy the sunshine on the golden beaches of Goa or extend your spiritual journey with a Char Dham Yatra.

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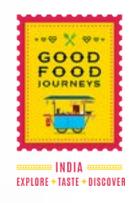
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