

BEST OF INDIA TOUR



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Best of India Escorted Tour

Duration: 10 days

Departs: 2023 & 2024

Stay: 7 nights hotels, 2 nights train

Travel style: Escorted tour

Booking code: INDBT10M

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10 Days Best of India Escorted Tour

About the holiday

Experience India's delightful diversity and unique culture on the Best of India tour.

With its bursting population, vast history and authentic lifestyle, it provides an unforgettable experience. Venture on the Golden Triangle route through Delhi, Agra and Jaipur, while embracing the world-famous sites as well as hidden gems. Take a mental photo of the Taj Mahal to remember forever. Then travel by sleeper train to Varanasi and witness the Aarti ceremony, a famous Hindu religious ritual.

Why you'll love this trip...

- Explore India's chaotic cities, learn of incredible history and soak in the spirituality and authenticity of local culture, cuisines and traditions.
- Stay in carefully selected 4 & 3-star hotels with all breakfasts and airport transfers included.
- Travel in private, air-conditioned coaches with your local guide. This trip also includes two overnight train journeys to maximise on discovery time.
- Begin in Delhi, exploring Old Delhi's magnificent sites including the Red Fort and Jama Masjid Mosque. Then, hop onboard a traditional rickshaw through the bustling city of New Delhi - where old and new blend to one epic atmosphere.
- With your local guide, visit the unmissable wonders of the Golden Triangle - from Delhi to Agra and Jaipur.
- Witness sunset from the jaw-droppingly picturesque Taj Mahal near Agra, explore the royal palaces of Jaipur and play the nation's favourite sport (aka Cricket) while staying at an organic farm retreat in Dausa!
- Take an included sunrise boat ride down the River Ganges in Varanasi to witness the spiritual and touching tradition of cremation and salvation at the Ghats of the Ganges riverbank.

Travel Dates:

2023 & 2024 - Select dates from September to March

Departures are subject to confirmation at time of booking. Prices may vary depending on your travel dates - contact us for other departures.

Call our office on 1300 168 910 for current rates & travel info.



Tour package includes:

- **Transfers** - Arrival & departure airport transfers
- **Accommodation** - 7 nights in 4- & 3-star hotels
2 nights overnight sleeper trains, Agra to Varanasi & Varanasi to Delhi
- **Meals** - 9 breakfasts
 - Drinking water supplied in the coach
- **Transportation** - travel by air-conditioned mini-bus or coach as per itinerary
Jeep ride at Amber Fort & Rickshaw ride in Delhi
Train between Agra, Varanasi & Delhi
- **Escorted tour** - Services of experiences guide licenced by Ministry of Tourism
- **Sightseeing:**
 - Red Fort
 - Qutab Minar
 - Humayun's Tomb
 - Amber Fort
 - City Palace
 - Hawa Mahal
 - Galta Temple
 - Fatehpur Sikri
 - Taj Mahal
 - Agra Fort
 - Bharat Mata Temple
 - Tulsi Manas Temple

***Subject to confirmation by hotels, tour company & local operators.
Booking fees & cancellation conditions apply.***

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Package excludes:

Flights to India - contact us for the latest airfare deals

Visa fees

Meals & sightseeing not specified in the inclusions or itinerary

Entrance fees to the sights & museums - see the itinerary for an indication of costs

Video & camera permits

Optional activities

Personal items, such as drinks, snacks, laundry etc.

Gratuities for tour managers & drivers

Travel insurance is essential - contact us for a quote

Prices are based on twin share, please contact us for single rates

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Itinerary:

Day 1: Delhi

Welcome to India! Keep your eyes peeled at the airport for the local representative as we pick you up from the airport and take you to the Delhi hotel. Meet with your guide and group at 6:30pm in the lobby for a quick informal meeting about your tour in India. Afterwards you'll have free time to start exploring Delhi and get to know your fellow travellers over an optional group dinner. Cheers to new adventures and friends!

- **Accommodation**
Mantra Amaltas Hotel - 4 Star
- **Included Activities**
Welcome Meeting
- **Optional Activities**
Group Dinner

Day 2: Delhi City Tour

Get ready for a big day ahead on your first day of tour exploring the bustling city of Delhi! We'll begin the day by visiting Old Delhi, marvelling at the impressive Red Fort and The Raj Ghat, India's largest mosque. Then get ready for some chaotic fun as we visit the jam-packed lanes of Chandni Chowk by rickshaw. Experience the busiest commercial area of the city and atmosphere of an oriental bazaar.

In the afternoon we will head to the modern New Delhi, where you'll find many historic monuments such as the 12th Century Qutab Minar and Humayuns' Tomb, and in contrast wander the colourful and modern Lakshmi Narayan Temple.

- **Accommodation**
Mantra Amaltas Hotel - 4 Star
- **Meals**
Breakfast
- **Included Activities**
Sightseeing of Delhi
Sightseeing of Red Fort
Sightseeing of Qutab Minar
Sightseeing of Humayun's Tomb
- **Entrance Fees**
Humayun's Tomb - USD 8
Qutab Minar - USD 8
Red Fort - USD 8

Day 3: Delhi, Jaipur

Hit the road and depart Delhi in the morning to drive 6 hours to Jaipur, also known as the 'Pink City' due to the vibrant peachy colours of the buildings. Offering incredible architecture and raw natural beauty, Jaipur is a vibrant and bustling city spread out over the old and new, and is almost equidistant from Delhi and Agra forming part of the famed Golden Triangle. In the evening, prepare to be mesmerised by a traditional Hindu prayer ritual, Aarti at Birla Temple.

- **Accommodation**
Golden Tulip Hotel - 4 Star
- **Meals**
Breakfast
- **Included Activities**
Visit of Birla Temple

Day 4: Jaipur

Begin the day by exploring all Jaipur has to offer with a city tour. Check out India's second most visited site, Hawa Mahal or 'Palace of the Winds' followed by Amber Fort where you'll be able to explore this traditional Rajasthani Fort. In the afternoon, stop by City Palace, a huge sprawling complex which is still home to the former royal family who live in one section. Check off another UNESCO World Heritage site from your list at Jantar Mantar, an astronomical observatory featuring the world's largest stone sundial.

- **Accommodation**
Golden Tulip Hotel - 4 Star
- **Meals**
Breakfast
- **Included Activities**
Sightseeing of Jaipur
Sightseeing of Amber Fort

Sightseeing of City Palace
Sightseeing of Hawa Mahal

- **Entrance Fees**

Jantar Mantar - USD 3
Amber Fort - USD 8
City Palace - USD 8
Hawa Mahal - USD 3

Day 5: Jaipur, Dausa

Journey on to Dausa after breakfast and visit Galta Temple, also known as Monkey Temple and Abhaneri Stepwell, an impressive 9th century well. After checking into the hotel, get active with either a bit of kite flying or a cricket match with hotel staff. Followed by a visit to the hotel's organic farm and gaining some inspiration from their cooking demonstration.

- **Accommodation**

Umaid Lake Palace - 3 Star

- **Meals**

Breakfast

- **Included Activities**

Visit to Organic Farm

Day 6: Dausa, Agra, Taj Mahal

The Golden Triangle journey continues as we head to Agra. En route we will stop at the 16th Century ghost town of Fatehpur Sikri, where you'll find a complex of beautiful red sandstone monuments, temples and tombs. In the afternoon, explore the walls of the UNESCO World Heritage Site, Agra Fort. Then be sure to get your cameras ready! We're heading to the iconic Taj Mahal for sunset! A trip to India isn't complete without visiting this beautiful marble monument and learning why Emperor Shah Jahan laboured for over 22 years to build this impressive masterpiece.

- **Accommodation**

Howard Plaza Hotel - 4 Star

- **Meals**

Breakfast

- **Included Activities**

Sightseeing of Fatehpur Sikri

Sightseeing of Taj Mahal

Sightseeing of Agra Fort

- **Entrance Fees**

Agra Fort - USD 8

Taj Mahal - USD 23

Sikandra - USD 3

Day 7: Agra, Varanasi (Overnight Train)

Enjoy a free morning to explore the bustling city of Agra at your own pace and try the variety of tasty food the city has to offer. Freshen up before you get ready for a big travel stint as we leave Agra at 7.45pm to board an overnight train to Varanasi.

- **Accommodation**
Overnight Train
- **Meals**
Breakfast

Day 8: Varanasi

Wake up in Varanasi, a pilgrim-drawing spiritual capital of India and one of the world's oldest continually inhabited cities. Full of shrines and temples, it's the ultimate destination to experience India's spirituality. In the afternoon, we will tour the sites of Varanasi. Wander around some of the thousands of temples and shrines, explore the narrow twisting alleyways and most importantly be mesmerised by the spiritual rituals. In the evening you're in for a treat, as you witness Aarti, a highly choreographed ritual prayer ceremony honouring the Ganges River.

- **Accommodation**
Hotel Amayaa - 4 Star
- **Included Activities**
Sightseeing of Bharat Mata Temple
Sightseeing of Tulsi Manas Temple

Day 9: Varanasi, Delhi (Overnight Train)

Early bird catches the worm as we embark before sunrise to Daswamedh Ghat. Take in a memorable sunrise as you journey via boat along the sacred river Ganges to see the cremation Ghats and witness the living traditions of one of the world's oldest religions. Return for a walk through the cobblestone streets along the banks of "Ganga" and take in the bustling atmosphere as it becomes a beehive of activity. Check out Kashi Vishwanath Temple and return to the hotel for breakfast. Afterwards, discover Sarnath, the premier centre for Buddhism with a rich collection of ancient Buddhist relics and antiques. The afternoon is yours to enjoy before we get ready to embark an overnight train to Delhi late in the evening.

- **Accommodation**
Overnight Train
- **Meals**
Breakfast
- **Included Activities**
Sightseeing of Kashi Vishwanath Temple

Day 10: Delhi

What a trip! Enjoy your last breakfast and start seeing off your new-found friends before checkout at 11am. Don't forget to arrange your departure transfer to the airport with your guide. Time to start counting down the days until your next adventure.

- **Meals**
Breakfast

Please note: The day by day descriptions are intended as an indicative guide only. Travel by nature is unpredictable. Weather patterns, road conditions, public holidays, travel restrictions and many other factors may necessitate itinerary changes that are ultimately for the client's benefit. It is essential that clients are flexible in this regard.

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