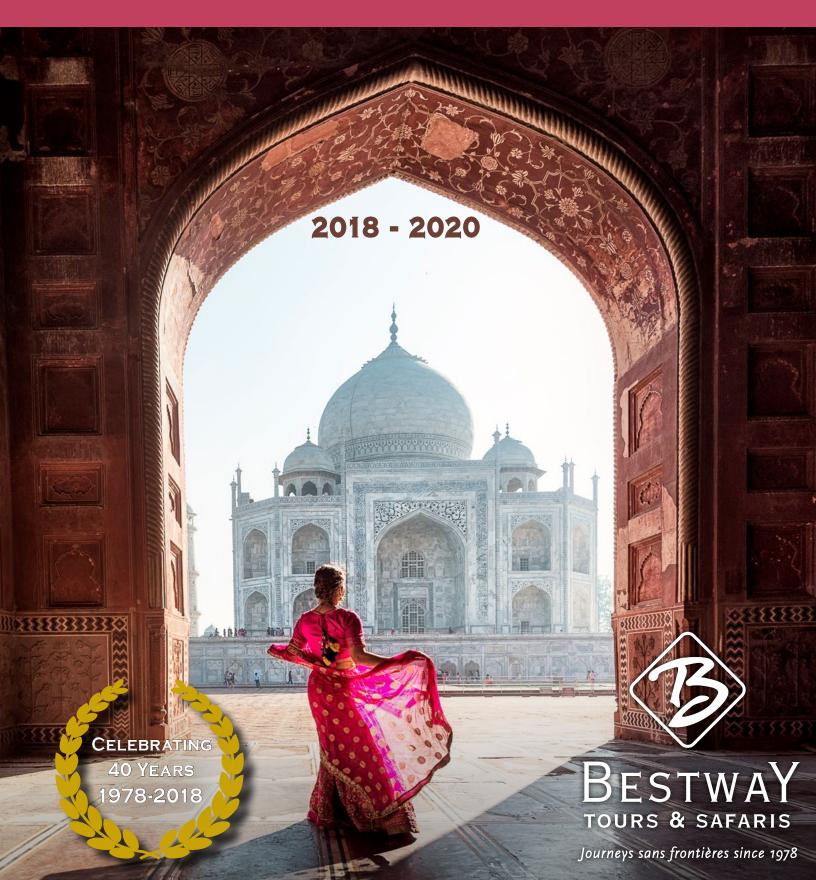
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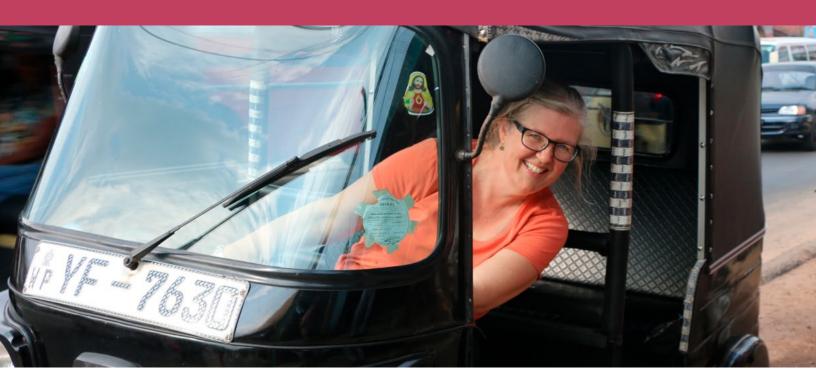
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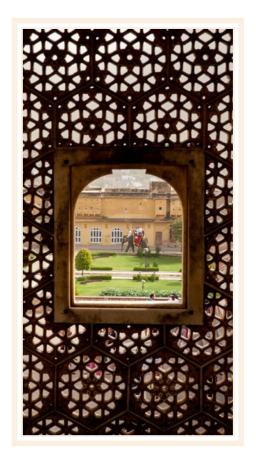
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Best of North India

12 Nights / 13 Days





DAY 1 DELHI Namaste! We are warmly welcomed at the airport and transferred to our hotel. The remainder of the day is free to relax.

Overnight: Sheraton New Delhi (2 nights)

DAY 2 DELHI Our exploration of Delhi starts with the famous Red Fort complex*, named for its massive enclosing walls of red sandstone. Next take a rickshaw ride through the narrow lanes of Chandni Chowk bazaar and see the Jama Masjid, India's largest mosque. Later experience New Delhi, visiting Birla House, India Gate, Humayun's Tomb* and Qutub Minar*. Evening enjoy a welcome dinner at a famous Indian restaurant. (B, D)

DAY 3 DELHI • VARANASI (Flight) Short flight to Varanasi. Visit Bharat Mata Temple, Durga Temple, Tulsi Manas Mandir and Banaras Hindu University. Evening witness the spectacular Aarti ceremony on the Ghats by the River Ganges. Overnight: The Gateway Hotel (1 night) (B, D)

DAY 4 VARANASI • KHAJURAHO (Flight) Sunrise cruise on the Ganges to observe the morning rituals of the Hindu pilgrims on the riverbanks. Then visit the ancient Buddhist site of Sarnath. Afterwards transfer to airport in time for flight to Khajuraho. Here visit the famous 11th century temples of Khajuraho*. Evening is free. Overnight: Mint Bundela Resort (1 night) (B, D)

DAU 5 KHAJURAHO • ORCHHA (Drive)
• AGRA (Train) Visit the medieval fortresscity of Orchha, then head to Jhansi to board our luxury train to Agra, where we transfer to our hotel. Overnight: Trident/The Gateway Hotel (2 nights) (B, D)

DAY 6 AGRA A stunning sunrise visit to the Taj Mahal* allows us to see the morning light reflect off this immense marble mausoleum, built between 1631 and 1648 by the Mughal emperor Shah Jahan in memory of his favourite wife. Next visit Agra Fort*. This powerful fortress of red sandstone encompasses the imperial city of the Mughal rulers. Later explore Fatehpur Sikri* and the Salim Chisty mausoleum. (B, D)

IMPORTANT NOTE: On nights with a Full Moon, the Taj Mahal's pure white marble shimmers silver in the moonlight and the site is open to visitors. When available, we can arrange an optional tour to enjoy this very special occasion.

DAU 7 AGRA • RANTHAMBORE (Drive) Explore Rajasthan on our way to Ranthambore, the former hunting ground of the Maharajas of Jaipur. Afternoon we board our safari vehicles for our first jungle safari to track the Royal Bengal tigers.

Overnight: Tiger Den Resort (1 night) (B, L, D)

DAY 8 RANTHAMBORE • JAIPUR (Drive) An exciting morning game safari before we embark on a scenic drive to Jaipur, the rose pink capital of Rajasthan, named for the many buildings in the old city made of pink sandstone. In the evening, enjoy a Rajasthan Cultural Dance performance with dinner. Overnight: Trident Hotel (2 nights) (B, D)

DAU 9 JAIPUR Experience Amber Palace* with its lovely hilltop views, followed by visits to the Palace of Winds, the Jantar Mantar* astronomical observatory, the City Palace of Jaipur and the colourful bazaar. (B, D)

DAY 10 JAIPUR • PUSHKAR (Drive)
Explore the enchanting pilgrimage town of
Pushkar. Here we visit the historical Lord
Brahma Temple and the bathing Ghats around
its holy lake. Evening is free to shop in the
local bazaar. Overnight: The Green House
Resort (1 night) (B, D)

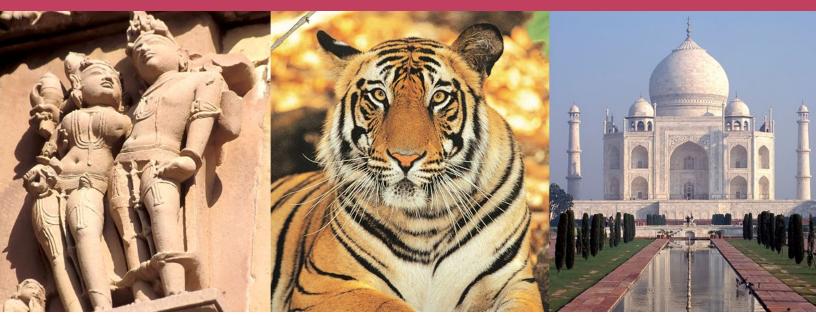
DAY 11 PUSHKAR • UDAIPUR (Drive)
After breakfast, embark on a journey through
the villages of rural Rajasthan to Udaipur.
Evening free.

Overnight Trident Hotel (2 nights) (B, D)

DAU 12 UDAIPUR Visit the City Palace, Jagdish Temple, Fateh Sagar Lake and Saheliyon Ki Bari (The Garden of Maids), followed by sunset boat ride on Lake Pichola to visit the Jagmandir Gardens, as well as admire the beauty of the city and the famous Lake Palace in the middle of the lake. (B, D)

DAY 13 UDAIPUR • DEPART DELHI After an incredible tour of the Best of North India,

Delhi - Varanasi - Khajuraho - Orchha - Agra - Ranthambore - Jaipur - Pushkar - Udaipur - Delhi



we are transferred to the airport for our flight to Delhi. Here we check in at our hotel **Vivanta By Taj Dwarka** for rooms until 8:30 PM, followed by a farewell dinner before we are transferred to the airport for our flight home. (B, D)

(*) Denotes a UNESCO World Heritage Site



- Visit 9 UNESCO World Heritage Sites.
- Rickshaw Ride in Delhi.
- Sunrise boat ride on the River Ganges.
- Track tigers in Ranthambore National Park.
- Marvel at the architectural jewels of the Mughal Empire.
- Sunrise at the Taj Mahal.
- Boat Ride at Lake Pichola in Udaipur.

COMBINATIONS

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Combine this tour with Best of South India to make a 27 nights/28 days tour covering the Best of North and South India, called Discover India. Please visit www.bestway.com or call us at 1.800.663.0844 for more details.

TOUR PRICE

Departure 2018	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Oct 8, 17 & 31; Nov 16 & 28; Dec 5 & 12	US\$ 2799 • CA\$ 3555	US\$ 720 ● CA\$ 915
+Nov 07	US\$ 2970 • CA\$ 3770	US\$ 845 ● CA\$ 1072
Departure 2019	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Jan 9, 16 & 23; Feb 6, 13 & 20; Mar 6, 13 & 20	US\$ 2799 ● CA\$ 3555	US\$ 720 ● CA\$ 915
Apr 10; May 1; Jun 5	US\$ 2499 • CA\$ 3175	US\$ 520 ● CA\$ 660
Jul 4; Aug 8; Sep 5 & 12	US\$ 2377 • CA\$ 3020	US\$ 520 ● CA\$ 660
Oct 2 & 16; Nov 6, 13 & 20; Dec 4 & 11	US\$ 2832 • CA\$ 3599	US\$ 730 ● CA\$ 927
+Oct 26	US\$ 2999 • CA\$ 3810	US\$ 855 • CA\$ 1085
Departure 2020	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Jan 8, 15 & 29; Feb 5, 12 & 26; Mar 4, 11 & 25	US\$ 2832 • CA\$ 3599	US\$ 730 ● CA\$ 927
Apr 8; May 6; Jun 3	US\$ 2549 • CA\$ 3235	US\$ 530 ● CA\$ 675
Jul 9; Aug 6; Sep 3	US \$ 2399 ● CA \$ 3047	US \$ 530 ● CA \$ 675
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(+) Pushkar fair departures. There will be 2 nights in Pushkar and 1 night in Udaipur.

NOTE: Ranthambore National Park remains closed from July 01 to Sept 30. Departures during this period will be provided an additional night in Varanasi instead of Ranthambore.

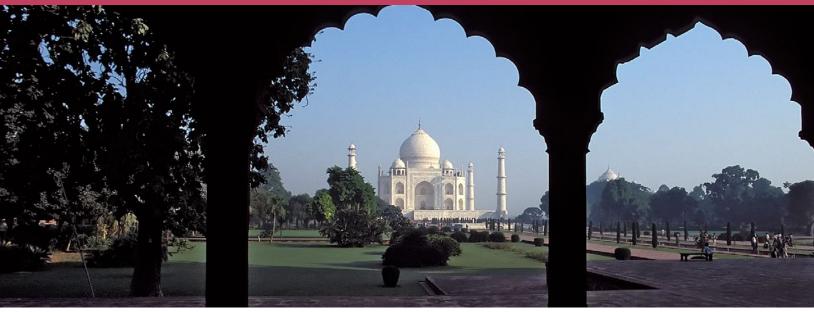
TOUR PRICE INCLUDES

- Accommodation as mentioned or similar.
- 25 Meals as mentioned (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner).
- Domestic airfare (Delhi/Varanasi, Varanasi/Khajuraho & Udaipur/Delhi).
- All sightseeing and transfers by private transportation.
- Entrance fees to museums, sites & game parks as mentioned in the itinerary.
- Local English speaking guides for groups up to 5 persons. For 6 persons & above, through escort.
- Train ticket mentioned: Jhansi/Agra.

NOT INCLUDED

Golden Triangle with Ranthambore Delhi - Agra - Ranthambore - Jaipur - Delhi

Delhi - Agra - Ranthambore - Jaipur - Delhi 7 Nights / 8 Days





DAY 1 DELHI Namaste! We are warmly welcomed at the airport and transferred to our hotel. The remainder of the day is free to relax. Overnight: Vivanta By Taj Dwarka New Delhi (2 nights)

DAY 2 DELHI Our exploration of Old Delhi includes the famous Red Fort complex* and Jama Masjid, India's largest mosque. Next take a rickshaw ride through the narrow lanes of Chandni Chowk bazaar and visit Raj Ghat. Evening enjoy a welcome dinner at hotel. (B, D)

DAY 3 DELHI • AGRA (Drive) Explore New Delhi, visiting Birla House, India Gate, Humayun's Tomb* and Qutub Minar* before continuing to Agra. Overnight: Trident / The Gateway Hotel (2 nights) (B, D)

DAY 4 AGRA At sunrise, visit Taj Mahal*, built between 1631 and 1648. Next visit Agra Fort*, followed by an exploration of Fatehpur Sikri*. (B, D)

DAU 5 AGRA • RANTHAMBORE (Drive) Explore Rajasthan on our way to Ranthambore. Afternoon we board our safari vehicles for our first jungle safari to track the Royal Bengal tiger. Overnight: Tiger Den Resort (1 night) (B, L, D)

DAY 6 RANTHAMBORE • JAIPUR (Drive)
Another morning game safari before embarking
on a scenic drive to Jaipur, the rose pink capital
of Rajasthan. In the evening enjoy a Rajasthan
Cultural Dance performance with dinner.
Overnight: Trident Hotel (2 nights) (B, D)

TOUR PRICE

Departure 2018	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Oct 10 & 19; Nov 2, 9, 18 & 30; Dec 7 & 14	US\$ 1215 • CA\$ 1545	US\$ 355 ● CA\$ 450
Departure 2019	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Jan 11, 18 & 25; Feb 8, 15 & 22; Mar 8, 15 & 22	US\$ 1215 • CA\$ 1545	US\$ 355 ● CA\$ 450
Apr 12; May 3; Jun 7	US\$ 1111 ● CA\$ 1410	US\$ 257 ● CA\$ 325
Jul 6; Aug 10; Sep 7 & 14	US\$ 944 ● CA\$ 1199	US\$ 257 ● CA\$ 325
Oct 4, 18 & 28; Nov 8, 15 & 22; Dec 6 & 13	US\$ 1255 ● CA\$ 1592	US\$ 367 ● CA\$ 465
Departure 2020	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Jan 10, 17 & 31; Feb 7, 14 & 28; Mar 6, 13 & 27	US\$ 1255 ● CA\$ 1592	US\$ 367 ● CA\$ 465
Apr 10; May 8; Jun 5	US\$ 1145 ● CA\$ 1452	US\$ 264 ● CA\$ 335
Jul 11; Aug 8; Sep 5	US \$ 974 • CA \$ 1235	US \$ 264 ● CA \$ 335

NOTE: Ranthambore National Park remains closed from July 01 to Sept 30. Departures during this period will be provided an additional night in New Delhi instead of Ranthambore.

DAY 7 JAIPUR Enjoy the hilltop views from Amber Palace*, followed by visits to the Palace of Winds, the Jantar Mantar* astronomical observatory, the City Palace of Jaipur and the colourful bazaar. (B, D)

DAY 8 JAIPUR • DEPART DELHI After an authentic tour of the Golden Triangle & Ranthambore, we are driven to Delhi. Check in at our hotel Vivanta By Taj Dwarka for rooms until 8:30 PM, followed by a farewell dinner before we are transferred to the airport for our flight home. Or, continue to Kathmandu & join our Best of Nepal tour for 7 nights/8 days. (B, D)

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit 8 UNESCO World Heritage Sites.
- Explore amazing Ranthambore National Park.
- Marvel at the architectural jewels of the Mughal Empire.
- Admire amazing views at Amber Fort.

TOUR PRICE INCLUDES

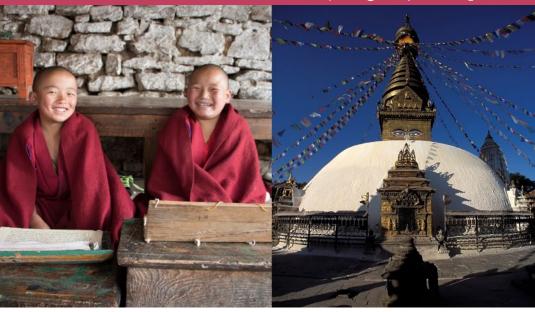
- Accommodation as mentioned or similar.
- 15 Meals as mentioned (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner).
- All sightseeing and transfers by private transportation.
- Entrance fees to museums, sites & game parks as mentioned in the itinerary.
- Local English speaking guides for groups up to 5 persons. For 6 persons & above, through escort.
- 2 Safaris through Ranthambore National Park (October to June Departures).
- Rickshaw Ride in Delhi.

NOT INCLUDED

- International airfares.
- Insurance/visas.
- Tips/gratuities.
- (*) Denotes a UNESCO World Heritage Site

Best of Nepal

Kathmandu - Chitwan - Pokhara - Kathmandu 7 Nights / 8 Days







DAY 1 KATHMANDU Namaste! We are warmly welcomed to Nepal at the airport and transferred to our hotel. The remainder of the day is free to relax.

Overnight: Yak & Yeti (2 nights) (D)

DAY 2 KATHMANDU Exploration of the Kathmandu Valley* including the famous Durbar Square and the stupa of Wayambhunath. Afternoon discover Gilded Copper Gate in Bhadgeon. (B, D)

Optional: Enjoy early morning flight over Mount Everest.

DAY 3 KATHMANDU • CHITWAN (Drive) Drive along scenic mountain highway to Chitwan National Park*. Afternoon embark on a thrilling safari to explore the jungle and its wildlife. Overnight: Jungle Villa/Tigerland Resort (2 nights) (B, L, D)

DAY 4 CHITWAN Full day of jungle activities such as a nature walk, dugout canoe ride and tribal village visit etc. Evening watch a slide show on flora and fauna of the Chitwan park or enjoy a folk dance performance by local tribal group. (B, L, D)

DAY 5 CHITWAN • POKHARA (Drive)
Journey to Pokhara with beautiful views
en route. On arrival, check in at hotel. The
remainder of the day is free. Overnight: Temple
Tree Resort & Spa (2 nights) (B, D)

TOUR PRICE

Departure 2018	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Oct 17; Nov 16; Dec 14	US\$ 1799 ● CA\$ 2255	US\$ 545 ● CA\$ 680
Departure 2019	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Jan 25; Feb 15; Mar 15; Apr 19; May 10; Jun 14; Jul 13; Aug 17; Sep 14	US\$ 1799 ● CA\$ 2255	US\$ 545 ● CA\$ 680
Oct 11; Nov 04 & 22; Dec 13	US\$ 1899 ● CA\$ 2377	US\$ 572 ● CA\$ 715
Departure 2020	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Jan 24; Feb 14; Mar 13; Apr 17; May 15; Jun 12; Jul 18; Aug 15; Sep 12	US\$ 1899 ● CA\$ 2377	US\$ 572 ● CA\$ 715

DAY 6 POKHARA Early morning excursion to Sarangkote Hill for stunning Himalayan panoramas. After breakfast, visit Pokhara, including Davi's Falls, the Old Bazaar and Bindhyabasini Temple. Later enjoy boat ride on Phewa Lake. (B, D)

DAY 7 POKHARA • KATHMANDU (Drive) After breakfast, transfer back to Kathmandu, retracing the same highway, and check in to our hotel. Early evening visit a Nepali restaurant to enjoy an authentic dinner.

Overnight: Yak & Yeti (1 night) (B, D)

DAY 8 DEPART KATHMANDU After an inspiring tour of Nepal, we are transferred to the airport for our flight home. (B)

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit 2 UNESCO World Heritage Sites.
- Explore Kathmandu Valley.
- Discover the wildlife of Chitwan National Park
- Serene boat ride on Phewa Lake.

TOUR PRICE INCLUDES

- Accommodation as mentioned or similar.
- 16 Meals as mentioned (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner).
- All sightseeing and transfers by private transportation.
- Entrance fees to museums, sites & game parks as mentioned in the itinerary.
- Local English speaking guides for groups up to 5 persons. For 6 persons & above, through escort.
- Jungle activities at Chitwan National Park.
- Boat ride at Phewa Lake.

NOT INCLUDED

- International airfares.
- Insurance/visas.
- Tips/gratuities.

(*) Denotes a UNESCO World Heritage Site

Gems of Kerala

Kochi - Thekkady - Alleppey - Kovalam 7 Nights / 8 Days





DAY 1 KOCHI Namaste! We are warmly welcomed at the airport and transferred to our hotel. Balance of the day free.

Overnight: Trident Hotel (2 nights) (D)

DAY 2 KOCHI Visit St. Francis Church, Santa Cruz Cathedral, the Jewish Quarter with its Old Synagogue, and the Dutch Palace. Next cruise by boat to Bolghatty Palace and the Chinese fishing nets. Enjoy a Kathakali Dance Performance in the evening. (B, D)

DAY 3 KOCHI • THEKKADY (Drive) We travel from the Malabar coast through the gentle hills of Kerala to Thekkady, where we visit a spice plantation. Overnight: Poetree Sarovar Portico (2 nights) (B, D)

DAY 4 THEKKADY A unique experience as we embark on a Jungle Walk at the Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary, followed by a leisurely boat ride on Lake Periyar to watch animals like boars, elephants and wild dogs. (B, D)

DAY 5 THEKKADY • ALLEPPEY (Drive)
We drive down to Alleppey, on the Malabar
Coast, to board our traditional houseboat and
begin our journey through the picturesque
backwaters of Kerala. Overnight: Air-conditioned
Deluxe House Boat (1 night) (B, L, D)

DAY 6 ALLEPPEY • KOVALAM (Drive)
Disembark at Alleppey and journey to Kovalam.
Free day to enjoy the beach. Overnight:
Somatheeram Ayurveda Village (2 nights) (B, D)

TOUR PRICE

Departure 2018	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Oct 22 & 31; Nov 14, 21 & 30; Dec 12	US\$ 1171 ● CA\$ 1487	US\$ 465 ● CA\$ 590
Dec 19 & 26	US\$ 1382 ● CA\$ 1755	US\$ 599 ● CA\$ 759
Departure 2019	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Jan 23 & 30; Feb 6, 20 & 27; Mar 6, 20 & 27	US\$ 1171 ● CA\$ 1487	US\$ 465 ● CA\$ 590
Apr 3 & 24; May 15; Jun 19; Jul 18; Aug 22; Sep 19	US\$ 1035 ● CA\$ 1314	US\$ 355 ● CA\$ 450
Sep 26	US\$ 1082 ● CA\$ 1375	US\$ 385 ● CA\$ 490
Oct 16 & 30; Nov 9, 20 & 27; Dec 4	US\$ 1199 • CA\$ 1530	US\$ 480 ● CA\$ 610
Dec 18 & 25	US\$ 1415 ● CA\$ 1799	US\$ 615 ● CA\$ 782
Departure 2020	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Jan 15 & 29; Feb 12, 19 & 26; Mar 11, 18 & 25	US\$ 1199 • CA\$ 1530	US\$ 480 • CA\$ 610
Apr 8 & 22; May 20; Jun 17; Jul 23; Aug 20; Sep 17	US\$ 1065 ● CA\$ 1352	US\$ 365 ● CA\$ 464

DAY 7 KOVALAM Enjoy a traditional Ayurvedic rejuvenation massage and relax on the beach. (B, D)

DAY 8 KOVALAM • DEPART TRIVANDRUM

After a memorable journey of Kerala, we are transferred to the airport in Trivandrum for our departure flight home. Or, continue to Colombo to join our Sri Lanka: Jewels of the Indian Ocean tour for 6 nights / 7 days. (B)

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Kathkali Dance Performance in Cochin.
- Harbor Cruise in Cochin.
- Spice plantation tour in Thekkady.
- Boat Ride at Lake Periyar.
- Guided Jungle Walking Tour in Thekkady.
- Relaxing 1-hour Ayurvedic massage.

TOUR PRICE INCLUDES

- Accommodation as mentioned or similar.
- 15 Meals as mentioned (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)
- All sightseeing and transfers by private transportation.
- Entrance fees to museums & sites as mentioned in the itinerary.
- Harbor Cruise in Cochin.
- Kathakali Dance performance in Cochin.
- Local English speaking guides for groups up to 5 persons. For 6 persons & above, through escort.
- Spice plantation tour in Thekkady.
- Boat Ride at Lake Periyar in Thekkady.
- Guided Jungle Walking Tour in Thekkady.
- 1 Ayurvedic rejuvenation massage per person once during the stay at Kovalam.

NOT INCLUDED

- International airfares.
- Insurance/visas. Tips/gratuities.

Sri Lanka: Jewel of the Indian Ocean

Colombo - Polonnaruwa - Sigiriya - Kandy - Nuwara Eliya - Mount Lavina - Colombo 6 Nights / 7 Days









DAU 1 COLOMBO Upon arrival, we are welcomed in traditional Sri Lankan style and transferred to our hotel.

Overnight: The Kingsbury Hotel (2 nights) (D)

DAY 2 COLOMBO Enjoy tour of Colombo. Visit the Goldsmith's quarter in Pettah, the bazaar area, a Hindu Temple, the Dutch Church of Wolfendhal, the historical Davatagaha Mosque and the Kelaniya Raja Maha Vihara. (B, D)

DAY 3 COLOMBO • POLONNARUWA (Drive) Early morning, meet the inhabitants of the Elephant Orphanage in Pinnawela. After this intimate experience, explore the rock cave temple of Dambulla*. Later, discover the Ancient City of Polonnaruwa*, including Gal Vihara and the Parakrama Samudra. Overnight: Deer Park Hotel/Amaya Lake Dambulla (1 night) (B, D)

DAY 4 POLONNARUWA • SIGIRIYA • KANDY (Drive) Journey through the lovely countryside to the Ancient City of Sigiriya*, where we marvel at the beautiful frescoes on Sigiriya Rock. Proceed to Kandy, visiting the Spice Gardens at Matale en route. Evening experience a Kandyan Cultural Dance complete with fire eating and

TOUR PRICE

Departure 2018	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Oct 29; Nov 28	US\$ 1870 • CA\$ 2335	US\$ 520 ● CA\$ 650
Dec 26	US\$ 2240 ● CA\$ 2797	US\$ 655 ● CA\$ 817
Departure 2019	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Feb 6 & 27	US\$ 1952 • CA\$ 2438	US\$ 598 ● CA\$ 747
Mar 27; May 1 & 22; Jun 26	US\$ 1870 • CA\$ 2335	US\$ 520 ● CA\$ 650
Jul 18; Aug 22; Sep 19; Oct 23; Dec 4	US\$ 1980 • CA\$ 2438	US\$ 598 • CA\$ 747
Dec 25	US\$ 2240 ● CA\$ 2797	US\$ 655 ● CA\$ 817
Departure 2020	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Feb 5 & 26	US\$ 2078 • CA\$ 2595	US\$ 627 ● CA\$ 882
Mar 25; Apr 29; May 27; Jun 24	US\$ 1980 • CA\$ 2438	US\$ 598 • CA\$ 747
Jul 30; Aug 27; Sep 24	US\$ 2078 • CA\$ 2595	US\$ 627 ● CA\$ 882

fire walking. The highlight of our day is an exploration of Dalada Maligawa, the Temple of the Tooth, during the pooja (sacred offering). Overnight: Hotel Suisse (1 night) (B, D)

DAY 5 KANDY • NUWARA ELIYA (Drive)
Our morning tour shows vibrant Kandy* and
its beautiful lake. See the Royal Botanical
Gardens at Peradeniya, followed by a drive
through the tea gardens to Nuwara Eliya, where
we visit a tea factory. Overnight: Hill Club
Hotel/Glenfall Reach (1 night) (B, D)

DAY 6 NUWARA ELIYA • MOUNT LAVINIA (Drive) Continue to Ratnapura, "City of Gems", where we visit a famous gem pit. Then proceed to Mount Lavinia. Evening free to relax by the pool or explore the beach. Overnight: Mount Lavinia Hotel, Mount Lavinia (1 night) (B, D)

DAY 7 MOUNT LAVINIA • DEPART

COLOMBO Our fascinating journey comes to an end as we are transferred to the airport for our departure flight. **(B)**

(*) Denotes a UNESCO World Heritage Site

TOUR PRICE INCLUDES

- Accommodation as mentioned or similar.
- 12 Meals as mentioned (B=Breakfast, D=Dinner).
- All sightseeing and transfers by private transportation.
- Entrance fees to museums & sites as mentioned in the itinerary.
- Local English speaking guides for groups up to 5 persons. For 6 persons & above, through escort.
- Cultural dance show in Kandy.

NOT INCLUDED

- International airfares.
- Insurance/visas. Tips/gratuities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit 4 UNESCO World Heritage Sites.
- Intimate experience at Elephant Orphanage in Pinnawala.
- Cultural Dance Show in Kandy.

Best of South India

15 Nights / 16 Days





DAY 1 MUMBAI Namaste! We are warmly welcomed at the airport and transferred to our hotel. Overnight: Vivanta By Taj President/Trident Nariman Point (2 nights)

DAY 2 MUMBAI Explore the Gateway of India, Elephanta Caves*, the Victorian Gothic and Art Deco Ensembles of Mumbai* Prince of Wales Museum, famous Chattrapati Shivaji Terminus* and Mani Bhawan Museum. Then discover the Hanging Gardens, Crawford Market and Dhobi Ghat, the city's oldest laundry. Free evening to enjoy Mumbai, the city that never sleeps. (B, D)

DAY 3 MUMBAI • KOCHI (Flight)
Flight to Kochi and transfer to our hotel.
Balance of the day free.
Overnight: Trident Hotel (2 nights) (B, D)

DAY 4 KOCHI Visit St. Francis Church, Santa Cruz Cathedral, the Jewish Quarter with its Old Synagogue, and the Dutch Palace. Then cruise by boat to Bolghatty Palace and the Chinese fishing nets. Enjoy a Kathakali Dance Performance in the evening. (B, D)

DAU 5 KOCHI • THEKKADY (Drive) Travel from the Malabar coast through the gentle hills of Kerala to Thekkady, where we visit a spice plantation. Overnight: Poetree Sarovar Portico (2 nights) (B, D)

DAU 6 THEKKADY A unique experience as we embark on a Jungle Walk at the Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary, followed by a leisurely boat ride on Lake Periyar, with chance to see elephants, sambal and more. (B, D)

DAY 7 THEKKADY • ALLEPPEY (Drive)
We drive down to Alleppey, on the Malabar
Coast, to board our traditional houseboat and
begin our journey through the picturesque
backwaters of Kerala. Overnight: Airconditioned
Deluxe House Boat (1 night) (B, L, D)

DAY 8 ALLEPPEY • KOVALAM (Drive)
Disembark at Alleppey and journey to
Kovalam. Free day to enjoy the beach.
Overnight: Somatheeram Ayurveda Village
(2 nights) (B, D)

DAU 9 KOVALAM Enjoy a traditional Ayurvedic rejuvenation massage and relax on the beach. (**B**, **D**)

DAY 10 KOVALAM • KANYAKUMARI •

MADURAI (Drive) A scenic drive takes us to Kanyakumari, where we visit Temple of Goddess Kumari and the Vivekananda Rock Memorial, marking the southernmost tip of India. Lunch at a local restaurant, then continue to Madurai. Overnight: **Heritage Madurai (2 nights) (B, L, D)**

DAY 11 MADURAI Explore Sri Meenakshi Temple, one of the country's greatest structures, as well as Tirumalai Nayak Temple and the Temple Art Museum. Afternoon free. (B, D)

DAY 12 MADURAI • THANJAVUR (Drive)
We experience rural Tamil Nadu on our way to
Thanjavur to visit the Brihadishwara Temple*,
as well as Tanjore Palace and Museum.
Overnight: Hotel Sangam (1 night) (B, D)

DAY 13 THANJAVUR • PONDICHERRY

(Drive) Journey to the former French colony of Pondicherry and visit famous Sri Aurobindo Ashram, with residents from around the world. Overnight: **The Promenade (1 night) (B, D)**

DAY 14 PONDICHERRY •

MAHABALIPURAM • CHENNAI (Drive)

Travel along with the Coromandel Coast to Mahabalipuram* to visit the group of sanctuaries founded by the Pallava Kings. Continue to Chennai with the rest of the day free to relax or explore.

Overnight: Hyatt Regency (2 nights) (B, D)

DAU 15 CHENNAI Visit the National Art Gallery and Museum, St. Mary's Church, People's Park and Marina Beach. Afternoon free. (B, D)

DAU 16 DEPART CHENNAI Free day in Chennai followed by a farewell dinner before we are transferred to the airport for our departure flight. (B, D)

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Mumbai - Kochi - Thekkady - Alleppey - Kovalam - Madurai - Thanjavur -Pondicherry - Chennai









TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit 5 UNESCO World Heritage Sites.
- Enjoy a cruise on a houseboat through the backwaters of Kerala.
- Discover the beauty of South India's Dravidian architecture.
- Relax with a one-hour Ayurvedic rejuvenation massage.

COMBINATIONS

Combine this tour with Best of North India to make a 27 nights/28 days tour covering the Best of North and South India, called Discover India. Please visit www.bestway.com or call us at 1.800.663.0844 for more details.

TOUR PRICE

Departure 2018	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Oct 20 & 29; Nov 12, 19 & 28; Dec 10	US\$ 2828 • CA\$ 3590	US\$ 985 • CA\$ 1250
Dec 17 & 24	US\$ 3044 • CA\$ 3860	US\$ 1120 • CA\$ 1420
Departure 2019	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Jan 21 & 28; Feb 4, 18 & 25; Mar 4 & 18	US\$ 2828 • CA\$ 3590	US\$ 985 ● CA\$ 1250
Mar 25; Sep 24	US\$ 2732 ● CA\$ 3470	US\$ 910 • CA\$ 1150
Apr 1 & 22; May 13; Jun 17; Jul 16; Aug 20; Sep 17	US\$ 2599 • CA\$ 3299	US\$ 827 • CA\$ 1050
Oct 14 & 28; Nov 7, 18 & 25; Dec 2	US\$ 2899 • CA\$ 3686	US\$ 1015 • CA\$ 1290
Dec 16 & 23	US\$ 3120 • CA\$ 3957	US\$ 1150 • CA\$ 1460
Departure 2020	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Jan 20 & 27; Feb 10, 17 & 24; Mar 9, 16 & 23	US\$ 2899 ● CA\$ 3686	US\$ 1015 • CA\$ 1290
Apr 6 & 20; May 18; Jun 15; Jul 21; Aug 18; Sep 15	US\$ 2650 • CA\$ 3366	US\$ 842 ● CA\$ 1070

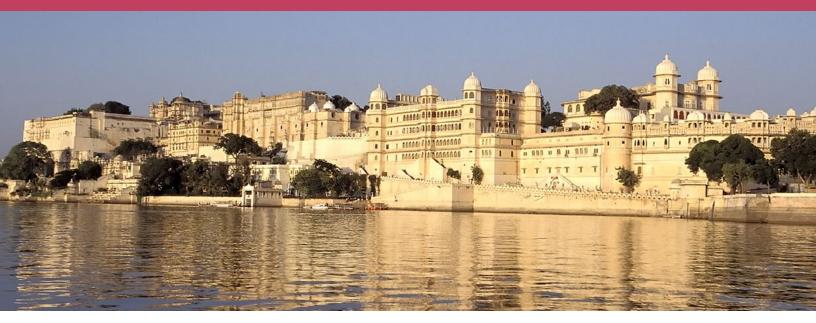
TOUR PRICE INCLUDES

- Accommodation as mentioned or similar.
- 32 Meals as mentioned (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner).
- Domestic airfare (Mumbai/Kochi).
- Kathakali Dance Performance in Cochin.
- All sightseeing and transfers by private transportation.
- Entrance fees to museums, sites & game parks as mentioned in the itinerary.
- Local English speaking guides for groups up to 5 persons. For 6 persons & above, through escort.
- Harbor Cruise in Cochin (Common Boat).
- Spice plantation tour in Thekkady.
- Guided Jungle Walking Tour in Thekkady.
- 1 Ayurvedic rejuvenation massage per person once during the stay at Kovalam.

NOT INCLUDED

Royal Rajasthan

15 Nights / 16 Days





DAU 1 DELHI Namaste! We are warmly welcomed at the airport and transferred to our hotel. Overnight: Vivanta By Taj Dwarka New Delhi (2 nights)

DAY 2 DELHI Our exploration of Delhi includes the famous Red Fort complex*, named for its massive walls of red sandstone. Next take a rickshaw ride through the narrow lanes of Chandni Chowk market and visit the Jama Masjid, India's largest mosque. End with Raj Ghat, then enjoy a welcome dinner at our hotel. (B, D)

DAY 3 DELHI • AGRA (Drive) Explore New Delhi, visiting Birla House, India Gate, Humayun's Tomb* and Qutub Minar* before continuing to Agra. Overnight: Trident / The Gateway Hotel (2 nights) (B, D)

DAY 4 AGRA A stunning sunrise visit to the Taj Mahal* allows us to see the morning light reflect off this immense marble mausoleum, built between 1631 and 1648 by the Mughal emperor Shah Jahan in memory of his favourite wife. Next visit Agra Fort*. This powerful fortress of red sandstone encompasses the imperial city of the Mughal

rulers. Later visit Fatehpur Sikri* and the Salim Chisty mausoleum. (B, D)

IMPORTANT NOTE: On nights with a Full Moon, the Taj Mahal's pure white marble shimmers silver in the moonlight and the site is open to visitors. When available, we can arrange an optional tour to enjoy this very special occasion.

DAU 5 AGRA • RANTHAMBORE (Drive) Explore Rajasthan on our way to Ranthambore. Afternoon we board our safari vehicles for our first jungle safari to track the Royal Bengal tiger. Overnight: Tiger Den Resort (1 night) (B, L, D)

DAY 6 RANTHAMBORE • JAIPUR (Drive) An exciting morning game safari before embarking on a scenic drive to Jaipur, the rose pink capital of Rajasthan, named for its buildings made of pink sandstone. In the evening, enjoy a Rajasthan Cultural Dance performance with dinner.

Overnight: Trident Hotel (2 nights) (B, D)

DAY 7 JAIPUR Sample the hilltop views at Amber Palace*, followed by visits to the Palace of Winds, the Jantar Mantar* astronomical observatory, the Royal Palace and the colourful bazaar. (B, D)

DAY 8 JAIPUR • PUSHKAR (Drive)
Explore the enchanting pilgrimage town of
Pushkar. Here we visit the historical Lord
Brahma Temple and the bathing Ghats
around its holy lake. Evening is free to shop
in the local bazaar. Overnight: The Green
House Resort (1 night) (B, D)

DAY 9 PUSHKAR • UDAIPUR (Drive)

After breakfast, embark on a journey through the villages of rural Rajasthan to Udaipur. Evening free.

Overnight Trident Hotel (2 nights) (B, D)

DAY 10 UDAIPUR Visit the City Palace, Jagdish Temple, Fateh Sagar Lake and Saheliyon Ki Bari (The Garden of Maids). Then take a sunset boat ride on Lake Pichola, visiting the Jagmandir Gardens and admiring the views of the city and the famous Lake Palace in the middle of the lake. (B, D)

DAY 11 UDAIPUR • JODHPUR (Drive)
Journey to Jodhpur, followed by visits to
Mehrangarh Fort and Jaswant Thada.
Overnight: Radisson Jodhpur (Pure
Vegetarian Hotel) (1 night) (B, D)

DAY 12 JODHPUR • JAISALMER (Drive) Explore the scenic Thar Desert on our way to Jaisalmer. Rest of the day is free. Overnight: Hotel Rawal Kot (2 nights) (B, D)

DAY 13 JAISALMER Morning tour of the Jaisalmer Fort*, the 2nd century Jain Temples, Gadisar Tank, the Folk Museum and Patwan Ki Haveli. Then embark on a camel safari with a spectacular desert sunset. (B, D)

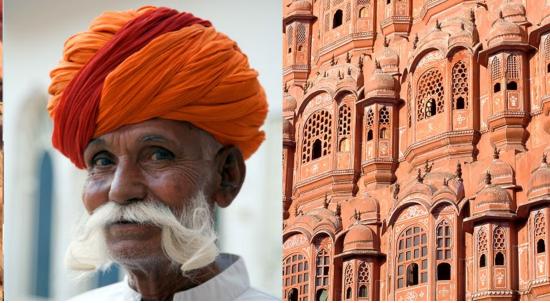
DAU 14 JAISALMER • BIKANER (Drive)
Continue to the charming desert town of
Bikaner, where we visit massive Junagadh
Fort, Lalgarh Palace and a fascinating camel
breeding farm set in the sand dunes.
Overnight: Lalgarh Palace (1 night) (B, D)

DAY 15 JAISALMER • MANDAWA •

ALSISAR (Drive) After breakfast, travel to Deshnoke and visit the famous Rat temple

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dedicated to the Goddess Karni Mata. Continue to Mandawa, where we explore the famous "open air art gallery of Rajasthan", visiting havelis with walls decorated in beautiful frescoes. From here, drive to Alsisar and check in at our hotel.

Overnight: Alsisar Mahal (1 night) (B, D)

DAY 16 ALSISAR • DEPART DELHI After a fantastic tour of Royal Rajasthan, we are driven to Delhi. Check in at our hotel Vivanta By Taj Dwarka for rooms until 8:30 PM, followed by a farewell dinner before we are transferred to the airport for our flight home (B, D)

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- Visit 9 UNESCO World Heritage Sites.
- Track tigers in Ranthambore National Park.
- Rickshaw Ride in Delhi.
- Marvel at the architectural jewels of the Mughal Empire.
- Spectacular sunrise view of the Taj Mahal.
- Exciting camel safari through the Thar Desert of Jaisalmer.

TOUR PRICE

Departure 2018	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Oct 10 & 19; Nov 2, 18 & 30; Dec 7	US\$ 2354 ● CA\$ 2990	US\$ 748 ● CA\$ 950
+Nov 09	US\$ 2520 • CA\$ 3199	US\$ 865 • CA\$ 1099
Dec 14	US\$ 2590 • CA\$ 3287	US\$ 865 • CA\$ 1099
Departure 2019	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Jan 11, 18 & 25; Feb 8, 15 & 22; Mar 8, 15 & 22	US\$ 2354 ● CA\$ 2990	US\$ 748 • CA\$ 950
Apr 12; May 3; Jun 7	US\$ 2063 • CA\$ 2620	US\$ 544 ● CA\$ 690
Jul 6; Aug 10; Sep 7 & 14	US\$ 1893 • CA\$ 2399	US\$ 544 ● CA\$ 690
Oct 4 & 18; Nov 8, 15 & 22; Dec 6	US\$ 2410 • CA\$ 3060	US\$ 799 • CA\$ 1020
+Oct 28	US\$ 2577 • CA\$ 3272	US\$ 922 • CA\$ 1172
Dec 13	US\$ 2650 • CA\$ 3367	US\$ 922 ● CA\$ 1172
Departure 2020	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Jan 10, 17 & 31; Feb 7, 14 & 28; Mar 6 & 13	US\$ 2410 • CA\$ 3060	US\$ 799 ● CA\$ 1020
Mar 27	US\$ 2299 • CA\$ 2920	US\$ 724 ● CA\$ 920
Apr 10; May 8; Jun 5	US \$ 2124 • CA \$ 2699	US \$ 560 • CA \$ 712
Jul 11; Aug 8; Sep 5	US \$ 1951 • CA \$ 2477	US \$ 560 • CA \$ 712
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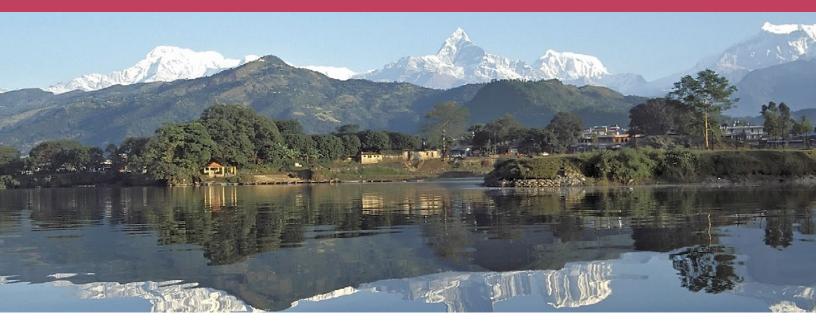
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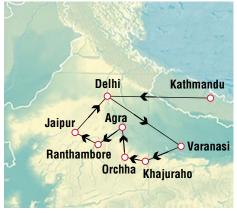
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- Camel safari in Jaisalmer.
- Boat Ride at Lake Pichola in Udaipur.
- 2 Safaris through Ranthambore National Park (October to June Departures).

NOT INCLUDED

Exotic Nepal & India 12 Nights / 13 Days





DAY 1 KATHMANDU Namaste! We are met at the airport and transferred to our hotel. The remainder of the day is free to relax. Overnight: Soaltee Crowne Plaza (3 nights)

DAY 2 KATHMANDU Exploration of the Kathmandu Valley*, including the famous Durbar Square and the stupa of Swayambhunath, followed by a visit to Patan.

DAY 3 KATHMANDU Explore Gilded Copper Gate in Bhadgeon, the Hindu Temple of Shiva and the Buddhist stupa of Boudhnath. (B, D)

DAY 4 KATHMANDU • DELHI (Flight) We fly to Delhi, where we are met and transferred to our hotel. The remainder of the day is free. Overnight: Sheraton, New Delhi (2 nights) (B, D)

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DAY 6 DELHI • VARANASI (Flight) Short flight to Varanasi. Visit Bharat Mata Temple, Durga Temple, Tulsi Manas Mandir and Banaras Hindu University. Evening witness the spectacular Aarti ceremony on the Ghats by the River Ganges. Overnight: The Gateway Hotel (1 night) (B, D)

DAY 7 VARANASI • KHAJURAHO (Flight) Sunrise cruise on the Ganges to observe the morning rituals of the Hindu pilgrims on the riverbanks. Experience the ancient Buddhist site of Sarnath before transferring to the airport. We fly to Khajuraho, where we visit the famous 11th century temples of Khajuraho*. Evening is free. Overnight: **Mint** Bundela Resort (1 night) (B, D)

DAY 8 KHAJURAHO • ORCHHA (Drive) • AGRA (Train) Visit the medieval fortresscity of Orchha, then head to Jhansi to board our luxury train to Agra, where we transfer to our hotel. Overnight: Trident/The Gateway Hotel (2 nights) (B, D)

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- Explore stunning Himalayan views and unique culture in Kathmandu Valley.
- Visit 10 UNESCO World Heritage Sites.
- Rickshaw Ride in Delhi.
- Sunrise boat ride on the River Ganges.
- Track Royal Bengal tigers in Ranthambore National Park.
- Admire amazing views at Amber Fort.
- Marvel at the architectural jewels of the Mughal Empire.

TOUR PRICE

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Oct 5, 14 & 28; Nov 4, 13 & 25; Dec 2 & 9	US\$ 3127 ● CA\$ 3942	US\$ 860 • CA\$ 1085
Departure 2019	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Jan 6, 13 & 20; Feb 3, 10 & 17; Mar 3, 10 & 17	US\$ 3127 ● CA\$ 3942	US\$ 860 • CA\$ 1085
Apr 7 & 28; Jun 2	US\$ 2930 ● CA\$ 3717	US\$ 685 ● CA\$ 865
Jul 1; Aug 5; Sep 2 & 9	US\$ 2805 ● CA\$ 3540	US\$ 685 ● CA\$ 865
Sep 29; Oct 13 & 23; Nov 3, 10 & 17; Dec 1 & 8	US\$ 3216 ● CA\$ 4060	US\$ 880 ● CA\$ 1110
Departure 2020	Per Person on twin sharing	Single room supplement
Jan 5, 12 & 26; Feb 2, 9 & 23; Mar 1, 8 & 22	US\$ 3216 ● CA\$ 4060	US\$ 880 ● CA\$ 1110
Apr 5; May 3 & 31	US\$ 3033 ● CA\$ 3829	US\$ 710 ● CA\$ 895
Jul 6; Aug 3 & 31	US\$ 2921 ● CA\$ 3690	US\$ 710 ● CA\$ 895

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- 25 Meals as mentioned (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner).
- International airfare: Kathmandu/Delhi.
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- Train ticket mentioned: Jhansi/Agra.
- Rickshaw Ride in Delhi.

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