

## Experience Ananda (2 Nights / 3 Days)

### Departures

This tour can be scheduled to accommodate your chosen departure date.

Ananda spa packages are also available. [Click here](#) for more information.

### Day 1 - Rishikesh

The Garhwal region of north India is speckled with some of the holiest of Hindu pilgrimage sites and Rishikesh is one such major attractions. It is located amidst a calm environment, impressive water front, dense forest and hills. Virtually a town of saints, sages and scholars, it attracts thousands of tourists every year, who come to seek mental peace in the midst of the humdrum of modern life. Its not only a spot for pilgrims but it also attracts foreigners who want to know about Hinduism & spend some time close to the Lord. The place is also a renowned centre for yoga teachings. Rishikesh is also an ideal base camp for trekking in the nearby Himalayas.

Assistance at New Delhi for transfer to the domestic airport terminal to board flight to Dehradun. After arriving in Dehradun, transfer by car to Ananda Spa. Take lunch at the hotel. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure taking full advantage of the facilities, including Hydrotherapy Jacuzzi, steam, sauna, plunge pool, and foot bath; daily yoga, meditation, Pranayama and Vedanta classes; full fitness centre; and trekking through the Himalayan foothills. Dinner & overnight at the hotel.

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Take a full day to rest and rejuvenate yourself at the Spa. Try out the golf course and driving range, or go white-water rafting on the Ganges River. Enjoy luxurious Ayurvedic treatments and gorgeous views of the mountaintops. Or go on the elephant safari through Chilla National Park. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner & overnight at the hotel.

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After breakfast this morning, check-out and transfer to Dehradun airport for your flight to Delhi. Upon arrival in Delhi, assistance and transfer to the international terminal for your journey onward, or to a hotel for one more night of leisure.

## Pricing

Single Occupancy	Double Occupancy	
Deluxe Palace View Room	\$ 1250	\$ 770 per person
Deluxe Valley View Room	\$ 1380	\$ 830 per person
Deluxe Suite	\$ 2020	\$ 1090 per person
Ananda Suite	\$ 2760	\$ 1450 per person
Vice Regal Suite	\$ 3610	\$ 1880 per person

\*\*PLEASE NOTE: Children under age 14 are NOT PERMITTED at Ananda\*\*

Your tour price includes:

Two nights accommodation at Ananda In the Himalayas per room sharing as above

Breakfasts, lunches, and dinners as mentioned in the itinerary

Round-trip domestic airfare from Delhi to Dehradun & return

Transfer from Delhi international airport or hotel to Delhi domestic airport for flight to Dehradun

Transfer from Dehradun airport to Ananda & return

Transfer from Delhi domestic airport to Delhi international airport or hotel

All car services via A/C Ford Ikon or similar

All applicable taxes

Use of the following Spa facilities during your stay: Scheduled Yoga or Meditation classes; Use of Wet Spa areas like Sauna, Steam Bath, Jacuzzi; Complimentary use of the Swimming Pool; Scheduled Hiking Trips in the Himalayan Foothills; Complimentary use of the Gymnasium

Suite category rooms also enjoy the following: Ananda Breakfast served in the room; Choice of two aromatic baths in the suite



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- Any additional spa services, except those mentioned as included
- Any international airfare or airfare not mentioned in the itinerary
- Any applicable airport departure taxes
- Travel insurance or Mediclaim
- Any alcohol, beverages, laundry, telephone calls, gratuities or other items of a personal nature
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## The City of Joy Kolkata Experience (2 Nights / 3 Days)

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Day 1 - Kolkata (Calcutta)

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Welcome on arrival at Kolkata and transfer to your Hotel. Take an evening walk around the city to appreciate the new culture. Dinner & overnight at the hotel. Kolkata is the city of Joy, contrast and culture. It was the capital of British India until 1912—now it remains the capital of West Bengal. A visit to Kolkata will put you in touch with a combination of 300 years of cultural heritage mixed with vibrant modern life.



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Morning brings you on a half-day city tour with an introduction about the glory of Bengal in connection with Indian life and lore. Visit Victoria Memorial, Kalighat Temple, and St. Palls Cathedral. Drive through the heritage building of BBD bagh, and visit the famous Flower Market. You will also experience a small Tram Ride along with a hand-pulled Rixo Ride during your day's tour. Later this afternoon, you will be taken to Dakshineswar Kali Temple. It is famous for its association with Ramkrishna who achieved spiritual vision here. Rani Rashmoni built this temple in 1847. The 12- spired temple with its enormous courtyard is surrounded by 12 other temples dedicated to Lord Shiva. Experience the river cruise Dakshineswar Temple to Ballur Math across river Ganges by motorized boat and watch the river banks brimming with the cultures of Kolkata. Ballur Math is the international headquarters of Ramkrishna Mission. It is founded in 1899 by Swami Vivekananda, the world famous yogi and disciple of Sri Ramakrishna Paramhansa. You will finish the days tour at the Mother Teresa's House, the headquarters of the Missionaries of Charity. Dinner & overnight at the hotel.

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After checking-out from your hotel, we transfer you to the airport to connect with your flight to the next destination.

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## Colors of Rajasthan (12 Nights / 13 Days)

### Departures

This tour begins in Delhi on December 17, 2009 (max. occupancy 35 rooms)

You can also enjoy this tour independently on the date of your choosing. [Click here for details.](#)

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As a commercial hub, Delhi has many shopping areas to offer its tourists. Visit the upscale avenues of Connaught Place, or go to Delhi Haat for handicraft goods. Don't forget to stop at Janpath Market for a variety of inexpensive traditional and souvenir items to bring home to your friends and relations.

December 17, 2009: Accommodation available from 12:00pm. Assistance upon arrival at the Delhi IGI Airport and transfer to your hotel. Overnight at hotel.

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December 18, 2009: This morning after breakfast proceed for a full day tour of Old and New Delhi, visiting sites such as historic Red Fort, Jama Masjid, Raj Ghat, Qutab Minar, Parliament House and Birla Temple. Evening is free for independent and leisure activities. Christmas Eve Dinner at the Hotel. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 3 - Agra

Agra, which lies on the west bank of river Jamuna, became one of the principal cities of the Mughal Empire, as the capital of the Emperor Shah Jahan and his beautiful Queen Mumtaz Mahal. Its beautiful monuments and the rich presence of color and harmony make it a place worth visiting at least once. But the most important of Agra's tourist attractions and its main claim to fame is the magnificent Taj Mahal, the pride of India. Taj Mahal is considered as one of the eight wonders of the world. The architecture alone has inspired reams of rapture over the years. Other tourist attractions in Agra include the Rambagh and Dayalbagh Gardens, Chini ka Rauza, and Jama Masjid. Agra Red Fort, an elegant military structure constructed by Akbar (but partially converted into a palace by Shah Jahan), gives you a feel of Agra's rich past.

December 19, 2009: This morning drive to Agra and check in at the hotel. Afternoon guided sightseeing tour of Agra Fort and Sikandra's Tomb. Overnight at the hotel.

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December 20, 2009: Early morning guided sightseeing tour of the most opulent wonder of the modern world--the Taj Mahal. Breakfast at the hotel. Rest of the day is at leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 5 - Fatehpur Sikri

The royal city at Fatehpur Sikri, situated 26 miles west of Agra, was built at the orders of the Mughal Emperor Akbar. It is predominately built in red sandstone. The Emperor buildt a magnificent city as an act of gratitude to a saint, made it the capital of his empire, and then, due to the shortage of water supply, the pristine complex was abandoned. This deserted city has two complexes. The first has the royal enclosure of the palaces and the official buildings. And the second dargah of a Sufi saint, with a mosque and a lofty gateway.

December 21, 2009: Breakfast at the hotel. Check out and drive toward Jaipur. En route, visit the deserted Mughal palatial complex at Fathepur Sikri. Later drive to Jaipur. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 6 - Jaipur

Jaipur is one of the most beautiful cities in India. In 1876, Jaipur dressed itself in pink to welcome Prince Albert and Queen Elizabeth II, and thus the nickname "Pink City" is still attributed to it. Jaipur is the capital of Rajasthan, the desert state in India, which is famous for its majestic forts, opulent havelis, beautiful lakes and sand dunes. It is also home to gold and silver jewellery made in the "Kundan" and "Meenakari" traditions, which are now world famous. The city also has an excellent infrastructure to support the tourism. Jaipur has some of India's best hotels, which compliment the scenery and architectural beauty of the Pink City.

December 22, 2009: Breakfast at the hotel. Morning excursion tour by elephant to Amer fort. After lunch, a guided sightseeing tour of the city visiting places such as City Palace and Museum, Jantar Mantar Observatory, Hawa Mahal, and Albert Hall. Evening dinner with cultural show. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 7 - Udaipur

Udaipur is known as the Venice of the East and is also called the City of Lakes. It is certainly an oasis in the landscape of Rajasthan, with blue waters surrounded by beautiful green hills. Udaipur has been the capital of the world's longest ruling dynasty - the Sisodias of Mewar. The temple of Eklingji, the patron deity of Udaipur royal family is worth visiting as are the nearby Sas-Bahu temples at Nagda. Lake Pichola is one of the central attractions of Udaipur. The grand City Palace sits on the banks of the lake and the Monsoon Palace on the hills nearby. All palaces in Udaipur are located on its banks or over its waters. It is quite rare to find any other body of water in the world having so many historic buildings as part of its premises.

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December 23, 2009: Breakfast at the hotel. Check out and transfer to the airport to board your flight to Udaipur. Arrive and check in to the hotel. Afternoon guided sightseeing tour of the city, visiting City Palace and Museum, Sahileyon Ki Bari (Garden of Royal Ladies), Jagdish Temple, Bhartiys Lok Kala Mandal. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 8 - Chittaurgarh

Chittaurgarh is located about 112 km from Udaipur in a country strewn with rocky cliffs, monsoon streams, and pleasant fields. The fort is studded with several historical monuments and memorials, the most important being Vijay Stambh, Kirti Stambh, Rana Kumbha's Palace, Padmini Palace, Meera and Kumbha Shyam Temple etc. The fort has witnessed some of the bloodiest battles in the Indian history.

December 24, 2009: After breakfast, visit to Chittaurgarh Fort. Later return to Udaipur. Evening at leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 9 - Jodhpur

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December 25, 2009: Following breakfast, check out of the hotel and drive for Jodhpur via Ranakpur, where you will visit a magnificent cluster of Jain temples. Arrive in Jodhpur and check in to the hotel. Holiday Dinner and Celebration at the hotel. Overnight at the hotel.

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December 26, 2009: Breakfast at the hotel. Later enjoy a full-day guided sightseeing tour of Jodhpur. You can visit such places at Mehran Garh Fort, Mandore Garden, and Umed Bhawan Palace. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 11 - Jaisalmer



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December 27, 2009: After breakfast, drive from Jodhpur to Jaisalmer (approximately 6.5 hours). Upon arrival, check in to your luxury hotel. Later this afternoon, drive to Khuri (40 minutes) to witness sunset on the Sam Sand Dunes. Enjoy a camel ride upon the golden sands. Return to Jaisalmer and overnight at the hotel.

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December 28, 2009: After breakfast, take a day's sightseeing tour of Jaisalmer, the center of the Great Indian Desert. Its temples, forts, and palaces are built of yellow sandstone. The city is a mass of intricately carved building facades and elaborate balconies. See the Patwan Ki Havelis, Salim Singh Ki Havelis, and Gadhi Sagar Tank. Later this afternoon, return to Jodhpur and overnight at the hotel.

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December 29, 2009: Breakfast at the hotel. Check-out and transfer to the airport for your flight to Delhi. Assistance upon arrival in Delhi and transfer to your chosen hotel or transfer to the international terminals for your onward journey.

## Pricing

Single	\$7880
Double	\$5455 per person
Triple	\$4510 per person
First Child*	\$2945 first child*

All prices quoted in U.S. Dollars (\$) for full 8-night tour program as per the Itinerary for 17th December fixed departure group tour.

Your tour price includes:

Deluxe or Luxury Accommodation with private facilities per above room-sharing basis  
Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner at all locations per the itinerary  
Domestic bottled water at every meal and during sightseeing  
Domestic economy-class airfare as per the itinerary  
Arrival & departure transfers with assistance  
All sightseeing as per the itinerary  
Local English-speaking guide for all sightseeing  
Entrance fees to all monuments and cultural events as per the itinerary  
Still & video camera charges at all monuments  
Baggage handling  
Elephant ride to Amer Fort (Jaipur)  
Entrance to Taj Mahal for two visits (one evening, one morning)  
Complimentary travel for one child (under age 5 years at time of travel) per full fare adult [please inquire about our child policy]  
\*Child fare policy: One child (age 5-12 years at time of travel) per full fare adult permitted at child rate; child will be provided a rollaway bed in adult's accommodation.

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OPTIONAL UPGRADES:

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Please contact us about upgrading your room categories  
You may choose to hire a car with driver and optional guide for your "at leisure" times  
Additional night(s) in your choice of Delhi hotels available at special rates through Discover India

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## Corbett National Park (3 Nights / 4 Days)

### Departures

This tour can be scheduled to accommodate your chosen departure date

### Day 1 - Ramnagar

Ramnagar Fort, located 14 km from Varanasi, houses a museum displaying the Royal collection which includes old silver and brocade palanquins for the use of the ladies of the court, elephant howdahs made of silver brocades, a replica of the royal bed and an armoury of swords and guns. Only one mile from Corbett National Park, Ramnagar lends an element of history to your wildlife adventure.

This morning we will find you at your hotel or the Delhi airport. Journey by private car to Corbett National Park near Ramnagar. This is India's first National Park to come under Project Tiger. Corbett National Park supports a variety of vegetation, making it the ideal habitat for the Tiger and its prey. On arrival, check-in to the hotel. Then drive to Corbett National Park for an evening jeep safari. Overnight at the hotel. D

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Breakfast at the hotel. Morning and evening jeep safari at the national park. Keep a watchful eye for the elusive Tiger, watch the playful antics of hundreds of bird species, and admire the elegance of India's Cheetal, Sambar, and other Deer. Overnight at the hotel. B,L,D

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Breakfast at the hotel. After check out, enjoy a drive to Delhi as you reflect on the wonders of India's jungles. On arrival, transfer to a beautiful luxury hotel. Check into the hotel. Overnight at the hotel. B,L,D

### Day 4 - Delhi

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India a land of snake charmers and magicians and the capital of this land of mysteries is Delhi. Delhi is just not a city but it is a book.. a book which narrates the history of India. Enjoy a full day guided sightseeing tour of the Old and New Delhi visiting Jama Mosque, Red Fort, Shantivan, Parliament street , India gate, Raj Ghat, Lotus Temple, Qutub Minar and Humayun Tomb. Take in the busy street life and quite corners of India's capital. Later transfer to the Airport to board the flight home. B,L

B=breakfast included

L=lunch included

D=dinner included

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## Pricing

October 1, 2009 to April 15, 2010

<u>Occupancy</u>	<u>Oberoi Luxury</u>	<u>Taj Luxury</u>	<u>Taj Deluxe</u>
Single	\$1615	\$1570	\$1480
Double	\$985 per person	\$972 per person	\$915 per person
Triple	not available	please contact us	please contact us

Your tour price includes:

02 Nights accommodation at Quality Inn Corbett Jungle Resort or similar (Standard category)  
01 Night accommodation at luxury hotel in New Delhi per above package  
All meals as per the itinerary (B=breakfast, L=lunch, D=dinner) per person  
Two Airport transfers at New Delhi  
Two-way transport between New Delhi and Corbett National Park via A/C Toyota Innova or similar  
Two evening and One morning open-jeep safaris at Corbett National Park  
Full-day Delhi Sightseeing as mentioned in the itinerary via A/C Toyota Innova or similar  
Local English-speaking guide for sightseeing  
Entrance fees for all monuments & parks as per the itinerary  
Video/still camera fees at all monuments & parks as per the itinerary  
All parking, tolls, and portage  
All luxury taxes, food/beverage taxes and service taxes  
Bottled water provided throughout the tour

Your tour price does not include:

Gratuities are not included in the program price and are at the discretion of the traveler  
Laundry, alcohol/beverages, telephone calls, and other expenses of a personal nature  
Any domestic or international airfare  
Any airport taxes  
Any items not specifically mentioned as Included

Optional Upgrades:

Add one more night in Corbett National Park to fully enjoy your wildlife experience!

Your upgrade includes:

01 Night accommodation at Quality Inn Corbett Jungle Resort or similar (Standard category)  
01 morning & 01 evening jeep safari through Corbett National Park



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01 Breakfast, 01 Lunch, & 01 Dinner per person  
English-speaking guide for 02 safaris  
Entrances to the park as required for 02 safaris  
Camera/video fees required for 02 safaris  
ONE ADDITIONAL NIGHT IN CORBETT NATIONAL PARK:  
SINGLE: \$215 per night  
DOUBLE: \$185 per person per night

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## The Deccan Odyssey (7 Nights / 8 Days)

### Departures

The Deccan Odyssey departs every Wednesday, October through April.

For journeys aboard this train during September, please view the Viceroy of India.

### Day 1 - Mumbai (Bombay)

Mumbai, formerly known as Bombay, is the capital of the state of Maharashtra. It is the most populous city of India, with an estimated metropolitan population of about 12 million (2005). Mumbai is almost overflowing with sights to see: fascinating culture, bustling city life and interesting landmarks. An abundance of outdoor markets and fine stores make this destination a shoppers dream. The city is home to India's film and television industry, known as Bollywood. Mumbai is also one of the rare cities to accommodate a national park, the Sanjay Gandhi National Park, within its city limits.

The time has come for you to undertake a journey way back in time. Welcome to Mumbai, a city of dreams that 300 years ago was an agglomeration of seven islands. Modern, yet preserving its antiquities, a short drive through the city will reveal this inherent truth. Board the train in the evening at Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus, undoubtedly one of the famous Gothic buildings and an integral part of Mumbai's skyline. Wine and dine in the luxurious comforts of this train and whistle off on your royal voyage.

### Day 2 - Ratnagiri

Ratnagiri is a well-known district in Konkan region of India's west coast. It houses one of three ancient Buddhist universities; the grand highlight of the site is the enormous Stupa at the top of the hill. Bal Gangadhar Tilak, the great freedom fighter was also born in Ratnagiri. Other attractions are the Bhatye beach, the Coconut Research



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Centre, Ratnadurg Fort, Bhagwati Bunder (Sea-port) and the Seafood Processing Centre at Mirya. Devout Buddhists will be delighted with the mysteries of the little known gem of Ratnagiri.

Jaigadh, Ganapatipule, Ratnagiri and Bhatye Beach: Alight in the morning at the Ukashi Station nestled amidst majestic mountains and scenic backwaters. Enjoy the short ride in a luxury bus a Rai Jetty. Cut through the mesmerizing silence of the scenic backwater accompanied by an impressive number of exotic birds on the way of the historical Jaigad forest. relish an almost unique view of Konkan village life, impossible to get either from road or the rail. This romantic journey brings you to jaigad Jetty, situated at the foothills of the Jaigad Fort. And at a short distance stands the legendary Jaigad Fort, high and proud on a cliff with a spectacular view of the ocean and Ganapatipule, the next destination. After Jaigad Fort, it's time to travel to Ganapatipule by road, an experience by itself. The vast 'Konkan' stretch abounds with scenic greenery, red earth and the roofed houses with clean courtyards add a quaint touch to the panorama. Ganapatipule is bathed in the golden sunshine and silver moonlight, lapped by gentle foam-flaked waves from the expanse of the Arabian Sea. It's laced with the unforgettable aroma of fruits, flowers and mangroves. And the whispers of swaying coconut trees carry you away into a land, that's serene, sedate and unspoilt. Feast your taste over a vast spread of 'Konkan' cuisine and spend some time in the company of the locals, who are as warm and cheerful as their surroundings. Ever ready to chat with you and make you feel at home. Visit the holy temple shrine dedicated to Lord Ganesh, flocked by millions every year. Walk down the beach to the tune of the splashing waves. Head out towards Ratnagiri, the land of the world famous 'Alphonso' mangoes, in the comforts of the luxury A/C bus. Ratnagiri is the birth place of Lokmanya Tilak and the internment home for the last king Burma, King Thibaw. Visit the Lokmanya Tilak Smarak, ratnadurg Fort and then put on your swimsuits. Just a few Kilometers away, lined with dense trees, lies the long-winding stretch of Bhatye beach, your next destination. Temples, forts and virgin beaches, you would wish you could stay a little longer. But the train whistles and you are off to yet another beautiful destination feasting over a royal spread served on board.

## Day 3 - Tarkarli

Tarkarli is located 6 kms south of Malvan and 546 kms away from Mumbai on the coast of Maharashtra. Tarkarli is renowned for its virgin beaches that open up to sparkling blue waters. On a clear day, one can actually see the seabed up to a depth of 20 feet. Tarkarli creek is home to a variety of local and migratory birds and rare aquatic life. It is also a major attraction for fishing enthusiasts. It is also home to Sindhudurg, one of Maharashtra's more popular and important sea forts.

Morning – Alight at the Sindhudurg Nagari Railway station.

Departure by AC Bus to Malvan Jetty to witness Sindhudurg the Ocean Fort & one time naval base of Maratha empire. From jetty proceed to Tarkarli beach resort.

Tarkarli a virgin beach at the confluence to river Karli and Arabian Sea.

Lunch & free time at Tarkarli beach.

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Next, romantic Back Water Cruise through the Tarkarli creek up to Walaval Jetty. Visit to ancient village temple of Laxmi Narayana, followed by visit to Sawantwadi town by A.C bus to witness fabulous lacquer handicrafts, paintings and furniture at the "Shilpagrama" the art & craft centre in the town. Watch cultural programme performed by local artist.

Late in the evening board the train at Sawantwadi railway station. Dinner onboard.

## Day 4 - Goa

Goa was famous in early Hindu legend and history. It is capital city the smallest and the youngest state of India, also called Goa. Goa has been ruled sometimes by Dutch, sometimes by British, sometimes by Turkish and finally by Portuguese. Goa is an endearing abode of scenic charm and many tourist spots with intricate churches and temples, evergreen hills and majestic mountains. Now tourists come particularly to enjoy the beaches and colourful culture of Goa. It is also famous for feni the locally brewed liquor which is popular as much among the tourists as it is with the locals. Goa is a place for traveler who seeks sun and sand, food and wine, and even old forts and temples.

As the train pulls in to Goa, get ready to explore an exotic destination frequented by tourists from all corners of the globe. Brilliant lush green fields surrounding village and hamlets, white washed churches standing out against occasional empty patches of startling red soil. Welcome to Goa, the land of India's finest golden sand beaches, jungle clad hills, imposing ancient churches and elegant mansions, splashed with colour of bougainvillea. Goa is indeed a great collage of sights, experiences and history. Once in Goa, you can start off with Old Goa. Take a walk amid the ruins, ramble in the vast gardens and grounds of the old church buildings. Basilica of Bom Jesus, Se Cathedral and the Church of St. Francis of Assissi, that began as a mosque but now is an archaeological museum for Goan antiques. It's time for an afternoon laced with heady traditional music, dance and finger licking Goan delicacies. Visit Fontanhas, the Latin quarters at Panjim, the capital of Goa State. Next stop is Dona Paula, a small palm fringed beach with casuarina groves and tranquility. The day has ended, but in Goa, it is just the beginning. Non stop fun, virgin beaches, ancient sites and caves, religious icons and shrines are set deep in your mind as you head back to the Karmali station. Wine and dine on board the royal train. It's true, no matter how much time you have in Goa, it will always seem too little.

## Day 5 - Pune

The city of Pune is situated near the western coast of India, approximately 115 miles south-east of Mumbai (Bombay). Pune is called the "Oxford of the East" and the cultural capital of Maharashtra, as the city has grown manifolds over the past few decades. It is famous for education and Osho Communes in the Rajnesh Ashram located here. In Pune, the past meets the present. It is one of those rare cities with a twin image: that of a tradition-bound place and that of a modern industrial metropolis.

Next morning, the royal train pulls into Pune, the erstwhile capital of Maratha. Also known as the cultural capital of the state, it is hometown of famous poets, writers, singers and artists. After a royal breakfast in the train,



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step out to discover this early home of Shivaji, the great Maratha warrior. First stop is Phule Mandai, the old central market, named after the great social reformer Mahatma Jotirao Phule. It consists of a large octagonal central tower with Gothic features and arms radiating from it. A reminder of the days gone by. Move on to the Raja Kelkar Museum, a quaint Rajasthani-styled building with an interesting personal collection of artifacts and antiques belonging to the 17th, 18th and the 19th century. Next is the World famous Iyengar Yoga Institute. Directed by Mr. B.K.S. Iyengar, it is an institute of international reputation. People come here from all over the world with hopes and rarely ever go back disappointed. After a quick lunch break at Taj Blue Diamond, it is time to move on to the world famous Rajneesh Ashram. Commonly known as Osho Ashram, the lushly landscaped 24-acre commune offers numerous programmes with an emphasis on meditation. Thousands alight here every day in search of spiritual meanings. Next stop is the Tribal Museum with an impressive collection of nearly 2000 rare and precious articles related to the tribal life of Maharashtra. The 12 sections include domestic life, agriculture, weapons and woodcarving. Move on to the David Synagogue, believed to be one of the largest in the world. Built by a Jewish merchant, Sir David Sassoon in 1867, it is one of the finest synagogues in India. Now, the luxury bus takes you to the Aga Khan Palace. A historical monument where Mahatma Gandhi and his wife were imprisoned along with other national leaders after he started the Quit India movement. Listen to the magic of hymns and devotional songs presented by a small group of artistes near the memorial of Smt. Kasturba Gandhi. Before you realise it, the day has ended. And it's time for the famous light and sound show at the Shaniwarwada Palace, built in 1732 by the Peshwas. Traditional 'tutari', 'sanai', 'chaughada', garlands and 'kumkum tilak' welcome you at the entrance. While the daring story of the erstwhile Maratha Empire enacted by light and sound capture your imagination inside. After a sumptuous meal on board the royal train, your next destination is the 6th century.

## Day 6 - Aurangabad

Aurangabad is located in the northern part of the state of Maharashtra, in the western region of India. It is 375 km from Mumbai (Bombay). Aurangabad is named after the Mughal emperor, Aurangzeb. It is known for its medieval monuments and cultural heritage. The importance of Aurangabad is great, owing to its proximity with the world heritage sites of Ajanta and Ellora. Lying along the right bank of the Kham River, the city also boasts of Bibi-ka-Makbara, a tomb that has some resemblance to the Taj Mahal. It is also famous for its silk and cotton textiles.

Next morning, travelling along the rolling hills and picturesque ruins of the past, you travel way back in time to Aurangabad. Founded by Aurangzeb, Aurangabad's heritage is rich and varied. After breakfast in the train, a luxury bus takes you to the majestic fortress of Daulatabad. An impregnable defense in its day, it still stands tall and proud. Walk around the ruins, which tell you extraordinary stories of bravery and valour. Next stop is the world famous Ellora Caves. Just 30 kms. from Aurangabad the historical Ellora caves is now a World Heritage Site. The Hindu, Jain and Buddhist caves at Ellora are among the finest in India. Lying on the ancient trade route, the caves are thought to be the work of priests and pilgrims who used the route. Abandoned and forgotten for a few centuries, the 34 caves were cut out of volcanic rocks of the Deccan trap. 12 are Buddhist (600 to 700 AD), 17 Hindus (800-1000 AD) and five Jain (1000 -1300 AD). The Buddhist caves belong to the Vajrayana sect of the Mahayana School. The caves include 'viharas' (monasteries) and 'chaityas' (chapels) where the monks worshipped. The Hindu caves lie in the centre of the group. The most famous of them being the Kailasanatha Temple (8th century). It is the most magnificent of all the rock-cut structures at Ellora. Completely



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open to the elements, it is the only building that was begun from the top. The Jain caves, less grand in comparison to the others are richly carved with lotus, elephant, lions and 'tirthankaras' of Lord Mahavira. They offer an aura of peace and simplicity. Come back to Aurangabad for lunch at the Taj hotel with live cultural entertainment. Next stop, is the Shivaji Museum with weapons and antiques from the great Maratha Empire. Just beyond the city, lies the Aurangabad Caves with highly ornate and strikingly detailed sculptures and architecture. Dating from the Vakataka and the succeeding Kalachuri dynasties (2nd and 6th centuries AD), these 10 caves, five in each group are also a World Heritage Site. Move on to the Bibi-Ka-Maqbara, a tribute of the Emperor's son to his mother. A replica of Taj Mahal, the fairy tale Maqbara stands out as the only piece of Moghul architecture on the Deccan Plateau. Spend some time browsing through Paithani and Himroo showrooms for a perfect memorabilia. Soon, it's time to go back to the station for a mouth-watering feast in the train and then to travel even further back in time.

## Day 7 - Ajanta

Today Ajanta caves is the most exquisite example of ancient Buddhist carving. Over the course of seven centuries, the cave temples of Ajanta evolved into works of incredible art. All 29 caves have been carved with scenes from Buddhist lore, and 15 of them remain unfinished. Some of the caves served as vihara (monasteries) complete with stone pillows carved onto the monks stone beds. Others were chaityas (Buddhist cathedrals). The caves are now like chapters of a splendid epic recalling the life of the Buddha.

Alight at Jalgaon railway station after a royal breakfast. Travel to T-Junction in a luxury AC bus. Board the MSRTC eco-friendly bus and it's time to travel back in time. Soon, you will find yourself surrounded by dramatic views of the Waghora valley where the Ajanta Caves are located. Older than the Ellora caves (200 BC to 650 AD) they are also cut from the volcanic lava of the Deccan Trap in a steep crescent shaped hillside. Lost to the world after the 7th century it was discovered by accident in 1819, by a party of British officers on a hunting expedition. At Ajanta, the Mahayana group, Hinayana group and the later Mahayana group, complete the spectrum of Buddhist development in India. 'Bodhisattva Padmapani', 'Bodhisattva Avalokitesvara', '17 Jatakas', 'The Birth of the Buddha' and 'The Thousand Buddhas' are amongst the finest murals and sculptures ever found. The paintings on the ceiling, particularly the elephant scattering the lotus, charging bull, the black princess and the row of dancers with musicians mesmerise tourists from all over the world. After a quick shopping break for artifacts and souvenirs, back track to Bhusalwal Station in the same luxury AC bus. Travel along to Nashik in the royal comforts of the train while the magnificent images of the ancient caves linger on in your mind. Enjoy the mouth-watering spread on board of the royal train. Alight at Nashik Road station with a traditional welcome of garlands, 'arti' and 'kumkum tilak'. Depart for Sula Winery at Govardhan Park in the comforts of a luxury AC bus, enjoying the view of a bustling township that's an interesting blend of the ancient and the modern. Stop on the way at the grape farms of the Winery. Walk through the green paradise as rows and rows of grape meet your eye in every direction. After watching the breathtaking view from the Gangapur dam site move on to the Sula Winery. The air, heavy with the heady aroma of wine, welcomes you to the Winery. Wine and dine in royal comfort as the sun sets in the horizon. Finally, when you head back to the Nashik Road Station, it's time for the Deccan Odyssey train to move from the past to the future. Get ready to alight at the most advanced business capital of India, Mumbai.

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Enjoy the breakfast on board as the sun rises over the commercial capital of India. Alight at the Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus in Mumbai in the morning enriched with the rich legacy of this land. The royal journey is over, but the memory of which, will live on forever.

## Pricing

October 2009 through March 2010\*

SINGLE: \$385 per person per night

DOUBLE: \$250 per person per night

TRIPLE: \$185 per person per night

PRESIDENTIAL SUITE: \$600 per person per night

April 2009

SINGLE: \$295 per person per night

DOUBLE: \$195 per person per night

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PRESIDENTIAL SUITE: \$450 per person per night

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Any leg of minimum of 3 nights subject to availability will be given at the current per-night rates. Thus Mumbai-Goa and Goa-Mumbai sector will be sold as available segments to clients. If however, the client undertakes the day programme at Goa &/or Mumbai, an extra \$ 100 USD per person at each location will be charged.

Your tariff includes all meals, bottled water, transportation & sightseeing by A.C. deluxe coaches, entrance fees and still camera charges at monuments, palaces, boat cruises etc. during the paid portions of your tour.

Your tariff does not include liquor, beverages, Laundry, Smokes, Video Camera Charges at monuments, palaces, temples and other items of personal nature on Board or outside, use of Spa, telephones and business center facilities, or gratuities. You will also pay additional for any services in Mumbai (i.e. hotels, sightseeing, transfers to/from CST Station or Resham Bhawan).

All prices given in U.S. Dollars (\$). Tariff is subject to revision.

Presidential Suite rates are given for double occupancy.

\*A 10% surcharge shall be levied on departures during Christmas and/or New Year.

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## A Glimpse of God's Own Country (6 Nights / 7 Days)

Departures

Departs Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday

Day 1 - Cochin

Cochin is one of the most interesting places in India. The city is spread out over mainland, peninsula and islands. The ancient temples and the churches in this district are of special interest to tourists. You can also visit the Chinese fishing nets still present off the shores of the city. Cochin International Airport is one of the country's youngest airports with modern facilities and conveniences for the international traveler.

Arrive at Cochin International Airport. Assistance upon arrival and transfer to the hotel for check-in. Enjoy afternoon sightseeing of Cochin, including sites such as St. Francis church, Dutch Palace, Jewish Synagogue, and the Chinese fishing nets. Evening sunset cruise in the harbour followed by Kathakali dance performance at the cultural centre. Overnight at the hotel.



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## Day 2 - Munnar

Munnar is situated at the confluence of three mountain streams - Mudrapuzha, Nallathani & Kundala. It is a picturesque-perfect retreat for those who wish a heavenly getaway. Munnar reflects the grace of Mother Nature with misty mountains, springing streams, breathtaking landscapes, sprawling tea plantations, an enchanting climate and amazing flora and fauna. One can also enjoy active sports and action including trekking, boating, riding and fishing. Among the exotic flora found in the forests and grasslands in Munnar is the Neelakurinji. This flower, which bathes the hills in the blue every twelve years, will bloom next in 2008 AD.

After breakfast, drive to Munnar and check-in at the hotel. Enjoy an evening walk through the tea & cardamom plantations with a local guide. Overnight at the hotel.

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Take breakfast at the hotel. Morning walk through the buffer zone of nearby Eravikulam National Park to see the endangered Nilgiri Tahr (endemic antelope). Later visit the Tea Museum to witness tea processing and the Handicraft Centre. After lunch, enjoy a Jeep ride through the tea plantations to Devikulam Lake. Enjoy your afternoon at the lake before returning to Munnar. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 4 - Kothamangalam

According to the popular belief, the Marth Mariam Valiya Pally at Kothamangalam was founded in the 4th century by a few Syriac Christian families who migrated from Paravur and Angamali.

Following breakfast, check-out of the hotel. Late morning drive to Kothamangalam to stop for lunch at a traditional plantation bungalow. Continue to drive to Kumarakom to board the houseboat. Begin your cruise through the backwaters of Kerala as you wind through the canals near Alleppy. Evening visit to Mankombu village and see Bhagavathy temple and a traditional snake boat. Continue to cruise to the anchor point. Overnight on the houseboat.

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## Day 5 - Mararikulam

The village of Mararikulam is tucked away behind a line of dense palms that rise like a sudden rampart of green out of the sands. Like all villages, it has evolved naturally, in picturesque disorder. For those seeking to undo the stresses of city life and experience a completely new pace, it is the perfect spot. Marari offers endless miles of superb sand beaches backed by swing palms, virgin territory where you can experience the local charm & traditional Kerala hospitality at its best. The Marari Beach Resort is set in 25 acres of coconut palm groves leading down to the vast expanse of beach.

Enjoy breakfast aboard the houseboat as you continue your exploration of the canals. Disembark the houseboat this morning and transfer to your beach resort in the village of Mararikulam. Your afternoon is at leisure to enjoy the Ayurvedic spa facilities or visit the beach. Evening cultural show. Overnight at the hotel.

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Full day is at your leisure to relax at the beach or spa. Or take advantage of other sightseeing options, such as the "Discover Alleppy Tour" or excursion to Haripad village and temples. Evening cultural show. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 7 - Cochin

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After breakfast, check-out of the hotel by 12:00noon and transfer to the Cochin International Airport for your onward journey.

## Pricing

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SINGLE: \$2220 per person

DOUBLE: \$1595 per person

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Your price includes:

Complimentary fare for one child (up to 8 years old) per adult fare

All accommodations as per above sharing basis in these fine hotels (when available) or similar:

- Brunton Boat Yard in Cochin (Sea-Facing Standard Room)
- Windermere Tea Estate in Munnar (Coffee Cottage)
- One-Room Houseboat (A/C Standard)
- Marari Beach Resort in Mararikulam (Garden Villa Room)

All meals in all hotels utilised

Local English-speaking guide for all sightseeing as per itinerary

All transport service via A/C Toyota Qualis or similar

Assistance upon all arrivals and departures

Porterage, tolls, & parking

Entrance fees for all monuments visited per the itinerary

Still and video camera fees for all monuments visited per the itinerary

Boat ride at Cochin

Kathakali dance performance entrance at Cochin

Jeep ride in Munnar

Plantation Bungalow lunch in Kothamangalam

Discover Alleppy Tour or Haripad tour Mararikulam

All applicable taxes

Your price does not include:

Travel insurance or Mediclaim

Gratuities, laundry, beverages, telephone calls, spa treatments, etc. or other expenses of a personal nature

Any airfare or train fare

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### Departures

Departs every Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday or Monday.

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### Day 1 - Delhi

The national capital territory of Delhi is situated between the Himalayas and Aravalis Ranges in the heart of the Indian sub-continent. Delhi is considered one of the most historic capitals in the world, and two of its monuments — the Qutab Minar and Humayun's Tomb — have been declared World Heritage Sites. Exploring Delhi is both rewarding and fascinating. The most visited places in Delhi include the majestic Red Fort, the historical Chandni Chowk, as well as Raj Ghat and Shanti Vana -- modern structures constructed after India's Independence in 1947.

The city was built and destroyed seven times and has been witness to the various events which have brought India through the history books. It is believed that the Pandavas, the heroes of the epic Mahabharata, originally founded Delhi (then called Indraprastha) around 1200 B.C. Present day Delhi is built around the ruins of seven ancient cities.

As a commercial hub, Delhi has many shopping areas to offer its tourists. Visit the upscale avenues of Connaught Place, or go to Delhi Haat for handicraft goods. Don't forget to stop at Janpath Market for a variety of inexpensive traditional and souvenir items to bring home to your friends and relations.

Accommodation available from 12:00noon. Meet & assistance upon arrival at Delhi IGI Airport. Transfer to your hotel and assistance during check-in. Overnight at the hotel.

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This morning after breakfast, proceed for a full day (8 hours/80 kms) tour of Old and New Delhi. You will enjoy visiting places such as the historic Red Fort, Jama Masjid, Raj Ghat, Qutab Minar, Parliament House and Birla Temple. The evening is free for leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 3 - Agra

Agra, which lies on the west bank of river Jamuna, became one of the principal cities of the Mughal Empire, as the capital of the Emperor Shah Jahan and his beautiful Queen Mumtaz Mahal. Its beautiful monuments and the rich presence of color and harmony make it a place worth visiting at least once. But the most important of Agra's tourist attractions and its main claim to fame is the magnificent Taj Mahal, the pride of India. Taj Mahal is considered as one of the eight wonders of the world. The architecture alone has inspired reams of rapture over the years. Other tourist attractions in Agra include the Rambagh and Dayalbagh Gardens, Chini ka Rauza, and Jama Masjid. Agra Red Fort, an elegant military structure constructed by Akbar (but partially converted into a palace by Shah Jahan), gives you a feel of Agra's rich past.

After breakfast, depart by car for Agra. Upon arrival, check-in to the hotel. The afternoon brings a half-day (4 hours) tour of Agra City, visiting the impressive eighth wonder of the world, the Taj Mahal, built by Emperor Shah Jahan in memory of his Empress Mumtaz Mahal. The city tour is completed with a visit to Agra Fort & the city bazaar. Evening free for leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

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Early morning enjoy a sunrise visit to Taj Mahal. Return to the hotel for breakfast. Depart by road for Jaipur, enroute visiting Fatehpur Sikri, the abandoned capital of Mughal Emperor Akbar. Upon arrival in Jaipur, transfer to the hotel for check-in. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 5 - Jaipur

Jaipur is one of the most beautiful cities in India. In 1876, Jaipur dressed itself in pink to welcome Prince Albert and Queen Elizabeth II, and thus the nickname "Pink City" is still attributed to it. Jaipur is the capital of Rajasthan, the desert state in India, which is famous for its majestic forts, opulent havelis, beautiful lakes and sand dunes. It is also home to gold and silver jewellery made in the "Kundan" and "Meenakari" traditions, which are now world famous. The city also has an excellent infrastructure to support the tourism. Jaipur has some of India's best hotels, which compliment the scenery and architectural beauty of the Pink City.

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel, then proceed for a half-day excursion tour of Amer Fort, complete with elephant ride to the top. Visit Jag Mandir, Jai Mahal, and Temple of the Goddess Kali. Later this afternoon, sightseeing in the "Pink City" visiting Hawa Mahal, City Palace and Observatory, and the colourful bazaars. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 6 - Udaipur

Udaipur is known as the Venice of the East and is also called the City of Lakes. It is certainly an oasis in the landscape of Rajasthan, with blue waters surrounded by beautiful green hills. Udaipur has been the capital of the world's longest ruling dynasty - the Sisodias of Mewar. The temple of Eklingji, the patron deity of Udaipur royal family is worth visiting as are the nearby Sas-Bahu temples at Nagda. Lake Pichola is one of the central attractions of Udaipur. The grand City Palace sits on the banks of the lake and the Monsoon Palace on the hills nearby. All palaces in Udaipur are located on its banks or over its waters. It is quite rare to find any other body of water in the world having so many historic buildings as part of its premises.

Following breakfast, transfer to the airport for your morning flight to Udaipur. Assistance upon arrival in Udaipur and transfer to the hotel for check-in. Later proceed for a city tour covering the City Palace, Jagmandir, Sahelion ke bari and the temples of Eklingji and Nagada. Evening at leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

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After breakfast, relax on a drive to Chittaurgarh where you will visit Chittaurgarh Fort. Return to Udaipur and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure, taking advantage of lovely walking routes and spa facilities. Overnight at the hotel.

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Morning at leisure. In the afternoon, transfer to the airport to board your flight to Delhi. Upon arrival in Delhi, transfer to the hotel and assistance during check-in. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 9 - Delhi

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Morning check-out of the hotel and transfer to the airport for your onward journey.

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	Taj Deluxe	Taj Luxury	Oberoi Luxury
Single	\$4195	\$4550	\$5082
Double	\$2995 per person	\$3045 per person	\$3395 per person
Triple	\$3025 per person	\$2595 per person	\$3595 per person

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	Taj Deluxe	Taj Luxury	Oberoi Luxury
Single	\$6440	\$7520	\$8150
Double	\$3940 per person	\$4565 per person	\$4910 per person
Triple	\$3165 per person	\$3645 per person	\$5515 per person

All prices quoted in U.S. Dollars (\$) per person for the full 8-night tour program.

Your tour price includes:

Deluxe or Luxury Accommodation with private facilities per above room-sharing basis

Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner at all locations per the itinerary

Domestic bottled water at every meal and during sightseeing

Domestic economy-class airfare as per the itinerary

Arrival & departure transfers with assistance

All sightseeing as per the itinerary

Local English-speaking guide for all sightseeing

Entrance fees to all monuments and cultural events as per the itinerary

Still & video camera charges at all monuments

Baggage handling

Complimentary travel for one child (under age 5 years at time of travel) per full fare adult on bed-sharing basis

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Your tour price does not include:

- Any international airfare or airfare not mentioned in the itinerary
- Any airport departure taxes
- Any compulsory holiday dinners or celebrations required by the hotels
- Travel insurance or Mediclaim
- Any alcohol, beverages, laundry, telephone calls, gratuities, or other items of a personal nature
- Any expenses not specifically mentioned as included

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## Heritage on Wheels (3 Nights / 4 Days)

Departures

The Heritage on Wheels Jaipur each Tuesday and Friday, September through April

Day 1 - Jaipur

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Tuesday/Friday: Check in at Jaipur Railway Station. Reception 18.30 hrs. Departure to Bikaner 19.30 hrs. Dinner on Board 20.00 hrs.

Day 2 - Bikaner

If ever beauty has bloomed in a desert, it has been at Bikaner. Founded in 1488 AD by Rao Bika Ji, Bikaner is located in northwest part of Rajasthan. The imposing palaces and richly sculptured temples of red and yellow sandstone display some of the finest creations of Rajput civilization. It is also famous for its havelis. More popularly called "camel's country", Bikaner is dotted with many sand dunes. If given the opportunity, one should

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not miss the Camel Festival which is held in the month of January.

Wednesday/Saturday: Arrival at Bikaner 06.00 hrs. Breakfast on Board 07.00 hrs. Departure for sight seeing of Fort 08.30 hrs. Departure for Haat 11.00 hrs. Departure from Haat to Gajner 12.15 hrs. Arrival at Gajner 13.15 hrs. Lunch at Gajner and Safari 15.45 hrs. Arrival at Lal Garh Palace for Tea 16.15 hrs. Arrival and Dinner on Board 18.30 hrs. Departure for Tal Chhapar 23.30 hrs.

## Day 3 - Nawalgarh

Nawalgarh is a 250 year old town, established by Thakur Nawal Singhji, a successor of Rao Shekha. It is best known for the Poddar Haveli and the Moraka Haveli. It has a college with a British clock tower and hundreds of painted havelis, old and new. This is also the place to find some of the finest frescoes in the entire region. Tourists who come here enjoy Roop Niwas, Poddar haveli, Saat Haveli, as well as temples and forts. Nawalgarh has the distinction of having the largest number of painted havelis in the Shekhawati region. Themes ranging from the religious to folk to modern day inventions create an astounding interplay of vibrancy and vision.

Thursday/Sunday: Arrival at Padhiyar Railway Station 04.00 hrs. Departure 07.15 hrs. Arrival at Tal Chhapar and sightseeing 07.30 hrs. Departure 09.00 hrs. Arrival at Ramgarh 11.00 hrs. Departure for sight seeing Ramgarh 11.15 hrs. Sight seeing of Ramgarh Havalis (Mahanser) 11.30 hrs. Sight of Mandawa Havalis and Cenotaphs 12.30 hrs Lunch at Mandawa Resort 13.30 hrs. Departure for Nawalgarh 15.00 hrs. Arrival at Nawalgarh and sight seeing 16.15 hrs. High Tea at Nawalgarh 17.30 hrs. Arrival on Board 19.30 hrs. Dinner on Board 20.00 hrs. Departure for Jaipur 22.30 hrs.

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SINGLE: \$200 per person per night

DOUBLE: \$100 per person per night

TRIPLE: \$50 per person per night

*Half fare for children ages 5 to 12 years of age at time of travel*

Tariff is inclusive of cost of travel and accommodation per the itinerary, catering (morning tea, breakfast, lunch, evening tea, and dinner), conducted sightseeing tours in deluxe coaches, entrance fee for monuments and palaces and cultural entertainment.

Tariff does not include liquor/soft drinks/juices, laundry, video camera fees, gratuities, and other items of a personal nature.

Tariff is subject to revision. A 10% surcharge shall be levied on departures during Christmas and/or New Year.

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## His Majesty's Golden Triangle (6 Nights / 7 Days)

### Departures

Independent tour departs every Sunday, Monday, Thursday, Friday, or Saturday.

Our fixed departure tour begins December 23, 2009 in Delhi (max. occupancy 10 rooms). \*\*Please note the itinerary alterations for our fixed departure tour, below.\*\*

### Day 1 - Delhi

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Assistance upon arrival at Delhi IGI Airport. Transfer to your hotel and assistance during check-in. The rest of the day is at leisure to rest and recover from your journey. Overnight at the hotel.

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After breakfast, proceed for a full day tour of Old and New Delhi, visiting such sites as the historic Red Fort, Jama Masjid, Raj Ghat, Qutab Minar, Parliament House and Birla Temple. The evening is free for leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 3 - Agra

Agra, which lies on the west bank of river Jamuna, became one of the principal cities of the Mughal Empire, as the capital of the Emperor Shah Jahan and his beautiful Queen Mumtaz Mahal. Its beautiful monuments and the rich presence of color and harmony make it a place worth visiting at least once. But the most important of Agra's tourist attractions and its main claim to fame is the magnificent Taj Mahal, the pride of India. Taj Mahal is considered as one of the eight wonders of the world. The architecture alone has inspired reams of rapture over



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Enjoy breakfast at your hotel, then depart by road for Agra. Upon arrival, transfer to the hotel for check-in. Later, take a half day tour of Agra city. You will marvel at the eighth wonder of the world, the Taj Mahal. Also see Agra Fort and the city bazaar. Evening at leisure and overnight at the hotel.

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Early this morning, enjoy a sunrise visit to Taj Mahal. Return to the hotel for breakfast before departing by road for Jaipur. Enroute, visit Fatehpur Sikri, the abandoned capital of Emperor Akbar. Upon arrival in Jaipur, check-in to the hotel. Evening free for individual activity. Overnight at the hotel.

On our fixed departure tour, we will overnight in Agra on Day Four and proceed to Fatehpur Sikri on Day 5.

## Day 5 - Jaipur

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Following breakfast, proceed for a half day tour of Jaipur, beginning with an elephant ride to the top of Amer Fort. Continue to see Jagmandir, Jai Mahal, and the temple of the Goddess Kali. After lunch, another half day tour brings you through the "Pink City" to Hawa Mahal, the City Palace and Observatory, and the colorful bazaars. Overnight at the hotel.

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## Day 6 - Jaipur

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Enjoy a half day at leisure for shopping or personal exploration of the city. Later drive to Delhi and check-in to your hotel. Overnight at the hotel.

On our fixed departure tour, we will have a full day of sightseeing in Jaipur on Day 6 and overnight in Jaipur. We will proceed to Delhi on Day 7.

## Day 7 - Delhi

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Upon check-out at 12:00noon, transfer to the airport for your onward journey.

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## Jungle Journey Tour (14 Nights / 15 Days)

### Departures

This tour can be scheduled to accommodate your chosen departure date. Please note: The Taj Mahal (Agra) is closed on Fridays.

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On arrival, meet and assistance at the Airport. Your private car awaits to transfer you to the hotel. Check into the hotel. Overnight at the hotel.

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## Day 2 - Delhi

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Breakfast at the hotel. Later, enjoy a full day guided sightseeing tour of Old and New Delhi, visiting sites such as Jama Mosque, Red Fort, Shantivan, Parliament Street, India Gate, Raj Ghat, Lotus Temple, Qutub Minar, and Humayun Tomb. Overnight at the hotel.

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Breakfast at the hotel. Check out and drive to Jaipur, where you will check-in to your next hotel. Jaipur is popularly known as the "Pink City". It has a timeless appeal in its colorful bazaars that are renowned for their Rajasthani handlooms and trinkets. Beautifully laid out gardens and parks, attractive monuments and marvelous heritage hotels, once the residence of Maharajas, are worth admiration, not to mention the ambling camels and cheerful people in multi-hued costumes that make Jaipur a tourist's paradise. Later this afternoon, take a guided sightseeing tour of the Pink City visiting City Palace and Museum, Jantar Mantar Observatory, Albert Hall, hawa Mahal, Amber Fort & Palace, Central Museum, Laxmi Narayan Temple and Birla Planetarium. Overnight at the hotel.

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Morning enjoy an excursion tour of Amer Fort on the back of an elephant. Later have breakfast at the hotel and morning at leisure. In the afternoon, check-out and drive to Ranthambore Tiger Reserve. Check-in to the hotel and overnight at the hotel.

## Day 5 - Ranthambore

Ranthambore is one of the many famous destinations of the western state of India, Rajasthan. Ranthambore used to be the hunting ground of the Maharaja of Jaipur and then was declared as national park. The tiger reserve is a popular place to visit if you are in Ranthambore. It is a great location for adventurous jungle safaris, as it offers the best of the desert land as well as plains area near the hills. One of the main attractions of the national park is the old Ranthambore Fort, which sits on a rocky outcrop in the heart of the Park.

The Ranthambore National Park certainly is one of the most picturesque game reserves in the world. The entire forest is dominated by the silent, ruined battlements of the Ranthambore Fort, which is located inside the sanctuary. Breakfast at the hotel followed by morning & evening drives in the Park. Overnight at the hotel.

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Breakfast at the hotel. Morning & evening drives in the park, seeking tigers and other wildlife. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 7 - Bharatpur

Just 176 kms from Delhi, at Bharatpur, is a very special wilderness - the Keoladeo Ghana National Park, one of



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the finest water-bird sanctuaries in the world. Keoladeo Ghana's name signifies the location of the temple of Lord Shiva (Keoladeo) in the centre of the Park. Over 300 bird species, including the Common, Demoiselle and Rare Siberian Cranes, are found here. It is also an excellent place to watch mammals like the Golden Jackal, Striped Hyaena, Jungle Cat, Nilgai, Sambar, Blackbuck and Wild Boar. The Keoladeo Ghana Bird Sanctuary provides unlimited opportunities for the bird watcher, wildlife photographer, nature writer, or tourist.

Breakfast at the hotel. Check-out and drive to Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary. Visit the Bird Sanctuary at Keoladeo Ghana National Park, where over 300 species of birds can be found. Check-in and overnight at the hotel.

## Day 8 - Agra

Agra, which lies on the west bank of river Jamuna, became one of the principal cities of the Mughal Empire, as the capital of the Emperor Shah Jahan and his beautiful Queen Mumtaz Mahal. Its beautiful monuments and the rich presence of color and harmony make it a place worth visiting at least once. But the most important of Agra's tourist attractions and its main claim to fame is the magnificent Taj Mahal, the pride of India. Taj Mahal is considered as one of the eight wonders of the world. The architecture alone has inspired reams of rapture over the years. Other tourist attractions in Agra include the Rambagh and Dayalbagh Gardens, Chini ka Rauza, and Jama Masjid. Agra Red Fort, an elegant military structure constructed by Akbar (but partially converted into a palace by Shah Jahan), gives you a feel of Agra's rich past.

Breakfast at the hotel. Check-out and drive to Agra. Enroute visit Fatehpur Sikri, the red stone Mughal palatial complex. Then visit the world famous Taj Mahal and nearby Agra Fort as you explore the city. Check into the hotel. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 9 - Bandhavgarh

The Bandhavgarh National Park is located in the district of Sahdol in the Central Indian state of Madhya Pradesh. Before becoming a National Park, the forest around Bandhavgarh had long been maintained as a Shikargah, or game preserve, of the Maharajahs of Rewa. The density of the Tiger population at Bandhavgarh is the highest known in India, lending this area the nickname "White Tiger Country". The Park has been instrumental in bringing international media attention to the plight of the Royal Bengal Tiger.

Breakfast at the hotel. Check-out and transfer to the railway station to board the train to Bhandavgarh, a wildlife retreat where history and nature meet. Bandhavgarh is set amidst the Vindhyan ranges, and the Park has a series of ridges running through it. On arrival, transfer to the hotel and overnight at the hotel.

## Day 10 - Bandhavgarh

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Breakfast at the hotel. Spend the day at leisure enjoying the verdant grounds. Evening Jeep drive or elephant ride in the park. Overnight at the hotel.

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Breakfast at the hotel. Morning & evening Jeep drive and elephant ride in the Park. Keep your eyes open for bears! Overnight at the hotel.

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Breakfast at the hotel. Morning & Evening Jeep ride or elephant ride in the park. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 13 - Kanha

Kanha National Park is one of the most well-known tiger reserves worldwide and is located in the Mandla district of Madhya Pradesh. The National Park cum tiger reserve extends over an area of over 1,940-sq. kms. The major feature of this region's interesting topography is the horseshoe shape valley and spurs of the Mokal that surround the whole park area. The terrain inside the park is varied, nonetheless enjoyable. Bamboo forests flow into Sal forests and meadows. There are herds of spotted deer to be seen with smaller herds of beautiful antelope. The Park's landmark achievement is the preservation of the rare hardground Swamp Deer (Barasingha), saving it from near extinction.

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Breakfast at the hotel. Check-out and drive to Kanha Tiger Reserve. The grasslands at Kanha are interspersed with forests of Sal and positively teeming with all varieties of deer--the Barasingha, Chital (spotted deer), Chousingha, Nilgai, the majestic Gaur (Indian bison), and wild pig. This is also 'tiger country'. It is ideal for viewing both the predator and the prey. Evening Jeep safari at the Kanha Tiger Reserve. Overnight at the hotel.

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Breakfast at the hotel. Morning & evening Jeep safaris in the park. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 15 - Kahna

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Breakfast at the hotel. Morning Jeep safari in the park. Afternoon drive to Jabalpur to take a train to Delhi. On arrival in Delhi, transfer to the airport for your onward destination, or check-in to your luxury hotel for a rejuvenating rest.

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## Sunderbans National Park (3 Nights / 4 Days)

## Departures

This tour can be scheduled to accommodate your chosen departure date.

### Day 1 - Kolkata (Calcutta)

Kolkata, formerly known as Calcutta, is the capital of the Indian state of West Bengal and was capital of British India until 1912. The urban agglomeration of Kolkata covers several municipal corporations, municipalities, city boards and villages and is the third largest urban agglomeration in India and the seventh largest in the world. Situated on the banks of the Hooghly River (a distributary of the Ganges), Kolkata was arguably second only to London in administrative importance in the British Empire. The city lost its past glory and economic importance in the years following Indian independence. The city is also noted for its revolutionary tradition, from the pre-independence era to the Naxalite movements. Home of luminaries like Rabindranath Tagore, Amartya Sen, Mother Teresa, and Satyajit Ray, the city is often referred to as the "cultural capital of India", while other sobriquets like "the city of processions" and "the city of joy" also adorn Kolkata. Once called a "dying city", Kolkata is now undergoing a process of economic uplift and revival.

Arrive Kolkata early this morning, transfer to Sonakhali jetty through the beautiful countryside and rural bazaar. Arrive at Sonakhali and board the motorised boat. After a briefing and interpretation by our local guide cum naturalist over Tea/Coffee/Welcome drink, cruise through Hogol, Gomor, Durgaduani and Gumdi rivers to the Sudhanyakhali watch tower, winding your way through hidden creeks and canals. Experience the Island Cruise and arrive at Bali Island and check in into Sunderban Jungle Camp. Evening you might enjoy the infotainment by the local villagers. Dinner & overnight at the Camp.

### Day 2 - Sunderbans National Park

The Sunderbans are part of the world's largest delta formed by the rivers Ganges, Brahmaputra and Meghna which is spread over 10,000 sq kms and is home for many exquisite animals and birds. The area is a declared national park. Tigers in Sunderbans are known to be seen at the distance of 10 kms, perhaps while hunting fish or stealing honey from the beehives. Though Sunderban tigers are described as man-eaters, specialists say they rarely attack human beings. You can also see estuarine crocodiles and shy jungle cats at the Park. The reptiles found in the forest includes the King Cobra, Rock Python and Water Monitor. The Fleming Red Flowers of Genwa and the crab-like red flower of Khalsi add to the dazzling display of nature.

Post-breakfast, take an exciting full-day game cruise to Netidhobani Watch Tower in the core area of the Tiger reserve. Hot and freshly-cooked lunch will be served on board. Return to camp in the afternoon. In the evening, watch a local cultural show by the villagers. Dukhe Yatra is a spectacular one hour show including folk songs and dances. This is a unique traditional rural theatre which unfolds the interesting stories of the Tiger Lord, Forest Goddess, and the honey collectors. Dinner & overnight at the Camp.

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## Day 3 - Sunderbans National Park

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After breakfast at the camp, experience the village walk, to be followed by an adventure cruise by manually-oared country boats. Cruise to Dobanki to experience the Canopy Walk in the Tower. Later, transfer back to the camp for lunch and your transfer to Kolkata. Dinner & overnight at the hotel.

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## The Mangrove Thrill in Sunderbans (2 Nights / 3 Days)

## Departures

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## Motor Vessel Vrinda (4 Nights / 5 Days)

### Departures

Motor Vessel Vrinda departs Cochin on specific dates only! Contact Discover India to reserve your space on this exclusive cruise experience!

### Departure Dates:

October 2009: 1, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16, 19, 22, 25, 28, 31

November 2009: 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 24, 27, 30

December 2009: 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 24, 27, 30

January 2010: 2, 5, 8, 11, 14, 17, 20, 23, 26, 29

February 2010: 1, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16, 19, 22, 25, 28

March 2010: 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 24, 27, 30

April 2010: 2, 5, 8, 11, 14, 17, 20, 23, 26, 29

### Day 1 - Cochin

Cochin is one of the most interesting places in India. The city is spread out over mainland, peninsula and islands. The ancient temples and the churches in this district are of special interest to tourists. You can also visit the Chinese fishing nets still present off the shores of the city. Cochin International Airport is one of the country's youngest airports with modern facilities and conveniences for the international traveler.

This morning arrive in Cochin, an ideal base to discover the rich heritage of Kerala. Upon arrival, you are met and transferred to the Trident Hilton Cochin. The rest of your afternoon is at leisure. Optional evening boat

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cruise around Bolghatty Palace, where you can view the picturesque Chinese fishing nets silhouetted against the horizon at sunset. Dinner & overnight at the hotel.

## Day 2 - M/V Vrinda

India's first luxury cruiser on the backwaters of Kerala in the south of India, the M.V. Vrinda is owned by Oberoi Hotels & Resorts. Delve into Cochin's vibrant and eclectic life: classical Kathakali dances and rich mix of Jewish, Christian, Hindu, and Muslim cultures. Enjoy a spirited performance aboard your vessel during recital of Mohiniattam, also called the "Dance of the Enchantress." You can view the picturesque Chinese fishing nets silhouetted against the horizon at sunset. Sailing through scenic backwaters, guests can observe life along these "water highways" while passing through one of the few areas in the world where farming is done below sea level.

Morning at leisure. At 1:00 PM, once all the guests are on board, Vrinda sets sail along the main waterway on Vembanad Lake and enters the Alleppy canal. Lunch will be served on board. The cruiser sails along the scenic waterways for four hours and returns to the Vembanad Lake in time to watch the sunset. Later in the evening, guests enjoy a performance of the highly ritualized Kathakali dance, which tells stories from the ancient Hindu epics - Ramayana and Mahabharata. Performances begin with the application of elaborate makeup which is based in traditional Ayurvedic principles. The vessel will anchor for the night at the Vembanad Lake jetty. Dinner & overnight on board.

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At 7:00 AM, Vrinda will sail from the Vembanad Lake jetty and head South, towards Alleppy. Breakfast will be served on board. The vessel will enter the waterways of the Pamba river through the Alleppey canal. Sailing through scenic backwaters, guests can observe life along these "water highways" while passing through one of the few areas in the world where farming is done below sea level. The vessel will anchor near Kanjippadam and guests will be transferred to a traditional rice boat to navigate through the narrower sections of the backwaters. For the next few hours, guests will observe and experience a way of life unique to this region, accompanied by a guide. This section of the cruise includes a visit to the half-statue of Lord Buddha at Karumadi and a traditional Kerala tharavad (family residence). Later in the day, guests return to Vrinda where lunch will be served as the boat passes through picturesque stretches of the backwaters on the way back to Alleppy, known as the "Venice of the East". Vrinda will anchor for the night at the Vembanad Lake jetty. Dinner & overnight on board.



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## Day 4 - M/V Vrinda

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At 7:00 AM, Vrinda will sail from the Vembanad lake jetty and head South, past Kanjippadam. Vrinda will anchor near Chambakulam where guests will transfer onto the rice boat once again for a pre-lunch sightseeing excursion. Guests will visit St. Mary's Church, established by St. Thomas in 1721, and Sree Bhagavathy Kshetram, a 100-year old Hindu temple to the Mother Goddess, at Nedumudy. Guests can also explore the Chambakulam snake boat yard, which displays one of the traditional long snake boats used in races. To further the understanding and appreciation of this experience, a qualified guide will be present on board for the full day. After cruising through the backwaters in the afternoon, Vrinda will return to Vembanad Lake, where guests can enjoy a Mohiniattam recital on board. This classical dance form, distinctive to Kerala, is also called the "Dance of the Enchantress". Dancers attired in beautiful traditional costumes perform with slow, graceful movements and highly emotive expressions. Dinner & overnight on board.

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At 8:00 AM, Vrinda will sail North along the main waterway channel on Vembanad Lake. Breakfast will be served on board, following which the vessel will return to the Vembanad Lake jetty. Guests will check-out at 10:00 AM and will be transported by air-conditioned vehicle back to Trident Hilton Cochin. Here you can connect to transportation for Cochin International Airport or continue your stay at the hotel for even more relaxation.

## Pricing

October 1, 2009 through April 30, 2010

SINGLE: \$ 1945 per person



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DOUBLE: \$ 990 per person

- Accommodation on board Motor Vessel Vrinda for 3 nights including excursions
- Accommodation at Trident Hilton Cochin for 1 night, Superior category room
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner each day on board Vrinda
- One dinner and one breakfast at Trident Hilton Cochin during your stay
- Transportation from Cochin International/Domestic Airport to Trident Hilton Cochin (one-way) via A/C Toyota Qualis or similar
- Transportation from Trident Hilton Cochin to the Vembanad Lake jetty and back
- Guide and evening entertainment on board Vrinda on day 2 and 3 of the cruise
- All applicable taxes

#### Child Policy

- A child under 12 years of age can stay in the parents room without being charged.
- An infant (up to 2 yrs) and a child below 12 years can stay in the same room. A cot and a child's bed to be provided at no extra charge.
- For two children between 3 and 12 years of age, a separate room will be allocated at a 50% discount on the parents' applicable room rate.
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## Palace on Wheels (7 Nights / 8 Days)

### Departures

The Palace on Wheels departs every Wednesday, September through April.

### Day 1 - Delhi

The national capital territory of Delhi is situated between the Himalayas and Aravalis Ranges in the heart of the Indian sub-continent. Delhi is considered one of the most historic capitals in the world, and two of its monuments — the Qutab Minar and Humayun's Tomb — have been declared World Heritage Sites. Exploring Delhi is both rewarding and fascinating. The most visited places in Delhi include the majestic Red Fort, the historical Chandni Chowk, as well as Raj Ghat and Shanti Vana -- modern structures constructed after India's Independence in 1947.

The city was built and destroyed seven times and has been witness to the various events which have brought India through the history books. It is believed that the Pandavas, the heroes of the epic Mahabharata, originally founded Delhi (then called Indraprastha) around 1200 B.C. Present day Delhi is built around the ruins of seven ancient cities.

As a commercial hub, Delhi has many shopping areas to offer its tourists. Visit the upscale avenues of Connaught Place, or go to Delhi Haat for handicraft goods. Don't forget to stop at Janpath Market for a variety of inexpensive traditional and souvenir items to bring home to your friends and relations.

Wednesday: The journey of a lifetime begins at the Delhi Cantonment station where the guests are accorded a warm, traditional welcome before the Palace on Wheels pulls out into the night ... for a week-long luxury cruise through fascinating Rajasthan.

### Day 2 - Jaipur

Jaipur is one of the most beautiful cities in India. In 1876, Jaipur dressed itself in pink to welcome Prince Albert and Queen Elizabeth II, and thus the nickname "Pink City" is still attributed to it. Jaipur is the capital of Rajasthan, the desert state in India, which is famous for its majestic forts, opulent havelis, beautiful lakes and sand dunes. It is also home to gold and silver jewellery made in the "Kundan" and "Meenakari" traditions, which are now world famous. The city also has an excellent infrastructure to support the tourism. Jaipur has some of India's best hotels, which compliment the scenery and architectural beauty of the Pink City.

Thursday: The first stop of Palace on Wheels is Jaipur, one of the most well planned cities of the world of its time. This capital city of Rajasthan, popularly known as the Pink City, was founded by Maharaja Swai Jai Singh II, in 1727 A.D. To explore the city, an air-conditioned coach takes you to Hawa Mahal or the Palace of Winds,

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which is a remarkable five storeyed building along the main street of the old city in pink splendor with semi-octagonal and delicate honey combed sandstone windows. This is followed by a visit to Amber Fort, eight kms. away, where rides on caparisoned elephants add to the ambiance. Shop for Jaipur's famous jewellery, handicrafts, carpets blue pottery and textiles. Near Ajmeri Gate is located Rajasthali - the only Rajasthan Govt. Emporium selling genuine handicrafts at fixed prices. After lunch at a Palace Hotel, you are off to the City Palace, home of the erstwhile royal family. Right across the road from the City Palace is the Jantar Mantar, the largest observatory built by the Sawai Jai Singh II. The Luxury coaches will take you back to Palace on Wheels around 6.30 pm. Dinner on Board.

## Day 3 - Jaisalmer

Jaisalmer is located in the middle of the desert in the western portion of Rajasthan state. Tourist attractions in Jaisalmer are a constant reminder of the city's golden past that sparkles with tales of valor and courage. The surrounding region, once a princely state, consists almost entirely of sand, forming part of the Great Indian (Thar) Desert. A visit here is incomplete without venturing on a Camel safari. The heart-stirring yellow sandstone Jaisalmer Fort and the exotic Gadi Sagar Tank, which was, at a certain point of time in history, the only source of water supply for Jaisalmer, are two memorable sites. Jaisalmer has also become a popular destination for desert safaris in present times, rivaling other such expanses in Africa and elsewhere.

Friday: In the heart of the Thar Desert lies Jaisalmer, founded by Rawal Jaisal, in 1156 A.D. Here the yellow sandstone fort is an imposing sight, towering magnificently over the city. Discover the painstakingly latticed havelis or mansions with their grand facades. The Nathmalji-ki-haveli, Patwon-ki-haveli and Salim Singh-ki-haveli are fine examples of the stone carver's skill. Shop at Rajasthali-the only Rajasthan Govt. emporium, for fine pattu shawls, mirror work & embroidered articles, wooden boxes, trinkets, silver jewellery and curios. After lunch on board, go for an exciting camel ride on the sand dunes of Sam, before sipping a refreshing cup of tea. Enjoy the dinner and the cultural programmes at a hotel in Jaisalmer. The train leaves for Jodhpur at night.

## Day 4 - Jodhpur

Jodhpur, the Sun City in Rajasthan, is another fascinating destination for tourists. It is also called the "Blue City", due to its many blue-painted houses. Impressive forts, flawless havelis and a splendid culture welcome you into Jodhpur in Rajasthan. See the grand Mehrangarh Fort, amazing Jaswant Thada, tribal settlements, temples and other entrancing and unique attractions.

Saturday: This morning, the Palace on Wheels is in Jodhpur, a city ringed by a high stone wall with seven gates and several bastions. This second largest city of Rajasthan, founded by Rao Jodha in 1459 A.D. is known for its rock-solid Mehrangarh Fort. The grand palaces within- Moti Mahal, Sheesh Mahal, Phool Mahal, Sileh Khana and Daulat Khana are impressive examples of architectural excellence. Near the fort complex lies Jaswant Thada, and a group of royal cenotaphs made of white marble. After lunch at a royal Palace hotel, return to the Palace on Wheels. While in Jodhpur shop for the exquisite handcrafted articles including the famous breeches, embroidered shoes, metal curios, silverware, paintings and tie and dye fabrics.



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## Day 5 - Sawai Madhopur

Sawai Madhopur is the gateway to the world renowned Ranthambhore National Park - the famous Tiger Reserve, just 12 kms away from Sawai Madhopur. Ranthambhore has been a witness to the rise and fall of many rulers and a series of battle scenes. More famously, though, it is known for the National Park safaris and wildlife found upon its grounds.

Sunday: One can almost sense a life of the wilderness, as the Palace on Wheels arrives in Sawai Madhopur, a city named after its founder Maharaja Sawai Madho Singh I. After breakfast a visit is arranged to the Ranthambhor National Park, wherein are located the ruins of a 10th century fort. This wildlife sanctuary is considered to be the country's best for observing and photographing the activities of the tiger. The park, covering an area of 392 sq.kms. is home to more than 300 species of birds. The tiger, hyena, ratel, jackal and fox are among those constituting the carnivorous population here. Sawai Madhopur is known for its exclusive toys, ethnic ornaments and costumes. Upon return to the Palace on Wheels, you leave for Chittaurgarh, when one gets an opportunity to watch the colourful countryside passing by in the daylight.

## Day 5 - Chittaurgarh

Chittaurgarh is located about 112 km from Udaipur in a country strewn with rocky cliffs, monsoon streams, and pleasant fields. The fort is studded with several historical monuments and memorials, the most important being Vijay Stambh, Kirti Stambh, Rana Kumbha's Palace, Padmini Palace, Meera and Kumbha Shyam Temple etc. The fort has witnessed some of the bloodiest battles in the Indian history.

Sunday: After lunch on board you are in Chittaurgarh. Images of love and valour; scars of battles lost and won...thrice-beseiged, Chittaurgarh Fort is all this and more. Moving legends of honour and pride will echo in your mind as you proceed to Udaipur.

## Day 6 - Udaipur

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Monday: Arrive in Udaipur, the Lake City at 7:30 AM. It was founded by Maharana Udai Singh of Mewar, after the Sisodia dynasty was driven away by the Mughals, in 1559 A.D. Perhaps the two most beautiful sites of

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Udaipur are the dream-like marble Palaces- the Jag Niwas (Lake Palace) and the Jag Mandir, which appear to rise from the blue waters of Lake Pichhola. After lunch at Lake Palace Hotel a visit to City Palace is exhilarating. In the evening visit the crystal gallery. Later proceed to Bharatpur on board Palace on Wheels.

## Day 7 - Bharatpur

Just 176 kms from Delhi, at Bharatpur, is a very special wilderness - the Keoladeo Ghana National Park, one of the finest water-bird sanctuaries in the world. Keoladeo Ghana's name signifies the location of the temple of Lord Shiva (Keoladeo) in the centre of the Park. Over 300 bird species, including the Common, Demoiselle and Rare Siberian Cranes, are found here. It is also an excellent place to watch mammals like the Golden Jackal, Striped Hyaena, Jungle Cat, Nilgai, Sambar, Blackbuck and Wild Boar. The Keoladeo Ghana Bird Sanctuary provides unlimited opportunities for the bird watcher, wildlife photographer, nature writer, or tourist.

Tuesday: Arrive at the Taj Mahal, one of the seven wonders of the world. A pristine monument of undying love. It was built by Emperor Shah Jahan in memory of his beloved queen Mumtaz Mahal. Also visit Agra Fort and see other monuments and tombs about town. Agra is known for its splendid marble inlay work like the Pietra Dura work on the Taj, leather goods and jewelry. Dinner on board as the train departs for Delhi.

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Wednesday: After a good night's sleep, arrive at Delhi Cantt. at 6.00 hrs this morning and let the pleasant memories of the past week linger on your mind for a long, long time. Breakfast on board. Disembark by 8:30 hrs.

## Pricing

October 2009 through March 2010\*

SINGLE: \$435 per person per night

DOUBLE: \$285 per person per night

TRIPLE: \$215 per person per night

September 2009 & April 2010

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TRIPLE: \$140 per person per night

Half fare for children between 5 and 12 years of age at time of travel.

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The tariff is inclusive of cost of travel & accommodation per the itinerary, full catering (morning tea, breakfast, lunch, evening tea, and dinner), tea/coffee/bottled water, conducted sightseeing tours in deluxe coaches, entrance fee for monuments and palaces and cultural entertainment.

Tariff does NOT include liquor, soft drinks, juices, wine or beer; laundry services; additional toiletries; camera fees at monuments; sightseeing, transfers, or other services in Delhi; gratuities; souvenirs; other items of a personal nature; or any expenses not specifically mentioned as Included.

All prices are given in U.S. Dollars (\$). Tariff is subject to revision.

\*A 10% surcharge shall be levied on departures during Christmas and/or New Year.

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## Pushkar Fair (8 Nights / 9 Days)

### Departures

This tour will depart only ONCE per year!

Begins October 28, 2009 in Delhi

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of inexpensive traditional and souvenir items to bring home to your friends and relations.

October 28, 2009: Arrive at Delhi International Airport. Assistance upon arrival and transfer to the hotel. Rest and recover from your journey. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 2 - Delhi

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October 29, 2009: After breakfast, enjoy a full day city tour visiting sites such as India Gate, Raj Ghat, and Red Fort. Later drive past the President's House, Parliament House, and Secretariat Building. Also visit Qutab Minar. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 3 - Agra

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October 30, 2009: After breakfast, check-out and drive to Agra. Check-in to your hotel upon arrival. In the afternoon, visit Agra's Red Fort which is surrounded by a 70ft high wall. In the evening, visit the Taj Mahal,

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which is India's most fascinating and beautiful masterpiece. Its pure white marble shimmers silver in the moonlight. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 4 - Fatehpur Sikri

The royal city at Fatehpur Sikri, situated 26 miles west of Agra, was built at the orders of the Mughal Emperor Akbar. It is predominately built in red sandstone. The Emperor buildt a magnificent city as an act of gratitude to a saint, made it the capital of his empire, and then, due to the shortage of water supply, the pristine complex was abandoned. This deserted city has two complexes. The first has the royal enclosure of the palaces and the official buildings. And the second dargah of a Sufi saint, with a mosque and a lofty gateway.

October 31, 2009: After breakfast, check-out and drive to Jaipur. Enroute, visit Fathepur Sikri, the abandoned Mughal palatial complex. The main entrance to the complex, Buland Darwaza or "Great Gateway", is reached by an impressive flight of stairs. After your visit, continue to Jaipur. Check-in to your hotel upon arrival. Evening cultural dinner and show at the Ethnic Village Resort, where you can also take in camel rides, puppet shows, fortune tellers, and village crafts. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 5 - Jaipur

Jaipur is one of the most beautiful cities in India. In 1876, Jaipur dressed itself in pink to welcome Prince Albert and Queen Elizabeth II, and thus the nickname "Pink City" is still attributed to it. Jaipur is the capital of Rajasthan, the desert state in India, which is famous for its majestic forts, opulent havelis, beautiful lakes and sand dunes. It is also home to gold and silver jewellery made in the "Kundan" and "Meenakari" traditions, which are now world famous. The city also has an excellent infrastructure to support the tourism. Jaipur has some of India's best hotels, which compliment the scenery and architectural beauty of the Pink City.

November 1, 2009: After breakfast, take a guided tour of Amer Fort. Later a half-day city tour covers the city's highlights such as Hawa Mahal, City Palace, and Jantar Mantar Observatory. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 6 - Pushkar

Home of the famous Pushkar Fair, Pushkar is located on Pushkar Lake, 11 kms from Ajmer. It is surrounded by hills and sand dunes. Pushkar houses 400 temples and is a sacred pilgrimage site for the Hindu community. It is believed that for five days each year (during Kartik), that all the gods visit Pushkar and bless the devout. These days also coincide with the biggest cattle fair of the country, Pushkar Fair. At the fair you can find camel and horse races, local artisans and handicrafts, camel shows, performances, a lovely rose garden, and yoga and meditation experiences.

November 2, 2009: After breakfast, check-out and drive to Pushkar--the city of Brahma. After lunch, take part in

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the Pushkar Fair activities and visit various temples and the sacred lake. Dinner & overnight in a deluxe tent accommodation.

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November 3, 2009: Full day at leisure to witness and participate in the Pushkar Fair. Later this afternoon, transfer by car to Jaipur. Overnight at your hotel.

## Day 8 - Udaipur

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November 4, 2009: After breakfast in Jaipur, check-out and transfer to the airport for your flight to Udaipur. On arrival, assistance and check-in to the hotel. In the afternoon, tour to Eklingji and Nagda temples. Eklingji is famous for the beautifully sculpted temple complex with 108 temples within its high walls built in 734 A.D. Nagda is an ancient place in Mewar and was the capital of Bappa Rawal. It boasts a magnificent torana exquisitely carved with graceful apsaras. This ancient site, dating back to the 6th century A.D., is renowned for the Sas-Bahu temples with their interesting architecture and carvings. Return to Udaipur city. Evening option of a cruise on Lake Pichola. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 9 - Udaipur

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November 5, 2009: After breakfast, visit the City Palace, Jagdish Temple, and Folk Art Museum. Check out from the hotel by 12:00noon and transfer to the airport for your flight to Delhi. Upon arrival in Delhi, transfer to the international terminal for your onward flight or to your chosen hotel.

## Pricing

28th October 2009

	Taj Deluxe	Taj Luxury	Oberoi Luxury
Single	\$5870	\$7295	\$7810
Double	\$3555 per person	\$4360 per person	\$4660 per person
Triple	\$2870 per person	\$3475 per person	\$5245 per person

All prices quoted in U.S. Dollars (\$) per person for the full 8-night tour program.

Your tour price includes:

Deluxe or Luxury Accommodation (or best available) with private facilities per above room-sharing basis  
Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner at all locations per the itinerary  
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Any international airfare or airfare not mentioned in the itinerary  
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Any compulsory holiday dinners or celebrations required by the hotels  
Travel insurance or Mediclaim  
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## Rajasthan Bonanza (7 Nights / 8 Days)

Departures

Departs every Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Saturday

Day 1 - Delhi

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Arrive in Delhi this morning and immediately transfer by car to Agra. Upon arrival in Agra, check-in to the hotel. Enjoy an afternoon guided sightseeing tour of the city, including Agra Fort and Sikandra's Tomb. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 2 - Agra

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Early morning guided sightseeing tour of the most opulent wonder of the world, the Taj Mahal. Breakfast at the hotel. Remainder of the day is yours at leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

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Breakfast at the hotel, then check-out and drive for Jaipur. Enroute, visit the deserted Mughal capital of Fatehpur Sikri. Upon arrival in Jaipur, check-in to the hotel. Overnight at the hotel.

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Breakfast at the hotel. Later take an excursion tour by elephant ride to Amer Fort. In the afternoon, enjoy guided sightseeing of the "Pink City", visiting City Palace and Museum, Jantar Mantar Observatory, Hawa Mahal, and Albert Hall. Evening dinner with Cultural Show. Overnight at the hotel.

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Breakfast at the hotel. Check-out and transfer to the airport for your flight to Udaipur. Arrive to this oasis city and check-in to the hotel. In the afternoon, take a guided sightseeing tour of the city on beautiful Lake Pichola, visiting City Palace and Museum, Sahileyon Ki Bari (A Garden of Royal Ladies), Jagdish Temple, and Bhartiys Lok Kala Mandal. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 6 - Jodhpur

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Breakfast at the hotel followed by check-out and drive for Jodhpur. Enroute, stop in Ranakpur, visiting a magnificent cluster of Jain temples. Upon arrival in Jodhpur, check-in to the hotel. Evening at leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

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Breakfast at the hotel. Later enjoy a full day guided sightseeing tour of Jodhpur, visiting Mehran Garh Fort, Mandore Garden, and Umed Bhawan Palace. The evening is at leisure to enjoy the nightlife. Overnight at the hotel.

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## Day 8 - Delhi

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## Pricing

### April 16 - September 30, 2009

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Single	\$4215	\$5065	\$6435
Double	\$2420 per person	\$2845 per person	\$3510 per person
Triple	\$2030 per person	\$2380 per person	\$3885 per person

### October 1, 2009 - April 15, 2010

	Taj Deluxe	Taj Luxury	Oberoi Luxury
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Triple	\$2570 per person	\$3230 per person	\$5055 per person



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Accommodation available from 12:00pm. Assistance upon arrival at the Delhi IGI Airport and transfer to your luxury hotel. Rest of the evening is at your leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

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This morning after breakfast, proceed for a full day tour of Old and New Delhi, visiting sites such as historic Red Fort, Jama Masjid, Raj Ghat, Qutab Minar, Parliament House and Birla Temple. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 3 - Agra

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This morning drive to Agra and check in at the hotel. Afternoon guided sightseeing tour of Agra Fort and Sikandra's Tomb. Overnight at the hotel.

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Early morning guided sightseeing tour of the most opulent wonder of the modern world--the Taj Mahal. Breakfast at the hotel. Rest of the day is at leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 5 - Fatehpur Sikri

The royal city at Fatehpur Sikri, situated 26 miles west of Agra, was built at the orders of the Mughal Emperor Akbar. It is predominately built in red sandstone. The Emperor buildt a magnificent city as an act of gratitude to a saint, made it the capital of his empire, and then, due to the shortage of water supply, the pristine complex was abandoned. This deserted city has two complexes. The first has the royal enclosure of the palaces and the official buildings. And the second dargah of a Sufi saint, with a mosque and a lofty gateway.

Breakfast at the hotel. Check out and drive toward Jaipur. En route, visit the deserted Mughal palatial complex at Fathepur Sikri. Later drive to Jaipur. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 6 - Jaipur



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Breakfast at the hotel. Morning excursion tour by elephant to Amer fort. After lunch, a guided sightseeing tour of the city visiting places such as City Palace and Museum, Jantar Mantar Observatory, Hawa Mahal, and Albert Hall. Evening dinner with cultural show. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 7 - Udaipur

Udaipur is known as the Venice of the East and is also called the City of Lakes. It is certainly an oasis in the landscape of Rajasthan, with blue waters surrounded by beautiful green hills. Udaipur has been the capital of the world's longest ruling dynasty - the Sisodias of Mewar. The temple of Eklingji, the patron deity of Udaipur royal family is worth visiting as are the nearby Sas-Bahu temples at Nagda. Lake Pichola is one of the central attractions of Udaipur. The grand City Palace sits on the banks of the lake and the Monsoon Palace on the hills nearby. All palaces in Udaipur are located on its banks or over its waters. It is quite rare to find any other body of water in the world having so many historic buildings as part of its premises.

Breakfast at the hotel. Check out and transfer to the airport to board your flight to Udaipur. Arrive and check in to the hotel. Afternoon guided sightseeing tour of the city, visiting City Palace and Museum, Sahileyon Ki Bari (Garden of Royal Ladies), Jagdish Temple, Bhartiys Lok Kala Mandal. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 8 - Chittaurgarh

Chittaurgarh is located about 112 km from Udaipur in a country strewn with rocky cliffs, monsoon streams, and pleasant fields. The fort is studded with several historical monuments and memorials, the most important being Vijay Stambh, Kirti Stambh, Rana Kumbha's Palace, Padmini Palace, Meera and Kumbha Shyam Temple etc. The fort has witnessed some of the bloodiest battles in the Indian history.

After breakfast, drive to Chittaurgarh for a visit to Chittaurgarh Fort. Later return to Udaipur. Evening at leisure to enjoy the spa or private relaxation, or take in an evening walk or activity. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 9 - Jodhpur

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Following breakfast, check out of the hotel and drive for Jodhpur via Ranakpur, where you will visit a magnificent cluster of Jain temples. Arrive in Jodhpur and check in to the hotel. Overnight at the hotel.

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Breakfast at the hotel. Later enjoy a full-day guided sightseeing tour of Jodhpur. You can visit such places at Mehran Garh Fort, Mandore Garden, and Umed Bhawan Palace. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 11 - Delhi

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The city was built and destroyed seven times and has been witness to the various events which have brought India through the history books. It is believed that the Pandavas, the heroes of the epic Mahabharata, originally founded Delhi (then called Indraprastha) around 1200 B.C. Present day Delhi is built around the ruins of seven ancient cities.

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Breakfast at the hotel. Check out and transfer to the airport to board your flight to Delhi. Upon arrival, transfer to the international terminal for your onward journey or transfer to your chosen hotel.

## Pricing

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	Taj Deluxe	Taj Luxury	Oberoi Luxury
Single	\$4780	\$6095	\$6095
Double	\$3450 per person	\$4095 per person	\$4095 per person
Triple	\$3101 per person	\$3550 per person	\$3550 per person

October 1, 2009 - April 15, 2010:

	Taj Deluxe	Taj Luxury	Oberoi Luxury
Single	\$7580	\$8980	\$9120
Double	\$4755 per person	\$5590 per person	\$6180 per person
Triple	\$3890 per person	\$4535 per person	\$6940 per person

All prices quoted in U.S. Dollars (\$) per person for the full 10-night tour program.

Your tour price includes:

Deluxe or Luxury Accommodation with private facilities per above room-sharing basis  
Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner at all locations per the itinerary  
Domestic bottled water at every meal and during sightseeing  
Domestic economy-class airfare as per the itinerary  
Arrival & departure transfers with assistance  
All sightseeing as per the itinerary  
Local English-speaking guide for all sightseeing  
Entrance fees to all monuments and cultural events as per the itinerary  
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Complimentary travel for one child (under age 5 years at time of travel) per full fare adult on bed-sharing basis  
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Any alcohol, beverages, laundry, telephone calls, gratuities, or other items of a personal nature  
Any expenses not specifically mentioned as included

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## Royal Summer Bonanza (9 Nights / 10 Days)

### Departures

This tour can be scheduled to accommodate your chosen departure date. Recommended to begin your tour in Delhi on Sunday, Monday, Thursday, Friday, or Saturday.

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Accommodation available from 12:00noon. Meet & assistance upon arrival at Delhi IGI Airport. Transfer to your hotel and assistance during check-in. Overnight at the hotel.

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This morning after breakfast, proceed for a full day (8 hours/80 kms) tour of Old and New Delhi. You will enjoy visiting places such as the historic Red Fort, Jama Masjid, Raj Ghat, Qutab Minar, Parliament House and Birla Temple. The evening is free for leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

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After breakfast, depart by car for Agra. Upon arrival, check-in to the hotel. The afternoon brings a half-day (4 hours) tour of Agra City, visiting the impressive eighth wonder of the world, the Taj Mahal, built by Emperor Shah Jahan in memory of his Empress Mumtaz Mahal. The city tour is completed with a visit to Agra Fort & the city bazaar. Evening free for leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

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Early morning, enjoy a second visit to the Taj Mahal. Return for breakfast at the hotel. Depart by road for Jaipur, enroute visiting Fatehpur Sikri, the abandoned capital of Mughal Emperor Akbar. Upon arrival in Jaipur, transfer to the hotel for check-in. Your evening is at leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

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Full day at leisure in Jaipur. You can enjoy the downtown activities or relax at your hotel spa, take an optional excursion or day tour, or hire a car for shopping. Overnight at the hotel.

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Enjoy breakfast at the hotel, then proceed for a half-day excursion tour of Amer Fort, complete with elephant ride to the top. Visit Jag Mandir, Jai Mahal, and Temple of the Goddess Kali. Later this afternoon, sightseeing in the "Pink City" visiting Hawa Mahal, City Palace and Observatory, and the colourful bazaars. Overnight at the hotel.

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Following breakfast, transfer to the airport for your morning flight to Udaipur. Assistance upon arrival in Udaipur and transfer to the hotel for check-in. Later proceed for a city tour covering the City Palace, Jagmandir, Sahelion ke bari and the temples of Eklingji and Nagada. Evening at leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

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After breakfast, relax on a drive to Chittaurgarh where you will visit Chittaurgarh Fort. Return to Udaipur and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure, taking advantage of lovely walking routes and spa facilities. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 9 - Delhi

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Morning at leisure. In the afternoon, transfer to the airport to board your flight to Delhi. Upon arrival in Delhi, transfer to the hotel and assistance during check-in. Overnight at the hotel.

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Morning check-out of the hotel and transfer to the airport for your onward journey.

## Pricing

Oberoi Package (valid until Sept. 1, 2009)	
Single	\$ 5670 per person
Double	\$ 3695 per person

All prices quoted in U.S. Dollars (\$) for full 9-night tour program as per the Itinerary.

Your tour price includes:

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Baggage handling  
Elephant ride to Amer Fort (Jaipur)  
Complimentary travel for one child (under age 5 years at time of travel) per full fare adult [please inquire about our child policy]

Your tour price does not include:

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Any alcohol, beverages, laundry, telephone calls, gratuities, or other items of a personal nature  
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## Temples of South India (9 Nights / 10 Days)

Departures

Departs every Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, or Tuesday

Day 1 - Chennai

Chennai, formerly known as Madras, is the capital of Tamil Nadu state and is the fourth largest metro city in India. The blue water of the Bay of Bengal mingles with the warm sands at the beaches here. Chennai is a journey into timeless India, a kaleidoscope of moods. Rich in the treasures of history, from temples and shrines to forts and palaces, the landscape of the past lives easily with the present in Chennai.

Arrive Chennai then drive to Mamallapuram. Enroute visit Kancheepuram, one of the sacred cities of India, to see the temples Kailasanatha, Ekambareswara, and Vaikuntaperumal. Continue to the famous historical wonder, Mammallapuram, situated on the shore of the Bay of Bengal. On arrival in Mamallapuram, check-in to the hotel. Your afternoon is at leisure to enjoy the beach or relax. Overnight at the hotel.



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## Day 2 - Mamallapuram

Mahabalipuram is also called Mamallapuram (City of Bali). Mamallapuram lies close to Chennai (Madras) on the shores of the Bay of Bengal, along the eastern coast. Mamallapuram is known for its rock carvings and monolithic sculptures. It boasts the famous Shore Temple, the only one to have survived the ravages of nature. Also known as the Seven Pagodas (temples), six of these structures now lie submerged in the sea. Tourists are drawn to this place by its miles of unspoiled beach and rock-cut art. The sculpture here is particularly interesting because it shows scenes of day-to-day life, in contrast with the rest of the state of Tamil Nadu, where the carvings generally depict gods and goddesses.

Breakfast at the hotel. Morning visit the Rock Carvings and Shore Temple, one of the oldest temples in South India, belonging to the 8th century. Excursion to Cholamandalam Artist Village. Return to Mamallapuram and overnight at the hotel.

## Day 3 - Pondicherry

Pondicherry is distinctly divided into two sections. One side of the local canal 'Pondicherry' still retains much of its French flavour. On the other side of the canal, you'll find 'Puducherry', a small South Indian town where the flavours aren't basil and thyme but curry leaves and roasting rai seeds. Pondicherry, with its ashram charm, is sought out by the peace-seeker. And with its safe and secluded beaches, also loved by the sun-seeker. The Heritage Walk of Pondicherry is allows the stroller to enter the French city "La Ville Francaise", where one finds the streets still bearing French names like Rue Dumas, Rue Romain Rolland, Rue Saint Martin, etc. Pondicherry is richly cosmopolitan.

Breakfast at the hotel, then drive to Pondicherry, enroute visiting Auroville. On arrival, check-in to the hotel. Afternoon visit of Shri Aurobindo Ashram. Later you can take a walk through town. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 4 - Tanjore

Tanjore is located on the eastern coast of the state of Tamil Nadu. This city carries the nickname "the rice bowl of Tamil Nadu". Tanjore is known as the ancient capital of Chola kings. The Brihadishwara temple, a World Heritage Site, was built by Raja Raja and is termed the crowning glory of Chola temple architecture. The Thanjavur Palace, which was constructed in 1550, has huge corridors, spacious halls, and observation and arsenal towers. You can also visit Brihadeeswara Temple, Saraswati Mahal and the Art Gallery.

Breakfast at the hotel, then drive to Tanjore. Enroute, visit the Shiva-Natraja Temple at Chidambaram. On arrival, check-in to the hotel. This afternoon, visit the Brihadeeshwara Temple and the Bronze Museum. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 5 - Trichy

Trichy (Tiruchirapalli) is located on the banks of the River Kaveri (Cauvery). It is a city known for its educational institutions, industries, and temples. Trichy, with a blend of a glorious historical past and acclaimed divinity through the famous Dravidian temples, stands as a commercial and tourist hub of Tamil Nadu. The most famous landmark of this bustling town is the Rock Fort Temple, a spectacular monument perched on a massive rocky outcrop which rises abruptly from the plains to tower over the old city.

Breakfast at the hotel, then drive to Trichy. On arrival, check-in to the hotel. Afternoon visit to the Rock Fort and Srirangam Temples. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 6 - Madurai

Madurai is situated on the banks of river Vaigai. It has a rich cultural heritage passed on from the great Tamil Era more than 2500 years ago. Madurai is one of South India's great temple towns and the most famous structure is Meenakshi Temple, once controlled by Pandya Kings. It is said that Lord Shiva blessed the land and its people, and divine nectar (Madhu) was showered on the city from his matted locks. This city was henceforth known as Madhurapuri. Madurai is also famous for Jasmine flowers.

Breakfast at the hotel then drive to Madurai. On arrival, check-in to the hotel. Afternoon city sightseeing tour. Later evening re-visit Shree Meenakshi Temple to witness the Closing Ceremony. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 7 - Periyar

Thekkady is the location of the Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary, which is an important tourist attraction in Kerala state. In the rich jungles of Periyar is one of the world's most fascinating natural wildlife reserves - the Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary. The greatest attraction of Periyar, however, are the herds of wild elephants that come down to play in Periyar Lake. Thekkady is also famous for various spices, tea and coffee.

Breakfast at the hotel, then transfer by road to Periyar and check-in to the hotel. Towards evening, enjoy a boat ride on Lake Periyar, where you may spot some wildlife. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 8 - Kottayam

Kottayam is an important commercial centre of Kerala. The word Kottayam is a composition of the words Kotta (meaning "fort") and Akkam (meaning "inside"). It is a mountainous region with scenic landscapes, backwaters, bird sanctuaries, temples and churches. Kottayam is also connected with picturesque Vembanad Lake by a

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backwater canal.

Breakfast at the hotel, then drive to Kottayam. Board your motorboat from the jetty and enjoy a cruise on the backwaters until Alleppey. Your car awaits to drive you to Cochin. On arrival, check in to the hotel and enjoy your afternoon at leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 9 - Cochin

Cochin is one of the most interesting places in India. The city is spread out over mainland, peninsula and islands. The ancient temples and the churches in this district are of special interest to tourists. You can also visit the Chinese fishing nets still present off the shores of the city. Cochin International Airport is one of the country's youngest airports with modern facilities and conveniences for the international traveler.

Breakfast at the hotel. Full day city tour of Cochin, visiting places such as Fort Cochin, Dutch Palace, the Synagogue, and walk through the Antique Market. Overnight at the hotel.

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## Taj Mahal by Full Moon Light (6 Nights / 7 Days)

Departures

Tour begins December 30, 2009 in New Delhi (max. occupancy 40 rooms)

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December 31, 2009: After breakfast, proceed for a full day tour of Old and New Delhi visiting sites such as the historic Red For, Jama Masjid, Raj Ghat, Qutab Minar, Parliament House, and Birla Temple. The evening is free to enjoy New Year's Dinner and Celebration at the hotel. Overnight at the hotel. B,L,D

### Day 3 - Jaipur

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January 1, 2010: Enjoy breakfast at the hotel, then check out and drive to the Pink City of Jaipur. Afternoon enjoy the sights and sounds of this historical city at leisure. Overnight at the hotel. B,L,D

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January 2, 2010: Breakfast at the hotel. Morning excursion by elephant to Amer Fort. Afternoon guided sightseeing of the city, visiting City Palace and Museum, Jantar Mantar Observatory, Hawa Mahal, Albert Hall and more. Evening cultural program with local dances. Overnight at the hotel. B,L,D

### Day 5 - Agra

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January 3, 2010: After breakfast, drive to Agra. En route, visit the abandoned Mughal palatial complex at

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Fatehpur Sikri with its red sandstone ruins. Arrive to Agra and check in to the hotel. Enjoy an evening visit to the Taj Mahal where you can gaze upon the white marble by the light of the full moon. Overnight at the hotel. B,L,D

## Day 6 - Agra

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January 4, 2010: Enjoy an early-morning sightseeing tour of Taj Mahal; compare its ambiance at sunrise with that of the moonlight experience. Return to the hotel for breakfast then proceed for a sightseeing tour of Agra, including Sikandra's Tomb and Agra Fort. Rest of the day is yours for leisure or shopping. Overnight at the hotel. B,L,D

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January 5, 2010: Following breakfast, check-out and drive to Delhi. Upon arrival in Delhi, transfer to your hotel or the airport for your onward journey. B

B = Breakfast included

L = Lunch included

D = Dinner included

## Pricing

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Single	\$3565 per person
Double	\$2380 per person
Triple	\$2000 per person
First Child*	\$1155 first child*

All prices quoted in U.S. Dollars (\$) for full 6-night tour program as per the Itinerary departing 30th December 2009.

Your tour price includes:

Deluxe or Luxury Accommodation with private facilities per above room-sharing basis  
Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner at all locations per the itinerary  
Domestic bottled water at every meal and during sightseeing  
Arrival & departure transfers with assistance  
All sightseeing as per the itinerary  
Local English-speaking guide for all sightseeing  
Entrance fees to all monuments and cultural events as per the itinerary  
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Elephant ride to Amer Fort (Jaipur)  
Entrance to Taj Mahal for two visits (one evening, one morning)  
Complimentary travel for one child (under age 5 years at time of travel) per full fare adult [please inquire about our child policy]  
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Your tour price does not include:

Any international or domestic airfare  
Any airport departure taxes  
Travel insurance or Mediclaim  
Any alcohol, beverages, laundry, telephone calls, gratuities, or other items of a personal nature  
Any expenses not specifically mentioned as included

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## Taste of Rajasthan (8 Nights / 9 Days)

### Departures

This tour begins in Delhi on December 23, 2009 (max. occupancy 15 rooms)

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December 23, 2009: Accommodation available from 12:00 noon. Assistance upon arrival at the International airport and transfer to your Delhi hotel. Rest of the day at leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

### Day 2 - Delhi

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December 24, 2005: After breakfast this morning, proceed for a full-day tour of Old and New Delhi, visiting such places as the historic Red Fort, Jama Masjid, Raj Ghat, Qutab Minar, Parliament House, and Birla Temple. The evening is free for leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

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December 25, 2009: This morning drive to Agra and check in at the hotel. Afternoon guided sightseeing tour of Agra Fort and Sikandra's Tomb. Overnight at the hotel.

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December 26, 2009: Early morning guided sightseeing tour of the most opulent wonder of the modern world-- the Taj Mahal. Breakfast at the hotel. Rest of the day is at leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

#### Day 5 - Fatehpur Sikri

The royal city at Fatehpur Sikri, situated 26 miles west of Agra, was built at the orders of the Mughal Emperor Akbar. It is predominately built in red sandstone. The Emperor buildt a magnificent city as an act of gratitude to a saint, made it the capital of his empire, and then, due to the shortage of water supply, the pristine complex was abandoned. This deserted city has two complexes. The first has the royal enclosure of the palaces and the official buildings. And the second dargah of a Sufi saint, with a mosque and a lofty gateway.

December 27, 2009: Breakfast at the hotel. Check out and drive toward Jaipur. En route, visit the deserted Mughal palatial complex at Fathepur Sikri. Later drive to Jaipur. Overnight at the hotel.

#### Day 6 - Jaipur

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December 28, 2009: Breakfast at the hotel. Morning excursion tour by elephant to Amer fort. After lunch, a guided sightseeing tour of the city visiting places such as City Palace and Museum, Jantar Mantar Observatory, Hawa Mahal, and Albert Hall. Evening dinner with cultural show. Overnight at the hotel.

#### Day 7 - Udaipur

Udaipur is known as the Venice of the East and is also called the City of Lakes. It is certainly an oasis in the landscape of Rajasthan, with blue waters surrounded by beautiful green hills. Udaipur has been the capital of the world's longest ruling dynasty - the Sisodias of Mewar. The temple of Eklingji, the patron deity of Udaipur royal family is worth visiting as are the nearby Sas-Bahu temples at Nagda. Lake Pichola is one of the central attractions of Udaipur. The grand City Palace sits on the banks of the lake and the Monsoon Palace on the hills nearby. All palaces in Udaipur are located on its banks or over its waters. It is quite rare to find any other body of water in the world having so many historic buildings as part of its premises.

December 29, 2009: Breakfast at the hotel. Check out and transfer to the airport to board your flight to Udaipur.

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Arrive and check in to the hotel. Afternoon guided sightseeing tour of the city, visiting City Palace and Museum, Sahilyon Ki Bari (Garden of Royal Ladies), Jagdish Temple, Bhartiys Lok Kala Mandal. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 8 - Chittaurgarh

Chittaurgarh is located about 112 km from Udaipur in a country strewn with rocky cliffs, monsoon streams, and pleasant fields. The fort is studded with several historical monuments and memorials, the most important being Vijay Stambh, Kirti Stambh, Rana Kumbha's Palace, Padmini Palace, Meera and Kumbha Shyam Temple etc. The fort has witnessed some of the bloodiest battles in the Indian history.

December 30, 2009: After breakfast, visit to Chittaurgarh Fort. Later return to Udaipur. Evening at leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

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Single	\$ 6265 per person
Double	\$ 4370 per person
Triple	\$ 3390 per person
First Child*	\$ 2060 first child*

All prices quoted in U.S. Dollars (\$) for full 8-night tour program as per the Itinerary for 23rd December fixed departure group tour.

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Deluxe or Luxury Accommodation with private facilities per above room-sharing basis  
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## The Treasure of Bengal (3 Nights / 4 Days)

### Departures

This tour can be scheduled to accommodate your chosen departure date.

### Day 1 - Kolkata (Calcutta)

Kolkata, formerly known as Calcutta, is the capital of the Indian state of West Bengal and was capital of British India until 1912. The urban agglomeration of Kolkata covers several municipal corporations, municipalities, city boards and villages and is the third largest urban agglomeration in India and the seventh largest in the world. Situated on the banks of the Hooghly River (a distributary of the Ganges), Kolkata was arguably second only to London in administrative importance in the British Empire. The city lost its past glory and economic importance in the years following Indian independence. The city is also noted for its revolutionary tradition, from the pre-independence era to the Naxalite movements. Home of luminaries like Rabindranath Tagore, Amartya Sen, Mother Teresa, and Satyajit Ray, the city is often referred to as the "cultural capital of India", while other sobriquets like "the city of processions" and "the city of joy" also adorn Kolkata. Once called a "dying city", Kolkata is now undergoing a process of economic uplift and revival.

Arrive Kolkata early this morning and drive to Bishnupur. Bishnupur was the old kingdom of the Malla Dynasty of Bengal and is renowned for its temples with exclusive Terracotta craftsmanship. There you will also find the living Vishnupur Gharana of Classical Music, fabled Baluchari Sarees and vibrant clay and wooden handicrafts. Explore the timeless legacy of Western Bengal's culture in this unique heritage site. After lunch, enjoy a visit to the tribal villagers of Terracotta Artisans. Later in the afternoon, transfer to Shantiniketan. Dinner & overnight at the hotel.

### Day 2 - Shantiniketan

Shantiniketan is a famous university town in West Bengal and is world famous because of its association with Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore. Maharshi Debendranath Tagore, father of Rabindranath Tagore, bought a few acres of land and founded Shantiniketan. Later, in 1901, his son Rabindranath (1861-1941) founded a school here, starting with five students. Today the school is world renowned. The main attractions of Shantiniketan include the various buildings of the Visva-Bharati campus. It consists of several buildings, one of them is Bichitra Bhavan, which was designed by Rathindranath Tagore. Also known as the Rabindra Bhavan it houses a research institute and a museum.

Shantiniketan is a great centre of oriental education and culture. Here is the place where Rabindranath Tagore established an open-air school and you find The University of India, where "the knowledge is free and the clear stream of reason has not lost its way". In this Ashram University of Rabindranath Tagore, the East mingles with Western tradition and the world discovers a unique centre of learning in a palm-decorated village. After

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breakfast visit Viswabharati University, the Art Galleries, Tagore Museum and the home of a Baul (Ballad Singer of Bengal). Later, after lunch, take a visit to the Santal (Austrian Tribe) Villages. Dinner & overnight at the hotel.

## Day 3 - Kolkata (Calcutta)

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Early morning transfer to Kolkata where your afternoon and evening are free for individual activity and leisure. Dinner & overnight at the hotel.

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You are free for individual activity until departure, when you transfer to your airport to connect with your departing flight.



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## The Untouched Northeast (9 Nights / 10 Days)

### Departures

This tour can be scheduled to fit your chosen departure date

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Welcome on arrival at Kolkata and transfer to your hotel. Evening drive to the riverside to experience the Sunset Cruise by manually-oared country boat, and observe a glimpse of river and vibrant modern life and the cultures of Kolkata, situated on the banks of river Hooghly (Ganges). Kolkata was the first capital of British India until 1912—now the capital of West Bengal, she is the city of joy combining a rich 300-year old cultural heritage of different global communities. Overnight at the hotel.

### Day 2 - Kolkata (Calcutta)

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Proceed on a full day city tour at 9:30 am, with an introduction to the glory of Bengal in connection with Indian

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life and lore. Visit the heritage building of BBD bagh and flower market on the banks of River Ganges. Visit "Kumartuli", the idol makers area, where you can see the final stages of crafting the idols of goddess Durga for Durga Puja - the greatest festival of Bengal. Also visit the Victoria Memorial, St. Paul's Cathedral and Kalighat Temple, You will end the days tour at Mother Teresa's House, the headquarters of the Missionaries of Charity. You will also experience a small tram ride along with a hand-pull Rixo ride during your day's tour. Overnight at the Hotel.

## Day 3 - Jaldapara

Jaldapara is located in the flood plains of river Torsa in Jalpaiguri District. It has the largest population of Great Indian One Horned Rhinoceros in West Bengal. It also provides excellent habitat for the Royal Bengal Tiger and other animals like Gaur, Leopard, Sambar, Chital, Hog Deer, Barking deer etc. Jaldapara Wildlife Sanctuary is closed during the rainy season, from 16th June to 15th September.

In the morning, transfer to NSC Bose Airport to board your flight to Bagdogra. Welcome on arrival at Bagdogra and drive to Jaldapara through a large range of tea gardens, alpine landscapes, transparent rivers, National Parks and wildlife sanctuaries. This Wildlife Reserve is the home of Rhinoceros Unicorns (One Horned Rhino) and the whole Sanctuary is a delight for ornithologists. The other gems of this jungle are the Indian elephant, Royal Bengal Tiger, Leopard, Gaur, Sambar Hog deer, Barking deer, Indian Civet, Jungle Cat, Otter, Sloth Bear, Hispid Hare etc. Evening at leisure. Overnight at the Tourist Lodge.

## Day 4 - Gangtok

Gangtok is the capital of Sikkim in which different cultures, religions and people exist in perfect harmony. More and more tourists are visiting this little Himalayan state every year. It is a charming, laid-back town straddling a ridge with houses spilling down the hillside. It has developed a cosmopolitan flavour where old-world charm and hospitality exist along with the Internet Age. Gangtok presents a perfect example for India and even other countries on how people from different backgrounds and with different casts can live together. One imposing manmade landmark of the town is the 200 ft-high TV tower which overlooks the town and is situated near the Enchey Monastery below Ganesh Tok.

Early morning transfer to Hollong for a 1-hour Elephant Safari at Jaldapara Wildlife Sanctuary (elephant subject to availability, else car safari will be provided). After breakfast transfer by car to Gangtok. At an altitude of 5500ft, Gangtok is the capital of the state of Sikkim and is a beautiful and clean town promising the best monasteries and landscapes. Take a leisurely rest and then walk around town to appreciate the new culture you are breathing. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 5 - Gangtok



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Gangtok is the capital of Sikkim in which different cultures, religions and people exist in perfect harmony. More and more tourists are visiting this little Himalayan state every year. It is a charming, laid-back town straddling a ridge with houses spilling down the hillside. It has developed a cosmopolitan flavour where old-world charm and hospitality exist along with the Internet Age. Gangtok presents a perfect example for India and even other countries on how people from different backgrounds and with different casts can live together. One imposing manmade landmark of the town is the 200 ft-high TV tower which overlooks the town and is situated near the Enchey Monastery below Ganesh Tok.

In the morning, proceed for a full day sightseeing tour in and around this capital city of Sikkim, covering Chortan, Stupa, the Institute of Tibetology, and the Institute of Handicrafts and Handlooms. After lunch, visit Roomtek Monastery & Dharma Chakra Centre, the sect of the Kagyu order – one of the 4 major Tibetan Buddhist Sect. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 6 - Tssomgo Lake

Tssomgo Lake is only 40 kms from Gangtok town and is situated at an altitude of 12,210 ft. The lake is about 1 km long and oval in shape, 50 ft. deep and is regarded as an extremely holy place. It is also a home of Brahmini ducks and acts as a stopover for various migratory ducks. Legends say that lamas could forecast the future by studying the color of the lake's waters.

In the morning, proceed for a half day excursion trip to Tssomgo lake (12400ft), which is only 32kms from Gangtok City. The mirror-like lake is almost 1km long, oval in shape and 15 meters deep. The lake is considered sacred by the local people. Your evening is free at Gangtok for shopping and individual activity. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 7 - Darjeeling

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After breakfast, enjoy a drive to Darjeeling. Darjeeling was first discovered by the British in the year 1829 under the direction of Captain Lloyd. Dorje, the mystic thunderbolt of the Lama Religion was the origin of the name of the city. Surrounded by tea gardens, Darjeeling is a land of infinite variety and charm which will provide you a mixed experience of lively nature and charming Himalayan people. This little town faces some of the highest peaks of the Himalayas. Evening free for individual activity and at leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

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Very early this morning, start for Tiger Hill to watch the spectacular sunrise and its amazing effects on the Mt. Kanchendzonga (the world's 3rd highest peak). Visit Ghoom Monastery and Batashia Loop War Memorial before returning to the hotel for breakfast. Later, proceed on a half day local sightseeing tour, covering Padmaja N. Zoological Garden, Himalayan Mountaineering Institute, Tibetan Refugee Self-help Center and a visit to the Mall and local market for a view of daily city life. Experience the famous Toy Train Joy Ride. This unique Mountain Railway project was first started in 1878 by the initiative of Sir. Assly Eden and is now a World Heritage. The evening is free for shopping and individual activity. Overnight at the hotel.

## Day 9 - Marionbarie

Marionbarie Tea Garden is a 253 hectares piece of land located in Sliguri District, Darjeeling. Siliguri is the gateways to Darjeeling, Sikkim, Nepal, Dooars, Bhutan and most of the North-East states of India, and is also major trade centre for the North-East and eastern Nepal. The Coronation Bridge (Sevoke Bridge) is an important bridge of the North-East, and is accessible from here.

Early morning transfer to Marionbarie Tea Estate. After refreshment visit the Tea Estate and the Factory. In the afternoon proceed for a Jeep Safari at the Bamanpokhri range of Mahananda Wildlife Sanctuary (subject to availability of permit). Evening info-tainment by the villagers. Overnight at the Tea Estate.

## Day 10 - Kolkata (Calcutta)

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Morning transfer to Bagdogra airport to connect to your flight to Kolkata. Upon arrival in Kolkata, transfer to international terminal for your onward journey.

## Varanasi & Khajuraho (2 Nights / 3 Days)

### Departures

This tour can be scheduled to accommodate your chosen departure date.

### Day 1 - Khajuraho

Khajuraho is a city in the Indian state of Madhya Pradesh, located in Chhatarpur District, about 385 miles southeast of Delhi. Khajuraho complex remains unique in the landscape of temple architecture of India. It has the largest group of Hindu temples, famous for their erotic sculpture. The name Khajuraho is derived from the Hindi word "khajur" meaning date palm. The city was once the religious capital of the Chandela Rajputs, a Hindu dynasty that ruled this part of India from the 10th to the 12th centuries. The Khajuraho temples were built over a span of one hundred years. The Khajuraho group of monuments has been listed as a World Heritage Site.

Fly Delhi to Khajuraho. Upon arrival, our agent and private car will meet and transfer you to your luxury hotel for check-in. This afternoon, tour the ancient Jain and Tantric Temples. You'll be amazed by the erotic, intricately-carved poses, sculpted by the religious devotees, which cover the shrines. Dinner & overnight at the hotel.

### Day 2 - Varanasi

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Breakfast at the hotel. Then transfer to the airport for your flight to Varanasi Airport. On arrival, your car will meet and transfer you to the next sumptuous hotel. In the afternoon, you will enjoy a tour of Sarnath, where Lord Buddha revealed his enlightenment to Nirvana. Dinner & overnight at the hotel.

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Early this morning you'll take boat tour on Holy Ganges River, whose holy waters draw thousands of pilgrims. This remarkable tour shows the cleansing baths and burning cremation ghats of Hindu funerals. Return to the hotel for breakfast. After breakfast you'll tour the Hindu temples to which this ancient town is dedicated. Among the famous is Hanuman Mandir. Later, transfer to the airport for your afternoon flight to Delhi. Upon arrival, we will transfer you to the international terminals for your departing journey or to another beautiful hotel for one more night in Northern India.

## Pricing

April 1-Sept 30, 2009	Oct 1, 2009 - Apr 15, 2010	April 15 - July 31, 2009	
Single	\$750 per person + air	\$850 per person + air	\$745 per person + air
Double	\$380 per person + air	\$440 per person + air	\$395 per person + air
Triple	n/a	\$370 per person + air	\$335 per person + air
First Child*	\$175 first child + air	\$295 first child + air	\$195 first child + air

Your tour price includes:

- 01 Night accommodation at Hotel Taj Chandela or similar (Superior category)
- 01 Night accommodation at Hotel Taj Ganges or similar (Superior category)
- Daily Breakfast and Dinner at the hotels mentioned above or similar
- Lunch at local restaurants or hotels during sightseeing
- All Airport/Hotel/Airport transfers at Varanasi and Khajuraho
- One Airport transfer at Delhi
- Sightseeing as mentioned in the itinerary via A/C Toyota Qualis or similar



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Local English-speaking guide for sightseeing  
Entrance fees for all monuments as per the itinerary  
Video/still camera fees at all monuments as per the itinerary  
All arrival and departure taxes  
All luxury taxes and food/beverage taxes  
Bottled water provided throughout the tour  
Complimentary travel for one child (under age 5 years at time of travel) per full fare adult on bed-sharing basis  
\*Child fare policy: One child (age 5-12 years at time of travel) per full fare adult permitted at child rate; child will be provided a rollaway bed in adult's accommodation.

Your tour price does not include:

Gratuities are not included in the program price and are at the discretion of the traveler  
Laundry, alcohol, telephone calls, and other expenses of a personal nature  
Any domestic or international airfare  
Any airport taxes  
Any items not specifically mentioned as Included  
Recommended Additional Services (incurs additional cost):

Accommodation in Delhi at Hotel Taj Palace (Club Room) including breakfast and hotel-to-airport transfer:  
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## Viceroy of India (Westbound) (15 Nights / 16 Days)

Departures

Westbound departures are pending final confirmation. Please check back for departure dates.

Day 1 - Kolkata (Calcutta)

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International flight arrivals are met at the airport where guests are transferred to the Taj Bengal hotel in Calcutta for a two night stay.

## Day 2 - Kolkata (Calcutta)

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Breakfast is served in the hotel. A sightseeing tour of Calcutta is included today. Here we are able to experience the cultural capital of India, with its bustling streets and colonial architecture.

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After breakfast in the hotel we transfer to Calcutta airport for a 1 hour flight to Bagdogra airport and transfer to the quintessential hill station of Darjeeling where we will stay at the Hotel Windamere, or Hotel New Elgin where

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we will stay for three nights. Transfer either by bus (3-4 hours) or the Darjeeling Himalayan Railway (DHR) 'Toy Train', which takes 8 hours or more. On the way it passes the most breathtaking scenery and climbs to a height of 7,400 feet at Ghum (the highest station on Indian Railways), where snow covered Mt. Kanchenchunga, (28,000 feet/8,600 meters and the world's third highest mountain) dominates the skyline, before dropping 600 feet to Darjeeling. The diminutive British built blue steam locomotives (the oldest built in 1879) work flat out as they climb through zigzags and loops to gain height and the cooler air of India's most famous Hill Station. The Darjeeling Himalayan Railway is one of the most wellknown hill railways in the world and in 1999 secured "UNESCO World Heritage Status". It is one of the world's great rail journeys.

## Day 4 - Darjeeling

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Awake to the breath-taking scenery of Mount Kanchenchunga. After a full English breakfast in our hotel we are offering the chance to ride the DHR up to Batasia Loop and Ghum, a 5km journey that takes approx 45 minutes and climbs 600 feet. It is built up all the way and the train works flat out as it leaves Darjeeling along the road crossing overloaded buses, trucks and cars and passing within inches of roadside shops, houses and monasteries. There will be a number of regular trips running today and guests can choose from a variety of times. An optional helicopter ride to Gangtok, capital of Sikkim, can also be arranged today. Dinner is served in the hotel.

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Optional early morning trip to Tiger Hill to experience the breath-taking sight of the sun rising over the Himalayas. A once in a lifetime opportunity as we are able to watch the sun light up the snow capped peaks of Kanchenchunga and Everest, situated 200 miles away. This afternoon offers a second chance to take a helicopter ride to Gangtok.

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Our final morning in this haven of tranquillity; breakfast is served in the hotel. Transfer by motorbus to Siliguri station to join the waiting 'Viceroy of India' luxury train. Attendants will be waiting with a pre-lunch drink as we board and embark on our journey to Bombay. After lunch a leisurely afternoon to settle in and explore the train.

## Day 7 - Varanasi

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Early morning arrival into Varanasi, situated on the banks of the Ganges, one of the holiest places in India. Pilgrims come from afar to bathe in the waters of the Ganges; a ritual that Hindus believe washes away all sin. This morning is dedicated to a tour of Varanasi including the Ganges at sunrise, the city's famous 'ghats' where the intimate rituals of life and death take place and it is this most ancient religious tradition that attracts and captivates so many visitors. Lunch on departure.

## Day 8 - Delhi

The national capital territory of Delhi is situated between the Himalayas and Aravalis Ranges in the heart of the Indian sub-continent. Delhi is considered one of the most historic capitals in the world, and two of its monuments — the Qutab Minar and Humayun's Tomb — have been declared World Heritage Sites. Exploring Delhi is both rewarding and fascinating. The most visited places in Delhi include the majestic Red Fort, the historical Chandni Chowk, as well as Raj Ghat and Shanti Vana -- modern structures constructed after India's Independence in 1947.

The city was built and destroyed seven times and has been witness to the various events which have brought India through the history books. It is believed that the Pandavas, the heroes of the epic Mahabharata, originally founded Delhi (then called Indraprastha) around 1200 B.C. Present day Delhi is built around the ruins of seven ancient cities.

As a commercial hub, Delhi has many shopping areas to offer its tourists. Visit the upscale avenues of Connaught Place, or go to Delhi Haat for handicraft goods. Don't forget to stop at Janpath Market for a variety

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Full day sightseeing tour of India's capital city including the Jama Masjid, India's largest Mosque, The Raj Ghat, the spot where Gandhi was cremated following his assassination in 1948, and the Gandhi Memorial Museum. We also have chance to visit the famous busy textile market.

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Free time this morning before a lunchtime departure for Bharatpur.

## Day 9 - Bharatpur

Just 176 kms from Delhi, at Bharatpur, is a very special wilderness - the Keoladeo Ghana National Park, one of the finest water-bird sanctuaries in the world. Keoladeo Ghana's name signifies the location of the temple of Lord Shiva (Keoladeo) in the centre of the Park. Over 300 bird species, including the Common, Demoiselle and Rare Siberian Cranes, are found here. It is also an excellent place to watch mammals like the Golden Jackal, Striped Hyaena, Jungle Cat, Nilgai, Sambar, Blackbuck and Wild Boar. The Keoladeo Ghana Bird Sanctuary provides unlimited opportunities for the bird watcher, wildlife photographer, nature writer, or tourist.

Bharatpur, where we visit Keoladeo Ghana Bird Sanctuary. The Sanctuary currently houses over 360 species and is one of the finest bird sanctuaries in the world. It has been designated a World Heritage Site. Late afternoon and early evening will be spent here.

## Day 10 - Agra

Agra, which lies on the west bank of river Jamuna, became one of the principal cities of the Mughal Empire, as the capital of the Emperor Shah Jahan and his beautiful Queen Mumtaz Mahal. Its beautiful monuments and the rich presence of color and harmony make it a place worth visiting at least once. But the most important of Agra's tourist attractions and its main claim to fame is the magnificent Taj Mahal, the pride of India. Taj Mahal is considered as one of the eight wonders of the world. The architecture alone has inspired reams of rapture over the years. Other tourist attractions in Agra include the Rambagh and Dayalbagh Gardens, Chini ka Rauza, and Jama Masjid. Agra Red Fort, an elegant military structure constructed by Akbar (but partially converted into a palace by Shah Jahan), gives you a feel of Agra's rich past.

Breakfast is served on the train in Agra. We visit the Taj Mahal; described as the most extravagant monument ever built for love and India's most illustrious landmark. Early afternoon is spent at the 'Red Fort' situated on the West bank of the River Yamuna. This magnificent fort dominates the centre of the city.

## Day 10 - Fatehpur Sikri

The royal city at Fatehpur Sikri, situated 26 miles west of Agra, was built at the orders of the Mughal Emperor Akbar. It is predominately built in red sandstone. The Emperor buildt a magnificent city as an act of gratitude to a saint, made it the capital of his empire, and then, due to the shortage of water supply, the pristine complex was abandoned. This deserted city has two complexes. The first has the royal enclosure of the palaces and the official buildings. And the second dargah of a Sufi saint, with a mosque and a lofty gateway.

From Agra we leave by mid-afternoon departure for the magnificent ghost city of Fatehpur Sikri, an oasis of calm that is at its most atmospheric when visited at sunset. Dinner back on board as we depart

## Day 11 - Sawai Madhopur

Sawai Madhopur is the gateway to the world renowned Ranthambhore National Park - the famous Tiger Reserve, just 12 kms away from Sawai Madhopur. Ranthambhore has been a witness to the rise and fall of many rulers and a series of battle scenes. More famously, though, it is known for the National Park safaris and wildlife found upon its grounds.

Early morning visit in Sawai Madopur; this town receives worldwide recognition for its famous and historical Ranthambhore National Park. We visit the Tiger Sanctuary before returning to the train for lunch . After lunch we arrive into the colourful capital of Rajasthan; Jaipur

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## Day 11 - Jaipur

Jaipur is one of the most beautiful cities in India. In 1876, Jaipur dressed itself in pink to welcome Prince Albert and Queen Elizabeth II, and thus the nickname "Pink City" is still attributed to it. Jaipur is the capital of Rajasthan, the desert state in India, which is famous for its majestic forts, opulent havelis, beautiful lakes and sand dunes. It is also home to gold and silver jewellery made in the "Kundan" and "Meenakari" traditions, which are now world famous. The city also has an excellent infrastructure to support the tourism. Jaipur has some of India's best hotels, which compliment the scenery and architectural beauty of the Pink City.

At arrival our afternoon is spent exploring this renowned 'Pink city' and highlights today include the 'Jantar Mantar' Observatory; one of five observatories built by Sawai Jai Singh. Here a collection of complex astronomical instruments, chiselled out of stone can be viewed - most of which continue to provide accurate information to this day. Dinner is at the sumptuous Ramberg Palace, overnight on train.

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The Hawa Mahal (Palace of Winds) Jaipur's most famous building, built in pink sandstone for the 'ladies of the harem' by Sawai Pratap Singh. Our tour concludes with a visit to The City Palace; the official residence of the royal family. Afternoon departure towards Bombay.

## Day 13 - Mumbai (Bombay)

Mumbai, formerly known as Bombay, is the capital of the state of Maharashtra. It is the most populous city of India, with an estimated metropolitan population of about 12 million (2005). Mumbai is almost overflowing with sights to see: fascinating culture, bustling city life and interesting landmarks. An abundance of outdoor markets and fine stores make this destination a shoppers dream. The city is home to India's film and television industry, known as Bollywood. Mumbai is also one of the rare cities to accommodate a national park, the Sanjay Gandhi National Park, within its city limits.

Afternoon arrival into Bombay where guests are transferred to the Taj Mahal Hotel which is ideally located at 'The India Gate' for a two night stay. Afternoon city tour. The hotelboasts an impressive Indian Restaurant which will be the setting for dinner this evening.

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After breakfast in the Hotel, we travel to Neral, before embarking on the picturesque journey aboard the Matheran LightRailway into Matheran; a Hill Station situated at an altitude of 2,600 feet (800meters) boasting dense forests, and stunning views. Lunch is served in one of the traditional Matheran restaurants. Return to Bombay for the farewell dinner in the Taj Mahal Hotel.

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City tour of Bombay.

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Guests are transferred to the airport for departing flights as our tour reaches its conclusion.

## Pricing

SINGLE, DELUXE ROOM: \$14,895.00 per person

SINGLE, PRESIDENTIAL SUITE: \$22,895.00 per person

DOUBLE, DELUXE ROOM: \$9,895.00 per person

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Your tour price includes:

8 nights accommodation aboard the train  
6 nights accommodation in a luxury hotel  
most breakfasts, lunches, and dinners  
travel and sightseeing as per the itinerary

Your tour price does not include:

laundry services; additional toiletries; camera fees at monuments; gratuities; souvenirs; other items of a personal nature; or any expenses not specifically mentioned as Included.

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Departures

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The Viceroy of India departs Mumbai on September 3, 2009 and April 8, 2010.

## Day 1 - Mumbai (Bombay)

Mumbai, formerly known as Bombay, is the capital of the state of Maharashtra. It is the most populous city of India, with an estimated metropolitan population of about 12 million (2005). Mumbai is almost overflowing with sights to see: fascinating culture, bustling city life and interesting landmarks. An abundance of outdoor markets and fine stores make this destination a shoppers dream. The city is home to India's film and television industry, known as Bollywood. Mumbai is also one of the rare cities to accommodate a national park, the Sanjay Gandhi National Park, within its city limits.

International flights are met at Bombay airport and guests are transferred to the Taj Mahal Hotel which is ideally located at 'India Gate' for a two night stay. The hotel boasts an impressive Indian Restaurant which will be the setting for our welcome dinner this evening.

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After breakfast in the Hotel, we travel to Neral, before embarking on the picturesque journey aboard the Matheran Light Railway into Matheran; a Hill Station situated at an altitude of 2600 feet (800meters) boasting dense forests, and stunning views. Lunch is served in one of the traditional Matheran restaurants. On returning to Bombay, guests have free time to explore this vibrant City. Dinner own arrangements.

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atmosphere. Sites include 'Mahatma Gandhi's House, India Gate and harbour and the outdoor laundry, the municipal 'dhobi ghats'. Lunchtime departure aboard the 'Viceroy of India' private train. Lunch and dinner on board the train as we head towards Jaipur.

## Day 4 - Jaipur

Jaipur is one of the most beautiful cities in India. In 1876, Jaipur dressed itself in pink to welcome Prince Albert and Queen Elizabeth II, and thus the nickname "Pink City" is still attributed to it. Jaipur is the capital of Rajasthan, the desert state in India, which is famous for its majestic forts, opulent havelis, beautiful lakes and sand dunes. It is also home to gold and silver jewellery made in the "Kundan" and "Meenakari" traditions, which are now world famous. The city also has an excellent infrastructure to support the tourism. Jaipur has some of India's best hotels, which compliment the scenery and architectural beauty of the Pink City.

A relaxing morning is spent on board the train, allowing for quiet time and a chance to become acquainted with your fellow passengers. After lunch on board the train we arrive into Jaipur, the colourful capital of Rajasthan. Our afternoon is spent exploring this renowned 'Pink city' and highlights today include the 'Jantar Mantar' Observatory; one of five observatories built by Sawai Jai Singh. Here a collection of complex astronomical instruments, chiselled out of stone can be viewed - most of which continue to provide accurate information to this day. The Hawa Mahal (Palace of Winds) Jaipur's most famous building, built in pink sandstone for the 'ladies of the harem' by Sawai Pratap Singh. Our tour concludes with a visit to The City Palace; the official residence of the royal family. Dinner is served in the elegant surroundings of Ramburg Palace, where fantastic views across the immaculate lawns are to be savoured. Evening departure.

## Day 5 - Sawai Madhopur

Sawai Madhopur is the gateway to the world renowned Ranthambhore National Park - the famous Tiger Reserve, just 12 kms away from Sawai Madhopur. Ranthambhore has been a witness to the rise and fall of many rulers and a series of battle scenes. More famously, though, it is known for the National Park safaris and wildlife found upon its grounds.

Breakfast is served on the train as we arrive in Sawai Madopur; this town receives worldwide recognition for its famous and historical Ranthambhore National Park. We visit the Tiger Sanctuary before returning to the train for lunch. This afternoon is dedicated to visiting the Keoladeo Ghana Bird Sanctuary in Bharatpur. The Sanctuary currently houses over 360 species and is one of the finest bird sanctuaries in the world. It has been designated a World Heritage Site.

## Day 5 - Fatehpur Sikri

The royal city at Fatehpur Sikri, situated 26 miles west of Agra, was built at the orders of the Mughal Emperor

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Akbar. It is predominately built in red sandstone. The Emperor buildt a magnificent city as an act of gratitude to a saint, made it the capital of his empire, and then, due to the shortage of water supply, the pristine complex was abandoned. This deserted city has two complexes. The first has the royal enclosure of the palaces and the official buildings. And the second dargah of a Sufi saint, with a mosque and a lofty gateway.

Our day concludes with a trip to the magnificent ghost city of Fatehpur Sikri, an oasis of calm that is at its most atmospheric when visited at sunset. Dinner is served on the train as we arrive in Agra, where the train stops for the night.

## Day 6 - Agra

Agra, which lies on the west bank of river Jamuna, became one of the principal cities of the Mughal Empire, as the capital of the Emperor Shah Jahan and his beautiful Queen Mumtaz Mahal. Its beautiful monuments and the rich presence of color and harmony make it a place worth visiting at least once. But the most important of Agra's tourist attractions and its main claim to fame is the magnificent Taj Mahal, the pride of India. Taj Mahal is considered as one of the eight wonders of the world. The architecture alone has inspired reams of rapture over the years. Other tourist attractions in Agra include the Rambagh and Dayalbagh Gardens, Chini ka Rauza, and Jama Masjid. Agra Red Fort, an elegant military structure constructed by Akbar (but partially converted into a palace by Shah Jahan), gives you a feel of Agra's rich past.

Breakfast is served on the train before we embark on a full day in Agra. We visit the Taj Mahal; described as the most extravagant monument ever built for love and India's most illustrious landmark. The afternoon is spent at the 'Red Fort. situated on the West bank of the River Yamuna. This magnificent fort dominates the centre of the city. Dinner will be served in a local restaurant where we are entertained by traditional folk music and dancing. Late evening departure of our train as we head towards Delhi.

## Day 7 - Delhi

The national capital territory of Delhi is situated between the Himalayas and Aravalis Ranges in the heart of the Indian sub-continent. Delhi is considered one of the most historic capitals in the world, and two of its monuments — the Qutab Minar and Humayun's Tomb — have been declared World Heritage Sites. Exploring Delhi is both rewarding and fascinating. The most visited places in Delhi include the majestic Red Fort, the historical Chandni Chowk, as well as Raj Ghat and Shanti Vana -- modern structures constructed after India's Independence in 1947.

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Full day sightseeing tour of India's capital city including the Jama Masjid, India's largest Mosque, The Raj Ghat, the spot where Gandhi was cremated following his assassination in 1948, and the Gandhi Memorial Museum. We also have chance to visit the famous busy textile market.

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A free morning in Delhi before a lunchtime departure for Varanasi. Lunch and dinner aboard.

## Day 9 - Varanasi

Varanasi stands on the west bank of the river Ganges as it flows through the north Indian state of Uttar Pradesh. This city has found a prominent place in the Buddhist scriptures as well the epic of Mahabharata. In Pali language, Varanasi is called Banarasi, Banaras, or Benares. From time immemorial Varanasi has been a center of education, religion, art and culture. Varanasi has also excelled in the art of silk weaving. The Banarasi silk sarees and brocades are cherished as collectors' items across the world.

Early morning arrival into Varanasi, situated on the banks of the Ganges, one of the holiest places in India. Pilgrims come from afar to bathe in the waters of the Ganges; a ritual that Hindus believe washes away all sin. This morning is dedicated to a tour of Varanasi including the Ganges at sunrise, the city's famous 'ghats' where the intimate rituals of life and death take place and it is this most ancient religious tradition that attracts and captivates so many visitors. Lunch on departure.

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## Day 10 - Darjeeling

Darjeeling the dream land of the East. Also called "Queen of Hills", it has been a popular hill station since the British period. Darjeeling is best known as the centre for India's tea trade. It is surrounded by lofty mountains and the view from over the mountains to the snowy peaks of Kanchenjunga and down to the swollen rivers in the valleys are magnificent. You can also visit the Buddhist monasteries or take a chairlift to go trekking to high-altitude spots for closer views of Kanchenjunga (the name means "House of Five Treasures").

Breakfast served on the train. Mid morning arrival into Siliguri where we bid farewell to the Viceroy of India train and embark on the spectacular journey towards the quintessential hill station of Darjeeling. Transfer either by bus (3-4 hours) or the Darjeeling Himalayan Railway (DHR) 'Toy Train', which takes 8 hours or more. On the way it passes the most breathtaking scenery and climbs to a height of 7,400 feet at Ghum (the highest station on Indian Railways), where snow covered Mt. Kanchenchunga, (28,000 feet/8,600 meters and the world's third highest mountain) dominates the skyline, before dropping 600 feet to Darjeeling. The ancient locomotives (the oldest built in 1889) climb through zigzags and loops to gain height and the cooler air of India's most famous Hill Station. The Darjeeling Himalayan Railway is one of the most well known hill railways in the world and in 1999 secured "UNESCO World Heritage Status". A pre-prepared lunch is served on the Darjeeling train before an early evening arrival into Darjeeling. Dinner is served in the Hotel Windamere, Hotel New Elgin or similar where we will stay for three nights.

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Awake to the breath-taking scenery of Mount Kanchenchunga. After a full English breakfast in our hotel we are offering the chance to ride the DHR up to Batasia Loop and Ghum, a 5km journey that takes approx 45minutes and climbs 600 feet. It is built up all the way and the train works flat out as it leaves Darjeeling along the road crossing overloaded buses, trucks and cars and passing within inches of roadside shops, houses and monasteries. There will be a number of regular trips running today and guests can choose from a variety of times. An optional helicopter ride to Gangtok; capital of Sikkim, can also be arranged today. Dinner is served in the hotel.

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Optional early morning trip to Tiger Hill to experience the breath-taking sight of the sun rising over the Himalayas. A once in a lifetime opportunity as we are able to watch the sun light up the snow capped mountains of Kanchenchunga and Everest, situated 200 miles away. This afternoon offers a second chance to take a helicopter ride to Gangtok.

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Our final morning in this haven of tranquillity; full English breakfast is served in the hotel. We then embark on a private transfer from Darjeeling to Bagdogra airport for a 1 hour flight to Calcutta.

## Day 13 - Kolkata (Calcutta)

Kolkata, formerly known as Calcutta, is the capital of the Indian state of West Bengal and was capital of British India until 1912. The urban agglomeration of Kolkata covers several municipal corporations, municipalities, city boards and villages and is the third largest urban agglomeration in India and the seventh largest in the world. Situated on the banks of the Hooghly River (a distributary of the Ganges), Kolkata was arguably second only to London in administrative importance in the British Empire. The city lost its past glory and economic importance in the years following Indian independence. The city is also noted for its revolutionary tradition, from the pre-independence era to the Naxalite movements. Home of luminaries like Rabindranath Tagore, Amartya Sen, Mother Teresa, and Satyajit Ray, the city is often referred to as the "cultural capital of India", while other sobriquets like "the city of processions" and "the city of joy" also adorn Kolkata. Once called a "dying city", Kolkata is now undergoing a process of economic uplift and revival.

From here we are escorted to the Hotel Taj Bengal for a one night stay. Our farewell dinner in the hotel brings this spectacular tour to an end.

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Breakfast is served in the hotel. Airport transfers are included for all guests. For those with flights later in the day a sightseeing tour of Calcutta, the cultural capital of India, with its bustling streets and colonial architecture is provided. Lunch and farewell dinner bring the tour to a close.

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## Pricing

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DOUBLE, DELUXE ROOM: \$9,895.00 per person

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8 nights accommodation aboard the train  
6 nights accommodation in a luxury hotel  
most breakfasts, lunches, and dinners  
travel and sightseeing as per the itinerary

Your tour price does not include:

laundry services; additional toiletries; camera fees at monuments; gratuities; souvenirs; other items of a personal nature; or any expenses not specifically mentioned as Included.