

Tiger And Palaces



Days: 10

Price from: 1205 USD
International flight not included

Comfort: ★★★★★

Difficult: ★★★★★

📌 Culture

This family trip of ten days in Rajasthan is full of fun, adventure and Indian colour. Our objective is to keep the children interested on this holiday when we visit some beautiful historic buildings and spectacular palaces including the magnificent Taj Mahal, true epitome of love.

Our tour begins with Delhi Sightseeing. Next day, we board the express train to Agra which takes almost 2 hours to complete the Journey. Highlight of this trip is Taj Mahal, and see the sunset on this famous monument. We then transfer to the Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary where we tour around on a cycle rickshaw, which is an ideal way to see some of the special pelicans, duck and eagles in this area. Continuing with our circuit, we travel to Ranthambore National Park where we have two night stay at a resort and Two game drives in the park offers us an occasion to spot a wild tiger. The route between Ranthambore and Jaipur passes through the rural hearts of Rajasthan offering us beautiful scenery to appreciate. Same day, we would go to cinema to watch a classic Bollywood movie and then have a day's sightseeing that includes the Amber Fort. Learning how to cook curry with a local chef and a (optional) camel ride at the pilgrim's city of Pushkar (optional) are the final component of this unforgettable family adventure trip in India. This is a fantastic family trip, which will give everyone a great introduction to the sights and sounds of India, whilst enjoying some fun with the locals.

HIGHLIGHTS

- The magnificent Taj Mahal in its full glory
- Keoladeo Park - this former duck-hunting reserve of the Maharajas
- Tigers and other flora and fauna at Ranthambore National Park
- Jaipur sightseeing, local attractions and bazaars
- Stunning and awe-inspiring Amber(Amer) Fort
- Delhi Sightseeing and local attractions

Day 1. Traditional welcome on arrival



Delhi 📍

- Arrive at the **International airport** of Delhi. After the traditional welcome, transfer to the hotel for overnight stay.

🏠 Accommodation



Hotel Jivitesh

Day 2. Train to Agra and sightseeing



Delhi - Agra

- Today, we will rise early and transfer to railway station to board the train to Agra. This is special train started recently between Delhi and Agra. It has air-conditioned carriages fitted with aircraft type comfortable seats. During this two hours route, we will get to see the glimpses of Indian rural life. On arrival, we would be received by our representative and transfer to hotel.

Delhi 
🚗 250km - ⌚ 2h
Agra 

- Visit the Agra Red Fort, a historical fort in the city of Agra and its walls are richly adorned with red sandstone. Till 1638, this fort was main residence of the emperors of the Mughal Dynasty. Thereafter the capital of Mughal was shifted from Agra to Red Fort in Delhi.
- Visit of Taj Mahal, a 17th century marvel in poetic description. One of the Seven Wonders of the World, the Taj is a dream in white marble with exquisite pietra dura (stone inlay) work. Shah Jahan, the fifth Moghul King, built this beautiful mausoleum in memory of his beloved wife, Mumtaz Mahal, who died at the birth of her fourteenth child.

☕ Breakfast	Hotel Jivitesh
🏠 Accommodation	The Retreat

Day 3. Drive to Keoladeo Bird Sanctuary stopping at Fatehpur Sikri



Agra 
🚗 40km - ⌚ 1h
Fatehpur Sikri 
🚗 25km - ⌚ 40m
Bharatpur 

Agra - Fatehpur Sikri

- Today, we drive down to Bharatpur, en-route visiting Fatehpur Sikri, the deserted royal city constructed by the Mughal Emperor, Akbar. This impressive and well-preserved citadel served as the political capital of Akbar for 14 years. In 1585 **Akbar** abandoned Fatehpur Sikri due to dearth of water.



Fatehpur Sikri - Bharatpur

- After the visit, we resume our journey to Bharatpur. Upon arrival, transfer to the hotel. Bharatpur is famous owing to its **Keoladeo Ghana National Park** which is host to thousands of different birds, some 230 different species. Now the Reserve is a sanctuary for the birds and motor vehicles are prohibited in the premises and only cycling and walking are allowed. In the afternoon, we have a **Rickshaw ride** observing some of the enormous cranes with their huge orange becks, pelicans, geese, duck and eagles. This ride will offer you various offers to capture the beautiful birds in camera. After the ride, we come back to the hotel. Relax in Hotel.

☕ Breakfast	The Retreat
🏠 Accommodation	Hotel Surya Vilas Palace

Day 4. Train to Ranthambore



Bharatpur 
🚗 185km - ⌚ 2h 30m
Ranthambhore 

Bharatpur - Ranthambhore

- After the breakfast, we take a **Cycle-Rickshaw** ride into the sanctuary to spot a large variety of birds and animals. More fascinating than any other bird is the spotted owl that grabs the attention of all the wildlife enthusiasts.
- After delicious lunch, we will be transferred to the Railway station in **Bharatpur** where we board the evening express train for **Ranthambore National Park**. During this journey, we observe the hustle -bustle at each station. On arrival, we are received by our representative along with the driver and given a short transfer to the hotel. We would be reaching by 18:00 hrs. Rest of the evening is free to relax and rejuvenate for the next day Safari exploration.

☕ Breakfast	Hotel Surya Vilas Palace
🏠 Accommodation	Ranthambore Heritage Haveli

Day 5. Exploration in the quest of Tiger



Ranthambore 📍

- Today, we have **Two game drives** by Private Jeep in the park to wander through the Jungles to find the elusive tiger. We wake up early morning and leave for our **First safari** in the Ranthambore National Park. We track the tigers and other wildlife through the morning and return to the hotel for the breakfast. After relaxing for the rest of the pre-lunch session, we leave for **Another safari into the jungle** after lunch to catch glimpses of some more animal and bird species. At the end of this adventurous day, we return back to the hotel and relax.

🍽️ Breakfast

Ranthambore Heritage Haveli

🏠 Accommodation

Ranthambore Heritage Haveli

Day 6. Drive to Jaipur



Ranthambore 📍
🚗 180km - ⌚ 4h 30m
Jaipur 📍

Ranthambore - Jaipur

- In the morning, we drive to Jaipur - popularly known as the Pink City that is the **colorful capital** of Rajasthan. With its rich cultural heritage and colorful past it is now one of the most important heritage cities in India. The city was established in 1727 by **Maharaja Sawai Jai Singh II**, the then ruler of Amber(Amer). Also known as '**The City of Victory**', Jaipur was the first planned city of its time with imposing forts, dazzling palaces, beautiful gardens and markets. Late afternoon, we can opt for Bollywood session to watch a Hindi film in one of the biggest cinema of India - Raj Mandir.

🍽️ Breakfast

Ranthambore Heritage Haveli

🏠 Accommodation

Shahpura House

Day 7. Exploration of Pink City



Jaipur 📍

- After the breakfast, we drive to the ancient capital of Amer, 11 km from Jaipur. Famous for its massive Amber(amer) Fort, Amer was the ancient capital of Kachwaha dynasty for 6 centuries. We take an **Elephant ride (optional)**, an experience to remember for a long time, to reach the Fort situated on the hill. Having appreciated its beauty and captured that in our cameras we visit City Palace Jaipur, a perfect blend of Rajasthani and Mughal architecture. Next, we visit Jantar Mantar, a Solar Observatory built in the 18th century; an astronomical treasure house that measures time according to the movement of the Sun to an error of just 2 seconds with solar devices that give accurate astrological predictions as well till date. We also visit Hawa Mahal (Palace of Winds), a five-storied facade of pink sandstone. It was built in the year 1799 to allow royal ladies to watch processions and other the festivities on the road through its 953 ___'jharokas'___ or small windows without being seen by the public.

🍽️ Breakfast

Shahpura House

🏠 Accommodation

Shahpura House

Day 8. Drive to Pushkar enroute visiting Ajmer



Jaipur 📍
🚗 145km - ⌚ 3h 20m
Pushkar 📍

Jaipur - Pushkar

- After the breakfast, we drive towards Pushkar - a small town located on the edge of the desert with a tranquil lake, small hills with temples on top and the world famous Brahma Temple to boast of few kilometres before the town of Pushkar, we stop at the Ajmer to visit the '**Dargah**' to the Sufi Saint Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti. After the visit, we resume our journey to Pushkar. Upon arrival, transfer to the hotel. Later, we will do a visit to the **Brahma Temple** and the **Sacred Lake**. This is an important pilgrimage spot for the Hindus as it is the only temple of Lord Brahma in India. Lord Brahma is known as the creator of the world as per Hindu mythology. Evening is free to explore the **local bazaar** of Pushkar.

☕ Breakfast	Shahpura House
🏠 Accommodation	Pushkar Resort

Day 9. Visit of town and afternoon, Train to Delhi



Pushkar 📍
 🚗 15km - ⌚ 40m
 Ajmer 📍
 🚗 425km - ⌚ 6h 20m
 Delhi 📍

- The morning is free to stroll around the bazaar, visit more temples or enjoy the hotel pool. **There is an optional camel and cart ride** (this could be organised on request but need to be paid locally). After the lunch, we will be transferred to the Railway station of Ajmer to board the train to **Delhi**. Dinner would be served on board. Upon arrival, we would be received by our representative along with the driver and transfer to the Hotel.
- Arrive in Delhi in the morning and transfer to the hotel where we have the facility of using day rooms to refresh ourselves.

☕ Breakfast	Pushkar Resort
🏠 Accommodation	Hotel Jivitesh

Day 10. Departure



Delhi 📍

- In the afternoon we visit the walled city of **Old Delhi**; crowded, full of activity and still influenced by the great Mughals who once ruled from the ramparts of the majestic Red Fort Delhi. Here we visit Jama Masjid Delhi - the largest 17th century mosque in India; Chandni Chowk - the typical Indian market always abuzz with activities; and Rajghat - the memorial of Mahatma Gandhi (also called the 'Father of the Nation'). We also visit New Delhi where we drive past the **Presidential Palace, Secretariat Buildings** and down the impressive Rajpath to India Gate.
- Check-out from the hotel and transfer to the International airport or any point of convenience for onward journey to respective countries.

☕ Breakfast	Hotel Jivitesh
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Itinerary map



Individual price per person

2-3	4-5	6-8	9-12
1410 USD	1325 USD	1275 USD	1205 USD

Included

- Accommodation for 09 nights in a double room in the hotels mentioned or equivalent on breakfast basis
- Two Game drives in Jeep at Ranthambore National Park - On seat sharing basis
- Rickshaw rides in Bharatpur National Park
- All ground transportation included in the program using private air-conditioned vehicle with English speaking driver
- Entrance fees to the park and monuments as described in the program
- Train Tickets in Chair Class AC for three sectors as mentioned below: (Delhi - Agra , Bharatpur - Ranthambore & Ajmer - Delhi)
- Local English-speaking guides as described in the program (Till 05 Pax)
- Professional English-speaking tour leader throughout India (From 06 Pax onwards)
- Govt. Taxes

Not included

- International flight tickets
- Travel insurance
- These rates will not be valid for peak season from 20 December 2021 to 10 January 2022 , Holi Festival, Pushkar Festival, Diwali Festival, Christmas and New Year's extra supplement cost will be charged during this period
- Miscellaneous Expenses - drinks, souvenir, personal expenses etc.
- Tips for driver and other local staff
- Lunch and Dinner during the trip
- Charges for Camera in the monuments and Parks
- The cancellation and baggage insurance, assistance and repatriation
- Any optional activity
- Indian Visa
- All services not mentioned in "Inclusion"