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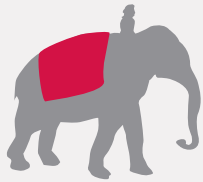
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Established 1967

55 Years

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Welcome to Our 2022/23 Brochure.

Swagatam! – Hindi for Welcome. This one word evokes all that is India and India Tours and Travel Specialists, and I would like to welcome you to our new 2022/2023 online brochure. India Tours and Travel Specialists is one of the divisions of the Travel Specialists (African Travel Specialists, South American Travel Specialists and Antarctica Travel Specialists) and has built up a reputation for offering the best in India and the Indian subcontinent with all its colour, culture, history and diversity.

From its humble beginnings as a suburban travel agency, we have now grown to a group of specialist businesses offering tours and packages to clients all over Australia and the World, to the most exciting places on the Earth, including the Indian subcontinent.

Of course, our world has changed dramatically, with the outbreak of Covid, and the closure of our borders for 19 months. Like all travel companies, I had to make some tough decisions, with the loss of some of our staff and reduction of hours of others, but unlike most companies, I had always prepared for the unexpected, and we have come through very strongly due to our loyal clients and travel agents. To those I can only say a big thank you.

In this brochure there are a range of tours and journeys that show the best that India has to offer. The tours include the culturally diverse Rajasthan, the beautiful beaches of Goa, the wonderful wildlife experiences in our Ultimate Wildlife Tour, and a choice of luxury train journeys. We have also highlighted other areas in the subcontinent – Nepal, Bhutan, Sri Lanka and the Maldives. But these are only a representation of what India Tours and Travel Specialists has available and all our trips are totally flexible to suit your requirements, time frame and budget.



Richard and Sue Ruskin, Udaipur, India

India Tours & Travel Specialists *...we're ahead of the crowd...*

What sets India Tours and Travel Specialists apart is our friendly, enthusiastic and knowledgeable staff with unparalleled on-ground experience in travelling in India. Their knowledge of the hotels, lodges, transport, cultural highlights, food, and shopping give them the ability to offer the right advice to tailor make your trip at the most competitive and value for money rates in Australia.

I am proud to offer you the tours, wildlife experiences, and individual arrangements in this brochure to assist you in opening your eyes to what India has to offer. I am sure it will inspire you to visit one of my special places on Earth – India. But don't take my word for it, see it for yourself!

RICHARD RUSKIN

Managing Director,
India Tours & Travel Specialists

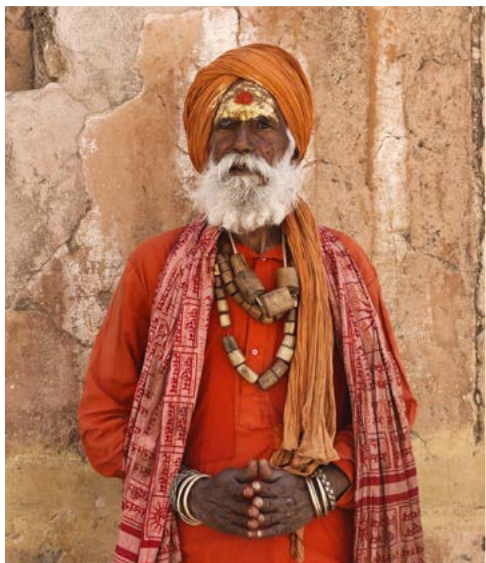
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WHY INDIA TOURS & TRAVEL SPECIALISTS?

We are a passionate team of travel specialists with a reputation for delivering premium travel experiences to India, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Bhutan & the Maldives.

India Tours and Travel Specialists, a division of The Travel Specialists, is not only there to advise you of the best accommodation, most interesting tour, most ideal time of the year to travel, and the best place to see the sights and sounds, but also where to eat the most delicious food and where you have the best chance of seeing the elusive tiger. Our staff are there to ensure you get the trip you have always dreamed of, at the best value for money price.

We know every individual is unique which is why we take time to understand what you are looking for and to ensure we deliver you a trip of a lifetime. We craft your itinerary ensuring attention to detail utilising our wealth of experience and our extensive knowledge bank.

Explore India with us and you will soon see why India Tours & Travel Specialists is a part of one of the longest established and reputable travel businesses in Australia. We love what we do and we're confident you will too.





And remember our other divisions offer the same expertise, level of service and attention to detail with separate specialists in Africa, South America and Central America and Antarctica.



INDIAN SUBCONTINENT MAP



Airline Partners:





TRAVEL TO INDIA

India is a land of colourful contrasts, and home to some of the most breathtaking scenery and architecture in the World. It is a land full of surprises, from magnificent palaces and luxury trains to beautiful beaches and amazing game parks. Its culture, colour, cuisine and diverse attractions make it one of the most rewarding places on Earth to visit. India is renowned for its friendliness and charm; its vibrancy and spirituality; its luxury and its hospitality and its excitement and tranquility. It is a land waiting to welcome you.

BEST TIME TO TRAVEL

Due to the size of the country, India's climate varies greatly from north to south. Generally, October to March is the most pleasant time to visit, when the weather is dry and not too hot. The monsoon season usually starts at the beginning of June in the south, reaching the north by about July, and is usually over by late September.

India

April – September

Himalayas sightseeing & trekking

April – June & October

Tiger spotting

June – August

Leh & Ladakh (Little Tibet)

Nepal

Late September– End of April

Lower level trekking & wildlife safaris

Early October – Early December

Trekking

Bhutan

March – May / September – November

All sightseeing

Maldives

December – April

(July – Aug SW monsoon / Nov – Mar NE monsoon)

Sri Lanka

Year round (dry months December – April)



SPECIAL EVENTS 2022 - 2023

1st – 10th December, 2022	Hornbill Festival, Nagaland
25th December, 2022	Christmas, All over India
11th – 12th January, 2023	Camel Festival, Bikaner
14th January, 2023	Pongal, Tamil Nadu
14th – 16th January, 2023	International Kite Flying Festival, Jaipur
26th January, 2023	Republic Day, All of India
27th – 30th January, 2023	Nagaur Cattle Festival, Nagaur, Rajasthan
10th – 12th February, 2023	World Sufi Festival, Jodhpur, Rajasthan
14th – 16th February, 2023	Desert Festival, Jaisalmer
18th - 21st February, 2023	Goa Carnival
20th – 26th February, 2023	Khajuraho Dance Festival, Khajuraho
8th – 13th March, 2023	International Yoga Festival, Rishikesh
8th March, 2023	Holi Festival, All over India
14th April, 2023	Baisakhi, Punjab
1st May, 2023	Thrissur Pooram, Kerala
5th May, 2023	Buddha Purnima, All of India
28th - 29th June 2023	Hemis Festival, Ladakh
12th August, 2023	Nerhu Trophy Boat Race, Kerala
15th August, 2023	Independence Day, All of India
19th August, 2023	Teej Fair, Jaipur
24th August, 2023	Dussehra, Rajasthan
7th September 2023	Dahi Handi Festival
7th September, 2023	Onam (Thiruvonam), Kerala
18th September, 2023	Ganesh Chaturthi
17th – 26th October, 2023	Navaratri, Sangeetholsavam, Kerala
30th – 31st October, 2022	Marwar Festival, Jodhpur
1st – 9th November, 2023	Pushkar Fair, Pushkar, Rajasthan
12th November, 2023	Diwali, All over India

INDIA TOUR & TRAVEL SPECIALISTS DRIVER / GUIDES

What sets India Tours & Travel Specialists apart are our branded vehicles and our contracted drivers and guides. The drivers and guides are selected for their friendliness, knowledge, punctuality and reliability. They are all English speaking and are proud to wear the India Tours & Travel Specialists uniform. They are keen to share their passion for the magical wonders that India has to offer, and this enthusiasm starts from the moment you arrive and are met by the meet & greet staff holding an India Tours & Travel Specialist sign board with your name(s) clearly shown on it.



INDIA



Taj Mahal

ULTIMATE INDIA

As the name suggests – this is truly the “ultimate” experience, offering you the best of the Indian subcontinent with all its diversity. Vibrant Indian cultures, breathtaking scenery, ancient historic ruins and living treasures, amazing wildlife, a huge variety of people and a choice of food and flavours make this one of the most rewarding holidays on offer. The accommodation, with a choice of superior and luxury hotels has been carefully selected for this tour.

21 Days / 20 Nights

INDIA

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

(1 Oct 2022 – 15 Apr 2023*)

Superior \$6,180

Luxury \$13,725

(16 Apr – 30 Sep 2023)

Superior \$5,370

Luxury \$9,700

*Prices not valid 20 Dec 2022 –
10 Jan 2023 (peak period)

Not valid during Pushkar Fair
29 October – 12 November, 2022

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 20 nights twin share accommodation with breakfast daily
- All meals on the houseboat
- All sightseeing, excursions and transfers using an AC vehicle
- Local English-speaking guide
- Entrance fees at monuments
- Economy class airfare from Delhi–Varanasi–Agra/Delhi, Udaipur–Mumbai–Kochi–Chennai
- Boat ride in Udaipur
- Rickshaw ride in Chandni Chowk
- Tickets for Elephanta Caves
- All current applicable taxes
- Kathakali Dance Show in Kochi
- Ganga Aarti ceremony & boat ride in Varanasi

NOTE: Daily departure based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

DAY 1: ARRIVE DELHI

On arrival at Delhi airport, you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Three nights at your HOTEL in Delhi.

DAY 2: DELHI

After breakfast, tour Old Delhi visiting the Red Fort and Jama Masjid, the largest mosque in India. Afterwards, enjoy a rickshaw ride at Chandni Chowk. (B)

DAY 3: DELHI

After breakfast, you will be taken on a tour of New Delhi, visiting Humayun's Tomb, Qutub Minar, Raj Ghat, Connaught Place and the local markets. (B)

DAY 4: DELHI – VARANASI

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport to board your flight to Varanasi. In the evening you will be taken to the banks of the River Ganges to witness the 'Ganga Aarti' ceremony that is performed with lighted lamps by Hindu priests every evening at sunset. Two nights at your HOTEL in Varanasi. (B)

DAY 5: VARANASI

Early this morning enjoy a boat ride on the sacred river Ganges to see the cremation ghats and witness the living traditions of one of the World's largest religions. In the afternoon you will be taken on an excursion to Sarnath, the place where Buddha preached his first sermon on attaining Nirvana. (B)

DAY 6: VARANASI – AGRA

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport to board your flight from Varanasi to Agra. Two nights at your HOTEL in Agra. (B)

DAY 7: AGRA

Today you will be taken on a sunrise tour of the Taj Mahal. After your tour you will be taken back to your hotel for breakfast. Afterwards, you will visit the Agra Fort, tomb of Itimad and a marble inlay factory. (B)

DAY 8: AGRA – JAIPUR

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Jaipur, via Fatehpur Sikri, the famous ghost city. Jaipur is one of the finest planned cities in India and is one of the most important tourist stops in Rajasthan. Two nights at your HOTEL in Jaipur. (B)

DAY 9: JAIPUR

After breakfast, you will be taken to the ancient capital of Amber to visit the Amber Fort. The Amber Fort is one of the principal tourist attractions of the area. In the afternoon, you will be taken on a tour of the city. You will visit the City Palace, which is an incredibly beautiful complex of exquisite palaces, gardens and courtyards. You will also visit the 'Palace of the Winds', otherwise known as Hawa Mahal. Today you will also have the opportunity to wander about the local markets. (B)

DAY 10: JAIPUR – UDAIPUR

After breakfast, you will be taken to the airport for your flight to Udaipur. On arrival you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL for your two-night stay. (B)

DAY 11: UDAIPUR

After breakfast, you will be taken on a city tour visiting the City Palace, Jagdish Temple and an elegant garden called Saheliyon-ki-Bari, situated in the north of the city. In the evening, enjoy a boat ride on Lake Pichola. (B)

DAY 12: UDAIPUR – MUMBAI

Early this morning, you will be taken to the airport to board your flight to Mumbai. On arrival you will be met



Kathakali Dance, Kochi



Taj Lake Palace, Udaipur

and transferred to your hotel. In the afternoon, enjoy a Mumbai city tour visiting the Prince of Wales Museum, and Mani Bhavan, a small museum where wax miniatures depict scenes from Mahatma Gandhi's life and India's freedom struggle. Afterwards, drive along Marine Drive, visiting the Rajabai Clock Tower, Mumbai University and Chhatrapati Shivaji Railway Terminus. (B)

DAY 13: MUMBAI

After breakfast, you will be taken on an excursion to the Elephanta Caves. The caves contain a collection of rock art. In the afternoon return to your hotel and spend the rest of the day at your leisure. (B)

DAY 14: MUMBAI – KOCHI

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Kochi. On arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel. In the evening enjoy a spectacular cultural Kathakali dance performance. Two nights at your HOTEL in Kochi. (B)

DAY 15: KOCHI

After breakfast, tour Kochi visiting the Dutch Palace, Jewish Synagogue and Mattancherry. (B)

DAY 16: KOCHI – ALLEPPEY

After breakfast, you will be transferred by private vehicle to Alleppey to board your houseboat (kettuvallams), for a cruise through the palm-fringed backwaters of Kerala. Overnight on-board your HOUSEBOAT. (B, L, D)

DAY 17: ALLEPPEY-KOCHI-CHENNAI-PUDUCHERRY

After breakfast, you will disembark your houseboat and head to Kochi airport for your flight to Chennai. On arrival you will be met and transferred by road to Puducherry. Three nights at your HOTEL in Puducherry. (B)

DAY 18: PUDUCHERRY

After breakfast you will be taken on a tour of Puducherry visiting Sri Aurobindo Ashram, the most popular attraction in Puducherry. (B)

DAY 19: PUDUCHERRY

Today is at your leisure to explore the city of Puducherry, with its colonial buildings, Catholic churches and temples. (B)

DAY 20: PUDUCHERRY – CHENNAI

After breakfast, you will be transferred by private vehicle to Chennai, en route visiting Mahabalipuram, famous for its ancient rock temples. Overnight at your HOTEL in Chennai. (B)

DAY 21: DEPART CHENNAI

After breakfast, you will be taken on a city tour of Chennai City. Drive past the High Court that was built in the late

19th Century in the Indo Saracenic style and visit the local markets. In the evening you will be transferred to the airport to board your onward flight. (B)



The Oberoi Amarvilas

HOTELS		
CITY	SUPERIOR	LUXURY
Delhi	The Claridges	The Imperial
Varanasi	Taj Ganges	Taj Nadesar Palace
Agra	Taj Hotel & Convention Centre	The Oberoi Amarvilas
Jaipur	ITC Rajputana	The Oberoi Rajvilas
Udaipur	The Lalit Laxmi Vilas Palace	The Oberoi Udaivilas
Mumbai	Trident Nariman Point	Taj Mahal Palace Wing
Kochi	Ayana Fort Kochi	Brunton Boatyard
Alleppey	A/C Superior Houseboat	Spice Coast Cruise
Puducherry	Maison Perumal	Palais De Mahe
Chennai	GRT Grand	Taj Coromandel

Did you know...

the Taj Mahal is now regarded as the most recognisable building in the World – and one of the top bucket list items



Hawa Mahal, Palace of the Winds, photo by Dexter Fernandes

ESCORTED INDIA TOUR INCLUDING THE HOLI FESTIVAL

Personally escorted by India Tours and Travel Specialists, Sean Fernandes, this exciting 15-day tour is steeped in culture, history, unique architecture, friendly people and magnificent scenery. The standard of the tour is excellent accommodation and using private air-conditioned vehicles throughout. One of the many highlights of this tour will be the Holi Festival in Jaipur, and how better to see India than with a true Indian Specialist – Sean Fernandes.

15 Days / 14 Nights

INDIA

DEPARTING:

25 FEBRUARY, 2023

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

\$6,600

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 14 nights twin share accommodation
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- Internal economy airfares: Delhi – Varanasi – Agra/Delhi, Jaipur – Udaipur – Delhi
- All sightseeing, excursions and transfers using an AC vehicle
- Services of local English speaking guide
- Entrance fee at monuments
- All current applicable taxes
- Welcome and farewell dinners
- Mohabbat the Taj Show Agra (Platinum tickets)
- Rickshaw ride at Chandni Chowk
- Heritage walk and tour in Old Delhi
- Interactive cooking session, Agra
- Lunch at Duggi Palace and Holi Festival celebration
- Two safaris at Ranthambore National Park
- Half day tour at Mathura/Vrindavan/ Dwarkadeesh temple
- Jeep ride to Amber Fort
- Spiritual Aarti and boat ride on the river Ganges, Varanasi
- Boat ride at Lake Pichola, Udaipur
- Fully escorted by India Tours and Travel Specialists' Sean Fernandes

NOTE: This tour requires a minimum of 6 passengers travelling to be escorted.

DAY 1: ARRIVE DELHI

On arrival at New Delhi IGI Airport you will be met and transferred to the LE MERIDIEN HOTEL for your three-night stay.

DAY 2: DELHI

After breakfast, you will be taken on a guided tour of New Delhi. Visit Humayun's Tomb, Qutab Minar, Raj Ghat and the Connaught Place market. In the evening, enjoy a welcome dinner at a well-known local restaurant. (B, D)

DAY 3: DELHI

After breakfast, you will be taken on a tour of Old Delhi. Visit the Red Fort and Jama Masjid and enjoy a rickshaw ride through the narrow streets of Chandni Chowk. After lunch enjoy a guided heritage walk through the streets of Old Delhi. Participate in a kite flying session at an old haveli before enjoying a home-cooked meal. (B, D)

DAY 4: DELHI – VARANASI

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Varanasi. On arrival you will be transferred to your hotel to spend the remainder of the day at your leisure. In the evening you will have the opportunity to witness the spiritual Aarti Ceremony

on the banks of the River Ganges. Two nights at the TAJ GANGES. (B, D)

DAY 5: VARANASI

At sunrise, you will be taken on a boat ride on the River Ganges followed by a tour through the narrow streets, passing iconic temples. After breakfast you will be taken on a tour of Varanasi. After lunch, you will visit Sarnath, the place where Buddha preached his first sermon after attaining Nirvana. You will then enjoy a dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

DAY 6: VARANASI – AGRA

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Agra. On arrival you will be transferred to your hotel. After lunch visit the Agra Fort, an outstanding example of Mughal architecture. Two nights at the TAJ VIEW, AGRA. (B, D)

DAY 7: AGRA

Early in the morning, you will be taken on a sunrise tour of the Taj Mahal. Afterwards, visit the tomb of Itimad-ud-Daula before enjoying an interactive cooking demonstration and lunch with a local family. In the evening, visit a marble in-lay factory and see a cultural stage show – Mohabbat the Taj. (B, L, D)



Taj Ganges Hotel



Humayun's Tomb, photo by Krishendu Sudarsanan



DAY 8: AGRA – RANTHAMBORE

After breakfast, you will be transferred by road to Ranthambore, visiting the magnificent ghost city of Fatehpur Sikri en route. You will then head to Laxmi Niwas Palace in Bharatpur for lunch, before continuing to Ranthambore. Upon arrival, check in to THE TIGRESS RANTHAMBORE for your two-night stay. (B, L, D)

DAY 9: RANTHAMBORE

Today you will be taken on morning and afternoon game drives in Ranthambore National Park. It is one of the largest parks in Northern India and is one of the best places in India to see the elusive tiger. (B, L, D)

DAY 10: RANTHAMBORE – JAIPUR

After breakfast, you will be transferred by road to Jaipur. In the evening you will be taken to 1135AD restaurant at the Amber Fort, for dinner. The Amber Fort is one of the principal tourist attractions of the area and is located high on a hill. Three nights at the ITC RAJPUTANA. (B, D)

DAY 11: JAIPUR

After breakfast, you will be taken on a full day tour of Jaipur. Visit the 17th Century Amber Fort, the City Palace, Jantar Mantar and Hawa Mahal, also known as 'Palace of the Winds'. You will also have the opportunity to visit the local markets. (B, D)

DAY 12: JAIPUR

After breakfast, experience Holi Festival celebrations at the Diggri Palace hotel. One of the greatest highlights

of the Festival Calendar of India, the Holi Festival is celebrated across the Globe and, when mentioned, always draws a smile and enthusiasm amongst anyone who has taken part. The celebration will involve applying various rainbow coloured powders and throwing coloured water at each other amidst loud music and drums. This is followed by dancing along with the other partygoers. It is a very happy, exciting and memorable experience. (B, L, D)

DAY 13: JAIPUR – UDAIPUR

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Udaipur. On arrival you will be met and taken to Ravla Khempur (the hotel which appeared in Best Exotic Marigold Hotel) for lunch. After lunch you will be transferred to your hotel in Udaipur. The rest of the day is at your leisure. Two nights at THE LALIT LAXMI VILAS PALACE. (B, L, D)

DAY 14: UDAIPUR

After breakfast, you will be taken on a city tour, visiting the City Palace, Jagdish Temple and an elegant garden called Saheliyon-Ki-Bari. In the evening enjoy a boat ride on Lake Pichola, followed by a farewell dinner. (B, D)

DAY 15: UDAIPUR – DELHI

After breakfast, the morning is at your leisure. In the afternoon you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Delhi, where you will board your onward flight. This will mark the end of your tour. (B)



SEAN was born in India and has a passion for the colour, food, culture and history of his original homeland. Sean is a true people person and loves to share his knowledge and passion for the country. Sean now lives in Australia with his wife and two sons, and has been with India Tours & Travel Specialists for over 15 years.



Holi Festival

HOTELS	
CITY	SUPERIOR
Delhi	Le Meridien
Varanasi	Taj Ganges
Agra	Taj Gateway Hotel
Ranthambore	The Tigris Ranthambore
Jaipur	ITC Rajputana
Udaipur	JuSta Sajjangarh Resort & Spa



Udaipur City, Lake Pichola

ULTIMATE RAJASTHAN

Rajasthan is steeped in history, and its culture, architecture and natural heritage are second to none in India. This tour showcases the spectacular fortress city of Jodhpur at the edge of the Thar Desert, the golden city of Jaisalmer with its sand dunes and Bikaner, the medieval walled city. Stay in palace hotels, enjoy a camel safari in the desert, see magnificent sunsets and discover a whole new world on this amazing journey through Rajasthan.

17 Days / 16 Nights

RAJASTHAN

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

(1 Oct 2022 – 15 Apr 2023*)

Superior \$3,650

Luxury \$9,200

(16 Apr – 30 Sep 2023)

Superior \$3,100

Luxury \$6,400

*Prices not valid 20 Dec 2022 –
10 Jan 2023 (peak period)

Not valid during Pushkar Fair
29 October – 12 November, 2022

- 16 nights twin share accommodation with breakfast daily
- All sightseeing, excursions and transfers using AC vehicles
- Services of local English speaking guides
- Entrance fees at monuments
- Camel cart/jeep ride in Khimsar
- Village jeep safari in Deogarh
- Camel ride in Jaisalmer
- Boat ride in Udaipur
- Rickshaw ride in Old Delhi
- All current applicable taxes

NOTE: Daily departures based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

DAY 1: DELHI

On arrival at Delhi airport you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL by private vehicle.

DAY 2: DELHI

After breakfast you will be taken on a full day tour of Old and New Delhi. Drive past the Red Fort and visit Jama Masjid – the largest mosque in India. Explore the Qutub Minar, Humayun's Tomb and drive past the Presidential House, Parliament House and India Gate. This evening will be at leisure to enjoy the local cuisine. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 3: DELHI – MANDAWA

Today, you will be driven to Mandawa. See some of the finest painted Havelis (private mansions) in the region. Here you will visit the medieval fort, walk around the Havelis and see the residential buildings of Mandawa – built in typical Rajasthani style. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 4: MANDAWA – BIKANER

After breakfast, you will continue on to the desert city of Bikaner. With wide-spread sand dunes, wonderful natural sites, marvelous palaces, wildlife sanctuaries and archaeological treasures, the city offers over 500 years

of culture and heritage. Check in at your hotel, before an afternoon tour of the city visiting the Junagarh Fort and Junagarh Palace. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 5: BIKANER – KHIMSAR

In the morning you will be driven to Khimsar, located in the famed Thar Desert. The afternoon will be at leisure. Witness a beautiful desert sunset during an evening camel cart ride to the sand dunes. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 6: KHIMSAR – JAISALMER

Today, you will be taken on a tour of Khimsar, visiting Khimsar Fort with its diverse architecture. Later, you will be transferred to Jaisalmer, which lies in the heart of the Thar Desert and is surrounded by sand dunes. It is home to the spectacular Golden Jaisalmer Fort, towering nearly 100 meters high over the city. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 7: JAISALMER

After breakfast, embark on a city tour and walk up one of the oldest forts in Rajasthan, where about a quarter of the old city's population resides. In the afternoon, you will head to the Khuri and Sam Sand Dunes for a camel safari into the desert. Experience the rich desert culture and witness a sunset over the golden city. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)



Jaisalmer Desert



Amber Fort Gardens, Jaipur

DAY 8: JAISALMER – JODHPUR

After breakfast, you will be driven to Jodhpur, famous for its amazing architectural splendours such as the 15th century Mehrangarh Fort, as well as exquisite handicrafts and vibrant festivals. On arrival, check in to your hotel and enjoy an evening at leisure. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 9: JODHPUR – DEOGARH

Today you will be taken on a tour of Jodhpur. The tour will start at the Mehrangarh Fort, which has a high stone wall that protects the well-fortified city. Later you will visit Jaswant Thada, before being transferred to Deogarh by private vehicle. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 10: DEOGARH – UDAIPUR

After breakfast, you will be taken on a safari by jeep around Deogarh, nestled among one of the world's oldest mountain ranges – the Aravallis. En route to Udaipur you will stop at Ranakpur, to visit the beautifully carved marble Jain Temples, before continuing on to Udaipur. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 11: UDAIPUR

After breakfast you will be taken on a tour of Udaipur. You will visit Jag Mandir Palace, the City Palace Museum, Jagdish Temple and Saheliyon-ki-Bari. In the evening you will be taken on a boat ride on Lake Pichola. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 12: UDAIPUR – PARSOLI

This morning, you will be transferred by road to Parsoli. In the afternoon, you will be taken on a jeep

safari around the town for a rare glimpse into the rich and colourful life of rural India, as well as visiting the Chittorgarh Fort, the largest fort in India and the grandest in the state of Rajasthan. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 13: PUSHKAR

In the morning you will be driven to Pushkar, which is surrounded by hills on three sides and sand dunes on the fourth. This city is a famous location for the annual Pushkar Fair – a religious and cattle fair. Check into your hotel on arrival and enjoy an afternoon visit to the Pushkar Lake and famous Brahma Temple. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 14: PUSHKAR – JAIPUR

After a leisurely breakfast you will travel to Jaipur, the Pink City and capital of Rajasthan. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 15: JAIPUR

Today you will visit the 17th century Amber Fort, before a visit to the City Palace, Jantar Mantar, Hawa Mahal and local markets. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 16: JAIPUR – AGRA

After breakfast you will be driven to Agra, visiting the magnificent ghost city of Fatehpur Sikri en route. Enjoy an afternoon visit to the Agra Fort, before checking into your hotel. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 17: AGRA – DELHI

Enjoy a sunrise tour of the Taj Mahal, before returning to your hotel for breakfast. You will then be transferred to Delhi airport for your onward flight. (B)

HOTELS		
CITY	SUPERIOR	LUXURY
Delhi	The Claridges	The Imperial
Mandawa	The Desert Resort	Castle Mandawa
Bikaner	Narendra Bhawan	Laxmi Niwas Palace
Khimsar	Khimsar Sand Dunes Village	Khimsar Fort
Jaisalmer	Fort Rajwada	Suryagarh Palace
Jodhpur	Ajit Bhawan Palace	Taj Umaid Bhawan Palace
Deogarh	Deogarh Mahal	RAAS Devigarh
Udaipur	The Lalit Laxmi Vilas Palace	Taj Lake Palace
Parsoli	Lake Nahargarh Palace	Lake Nahargarh Palace
Pushkar	Aaram Baagh	Pushkar Palace
Jaipur	ITC Rajputana	The Oberoi Rajvilas
Agra	Taj Hotel & Convention Centre	The Oberoi Amarvilas



The Oberoi Amarvilas, Agra



One of the best areas to see spectacular forts and monuments. It offers a wide diversity of cultural history and stunning landmarks.



Mehrangarh Fort, Jodhpur

10 Days / 9 Nights

RAJASTHAN

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:
(1 Oct 2022 – 15 Apr 2023)

Superior \$2,700

Luxury \$8,450

(16 Apr – 30 Sep 2023)

Superior \$2,295

Luxury \$5,650

**Prices not valid 20 Dec 2022–
10 Jan 2023 (peak period)*

*Not valid during Pushkar Fair
29 October – 12 November, 2022*

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 9 nights twin share accommodation with breakfast daily
- All sightseeing, excursions & transfers using an AC Vehicle
- Services of English speaking guides
- Jodhpur village – cultural tour
- Boat ride in Udaipur
- Economy class airfare from Udaipur–Delhi
- Rickshaw ride in Chandni Chowk
- Bishnoi village jeep safari
- Entrance fees at monuments

NOTE: Daily departures based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

HOTELS

CITY	SUPERIOR	LUXURY
Delhi	Le Meriden	The Imperial
Agra	Taj View	The Oberoi Amarvilas
Jaipur	ITC Rajputana	Oberoi Rajvilas
Jodhpur	Ajit Bhawan Palace	Taj Umaid Bhawan Palace
Udaipur	The Lalit Laxmi Vilas Palace	Taj Lake Palace

BEST OF RAJASTHAN

Rajasthan is one of the most visited places in India and is famous for its rich cultural heritage along with its spectacular forts and monuments. This 10-day tour covers all the major attractions in Rajasthan, including the Amber Fort, Hawa Mahal (Palace of Winds), City Palace and more. The tour also includes a visit to the Taj Mahal in Uttar Pradesh. This journey will take you deep into the diversity of Rajasthan where you will see some of India's most breathtaking scenery and sites.

DAY 1: ARRIVE DELHI

On arrival at Delhi Airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Overnight at your HOTEL.

DAY 2: DELHI

After breakfast, you will be taken on a full day tour of Old and New Delhi. Drive past the Red Fort and visit Jama Masjid, Qutab Minar and Humayun's Tomb. Afterwards, you will be driven past the Presidential Palace, Parliament House and India Gate. The evening will be at leisure. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 3: DELHI – AGRA

This morning, you will be transferred to Agra by road, en route visiting Emperor Akbar's tomb at Sikandra. Sikandra is the last resting place of the great Mughal Emperor Akbar who ruled most of India between 1556 and 1605. Afterwards, you will visit the Agra Fort. The rest of the day will be at leisure. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 4: AGRA – JAIPUR

Today at sunrise, you will visit the Taj Mahal. It is the most famous of all Mughal monuments and was constructed by Emperor Shah Jahan in memory of his wife, Mumtaz Mahal. After returning to your hotel for breakfast you will be transferred to Jaipur, visiting Fatehpur Sikri (a magnificent fortified ghost city) en route. After check in at your hotel, the afternoon will be at leisure. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 5: JAIPUR

After breakfast, you will be driven to the ancient capital of Amber to visit the Amber Fort, where a jeep will take you up to the fortress. In the afternoon, you will be taken on a tour of the city visiting the City Palace, the Jantar Mantar and Hawa Mahal (Palace of the Winds). The evening will be at leisure. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 6: JAIPUR – JODHPUR

On arrival, check in to your hotel and spend the evening at leisure. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 7: JODHPUR

Today, you will enjoy an excursion to Mehrangarh Fort and the Jaswant Thada, before being transferred back to your hotel. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 8: JODHPUR – UDAIPUR

After breakfast, you will be transferred by road to Udaipur, visiting the famous Jain Temples of Ranakpur, en route. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 9: UDAIPUR

This morning, you will be taken on a half day tour of Udaipur, where you will visit the City Palace Museum, Jagdish Temple and an elegant garden called Saheliyon-ki-Bari. The afternoon is at leisure followed by a beautiful evening boat ride on Lake Pichola (subject to water levels). Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 10: UDAIPUR – DELHI

After breakfast you will be transferred to Udaipur airport to board your flight for Delhi. (B)





Kandariya Temple, Khajuraho

HERITAGE INDIA

India is well known for its ancient heritage and culture. This centuries-old nation is renowned for its languages, ancient customs, the architecture of its forts, palaces and monuments, as well as its historical sites. This 12-day Heritage India tour gives you a wonderful snapshot of some of the most colourful and interesting areas of this exciting and beautiful country.

DAY 1: ARRIVE DELHI

On arrival at Delhi Airport, you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL in Delhi for your two-night stay.

DAY 2: DELHI

Today you will be taken on a full day tour of Old and New Delhi, drive past the Red Fort, visit Jama Masjid, the Qutab Minar, Humayun's Tomb, Presidential House, Parliament House and the India Gate. (B)

DAY 3: DELHI – VARANASI

After breakfast you will be transferred to Delhi airport to board your onward flight to Varanasi. On arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel. In the evening, you will be taken to the banks of the river Ganges to witness the Ganga Aarti ceremony. Afterwards, you will be transferred back to your hotel. Two nights at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 4: VARANASI

This morning, you will enjoy a boat ride on the River Ganges at sunrise. Afterwards, visit the Vishwanath Temple, dedicated to Lord Shiva. The most sacred shrine in the city, the original temple was destroyed by Mughal Emperor Aurangzeb and restored in the 18th century. In the afternoon, you will visit Sarnath, where Buddha delivered his first sermon after attaining nirvana. (B)

DAY 5: VARANASI – KHAJURAHO – PANNA

This morning you will be transferred to Varanasi airport to board your flight to Khajuraho. On arrival, you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL in Panna for your two-night stay. (B)

DAY 6: PANNA

Today you will enjoy morning and afternoon game drives in Panna National Park. Located in the Panna and Chhatarpur districts, this park is home to a variety of wildlife such as tiger, chital, chinkara and sloth bear. It also features an array of birdlife including the Bar-headed Goose, honey buzzard and king vulture. (B)

DAY 7: PANNA – KHAJURAHO

After breakfast you will be transferred by road to Khajuraho. On arrival you will be taken on a tour of the Khajuraho Temple Complex. Once the capital of the Chandela Rajputs, these temples were built over the span of one hundred years between 950 and 1050 CE and depict a variety of Indian architectural styles. At the end of the tour, you will be transferred to your HOTEL for an overnight stay. (B)

DAY 8: KHAJURAHO – JHANSI – AGRA

This morning you will be transferred to Jhansi railway station to board a train to Agra. Upon arrival in Agra you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL for your two-night stay. (B)

DAY 9: AGRA

Early this morning, at sunrise, you will visit the exquisite Taj Mahal, the most famous of all Mughal monuments. After returning to your hotel for breakfast you will visit the Agra Fort and the tomb Itimad-ud-Daulah. The evening will be at leisure. (B)

DAY 10: AGRA – JAIPUR

After breakfast you will be transferred to Jaipur. En route you will visit Fatehpur Sikri, a palace city built by Mughal emperor Akbar in 1570. Now a ghost city, it is a fine fusion of Mughal, Indian and Persian architecture. Afterwards, continue to Jaipur where you will check in to your HOTEL for your two-night stay. (B)

DAY 11: JAIPUR

This morning you will visit the Amer Fort, where a jeep will take you up to this impressive fortress. Afterwards, you will be taken on a tour of the city, visiting the City Palace, Jantar Mantar and Hawa Mahal. The evening will be at leisure. (B)

DAY 12: DEPART DELHI

After breakfast, you will be met and transferred by vehicle to Delhi Airport. This marks the end of your tour. (B)

12 Days / 11 Nights

INDIA

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

(1 Oct 2022 – 15 Apr 2023*)

Superior \$3,750

Luxury \$9,600

(16 Apr – 30 Sep 2023)

Superior \$3,350

Luxury \$7,200

*Prices not valid 20 Dec 2022 – 10 Jan 2023 (peak period)

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 11 nights accommodation twin share with breakfast daily
- All sightseeing, excursions and transfers using an AC vehicle
- Local English speaking guides
- Entrance fees at monuments
- Economy class airfare from Delhi – Varanasi – Khajuraho
- Ganga Aarti ceremony and boat ride in Varanasi
- Rickshaw ride at Chandni Chowk during Old Delhi city tour
- 2 shared jeep safaris in Panna NP
- All current applicable taxes
- Train in AC class from Jhansi to Agra

NOTE: Daily departures based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

HOTELS

CITY	SUPERIOR	LUXURY
Delhi	Le Meridien	The Imperial
Varanasi	Taj Ganges	Taj Nadesar Palace
Panna	Sarai at Toria	Pashan Garh
Khajuraho	Ramada	The Lalit Temple View
Agra	Trident Fatehabad Rd	The Oberoi Amarvilas
Jaipur	ITC Rajputana	The Oberoi Rajvilas



The Oberoi Amarvilas, Agra

7 Days / 6 Nights

NORTHERN INDIA

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:
(1 Oct 2022 – 15 Apr 2023*)

Superior \$1,590

Luxury \$5,100

(16 Apr – 30 Sep 2023)

Superior \$1,390

Luxury \$2,950

*Prices not valid 20 Dec 2022 – 10 Jan 2023 (peak period)

Not valid during Pushkar Fair
29 October – 12 November, 2022

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 6 nights twin share accommodation with breakfast daily
- All sightseeing, excursions and transfers using an AC vehicle
- Services of local English-speaking guides
- Monument entrance fees as per itinerary
- Richshaw ride at Chandni Chowk during Old Delhi city tour
- Jeep ride to Amber Fort in Jaipur
- Other inclusions as per itinerary
- All current applicable taxes

NOTE: Based on minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

See the most famous landmarks in India, in particular, the World famous Taj Mahal.

TASTE OF THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE

This tour is designed for those with limited time, and highlights some of the most majestic and beautiful attractions that India has to offer – cosmopolitan Delhi; the stunning Taj Mahal; the fascinating “Pink City” of Jaipur, and the Amber Fort. On the next page are a list of the optional extensions that include a wildlife safari in the famed Ranthambore National Park, a visit to Varanasi, the oldest living city in the world, a visit to Shimla and a stopover in Rishikesh.

DAY 1: ARRIVE DELHI

On arrival at Delhi airport, you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 2: DELHI

After breakfast, you will be taken on a tour of Old Delhi, with its ancient monuments, narrow streets and bustling markets. Drive past the Red Fort and visit Jama Masjid and Chandi Chowk, before entering New Delhi to see the Qutub Minar, the most recognised landmark of Delhi, and Humayun's Tomb, a mausoleum of the Mughal emperor Humayun. En route you will pass the Presidential Palace, Parliament House and the famous India Gate. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 3: DELHI – AGRA

After breakfast, you will be driven to Agra. On arrival visit the tomb of Itimad-ud-daulah. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 4: AGRA

Early this morning, at sunrise, you will visit the exquisite Taj Mahal, the most famous of all Mughal monuments.

After returning to your hotel for breakfast you will visit the Agra Fort and the tomb Itimad-ud-Daulah. The evening will be at leisure. (B)

DAY 5: AGRA – JAIPUR

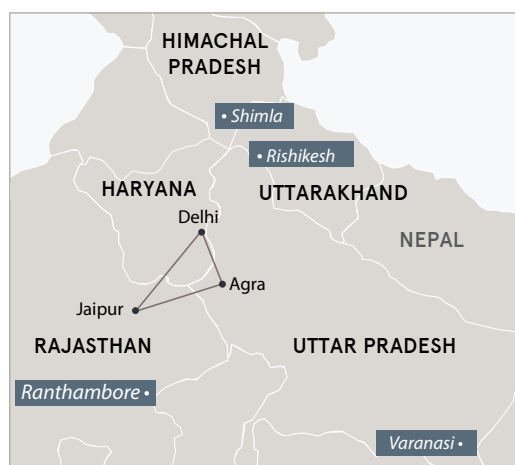
After breakfast you will be driven to Jaipur, en route visiting Fatehpur Sikri, a magnificent ghost city, that was built in 1569. You will also visit The Gate of Victory, the Jama Masjid, the tomb of Salim Chisti, the Panch Mahal and Diwan I Khas. After visiting Fatehpur Sikri you will be driven to Jaipur. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 6: JAIPUR

After breakfast, you will be driven to the ancient capital of Amber to visit the Amber Fort, where a jeep will take you up to the fortress. In the afternoon, you will be taken on a tour of the city visiting the City Palace, the Jantar Mantar and Hawa Mahal. The evening is at leisure. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 7: JAIPUR – DELHI

After breakfast you will be transferred to Delhi airport. (B)



HOTELS

CITY	SUPERIOR	LUXURY
Delhi	Le Meridien	The Oberoi
Agra	Tajview	The Oberoi Amarvilas
Jaipur	ITC Rajputana	The Oberoi Rajvilas

NOTE: THIS ITINERARY CAN BE EXTENDED USING ONE OF THE EXTENSIONS LISTED ON THE NEXT PAGE



Bengal Tiger, Ranthambore National Park

GOLDEN TRIANGLE EXTENSIONS

Ranthambore National Park

Ranthambore National Park is one of the largest national parks in Northern India, best known for its tigers and one of the best places in India to see them. A good time to visit Ranthambore National Park is between November and May when deciduous forests (once part of the magnificent Jungles of Central India) dry out, making it easier to see the animals. Other major wildlife to look out for include leopard, nilgai, dhole, wild boar, sambar, hyena, sloth bear and chital, as well as a wide variety of trees, plants, birds and reptiles.

Rishikesh

Rishikesh is a city located in the foothills of the Himalayas in northern India, and is known as The Gateway to the Garhwal Himalayas. Ever since the Beatles rocked up the ashram of the Maharishi Mahesh Yogi in the late '60s, Rishikesh has been a magnet for spiritual seekers. Today it styles itself as the 'Yoga Capital of the World' – with some justification – as there is an abundance of ashrams with all kinds of yoga and meditation classes. Rishikesh is also now a popular whitewater rafting centre, backpacker hangout, and gateway for treks in the Himalayas.

Shimla

Shimla is the largest city of the northern Indian state of Himachal Pradesh. At the centre of town, The Shimla Ridge offers spectacular views of the surrounding mountains. Shimla is one of India's most popular hill resorts. Mall Road, below The Ridge, offers many shops, cafes, restaurants, book shops and tourist attractions.

Varanasi

Varanasi, also commonly known as Benaras, is one of the oldest living cities in the world. It is situated on the banks of the holy River Ganges. The culture of Varanasi is closely associated with the River Ganges and the River's religious importance. People often refer to Varanasi as "the city of temples," "the holy city of India," "the religious capital of India," "the city of lights," "the city of learning" and the "culture capital of India". American writer Mark Twain wrote, "Benares is older than history, older than tradition, older even than legend, and looks twice as old as all of them put together."

3 DAYS / 2 NIGHTS RANTHAMBORE EXTENSION



PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$850

Luxury \$3,000

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 2 nights accommodation
- All meals
- 3 shared jeep safaris
- Transfers using AC Vehicle

**Park closed 1 Jul 2022 – 30 Sep 2023*

4 DAYS / 3 NIGHTS RISHIKESH EXTENSION



PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$700

Luxury \$1,490

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 3 nights accommodation including breakfast daily
- Transfers using AC Vehicle
- Train in AC Class from Delhi – Haridwar – Delhi
- Monument entrance fees

4 DAYS / 3 NIGHTS SHIMLA EXTENSION



PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$1,050

Luxury \$1,200

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 3 nights accommodation including breakfast daily
- Transfers using AC Vehicle
- Sightseeing tours
- Monument entrance fees
- Toy train ride

3 DAYS / 2 NIGHTS VARANASI EXTENSION



PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Superior \$990

Luxury \$2,250

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 2 nights accommodation including breakfast daily
- Transfers using an AC vehicle
- Return economy class flights from Delhi to Varanasi
- Sightseeing tours



Golden Temple, Amritsar, Photo by Sean Robertson

10 Days / 9 Nights

NORTHERN INDIA

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

(1 Oct 2022 – 30 Sep 2023*)

Superior \$2,450

Luxury \$3,090

*Prices not valid

20 Dec 2022 – 10 Jan 2023

(peak period)

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 9 nights twin share accommodation with breakfast daily
- All sightseeing, excursions & transfers using AC vehicles
- Entrance fees at monuments
- Services of local English-speaking guides
- Toy Train ride from Shimla during day tour
- All current applicable taxes
- Other inclusions as per itinerary
- Train AC class: Delhi – Amritsar
- Train AC class: Chandigarh – Delhi

NOTE: Daily departures based on minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

BEST OF AMRITSAR AND HIMACHAL

This tour starts in Delhi, then heads to the Holy City of Amritsar, home of the Golden Temple, that has more visitors than the Taj Mahal. The tour continues to Palampur, the tea capital of India as well as Dharamshala, with its Buddhist temples and monasteries. The tour then continues on through the foothills of the Himalayas to Shimla – the summer capital of "British India" – before heading back to Delhi.

DAY 1: ARRIVE DELHI

On arrival at Delhi airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel by private vehicle. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 2: DELHI

After breakfast, you will be taken on a tour of Old and New Delhi. You will visit the Red Fort and visit Jama Masjid - the largest mosque in India. Enjoy a cycle rickshaw ride through the streets of Chandni Chowk. You will also have the opportunity to explore the Qutub Minar and Humayun's Tomb. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 3: DELHI – AMRITSAR

This morning you will board a train to Amritsar, the spiritual centre of the Sikh religion. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 4: AMRITSAR

After breakfast, you will be taken on a tour of Amritsar city at the Golden Temple. The temple was built in 1574 and has great spiritual meaning for Sikh believers. Afterwards, you will visit Jallianwala Bagh. Later this afternoon, you will see the "Beating Retreat border ceremony" at the India-Pakistan border at Attari-Wagah. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 5: AMRITSAR – DHARAMSHALA

Today you will be driven to Dharamshala. In the afternoon you will visit McLeod Ganj and the Dalai Lama

complex which contains the Dalai Lama's residence, a monastery, a temple and stupas. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 6: DHARAMSHALA – PALAMPUR – DHARAMSHALA

Today you will visit the Tea Gardens in Palampur, known as the tea capital of India, before heading to Bir and Billing, both great places for paragliding. Visit the Baijnath Temple on arrival in Dharamshala. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 7: DHARAMSHALA – SHIMLA

Today you will be driven to Shimla, where the rest of the day is at leisure. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAYS 8: SHIMLA

Today you will visit one of Shimla's major landmarks – the Christ Church, built between 1846 and 1857. Continue on to Scandal Point and the Himalayan Aviary. Enjoy a two hour ride on the famous Toy Train - the Himalayan Queen before a visit to Observatory Hill, also known as 'Rashtrapati Niwas'. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

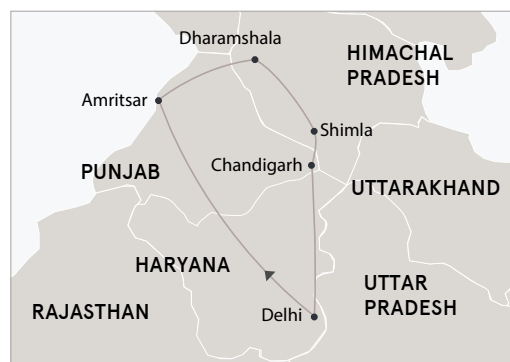
DAYS 9: SHIMLA

Today you will have the opportunity to explore Shimla or spend the day at leisure. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 10: SHIMLA – CHANDIGARH – DELHI

After breakfast, you will be transferred by road to Chandigarh railway station to board your train to Delhi. (B)

HOTELS		
CITY	SUPERIOR	LUXURY
Delhi	Le Meridien	The Taj Mahal Hotel
Amritsar	Hyatt Amritsar	Taj Swarna
Dharamshala	Grace Hotel	Pride Surya Mountain Resort
Shimla	Radisson Jass Hotel	The Oberoi Cecil



Shimla



Prayer wheels at Zang Dog Palri, Kalimpong, West Bengal

BEST OF WEST BENGAL AND SIKKIM

This 9-day tour begins in Kolkata (Calcutta), before heading to Darjeeling, set amongst the towering Eastern Himalayas and sprawling tea plantations which produce the famous Darjeeling tea. The tour continues to the capital of Sikkim, Gangtok, known for its colonial mansions, monasteries, churches and Hindu temples. Ending in Kalimpong, this tour allows travellers to experience the best of what West Bengal and Sikkim have to offer.

DAY 1: ARRIVE KOLKATA

On arrival at Kolkata airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Two nights at your HOTEL in Kolkata. (B)

DAY 2: KOLKATA

Today you will be taken on a full day tour of Kolkata city, visiting the Howrah Bridge, the Victoria Memorial, Maidan Park and landmarks such as the Writers' Building and the Town Hall. The tour culminates with a visit to Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity. (B)

DAY 3: KOLKATA – BAGDOGRA – DARJEELING

Today you will board your flight to Bagdogra. On arrival you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL in Darjeeling, a region set high in the Himalayas with breathtaking views of snow-capped mountain peaks and the surrounding tea plantations. (B, D)

DAY 4: DARJEELING

Early this morning you will visit Tiger Hill and the Ghoom Monastery to view the sun rise over the Himalayas. Return to the hotel for breakfast before taking a ride on the World Heritage Toy Train and enjoying a city tour which includes visits to the Himalayan Mountaineering Institute, the Zoological Park and the Tibetan Refugee Centre. (B, D)

DAY 5: DARJEELING

Day at leisure to explore the town on your own. (B, D)

DAY 6: DARJEELING – GANGTOK

After breakfast, you will be taken by road to Gangtok, the capital of Sikkim which is full of orchids and surrounded by monasteries. In the afternoon, enjoy a tour of the city, visiting the Flower Exhibition Centre, Do Drul Chorten, the Namgyal Institute of Tibetology, the Cottage Industry and the Bakthang Waterfall. (B,D)

DAY 7: GANGTOK

After breakfast you will be taken on a full day tour to Changu Lake (3,753m above sea level). The lake's water comes from melting snow from the surrounding mountains. Visit the Singh memorial temple, New Baba Mandir, before returning to your HOTEL in Gangtok. (B, D)

DAY 8: GANGTOK – KALIMPONG

This morning you will be taken by road to Kalimpong. In the afternoon you will visit Zang Dog Palri Fo Brang Monastery, Tharpa Choling Monastery, Thongsa Gumpa and flower nurseries. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B, D)

DAY 9: KALIMPONG – BAGDOGRA – KOLKATA

After breakfast you will be transferred to Bagdogra Airport to board your afternoon flight back to Kolkata where your tour will end. (B)

9 Days / 8 Nights

NORTH EAST INDIA

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

(1 Oct 2022 – 30 Jun 2023*)

Superior \$2,790

Luxury \$3,095

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 8 nights accommodation on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- Services of local English-speaking guides
- All sightseeing, excursions and transfers detailed
- Entrance fees to monuments/ temples
- Toy Train ticket in Darjeeling
- Return economy airfare: Kolkata – Bagdogra – Kolkata
- All current applicable taxes

NOTE: Daily departures based on minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.



Luxury Room, Taj Bengal



Tiger Hill, Darjeeling. Photo by Joy Amed

HOTELS

CITY	SUPERIOR	LUXURY
Kolkata	The Park Hotel	Taj Bengal
Darjeeling	The Elgin Hotel	Mayfair Hill Resort
Gangtok	The Elgin Nor-Khill	Mayfair
Kalimpong	Silver Oaks	Mayfair Himalayan Hotel



Rhinoceros at Kaziranga National Park

BEST OF ASSAM AND NAGALAND

Beginning in Kolkata, this 9-day tour will take you on a journey through Assam and Nagaland, showcasing some of India's best nature and wildlife as well as the region's unique cultural heritage. Explore the Kaziranga National Park where sightings of tigers and one-horned rhinoceros are not uncommon, before continuing to Kohima where the extraordinary cultures and tribes of this pocket of India, will be revealed to you.

9 Days / 8 Nights

NORTHERN INDIA

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

(1 Oct 2022 – 30 Jun 2023)

Superior \$3,095

Luxury \$3,295

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 8 nights accommodation on a twin share basis
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All sightseeing, excursions and transfers detailed
- Entrance fees to monuments/ temples
- Services of English-speaking guides
- 4 shared jeep safaris with a naturalist guide in Kaziranga National Park
- Economy airfare: Kolkata – Guwahati and Dimapur – Kolkata
- All current applicable taxes

NOTE:

Daily departures based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together

HOTELS

CITY	SUPERIOR	LUXURY
Kolkata	The Park Hotel	Taj Bengal
Kaziranga NP	Infinity Kaziranga Wilderness	IORA – The Retreat
Kohima	Hotel Vivor	Hotel de Oriental Grand

DAY 1: ARRIVE KOLKATA

On arrival at Kolkata Airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Two nights at your HOTEL in Kolkata.

DAY 2: KOLKATA

Today you will be taken on a full day tour of Kolkata city, visiting the Howrah Bridge, the Victoria Memorial, Maiden Park and landmarks such as the Writers' Building and the Town Hall. The tour culminates with a visit to Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity. (B)

DAY 3: KOLKATA – GUWAHATI – KAZIRANGA NP

Today you will board your flight to Guwahati. On arrival you will be met and transferred to your LODGE in Kaziranga National Park. (B, L, D)

DAY 4: KAZIRANGA NATIONAL PARK

Begin the day with an early morning jeep safari in the Kaziranga National Park. The park is inhabited by the world's largest population of one-horned rhinoceros and is home to tigers, elephants, panthers and bears as well as a large variety of birds. After lunch, return for another jeep safari. (B, L, D)

DAY 5: KAZIRANGA NATIONAL PARK

After an early breakfast you will depart for the Eastern

Range of the park for a jeep safari. Return to the lodge for lunch before enjoying a final jeep safari in the Central Range of the park. (B, L, D)

DAY 6: KAZIRANGA – KOHIMA

After breakfast, you will be transferred by road to Kohima, the capital of Nagaland. The rest of the day is at your leisure. (B, D)

DAY 7: KOHIMA

Today you will have an early breakfast before leaving for Kigwema Village which is home to the Angami people who played a significant role in WWII. Explore the village before heading to the venue of the Hornbill Festival where you will visit traditional Naga houses and enjoy different tribal dance performances. Taste some of the local cuisine of the different Naga tribes then head back to your HOTEL in Kohima. (B, D)

DAY 8: KOHIMA

Day at leisure to explore the town on your own. (B, D)

DAY 9: KOHIMA – DIMAPUR – KOLKATA

After breakfast you will be transferred to Dimapur Airport to board your afternoon flight back to Kolkata where your tour will end. (B)



Victoria Memorial, Kolkata



Assamese Folk Drum and musical instruments



Monk at ancient temple in Ladakh

BEST OF LEH AND LADAKH

This 8-day tour of Leh and Ladakh is designed for those wanting to experience picturesque Himalayan scenery, local villages and a different view of India. Ladakh, which means "land of high passes", is a region in the states of Jammu and Kashmir, in Northern India, sandwiched between the Karakoram mountain range in the north and the Himalayas in the south. Leh is the largest district in India.

DAY 1: ARRIVE DELHI

On arrival at Delhi airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel by private vehicle. Overnight at your HOTEL.

DAY 2: DELHI – LEH

This morning, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Leh (not included), where on arrival, at Leh airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Enjoy a welcome drink, relax and allow yourself to acclimatise to the high altitude of the area. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B, L, D)

DAY 3: LEH

After breakfast, you will leave for a full day tour of Leh. Visit the Hall of Fame, Gurudwara Pathar Sahib, Magnetic Hill and Sangam View where the Indus and Zaskar rivers meet. Enjoy an afternoon visit to the Shanti Stupa, located on the hilltop at Changspa and the Leh Palace built in the 17th Century as a royal residence. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B, L, D)

DAY 4: LEH – PANGONG – LEH

Today you will leave for a full day excursion to Pangong Lake. Drive past the picturesque villages of Shey and Thikse, along the Chang La Pass which despite its great elevation is one of the easier passes. Discover the ancient

temple at Tangse, just beyond the foot of the pass. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B, L, D)

DAY 5: LEH – NUBRA

In the morning, you will be driven to Nubra Valley via the Khardung La pass. On arrival in Nubra Valley, continue on to Diskit, passing the Khalsar Bridge on your way to visiting the Monastery. From the Monastery, you will drive on to Hunder where you may see a few double humped, hairy Bactrian camels. Overnight at your camp (B, L, D).

DAY 6: NUBRA – LEH

Today you will have an early morning drive back to Leh, with the afternoon at leisure. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B, L, D)

DAY 7: LEH – DELHI

After an early breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Delhi (not included). On arrival, you will be transferred to your hotel, with an optional tour of Delhi. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 8: DEPART DELHI

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Delhi airport. If your flight is in the evening, you could do the optional city tour of Delhi, this morning. (B)

8 Days / 7 Nights

NORTHERN INDIA

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

(1 May 2022 – 30 Sept 2023)

Superior \$2,495

Luxury \$3,160

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 7 nights accommodation
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- All transport services as per the itinerary by a private vehicle
- Sightseeing tours/transfers and excursions as per the itinerary
- Assistance on arrival and departure by our representative
- Inner Line Permits/Wildlife fees
- English-speaking guides
- Monastery entrance fees
- All applicable taxes

NOTE:

Price does NOT include flights: Delhi – Leh – Delhi. Daily departures based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

HOTELS

CITY	SUPERIOR	LUXURY
Delhi	Le Meriden	The Imperial
Leh	The Zen Hotel Ladakh	The Zen Hotel Ladakh
Nubra	Organic Retreat Camp	Mystique Meadows



Thikse Monastery, Leh



Nubra Valley, photo by Abdullah Alam



Mysore

ULTIMATE SOUTH INDIA

This 21-day tour covers the best that South India has to offer. There is a wide range of experiences which include temples, beaches, the famous backwaters of Kerala, sunset cruises, national parks and wildlife. With a delightful mix of history, culture, Indian colour and relaxation, this tour promises a lifetime of memories with a choice of superior or luxury accommodation.

21 Days / 20 Nights

SOUTH INDIA

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

(1 Oct 2022 – 15 Apr 2023*)

Superior \$4,885

Luxury \$7,095

(16 Apr – 30 Sep 2023)

Superior \$4,565

Luxury \$5,990

*Prices not valid 20 Dec 2022 –
10 Jan 2023 (peak period)

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 20 nights accommodation on a twin share basis with breakfast daily
- 1 night accommodation on-board a Houseboat
- All meals on-board the Houseboat
- All sightseeing, excursions and transfers using AC vehicle
- Local English-speaking guides
- Entrance fees at monuments
- Economy domestic airfares: Kochi – Bengaluru and Hubli – Bengaluru
- Kathakali Dance show in Kochi
- 3 shared jeep safaris and boat ride at Kabini National Park
- Day room use till 18.00hrs in Bengaluru on Day 21
- All current applicable taxes

NOTE: Daily departures based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

DAY 1: ARRIVE CHENNAI

On arrival at Chennai airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Two nights at your HOTEL in Chennai.

DAY 2: CHENNAI

Today you will be taken on a city tour of Chennai. In the evening you can visit Marina Beach, the second longest urban beach in the World. (B)

DAY 3: CHENNAI – MAMALLAPURAM – PUDUCHERRY

After breakfast, you will be transferred by road to Puducherry, en route visiting Mamallapuram, famous for its ancient rock temples. Two nights at your HOTEL in Puducherry. (B)

DAY 4: PUDUCHERRY

Today after breakfast, you will be taken on a city tour of Puducherry. (B)

DAY 5: PUDUCHERRY – THANJAVUR – MADURAI

After breakfast, you will be transferred by road to Madurai, en route visiting Thanjavur. Visit The Brihadisvara Temple which is the main Chola temple, dedicated to the god Shiva, built in the early 11th century. There are superb inscriptions and sculptures of Shiva, Vishnu and Durga, built mainly with large granite blocks, and carvings of the dancers and frescoes of kings, queens and musicians. Two nights at your HOTEL in Madurai. (B)

DAY 6: MADURAI

After breakfast, you will be taken on a tour of Madurai. The main attraction is the famous Meenakshi temple. In the evening you will have the opportunity to witness the Aarti Ceremony at Meenakshi Temple. (B)

DAY 7: MADURAI – KANYAKUMARI

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Kanyakumari. Kanyakumari (Cape Cormin) is at the very South of India, where the Arabian Sea, the Bay of Bengal and the Indian Ocean meet. On the day of the Full Moon, you may see the sun set and the moon rise simultaneously. You will also visit the Swami Vivekananda Rock Memorial and Gandhi Memorial. Overnight at your HOTEL in Kanyakumari. (B)



Ancient Murals Thanjavur

DAY 8: KANYAKUMARI – KOVALAM

Early this morning, you may enjoy a beautiful sunrise over the Indian Ocean. Afterwards you will be taken by road to Kovalam. Two nights at your HOTEL in Kovalam. (B)

DAY 9: KOVALAM

Today will be at leisure. (B)

DAY 10: KOVALAM – ALLEPPEY

This morning you will be taken to Alleppey to board your houseboat for an overnight cruise along the picturesque backwaters of Kerala. Overnight on-board your HOUSEBOAT. (B, L, D)

DAY 11: ALLEPPEY – KOCHI

After breakfast, you will disembark from your houseboat and travel by road to Kochi. In the evening enjoy a spectacular Kathakali dance performance, one of the oldest theatre forms in India. (B)

DAY 12: KOCHI

After breakfast, you will be taken on full day tour of



Brihadisvara Temple

Kochi City including visits to the Dutch Palace, Jewish Synagogue and Mattancherry. (B)

DAY 13: KOCHI – BENGALURU – KABINI

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport to board your flight to Bengaluru. On arrival you will be met and transferred to your LODGE in Kabini National Park. (B)

DAY 14: KABINI

This morning, you will be taken on a morning boat ride and an evening game drive in Kabini National Park. (B)

DAY 15: KABINI – MYSORE

After breakfast, enjoy a game drive before being taken by road to Mysore. Two nights at your HOTEL in Mysore. (B)

DAY 16: MYSORE

After breakfast, you will be taken on a full day tour of Mysore, visit the Mysore Palace (built in Indo-Saracenic style in 1897), Chamundi Hills, the Chamundeshwari Temple and the Giant Nandi, carved out of a single stone. (B)

DAY 17: MYSORE – HASSAN

After breakfast, you will be transferred by road to Hassan. In the afternoon, you will be taken on a tour visiting the local markets and temples. (B)

DAY 18: HASSAN – HAMPI

After breakfast, you will be transferred by road to Hampi. Two nights at your HOTEL in Hampi. (B)

DAY 19: HAMPI

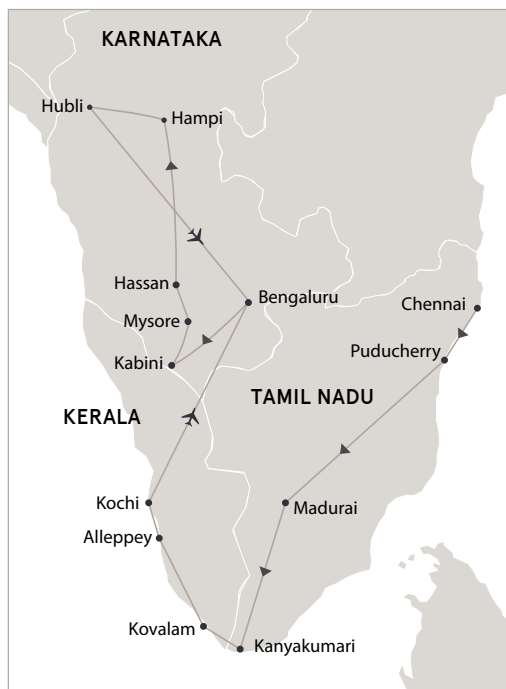
After breakfast, you will be taken on a tour of Hampi where you will visit scattered ruins of palaces, sculptures and temples, including the Vitthala Temple, considered one of the largest and most famous structures in Hampi. (B)

DAY 20: HAMPI – BENGALURU

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Hubli Airport to board your flight to Bengaluru. On arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Overnight at your HOTEL in Bengaluru. (B)

DAY 21: DEPART BENGALURU

After breakfast you will be taken on a half-day city tour of Bengaluru, known as the Garden City. Afterwards you will be taken to the airport to board your onward flight. This will mark the end of your tour. (B)



Temple detail, Madurai

HOTELS

CITY	SUPERIOR	LUXURY
Chennai	GRT Grand	Taj Coromandel
Puducherry	Maison Perumal	Palais De Mahe
Madurai	Heritage Madurai	The Gateway Hotel Pasumalai
Kanyakumari	Sparsa Resort	Anantya Resorts Kaliel Village
Kovalam	Travancore Heritage	Taj Green Cove Resort & Spa
Alleppey	A/C Superior Houseboat	Spice Coast Cruise
Kochi	Ayana Fort Kochi	Brunton Boatyard
Kabini	The Serai Kabini	Evolve Back Resort
Mysore	Southern Star Mysore	Radisson Blu Plaza
Hassan	Southern Star Hassan	Hoysala Village Resort
Hampi	Hyatt Place	Heritage Resort
Bengaluru	Southern Star Bengaluru	Taj MG Road Bengaluru



Houseboats in Kerala



Taj Green Cove Resort and Spa

BEST OF KERALA

Kerala is one of the most idyllic states of India. Flanked by the Arabian Sea in the west and mountain ranges in the east, Kerala is rich in cultural heritage and is known for its beautiful beaches, scenic backwaters, its wildlife sanctuaries, its proudly distinctive cuisine, authentic ayurveda, and its many dance forms. Kerala is a delightful and unique Indian holiday experience.

11 Days / 10 Nights

SOUTH INDIA

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:
(1 Oct 2022 – 15 Apr 2023)

Superior \$1,995

Luxury \$3,495

(16 Apr 23 – 20 Sep 23)

Superior \$1,690

Luxury \$2,575

**Prices not valid*

20 Dec 2022 – 10 Jan 2023 (peak period).

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 10 nights twin share accommodation with breakfast daily
- All meals whilst on-board the houseboat
- All sightseeing, excursions and transfers using an AC vehicle
- Services of local English speaking guides
- Entrance fee at monuments
- Kathakali dance show in Kochi
- Eravikulam National Park visit in Munnar (closed in February)
- Tata Tea Museum visit in Munnar
- Boat ride at Periyar National Park
- Spice plantation visit in Periyar
- All current applicable taxes
- Other inclusions as per itinerary

NOTE: Daily departures based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

DAY 1: KOCHI

On arrival in Kochi you will be transferred to your hotel with the afternoon at leisure. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 2: KOCHI

After breakfast, you will enjoy a half-day city tour, visiting the Dutch Palace, Jewish Synagogue, Chinese fishing nets, St. Francis Church and Santa Cruz Church with an evening Kathakali dance performance. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 3: KOCHI – MUNNAR

Today you will be taken on a tour to see the sprawling tea plantations, picture book towns and the winding lanes of Munnar. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 4: MUNNAR

Today will be at leisure. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 5: MUNNAR – THEKKADY

After a buffet breakfast, transfer to Thekkady by road, before an afternoon cruise on Periyar Lake to observe the local wildlife. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 6: THEKKADY – KUMARAKOM

After breakfast, you will travel to Kumarakom. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 7: KUMARAKOM

Today, you can relax in a hammock or stroll through Kumarakom Bird Sanctuary. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 8: KUMARAKOM – ALLEPPEY (HOUSEBOAT)

After a buffet breakfast, you will board your houseboat and cruise along the palm-fringed backwaters of Kerala. This is one of the highlights of this tour. Overnight on-board your HOUSEBOAT. (B, L, D)

DAY 9: ALLEPPEY – KOVALAM

Today you will disembark your houseboat and travel by private vehicle to Kovalam. Two nights at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 10: KOVALAM

Today will be at leisure to explore this beautiful beach resort town set on the Arabian Sea. (B)

DAY 11: KOVALAM – TRIVANDRUM

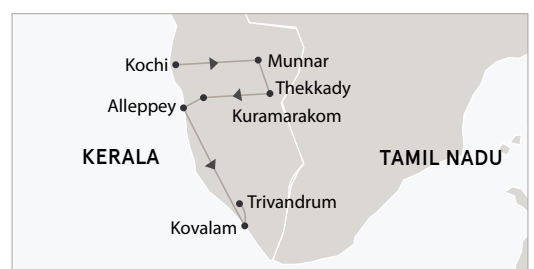
On departure, you will be transferred to Trivandrum airport. (B)

HOTELS

CITY	SUPERIOR	LUXURY
Kochi	Ayana Fort Kochi	Brunton Boatyard Hotel
Munnar	Fragrant Nature	Windermere Estate
Thekkady	The Elephant Court	Spice Village
Kumarakom	Lakesong Resort	Coconut Lagoon
Alleppey	A/C Superior Houseboat	Spice Coast Cruise
Kovalam	Travancore Heritage	Taj Green Cove Resort and Spa



Kerala, photo by Abhishek Prasad





Kerala Backwaters

HOUSEBOATS OF KERALA

Accentuate your South India holiday experience aboard one of the famed Kettuvallams (houseboats) of Kerala. Cruise the intricate network of palm fringed canals, lakes and lagoons, in "the Venice of the East" in the heart of "God's Own Country". These luxury houseboats cruise the serene waterways and lakes of Kerala, providing a truly unique insight into this culturally rich, colourful and timeless part of India.

Kettuvallam Houseboats

The Kettuvallam (houseboat unique to Kerala) is a large traditional country boat that has a thatched roof over a wooden hull. They were traditionally used to ship rice, spices and other goods between the backwaters and Kochi Port. Kerala houseboats are a major tourist attraction, cruising the backwaters of Kerala. Kerala offers a unique opportunity to experience the breathtakingly beautiful backwaters which consist of a complex network of brackish lagoons, lovely lakes and canals. Houseboats in Kerala have a three member crew – a chef, driver and cabin assistant. The houseboats offer comfortable accommodation with private facilities and air conditioning. The cuisine on-board has a traditional Kerala flavor with local specialties like delicious local fish. The crew on-board ensure a memorable cruise and are on hand to serve you all meals, teas and snacks.



Kettuvallam Houseboats

3 Days / 2 Nights

BACKWATER HOUSEBOAT CRUISE

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

(1 Oct 2022 – 30 Apr 2023)

Superior \$650 per person

Luxury \$1,075 per person

(1 May 22 – 30 Sep 23)

Superior \$550 per person

Luxury \$800 per person

**Prices not valid*

20 Dec 2022 – 10 Jan 2023 (peak period)

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 2 nights houseboat cruise
- All meals
- Return transfers to Kochi City/ airport using an AC vehicle
- All current taxes.

NOTE: Daily departures based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

A luxury experience showcasing the culture, colour and timelessness of Kerala.



Bengal Tigers, Pench National Park

13 Days / 12 Nights

CENTRAL INDIA

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

(1 Oct 22 – 30 Jun 23)

Superior \$5,495

Luxury \$7,625

*Prices not valid 20 Dec 22 – 20 Jan 23

*National Park closed July-September

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 12 nights twin share accommodation
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- Sightseeing and transfers in AC vehicle
- 10 shared jeep safaris with a naturalist in the National Parks
- Economy class domestic airfares from Mumbai –Diu – Mumbai, Mumbai–Bhopal, Khajuraho – Delhi
- Rural tribal village experience in Panna with local Naturalist
- All current applicable taxes

NOTE: Daily departures based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

NOTE: National Park may open late or close earlier from schedule depending on the monsoons. Any mandatory Christmas and New Year supplements are not included.

ULTIMATE INDIA WILDLIFE SAFARI

India has some of the richest natural heritage in the World. Our Ultimate India Wildlife Safari has been designed for those wanting to see some of the best wildlife in India including the opportunity to see the most famous animal in India, the tiger, in its natural habitat – an experience of a lifetime! This tour is a must for those interested in seeing the wild side of India. There is a choice of luxury accommodation listed for this safari.

DAY 1: MUMBAI – DIU – GIR

Today you will depart Mumbai by air to Diu. On arrival at Diu airport you will be met and taken to your Lodge in Gir. Overnight at your LODGE. (D)

DAY 2: GIR NATIONAL PARK

Enjoy morning and evening game drives in Gir National Park by shared jeep. Gir National Park has diverse flora and fauna and is the exclusive home of the Asiatic Lion. Overnight at your LODGE. (B, L, D)

DAY 3: GIR – DIU – MUMBAI

After breakfast, you will be taken to Diu airport for your return flight to Mumbai. On arrival you will be met and taken to your HOTEL for your overnight stay in Mumbai. (B)

DAY 4: MUMBAI – BHOPAL – SATPURA

After breakfast you will be transferred to Mumbai airport to board your flight to Bhopal. On arrival you will be transferred by vehicle to Satpura National Park. Overnight at your LODGE in Satpura. (B, L, D)

DAY 5: SATPURA

Today, you will enjoy morning and evening game drives in Satpura National Park. Overnight at your LODGE. (B, L, D)

DAY 6: SATPURA – PENCH NATIONAL PARK

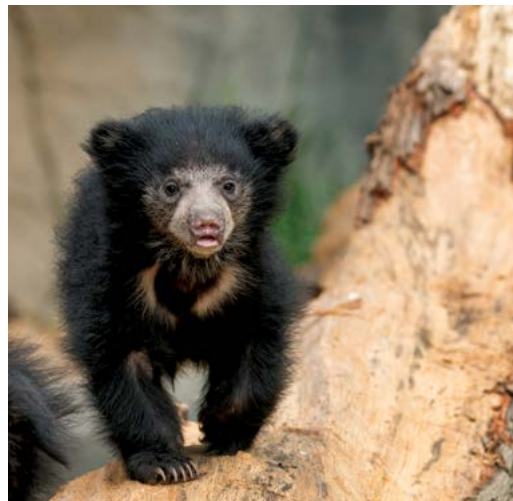
Today, you will be taken by road to Pench National Park, one of the most famous parks in India. (B, L, D)

DAY 7: PENCH NATIONAL PARK

Today, you will enjoy two game drives in Pench National Park. This forest inspired Rudyard Kipling to write his famous novel, The Jungle Book, and derives its name from the Pench River that meanders through the park. Along with the open hilly terrain, teak forests and jungle streams, this beautiful landscape supports vibrant and diverse flora and fauna. Overnight at your LODGE. (B, L, D)

DAY 8: PENCH – KANHA

After breakfast, you will continue your journey by road to Kanha. The rest of the day is at leisure. Overnight at your LODGE. (B, L, D)



Sloth Bear



Singhawa Jungle Lodge, Kanha



Spotted Deer, Pench National Park

DAY 9: KANHA NATIONAL PARK

Enjoy morning and evening game drives in the Park, travelling by shared jeep. Kanha National Park (also called the Kanha Tiger Reserve) is one of Asia's finest protected areas and one of the best places to see tigers in the wild, as well as Indian bison, Indian wild dog and swamp deer. Overnight at your LODGE. (B, L, D)

DAY 10: KANHA – BANDHAVGARH

After breakfast, you will be transferred by private vehicle to Bandhavgarh National Park. On arrival you will check in to your lodge, with the rest of the day at leisure. Overnight at your LODGE. (B, L, D)

DAY 11: BANDHAVGARH NATIONAL PARK

Today, you will enjoy a morning and afternoon game drive in Bandhavgarh National Park. Bandhavgarh hosts an abundance of wildlife including tiger, leopard, gaur, sloth bear, sambar, spotted deer, barking deer and chowsingha (four horned antelope). (B, L, D)

DAY 12: BANDHAVGARH – PANNA

After breakfast, you will be taken by road to Panna National Park. On arrival, you will check into your hotel. In the afternoon you will be taken for a tribal village experience in Panna. Overnight at your LODGE. (B, L, D)

DAY 13: PANNA – KHAJURAHO – DELHI

After breakfast, you will be taken by road to Khajuraho airport for your flight to Delhi to board your onward flight. This will mark the end of your tour. (B)



HOTELS		
CITY	SUPERIOR	LUXURY
Gir	Lion Safari Camp	Fern Gir Forest Resort
Mumbai	Trident Nairman Point	The Taj Mahal Tower Wing
Satpura	Denwa Backwater Escape	Forsyth Lodge
Pench	Pench Tree Lodge	Jamtara Wilderness Camp
Kanha	Kanha Earth Lodge	Singinawa Jungle Lodge
Bandhavgarh	Kings Lodge	Samode Safari Lodge
Panna	Ken River Lodge	Pashan Garh Taj Wilderness Lodge



Oriental Scops Owl, Pench National Park



Pashan Garh - Taj Wilderness Lodge



GOA Photo by Alexey Turenkov

GOA GETAWAYS

Known as the "Pearl of the Orient" and a tourist paradise, the State of Goa, located on the west coast of the country, has some of the best beaches in India. The magnificent scenic beauty and the architectural splendours of its temples, churches and old houses have made Goa a favourite with travellers from around the World. Choose from any of our featured accommodation below for the perfect stopover.

4 Days / 3 Nights

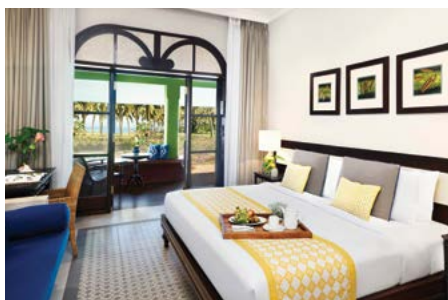
GOA

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 3 nights accommodation on a twin share basis
- Arrival and departure transfers by private air-conditioned vehicle
- Daily buffet breakfast
- Half day sightseeing tour of Old Goa with services of an English speaking local guide
- Seasonal surcharges may apply

NOTE: Based on minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

Boasting some of the best beaches in India, Goa offers an idyllic collection of beachside resorts. Perfect for a relaxing getaway with or without family, there are plenty of options to suit. You can expect lush greenery, picturesque beaches, traditional feasts and a multitude of recreational activities at any one of these Goa resorts.



Taj Holiday Village Resort & Spa

This resort is a sophisticated beachfront property offering terracotta - roofed cottages and villas spread across 28 acres of beautifully landscaped gardens. The rooms are designed in a modern and elegant style incorporating Goan-Portuguese architecture and feel. There is an outdoor pool, a wellness spa with gym and two upscale restaurants, a cafe and bar.

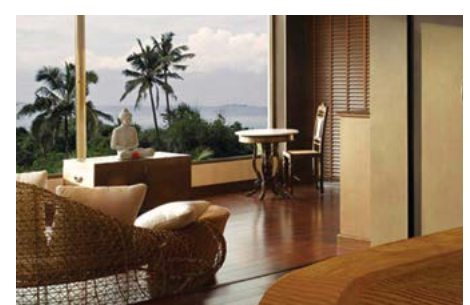
4 DAYS/3 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: \$950pp



Taj Fort Aguada Resort & Spa

Built on the ramparts of a 16th century Portuguese fortress, this resort is part of a sprawling 73 acre complex overlooking the Arabian Sea offering a range of spacious villas and cottages. With its tropical beauty, pristine beaches, restaurants, vibrant local culture and activities, you will have many choices to make your stay enjoyable.

4 DAYS/3 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: \$950pp



Novotel Goa Donna Sylvia Resort

Located on a sprawling 20-acre property, and set amongst manicured gardens, this resort is just a five-minute walk from Cavelossim Beach. The resort has 181 rooms, including suite and villa options, all featuring modern décor. For dinner, choose between two restaurants and afterwards, enjoy refreshments at Tia Maria.

4 DAYS/3 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: \$850pp



DoubleTree by Hilton

Just a short drive from popular Goa beaches such as Anjuna, Calangute and Baga, the DoubleTree is the perfect place to retreat after a long day of lounging in the sun. Offering a sense of serenity, its 104 air-conditioned rooms overlook a lagoon surrounded by lofty palm trees. The hotel also boasts a fitness centre, restaurant, free parking and business centre.

4 DAYS/3 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: \$650pp



The Lemon Tree Amarante Beach Resort

The Lemon Tree Amarante Beach Resort offers 65 rooms and suites, each with beautifully appointed bathrooms with bathtubs. The resort has an extensive array of facilities and services – pamper your body and soul at the spa, take a refreshing dip in the swimming pool or hit the fitness centre for an invigorating workout.

4 DAYS/3 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: \$725pp



Kenilworth Resort & Spa

The perfect beach escape, Kenilworth Resort and Spa is located just 30 minutes from the airport. Its own tropical oasis, the resort offers 101 well-appointed guest rooms with modern amenities. In your free time, enjoy a drink at the bar, a meal at The Palms or enjoy a spa treatment.

4 DAYS/3 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: \$650 pp



The Taj Exotica Resort and Spa Goa

Overlooking the Arabian Sea, this Mediterranean style 5 star resort is one of the best five star hotels in Goa and has a way of slowing down time to a tranquil tempo. Set amidst 56 acres of lush gardens, Taj Exotica is a showcase for relaxation with 140 air-conditioned rooms and villas, a sun-drenched atrium, and flower lined patios.

4 DAYS/3 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: \$ 1,050pp



Taj Resort and Convention Centre

Overlooking Vanguinim Beach and offering spectacular views of the sea, this resort is located just outside Panjim, and under an hour from the airport. Each of the 299 have a modern interior and more than half of them face the ocean. The main feature of the resort is its iconic convention centre, complemented by elegant restaurants, bars, a pool and movie theatre.

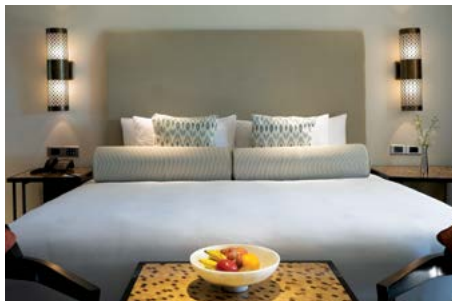
4 DAYS/3 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: \$950pp



Cidade de Goa

Situated on Vanguinim Beach and styled as a Portuguese hamlet, Cidade de Goa makes for a truly memorable stay. 207 bright, air-conditioned rooms are surrounded by manicured greens and offer stunning sea views. Enjoy live music, yoga and meditation and a pool-side restaurant.

4 DAYS/3 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: \$800pp



Alila Diwa Goa

Alila Diwa Goa has a contemporary elegance inspired by traditional Goan design – steeply pitched roofs, ceiling high columns, cool verandas and tranquil courtyards. Whether enjoying an intimate couple's retreat or a getaway for the entire family, the resort's 106 rooms and 8 family suites offer havens of space, comfort and serenity.

4 DAYS/3 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: \$775pp



Royal Orchid Beach Resort and Spa

Close to nearby attractions, easily accessible from Goa airport and situated amongst manicured lawns, this serene beachfront accommodation has it all. The resort is home to 73 rooms, including deluxe and plunge pool suites, as well as two restaurants, a swimming pool, a fitness centre and even a water park, making this a great stay for families.

4 DAYS/3 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: \$775pp



Fairfield by Marriott (Calangute)

A classically styled elegant red-brick hotel, Fairfield by Marriott offers a peaceful sanctuary just 1 km from Candolim and Calangute beaches. Many of the 169 tastefully appointed rooms feature a balcony overlooking a central pool and views of lush mountainscape. The hotel also features a restaurant, bar and gym.

4 DAYS/3 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: \$625pp



SwaSvara

CLASSIC SOUTHERN INDIA – WELLNESS AND BEACHES

This 11-day tour of Mumbai, Gokarna and Goa covers the historical & vibrant city of Mumbai, the meditation, yoga & Ayurveda retreat at SwaSvara in Gokarna, before finally ending in the “Pearl of the Orient” – Goa. The retreat at Gokarna offers the chance to relax with opportunities to enjoy yoga, interactive cooking classes and art classes. The tour is ideal for those wanting to enjoy another side of Southern India.

11 Days / 10 Nights

SOUTHERN INDIA

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

(1 Nov 2022 – 30 Apr 2023*)

Superior \$4,500

Luxury \$5,300

(1 May 2023 – 30 Oct 2023)

Superior \$3,800

Luxury \$4,395

*Prices not valid 20 Dec 2022 – 10 Jan 2023 (peak period)

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 5 nights twin share accommodation with breakfast daily (Mumbai & Goa)
- 5 nights at SwaSvara including all meals and treatments (as per itinerary)
- All sightseeing, excursions and transfers using an AC vehicle
- Services of local English speaking guides
- Entrance fees to monuments
- Return economy class airfares from Mumbai to Goa
- All current applicable taxes

NOTE: Daily departures based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

DAY 1: ARRIVE MUMBAI

On arrival in Mumbai you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Overnight at your HOTEL.

DAY 2: MUMBAI

After breakfast you will visit the Elephanta Caves. In the afternoon you will enjoy a half-day city tour visiting the Prince of Wales Museum, a legacy of the British Empire, and Mani Bhavan, a small museum where wax miniatures depict scenes from Mahatma Gandhi's life. Drive along Marine Drive, Victoria Terminus, Crawford Market, Javeri Bazaar, Gateway of India, Hanging Gardens and the Parsee Towers of Silence. Overnight at you HOTEL (B)

DAY 3: MUMBAI – GOA – GOKARNA

This morning you will be transferred to Mumbai airport to board your flight to Goa. On arrival in Goa you will be met and transferred by road to Gokarna (approx. 3.5 hrs). Five nights at SWASVARA. (B, D)

DAYS 4 – 7: GOKARNA

Days spent enjoying activities and treatments, including

yoga, interactive cooking classes, art classes, meditation and Ayurveda treatments. (B, L, D)

DAY 8: GOKARNA – GOA

After breakfast you will depart from the resort and will be transferred by road to Goa. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 9: GOA

After breakfast you will be taken on a half-day guided city tour of Goa. Visit the Basilica of Bom Jesus which houses the mortal and visible remains of Saint Francis Xavier. Continue to the Cathedral, which houses 14 magnificent altars and 5 bells, of which one is the famous Golden Bell said to have been heard all over Goa. Visit Panjim City, the capital of Goa, before time for shopping and an evening cruise. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 10: GOA

Today is at leisure to explore the beautiful city of Goa. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 11: GOA – MUMBAI

Today you will board your flight to Mumbai. (B)



SwaSvara



SwaSvara

HOTELS		
CITY	SUPERIOR	LUXURY
Mumbai	Trident Nariman Point	Taj Mahal Palace
Gokarna	SwaSvara	SwaSvara
Goa	Taj Holiday Village	Taj Exotica Resort & Spa



Ayurveda treatment, Kerala

KERALA WELLNESS PACKAGES

Over the last few years, there have been an increased demand for wellness and rejuvenation programmes. India Tours and Travel Specialists has a huge range of different packages incorporating yoga, wellness, Ayurveda, rejuvenation, body purification and stress management packages. These can also be included in our sightseeing and cultural tours. Here are some sample packages designed to inspire you, staying at either the Somatheeram Ayurveda Village or Manaltheeram Beach Village.

Rejuvenation Therapy Programme – 8 Days

This 8-day Rejuvenation Therapy Programme is designed to refresh and rejuvenate the body's systems in order to preserve the balance between body, mind and soul. Your initial consultation with your doctor will decide your treatment plan for an individualised and holistic approach for achieving optimal physical, mental and spiritual wellbeing.

8 Days / 7 Nights

KERALA

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:
\$1,300

Stress Management Programme – 15 Days

This 15-day Stress Management Programme aims to minimise stress through a combination of yoga, meditation, rejuvenation massage and orally taken Ayurvedic medicine. Your personal treatment and meal plan will be devised by a doctor on your initial consultation to provide a programme that is effective for the relief of stress, helping to achieve composure of the mind.

15 Days / 14 Nights

KERALA

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:
\$3,200

ALL WELLNESS PACKAGES INCLUDE:

- Accommodation in standard room twin share at either the Somatheeram Ayurveda Village or manaltheeram Beach Village
- Ayurvedic vegetarian full board meals
- Individual Ayurveda diet menu
- Consultations by a doctor
- Medicines during the treatment period
- Daily Ayurvedic treatments
- Daily yoga and meditation
- Transfers to and from Trivandrum Airport
- All taxes





Maharaja Express

MAHARAJAS' EXPRESS

Regarded as one of the most luxurious trains in India, the Maharaja Express offers world class service, food and amenities. The train has exquisitely designed interiors with two restaurants and two bars with lounge areas. The cabins are beautifully appointed and offer a comfortable way to travel through India. These journeys are designed for those seeking a luxurious way of travelling without having to unpack their bags.

4 Days / 3 Nights

Treasures of India

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

(1 Oct 2022 – 15 Apr 2023)

\$7,050

7 Days / 6 Nights

The Indian Splendour

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

(1 Oct 2022 – 15 Apr 2023)

\$11,500

*Surcharge applies for Christmas and New Year departures.

No service 1 May 2022 – 30 Sep 2023 (rainy season)

PRICE INCLUDES:

- Twin share accommodation in deluxe cabins with en suite bathrooms
- All meals, including tea, coffee, mineral water and house brands of Indian wines, beer and spirits
- Game drive by Canter at Ranthambore National Park
- Jeep ride at Amber Fort, Jaipur
- Sightseeing tours in deluxe air-conditioned coaches
- Entrance fees to monuments
- Porter charges at station
- English speaking guides

Treasures of India

DAY 1: (SUNDAY) DELHI – AGRA

Today, after completing your registration, you will board the train in Delhi and head to Agra. Enjoy brunch on-board before arriving in Agra where you will visit the Agra Fort. Later in the evening, dinner will be served ON-BOARD. (L, D)

DAY 2: (MONDAY) AGRA - RANTHAMBORE

This morning at dawn, you will visit the Taj Mahal. After breakfast you will proceed to Ranthambore. After lunch on-board, embark on an exciting game drive in the Ranthambore National Park. Dinner ON-BOARD as the train travels to Jaipur. (B, L, D)

DAY 3: (TUESDAY) JAIPUR

After breakfast on-board, you will visit the Amber Fort before returning to the train for lunch. In the evening, you will be taken to an exclusive venue for a sumptuous dinner before returning to the train to continue the journey to Delhi. (B, L, D)

DAY 4: (WEDNESDAY) DELHI

After breakfast on-board, you will arrive in Delhi. On arrival you will disembark and say farewell to the Maharaja Express. (B)



Restaurant

The Indian Splendour

DAY 1: (SUNDAY) DELHI – AGRA

After completing your registration formalities, you will board the train. Enjoy brunch on-board before arriving in Agra where you will visit the Agra Fort. Overnight ON-BOARD at Agra. (L, D)

DAY 2: (MONDAY) AGRA - RANTHAMBORE

This morning at dawn, you will visit the Taj Mahal. On completion of your tour, you will return to the train for breakfast and proceed to Ranthambore. After lunch on-board, embark on an exciting game drive in the Ranthambore National Park. Dinner ON-BOARD as the train proceeds to Jaipur. (B, L, D)

DAY 3: (TUESDAY) JAIPUR

This morning after breakfast, you will visit the Amber Fort before lunch back on-board. Enjoy dinner at an exclusive venue. (B, L, D)

DAY 4: (WEDNESDAY) BIKANER

Today after breakfast and lunch on-board, you will arrive at the desert kingdom of Bikaner and visit the fortress of Junagarh. The evening will consist of sundowner cocktails, a barbecue, and a folk performance on the sand dunes. (B, L, D)

DAY 5: (THURSDAY) JODHPUR

Today you will arrive at Jodhpur. After lunch on-board, visit the majestic Mehrangarh Fort and enjoy a walking tour to the Old Clock Tower Market followed by dinner at an exclusive venue. (B, L, D)

DAY 6: (FRIDAY) UDAIPUR

Today you will arrive in Udaipur enjoying a boat ride on Lake Pichola before visiting the City Palace, including the Crystal Gallery. After lunch at an exclusive venue, enjoy the rest of the day at leisure before dinner ON-BOARD as the train continues to Mumbai. (B, L, D)

DAY 7: (SATURDAY) MUMBAI

Today, you will arrive in Mumbai which will mark the end of the journey. (B)



Maharaja Express Suite

MAHARAJAS' EXPRESS

The Maharajas' Express offers a wide range of daily excursions at each stop. From dawn visits to the Taj Mahal, exciting game drives in the Ranthambore National Park in search of the elusive tiger, to special dinners at exclusive dining venues; these luxury train journeys cover all opportunities to see and experience what India has to offer – and the best part is that it is almost all included.

The Indian Panorama

DAY 1: (SUNDAY) DELHI – JAIPUR

Today you will be welcomed at Delhi Station before departing by train to Jaipur, with brunch on-board. On arrival enjoy dinner at an exclusive venue. Overnight ON-BOARD at Jaipur. (L, D)

DAY 2: (MONDAY) JAIPUR

After breakfast, you will visit the Amber Fort followed by lunch on-board. The afternoon can be spent at your leisure or enjoying the optional activities on offer. Dinner will be served ON-BOARD as the train proceeds to Ranthambore. (B, L, D)

DAY 3: (TUESDAY) RANTHAMBORE – FATEHPUR SIKRI

Today embark on an exciting, early morning game drive in Ranthambore National Park. Lunch on-board, before an afternoon visit to the ghost city of Fatehpur Sikri. (B, L, D)

DAY 4: (WEDNESDAY) AGRA

Today, you will visit the Taj Mahal followed by breakfast at an exclusive venue. After lunch back on-board, tour the magnificent Agra Fort. Dinner ON-BOARD as the train continues to Orchha. (B, L, D)

DAY 5: (THURSDAY) ORCHHA – KHAJURAHO

Begin the day with an early morning tour of Orchha before returning to the train to continue on to Khajuraho. After lunch on-board, arrive in Khajuraho and visit the temples of Khajuraho – a World Heritage site. Return to the train for dinner ON-BOARD before the train proceeds to Varanasi. (B, L, D)

DAY 6: (FRIDAY) VARANASI

Arrive in Varanasi after lunch. Afterwards visit a silk weaving centre and the ancient ruins of Sarnath and a boat ride on the sacred Ganges to view the evening Aarti. After dinner at an exclusive venue, return to the train. (B, L, D)

DAY 7: (SATURDAY) DELHI

After lunch on-board, you will disembark the train in Delhi. (B, L)

The Heritage of India

DAY 1: (SUNDAY) MUMBAI – UDAIPUR

Today you will board the train for the start of your journey to Udaipur. Lunch and dinner will be served ON-BOARD. (L, D)

DAY 2: (MONDAY) UDAIPUR

After breakfast, you will head to Udaipur for a boat ride on Lake Pichola. Visit the City Palace. Enjoy an evening at leisure and dinner on-board as the train proceeds to Jodhpur. (B, L, D)

DAY 3: (TUESDAY) JODHPUR

Today you will arrive at Jodhpur. After lunch on-board, you will visit the majestic Mehrangarh Fort and enjoy a walking tour to the Old Clock Tower Market followed by dinner at an exclusive venue. (B, L, D)

DAY 4: (WEDNESDAY) BIKANER

This morning, you will arrive at the desert kingdom of Bikaner. After lunch on-board, you will visit the fortress of Junagarh Fort. Enjoy an evening barbecue on the sand dunes. (B, L, D)

DAY 5: (THURSDAY) JAIPUR

Today, after breakfast, you will visit the majestic Amber Fort. After lunch on-board, you will have the choice to go on a local city tour, visit the City Palace and Observatory (Jantar Mantar), or to participate in various other optional activities on offer. Enjoy dinner at an exclusive venue. (B, L, D)

DAY 6: (FRIDAY) RANTHAMBORE – FATEHPUR SIKRI

After an early morning wake up call, you will be taken on an exciting game drive in Ranthambore National Park, followed by a visit to see the fascinating royal court complex of the deserted Mughal city of Fatehpur Sikri. (B, L, D)

DAY 7: (SATURDAY) AGRA

On arrival in Agra you will be taken on an early morning visit to the exquisite Taj Mahal followed by a breakfast at an exclusive venue. Afterwards, you will board the train and enjoy lunch as the train continues on to Delhi where your journey will come to an end. (B, L)

7 Days / 6 Nights

The Indian Panorama

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

(1 Oct 2022 – 15 Apr 2023*)
\$11,500

7 Days / 6 Nights

The Heritage of India

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

(1 Oct 2022 – 15 Apr 2023*)
\$12,070

**Surcharge applies for Christmas and New Year departures.*

No service 1 May 2022 – 30 Sep 2023 (rainy season)

PRICE INCLUDES:

- Twin share accommodation in deluxe cabins with en suite bathrooms
- All meals, including tea, coffee, mineral water and house brands of Indian wines, beer and spirits
- Game drive by Canter at Ranthambore National Park
- Jeep ride at Amber Fort, Jaipur
- Sightseeing tours in deluxe air-conditioned coaches
- Entrance fees to monuments
- Porter charges at station
- English speaking guides



Palace on Wheels

PALACE ON WHEELS

A great way to explore India is on the Palace on Wheels, the famous luxury train of India that carries with it an understated luxury that blends in with the majestic charm and beauty of the state of Rajasthan – a land of sand dunes, regal palaces, colour, and culture. On this journey you will have the opportunity to see the best that Rajasthan has to offer – all from your "own" Palace on Wheels.

8 Days / 7 Nights

INDIA

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:
(1 Oct 2022 – 15 Apr 2023)
\$7,575

Surcharge applies for Christmas and New Year departures.

No service 1 May 2022 – 30 Sep 2023 (rainy season)

PRICE INCLUDES:

- Twin share accommodation in a deluxe cabin
- All meals including tea, coffee and mineral water
- Entrance fees to monuments and museums
- Camel ride at Jaisalmer
- Elephant ride at Amber Fort
- Government service taxes
- English speaking guides
- Volvo deluxe coaches for sightseeing tours

An enchanting combination of old world charm and understated luxury. India's famous luxury train will see you experience the best of Rajasthan.

DAY 1: (WEDNESDAY) DELHI – JAIPUR

The journey begins at the Safdarjung Railway station in Delhi, where you will receive a warm traditional welcome before the Palace on Wheels pulls out into the night for a week-long luxury tour through Rajasthan. (D)

DAY 2: (THURSDAY) JAIPUR

Your first stop is Jaipur, the capital city of Rajasthan, and popularly known as the "Pink City". Here you will visit Hawa Mahal (Palace of Winds), and the Amber Fort where you will be taken by elephant to the gates of the Palace. Overnight train journey to Sawai Madhopur. (B, L, D)

DAY 3: (FRIDAY) SAWAI MADHOPUR – CHITTORGARH

Before breakfast you will visit Ranthambore National Park. This wildlife sanctuary is considered to be one of the country's best for observing and photographing the elusive tiger. Afterwards you will return to the train for breakfast as you head to Chittorgarh. Visit the Chittorgarh Hil Fort (including a sound and light show) before returning to the train for dinner ON-BOARD. (B, L, D)

DAY 4: (SATURDAY) UDAIPUR

Today you will visit the magnificent marble palaces of Udaipur – the Jag Niwas (Lake Palace) and the Jag Mandir, which rises from the blue waters of Lake Pichola. After breakfast on-board, you will depart on a city tour which includes a visit to the renowned City Palace and Crystal Gallery. After lunch at a five star hotel, you will continue with a boat ride on the lake, before re-boarding the train for your overnight journey to Jaisalmer. (B, L, D)

DAY 5: (SUNDAY) JAISALMER

In the heart of the Thar Desert lies Jaisalmer, where the yellow sandstone fort towers over the city. Enjoy a sightseeing tour of the city before lunch back on-board. You will then be taken on an exciting camel ride on the sand dunes of Sam where you will watch the sunset. Enjoy dinner and a cultural programme at a Palace hotel before your overnight journey to Jodhpur. (B, L, D)

DAY 6: (MONDAY) JODHPUR

This morning you will arrive in Jodhpur. It is the second largest city of Rajasthan – primarily known for its rock-solid Mehrangarh Fort. Here you will have the opportunity



Palace on Wheels Suite



Palace on Wheels

to view the city's sights and shop for exquisite handicrafts. After lunch at a city hotel, you will return to the train for your journey to Bharatpur. (B, L, D)

DAY 7: (TUESDAY) BHARATPUR – AGRA

In the morning you will arrive in Bharatpur. After breakfast, visit the world famous bird sanctuary; Keoladeo Ghana National Park. This World Heritage Centre is a nesting place for thousands of Egrets, Siberian Cranes, migratory Water Fowl and other species of birds. You will then depart for Agra where you will visit the Taj Mahal after lunch at a Palace hotel. Then, re-board the train for your final OVERNIGHT journey to Delhi. (B, L, D)

DAY 8: (WEDNESDAY) DELHI

On arrival at Delhi Safdarjung Railway station you will have a final breakfast on-board before disembarking. (B)



Deccan Odyssey

THE DECCAN ODYSSEY

The Deccan Odyssey is a luxury train offering all the comforts you would expect. The train has 11 accommodation coaches, a dining car, lounge, a conference car and a health spa. The cabins are beautifully appointed with air conditioning, internet connectivity and private facilities. This journey offers a taste of the best India has to offer including Ranthambore National Park, famous for its tigers, the Taj Mahal in Agra, the Amber Fort and markets of Jaipur and the lake city of Udaipur, before finishing in the cosmopolitan city of Mumbai.

DAY 1: DELHI – SAWAI MADHOPUR

Today, you will board the Deccan Odyssey at Delhi train station. After a traditional welcome, the train will begin its journey to Sawai Madhopur. Overnight ON-BOARD. (D)

DAY 2: SAWAI MADHOPUR (RANTHAMBORE NP)

After an early breakfast, you will be taken on a game drive in Ranthambore National Park, renowned for its tiger sightings. You will then head to Taj Sawai Madhopur Lodge for high tea, visiting a local village en route. Overnight ON-BOARD as the train winds its way to Agra. (B, L, D, HT)

DAY 3: AGRA

After breakfast on-board, you will be taken for a visit to the iconic Taj Mahal, possibly the most famous landmark in the World. After lunch at a city hotel you will visit Itmad-ud-Daulah ("Baby Taj") and the Agra Fort. The rest of the day is free to explore Agra. Overnight ON-BOARD as the train heads to Jaipur. (B, L, D)

DAY 4: JAIPUR

After breakfast, you will be taken on a tour of Jaipur to see the Hawa Mahal (Palace of Winds), City Palace, Jantar Mantar and the Amber Fort. After lunch at a city hotel, the afternoon is at leisure to explore this amazing city. Overnight ON-BOARD as the train heads to Udaipur. (B, L, D)

DAY 5: UDAIPUR

Today you will visit one of India's most beautiful cities, Udaipur, known as the City of Lakes. You will visit the City Palace, before travelling by ferry on Lake Pichola to visit the Jangmandir Palace for lunch. You will then take a heritage walk through Udaipur. Dinner and overnight ON-BOARD as the train heads to Vadodara. (B, L, D)

DAY 6: VADODARA

After breakfast, you will disembark to visit the Champanet Pavagadh Archaeological Park. After lunch back on-board, visit the Fateh Singh Museum,



Deccan Odyssey Suite



Deccan Odyssey Dining

before heading to the Laxmi Villas Palace, a royal residence built in 1890, for high tea. Overnight ON-BOARD as the train heads to Aurangabad. (B, L, D)

DAY 7: AURANGABAD (ELLORA CAVES)

The morning is spent travelling to Aurangabad. On arrival, lunch is served. In the afternoon you will be taken on a scenic drive to Ellora Caves – a UNESCO World Heritage site. Enjoy Sundowner drinks at the Mumbai Hi, followed by dinner. Overnight ON-BOARD as the train heads to Mumbai. (B, L, D)

DAY 8: MUMBAI

After breakfast, you will disembark, marking the end of the journey. (B)

8 Days / 7 Nights

Indian Odyssey

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

(1 Oct 2022 – 15 Apr 2023*)
\$TBA

*Surcharge applies for Christmas and New Year departures.
No service 1 May 2022 – 30 Sep 2023 (rainy season)

PRICE INCLUDES:

- Twin share accommodation in a deluxe cabin with en suite bathroom
- All meals, including tea, coffee, mineral water and High Tea (HT)
- Game drive by Canter in Ranthambore National Park
- Jeep ride at Amber Fort
- Cultural program & dinner in Jaipur
- Sightseeing tours in deluxe air-conditioned coaches
- Entrance fees to monuments and museums
- Government service taxes
- Gratuities
- English speaking guides

HT – High Tea

NOTE: Set departure dates. Contact India Tours and Travel Specialists for details.



The Golden Chariot

THE GOLDEN CHARIOT

A land rich in culture, steeped in tradition and now traversed by the world's most unique luxury railway, the sights of the south now beckon you. Delight in the captivating wildlife, ancient history and breathtaking architecture of Karnataka. Train travel allows you the opportunity to relax on board and enjoy the magnificent scenery as it unfolds outside your window.

7 Days / 6 Nights

Pride of Karnataka*

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

\$8,050 twin share

4 Days / 3 Nights

Glimpses of Karnataka*

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

\$4,625 twin share

PRICE INCLUDES:

- Twin share accommodation in deluxe cabins with en suite bathrooms
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- Entrance fees to monuments and museums

**Itineraries can be reversed*

Pride of Karnataka

DAY 1: (SUNDAY) BENGALURU - BANDIPUR

Today you will board the Golden Chariot in Bengaluru. After a welcome and briefing the train will depart for its journey to Bandipur, lunch will be served onboard. Afterwards disembark in Nanjangud before proceeding to an evening safari in Bandipur. Return to the train in time for dinner. Overnight ONBOARD as the train heads to Mysore. (L, D)

DAY 2: (MONDAY) MYSORE

After breakfast, visit Mysore Palace and return to the train for lunch, before the chance for an optional visit to Srirangapatnam. Enjoy dinner onboard. Overnight ONBOARD as the train heads to Halebidu. (B, L, D)

DAY 3: (TUESDAY) HALEBIDU - CHIKKAMAGALURU

After breakfast the train will arrive at Banavar Rly Station where you will visit Halebidu. Afterwards return to the train enjoying lunch onboard as the train proceeds to Chikamagalur. Overnight ONBOARD as the train heads to Hampi. (B, L, D)

DAY 4: (WEDNESDAY) HAMPI

After an early breakfast onboard you will be taken to visit the Hampi scattered ruins of palaces, sculptures and temples. Enjoy a cultural event in the evening. Overnight ONBOARD as the train proceeds to Badami. (B, L, D)

DAY 5: (THURSDAY) BADAMI

After breakfast you will have the option to visit the Badami Caves (there will be 200 hundred steps to climb). After lunch onboard visit Pattadakal and Aiole. You will return to the train for dinner onboard before your overnight train journey to Goa. (B, L, D)

DAY 6: (FRIDAY) GOA

After breakfast you will be taken to visit the Churches of North Goa and Museum. Disembark the train in the evening for a Bollywood show and dinner at a hotel. Return to the train in the evening and proceed to Bengaluru overnight. (B, L, D)

DAY 7: (SATURDAY) BENGALURU

Enjoy breakfast onboard before returning to Yeshwantpur Railway Station, which will mark the end of your train journey. (B)

Glimpses of Karnataka

DAY 1: (SUNDAY) BENGALURU - BANDIPUR

Today you will board the Golden Chariot in Bengaluru. After a welcome and briefing the train will depart for Banipur, enjoy lunch onboard. Afterwards you will be taken on a game drive at Bandipur National Park returning to the train for dinner as you proceed to Mysore. Overnight ONBOARD. (L, D)

DAY 2: (MONDAY) MYSORE

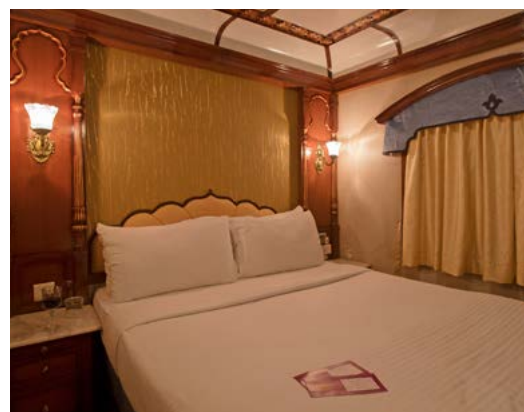
After breakfast onboard, you will visit the Mysore Palace. Return to the train for lunch. You will have the option to visit Srirangapatnam in the afternoon before dinner at a city hotel with cultural activities. In the evening return to the train as it travels to Hampi. (B, L, D)

DAY 3: (TUESDAY) HAMPI

After breakfast onboard, proceed to visit the capital of Vijayanagara kingdom – Hampi. A UNESCO World Heritage site, the ruins at Hampi tell a tale of opulence and grandeur of the kingdom. Return to the train for lunch. Visit Anegundi as an optional excursion in the afternoon. Enjoy an Indian cultural event onboard followed by dinner. (B, L, D)

DAY 4: (WEDNESDAY) BENGALURU

On arrival at Yeshwantpur Railway Station you will have a final breakfast onboard before disembarking. (B)







Sunset, MV Mahabaahu

RIVER CRUISES

No river in the World plays a more important cultural, economic or social role in the lives of more people than the Ganges. The spiritual heart of Hinduism, the Ganges is strewn with fascinating cities, pilgrimage sites, villages, mountains and forests. These cruises are a must for those wanting to experience the mighty Ganges while cruising.



RV Bengal Ganga

The RV Bengal Ganga is a replica of a colonial steamer that offers 28 air-conditioned and comfortable staterooms. The vessel has the most modern navigational and safety equipment and is the perfect way to explore the Ganges. The cruise visits a number of important historical sites including the colonial splendours of Kolkata and the sacred places of Buddhism around Bodhgaya. The cruises offers a view of village life, colourful festivals, amazing archaeological sites, museums and temples, as well as a chance to see the wonderful scenery along the River.

7 Nights / 8 Days
The Princely Murshidabad
PRICE PER PERSON FROM: \$3,675 *

7 Nights / 8 Days
The Artisans or Bengal Cruise
The Holi Cruise (2-9 March, 2023)
PRICE PER PERSON FROM: \$3,675 *

5 Nights / 6 Days
Glorious Ganges Cruise
PRICE PER PERSON FROM: \$2,650 *

2 Nights / 3 Days
River Sutra Cruise
PRICE PER PERSON FROM: \$925 *

** Superior Cabin Main Deck per person on twin share basis*



MV Mahabaahu

The MV Mahabaahu cruises along the Brahmaputra River. The area along the river is a true natural history paradise. Here you will find over 850 different species of birds, fresh water dolphins, and four national parks with abundant elephants, single-horned rhinos, and wild buffalo. The Mahabaahu is a prestigious vessel with 5 decks offering a choice of luxury cabins and suites, all with private facilities and panoramic windows. The facilities on-board include a health spa, sauna, jacuzzi, and a hair dressing and beauty salon.

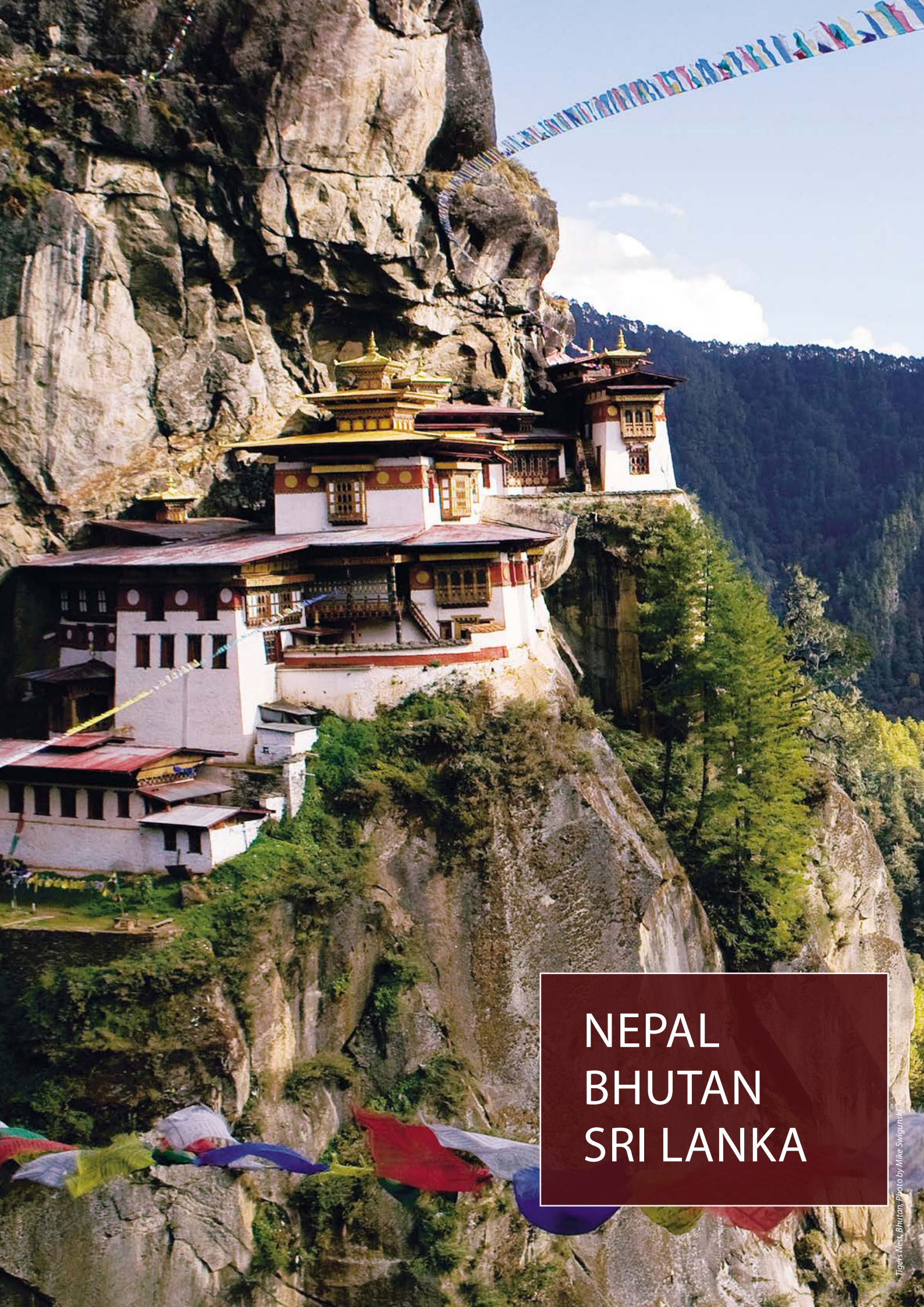
5 Nights / 6 Days
Downstream Cruise
PRICE PER PERSON FROM: \$2,950 *

5 Nights / 6 Days
Upstream Cruise
PRICE PER PERSON FROM: \$2,950 *

7 Nights / 8 Days
Downstream Cruise
PRICE PER PERSON FROM: \$3,975 *

7 Nights / 8 Days
Upstream Cruise
PRICE PER PERSON FROM: \$3,975 *

** Superior Cabin Main Deck per person on twin share basis*



NEPAL
BHUTAN
SRI LANKA



Annapurna Sanctuary, Nepal, photo by Tobse Fritz

BEST OF NEPAL

Nepal is famous for its spirituality, tranquility and breathtaking vistas. This tour allows you to experience the natural beauty of the Himalayas, some of the World's highest peaks, the ancient and sacred Buddhist and Hindu temples, the friendly nature of the Nepalese people, and the diversity of its rich wildlife – Nepal has it all!

11 Days / 10 Nights

NEPAL

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:
(1 April – 30 Dec 2023*)
Superior \$2,200
Luxury \$3,600
** Seasonal supplements apply.*

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 10 nights accommodation on a twin share basis with breakfast daily
- All meals and jungle activities at Chitwan National Park
- All sightseeing, excursions and transfers using private vehicle
- Services of an English speaking local guide as per the itinerary
- Entrance fees and taxes
- Boat ride on Phewa Lake (shared)
- All current applicable taxes

NOTE: Daily departures based on min 2 passengers travelling together. Price excludes optional flight over the Himalayas and Nepalese Visa fees.

HOTELS		
CITY	SUPERIOR	LUXURY
Kathmandu	Tibet International	Hyatt Regency
Dhulikhel	Mirabel Resort	Dhulikhel Mountain Resort
Nagarkot	Hotel Country Villa	Mystic Mountain
Pokhara	Waterfront Resort	Temple Tree Resort & Spa
Chitwan	Maruni Sactuary Lodge	Meghauli Serai

DAY 1: KATHMANDU – NAGARKOT
On arrival at Kathmandu Airport you will be met and transferred to your hotel in Nagarkot. Overnight at your HOTEL.

DAY 2: NAGARKOT – DHULIKHEL
Early this morning enjoy the sunrise (weather permitting). After breakfast, hike to Nagarkot View Tower before visiting the historic towns of Dhulikhel and Panauti. In the afternoon you will visit the city of Patan. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 3: DHULIKHEL – KATHMANDU
After breakfast explore the local market before returning to Kathmandu. En route visit the charming hilltop city of Bhaktapur, dating back to the medieval times. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 4: KATHMANDU
Today, enjoy a full day of sightseeing visiting Dubar Square, Patan and Swayambhunath. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 5: KATHMANDU
This morning proceed to Pashupinath, where one of the world's most sacred Hindu temples is located. Afterwards you will be driven to Bowdhanath, a colossal Buddhist temple of great spiritual significance. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 6: KATHMANDU – POKHARA

After a sunrise breakfast you will be transferred to Pokhara. There is an option for white water rafting en route at an additional cost. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 7: POKHARA
This morning you will be transferred to Sarangkot to see the sunrise over the Western Himalayas. Afterwards return to your hotel for breakfast visiting Bindebashini Temple en route. After breakfast enjoy a boat ride on the Fewa Lake, the second largest lake in Nepal. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 8: POKHARA – CHITWAN
After breakfast, you will be driven to Chitwan National Park. After lunch, you will be taken on a safari in the Park, to see some of the amazing wildlife, including, hopefully, the tiger. Evening at leisure. Overnight at your LODGE. (B, L, D)

DAY 9: CHITWAN
Enjoy an early morning jeep safari in the Park, followed by breakfast. You will then watch the elephants bathe and enjoy a talk by a senior naturalist. Your afternoon is at leisure to participate in either nature walks, canoe rides or a jungle drive. Overnight at your LODGE. (B, L, D)

DAY 10: CHITWAN – KATHMANDU
After breakfast this morning you will be driven back to Kathmandu. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 11: DEPART KATHMANDU
After breakfast you will be transferred to the airport. (B)

Trekking in Nepal

The word “Himalaya” is Sanskrit for “abode of snow”. This region has 8 of the 14 highest summits in the World that exceed an altitude of 8,000m, including Mt. Everest (8,848m). There are 3 different ways to enjoy the Himalayas: Take a mountain flight for splendid views of the snow capped Himalayas. Gaze at the panorama from popular mountain viewpoints such as Nagarkot and Dhulikhel, or trek. You can trek to the mountain base from where you start a choice of easy, intermediate and advanced treks through the mountains.

Trekking is possible at any time of the year depending on the route taken. The most popular seasons are spring (February – May) and autumn (September–November).

THE ANNAPURNA REGION
The Annapurna Circuit attracts a relatively high number of trekkers and include the Annapurna Circuit, the Kali Gandaki Gorge, The Annapurna Sanctuary Trek, the Jomsom Trek and The Muktinath Trek.

THE EVEREST REGION
Mt. Everest is the highest peak in the World and offers many different routes. Trek all the way up and back, trek one way and fly back, or fly in and fly out. A few popular treks include Kosi, Namche Bazaar and Phaplu.

LANGTANG REGION
The Langtang Region is situated directly north of Kathmandu. This region has three relatively short yet interesting treks: Langtang, Helambu and Gosainkund.



Bhutan monks at monastery, Bhutan Tourism

BEST OF BHUTAN

Bhutan is regarded as one of the last Shangri-Las in the Himalayas, due mainly to its remoteness. Located in a relatively unexplored pocket of Asia, there have been heavy restrictions placed on the number of travellers visiting this country. Join this exclusive Best of Bhutan tour and discover the spectacular world of the Himalayan Mountains and forested hills, where magnificent fortresses still command the hilltops.

DAY 1: ARRIVE PARO – THIMPHU

On arrival at Paro airport you will be met and transferred to Thimphu, a city with a mixture of modern development alongside ancient traditions. In the afternoon, you will be taken to visit the National Memorial Chorten. Afterwards you will have the opportunity to walk around Thimphu main street and market area. Overnight at your HOTEL. (D)

DAY 2: THIMPHU

Today you will be taken to visit the statue of Buddha Dordenma, which is said to emanate an aura of peace and happiness. Afterwards, visit the Postal and Textile Museums before stopping for lunch. In the afternoon enjoy sightseeing with the opportunity to visit the Folk Heritage Museum and Centenary Farmers Market. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B, L, D)

DAY 3: THIMPHU – PUNAKHA

After breakfast you will travel across the Dochula Pass and proceed onward to Punakha town, where you will check into your HOTEL. In the afternoon visit Punakha Dzong built in the 17th Century and once home to the Bhutanese government. Afterwards, a short walk by farmhouses and

through rice paddies takes you to Chimi Lhakhang, a 15th Century fertility temple. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B, L, D)

DAY 4: PUNAKHA

This morning enjoy a hike to the Khamsum Yuelley Namgel Chorten. Enjoy a picnic lunch by the riverside before visiting Talo Village and the Nalanda Buddhist Institute. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B, L, D)

DAY 5: PUNAKHA – PARO

Today you will visit Wangduephodrang Dzong. Founded in 1638, the dzong sits atop a high ridge between two rivers, offering captivating view of the valley below. Afterwards continue to Paro, where you will visit Ta Dzong and Rinpung Dzong. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B, L, D)

DAY 6: PARO

After breakfast you will be driven to the Taktshang Monastery (Tiger’s Nest), one of the most famous monasteries in Bhutan. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B, L, D)

DAY 7: DEPART PARO

This morning after breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport for your onward flight. (B)

7 Days / 6 Nights

BHUTAN

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Low season

Standard \$3,900

Luxury \$8,210

High season

Standard \$4,100

Luxury \$9,360

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 6 nights accommodation on a twin share basis with breakfast daily
- Meals as indicated (B, L, D)
- Private transfers and sightseeing as per itinerary
- Services of an accompanying English speaking guide from arrival till departure
- Entrance fees – for single visit only
- Government royalty and taxes
- Bhutan Visa fee

NOTE: Daily departures based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together. Price excludes domestic and international airfares.



HOTELS		
CITY	SUPERIOR	LUXURY
Thimpu	Hotel Migmar	Taj Tashi
Paro	Paro Eco Lodge	COMO Uma Paro
Punakha	Zhingkhram Resort	COMO Uma Punakha



Taj Tashi, Thimpu



Dambulla Cave Golden Temple

14 Days / 13 Nights

SRI LANKA

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Low season

Superior \$3,295

Luxury \$3,390

High season

Superior \$3,850

Luxury \$4,100

* Seasonal supplement applicable

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 13 nights accommodation on a twin share basis with breakfast daily (B)
- Transportation by an A/C vehicle
- Entrance fees to monuments as per itinerary
- Jeep safari at Yala National Park
- English speaking driver/guide

NOTE: Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

ULTIMATE SRI LANKA

Amidst the Indian Ocean, Sri Lanka has attracted travellers for centuries. A beautiful tropical island of deep spirituality and serenity, and despite its small size, it offers a richness and beauty second to none. This 14-day tour visits the highlights of Sri Lanka including the most famous historical sites, stunning beaches, amazing wildlife parks and iconic tea growing areas.

DAY 1: ARRIVE COLOMBO

On arrival at Colombo airport you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL.

DAY 2: COLOMBO – HABARANA

After breakfast, you will be driven to Habarana, the hub of Sri Lanka's cultural triangle. En route, you will visit the Elephant Orphanage in Pinnawala. The rest of the day will be at leisure to enjoy the nearby nature trail or to take an optional elephant-back safari. Two nights at your HOTEL in Habarana. (B)

DAY 3: HABARANA

After breakfast, you will visit the ancient ruins of Polonnaruwa. Afterwards, visit Minneriya National Park, home to some of Sri Lanka's wild animals – sambar deer, leopard and elephant. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 4: HABARANA – KANDY

After an early breakfast, explore Sigiriya including climbing up the rock fortress. Afterwards, visit the Dambulla Cave Temples before heading to Kandy visiting a spice garden in Matale en route. Two nights at your HOTEL in Kandy. (B)

DAY 5: KANDY

Today, you will visit Peradeniya Botanical Gardens. The rest of the day will be spent taking a city tour of Kandy. You will be driven around Kandy Lake, which was built by the last Sinhala King. Visit the town of Kandy, the bazaar, an arts and crafts centre and a gem museum /lapidary. You will also visit the Temple of the Tooth Relic. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 6: KANDY – NUWARA ELIYA

After breakfast, you will be driven through the misty mountains up to Nuwara Eliya. En route visit Victoria Park. The evening will be yours to explore the town. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 7: NUWARA ELIYA – YALA

After breakfast you will be transferred to Yala. The afternoon will be yours to enjoy at leisure. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 8: YALA NATIONAL PARK

Today, you will enjoy a safari in Yala National Park, famous

for its herds of elephants, as well as leopard, sloth bear, crocodile and spotted deer. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 9: YALA – GALLE

This morning you will head to Galle, where, on arrival, you will enjoy a city tour of Galle including Galle Fort. Two nights at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 10: GALLE

Today is a day at leisure to enjoy Galle. (B)

DAY 11: GALLE – BENTOTA

After breakfast you will travel to Bentota with a stop at the turtle hatchery in Kosgoda. Two nights at your HOTEL in Bentota. (B)

DAY 12: BENTOTA

Today is free to enjoy the beach or the other highlights of Bentota. (B)

DAY 13: BENTOTA – COLOMBO

Today you will head back to Colombo with a tour of the city on arrival, including a visit to Pettah Bazaar. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 14: DEPART COLOMBO

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Colombo airport. (B)

HOTELS

CITY	SUPERIOR	LUXURY
Colombo	Hilton Colombo	Cinnamon Lakeside
Habarana	Habarana Village	Cinnamon Lodge
Kandy	Cinnamon Citadel	Earl's Regency
Nuwara Eliya	Galway Forest Lodge	Heritage Tea Factory
Yala	Double Tree by Hilton	Cinnamon Wild
Galle	Raddison Blue Resort and Spa	Jetwing Lighthouse
Bentota	Bentota Beach Hotel	Sheraton Resort & Spa





Kandy

BEST OF SRI LANKA

This tour visits the most popular cities in Sri Lanka and is an excellent way to get an overview of the culture, history and nature of this fascinating island. The tour covers Sri Lanka's most famous tourist attractions such as the Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage, Sigiriya Rock Fortress, the Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic, tea plantations and many more places of interest.

DAY 1: ARRIVE COLOMBO – NEGOMBO

On arrival at Colombo airport you will be met and transferred to your HOTEL in Negombo.

DAY 2: NEGOMBO – KANDALAMA / DAMBULLA

After breakfast, you will proceed to Dambulla via Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage. Assisted by local and foreign elephant experts, Pinnawala commenced a successful captive breeding program with the first baby elephant being born in 1984. Afterwards you will be transferred to your hotel in Dambulla or Kandalam. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 3: KANDALAMA – SIGIRIYA – KANDALAMA

After breakfast, you will be taken on a day tour to the 5th century Sigiriya Rock Fortress, where you will be able to climb this World Heritage Site. Afterwards you will be taken to Polonnaruwa, the island's medieval capital with much of it beautifully restored. Visit the ruins of the Royal Palace, the Gal Vihara, the Audience Hall, the Lotus Bath and the statue of King Parakramabahu. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 4: KANDALAMA – KANDY

Today you will visit the Dambulla Cave Temple, before you continuing on to Kandy. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 5: KANDY

Today you will be taken on a tour of the Peradeniya Botanical Gardens, followed by a city tour, including a visit to the Temple of the Tooth Relic. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 6: KANDY – COLOMBO

This morning you will head to Colombo. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 7: COLOMBO

Today you will be taken on a walking tour around the city. Visit the Pettah Bazaar – where you can shop for a bargain, as well as a Hindu and Buddhist temple. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 8: DEPART COLOMBO

After breakfast, you will be transferred to the airport. (B)



8 Days / 7 Nights

SRI LANKA

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Low season

Superior \$1,650

Luxury \$1,750

High season

Superior \$1,890

Luxury \$1,990

* Seasonal supplements applicable

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 7 nights accommodation on a twin share basis with breakfast daily (B)
- Transportation by air-conditioned vehicle
- Entrance fees to monuments as per itinerary
- Service of an English speaking driver/guide

NOTE: Daily departures based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

HOTELS

CITY	SUPERIOR	LUXURY
Negombo	Jetwing Sea Hotel	Jetwing Beach Hotel
Kandalama	Amaya Lake	Heritage Kandalama
Kandy	Cinnamon Citadel	Earl's Regency
Colombo	Ramada Colombo	Cinnamon Lakeside



Leopard, Yala National Park

ULTIMATE SRI LANKA WILDLIFE SAFARI

This 14- day tour is a must for those interested in seeing the wildlife and birds of Sri Lanka as well as seeing some of the histroical and religious monument forts and temples. Explore Sri Lanka's various national parks enjoy the chance to sight lepoard, elephant, sloth bear, spooted deer or wild buffalo. There is alos time to relax on the beach at either Ahungalla or Hikkaduwa.

14 Days / 13 Nights

SRI LANKA

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Low season

Superior \$3,495

Luxury \$4,195

High season

Superior \$4,250

Luxury \$4,890

* Seasonal supplement applicable

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 13 nights accommodation on a twin share basis with breakfast daily (B)
- Transportation by an AC vehicle
- Two Jeep Safaris at Yala NP
- Entrance fees to monuments and National Parks as per itinerary
- Dinner at Rajabojun Restaurant
- English speaking driver/guide

NOTE: Daily departures based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

HOTELS		
CITY	SUPERIOR	LUXURY
Negombo	Jetwing Sea	Jetwing Blue
Anuradhapura	Forest Garden Resort	Ulagalla Resort
Kandalama	Aliya Resort & Spa	Heritance
Kandy	Earl's Regent	Earl's Regency
Udawalawe	Grand Udawalawe	Kalu's Hideaway
Yala	Jetwing Yala	Cinnamon Wild
Galle	Raddison Blue Resort & Spa	Jetwing Lighthouse
Hikkaduwa / Ahungalla	Hikka Tranz by Cinnamon	Heritance Ahungalla

DAY 1: ARRIVE COLOMBO – NEGOMBO

On arrival in Colombo, you will be met and transferred to Negombo. Overnight at your HOTEL.

DAY 2: NEGOMBO – WILPATTU – ANURADHAPURA

After breakfast, you will travel by road to Wilpattu National Park, one of the best areas to see Sri Lankan leopards. It is also home to healthy populations of elephant, sloth bear, deer and buffalo. From Wilpattu you will head to Anuradhapura. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 3: ANURADHAPURA – SIGIRIYA/KANDALAMA

After breakfast you will be driven to Sigiriya Rock Fortress, a World Heritage Site, for a tour. You will then head to your hotel and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 4: POLONNARUWA – SIGIRIYA / KANDALAMA

After breakfast you will be taken to Polonnaruwa for a tour of the city. Polonnaruwa is a great example of ancient culture and heritage with resting Buddha statues, fantastically carved Hindu sculptures and beautiful architecture. In the afternoon you will be taken on a safari in Wasgamuwa National Park. Overnight at your hotel in Sigiriya/Kandalama.(B)

DAY 5: KANDALAMA – DAMBULLA – KANDY

After breakfast you will head to Kandy with a stop at Dambulla to see the famous Rock Cave Temple and Matale to visit the spice garden, en route. From Matale you will head to Kandy and then on to your HOTEL for your two night stay. (B)

DAY 6: KANDY

After breakfast, your morning is at leisure until the afternoon when you will be taken on a city tour followed by a cultural show in the evening. (B)

DAY 7: KANDY – UDAWALAWE

After breakfast, you will be taken to Kandyan Manor for a cooking demonstration with it's owner – Suzi Ratwatte, who will also take you shopping to the local markets for the ingredients. From there you will travel to Udawalawe and to your HOTEL for your two night stay. (B)

DAY 8: UDAWALAWE

Today you will be taken for a morning tour to Udawalawe National Park and the Elephant Transfer Home, a facility

to rehabilitate orphaned baby elephants and return them to the wild. The afternoon will be at leisure. (B)

DAY 9: UDAWALAWE – YALA

After breakfast you will be driven to Yala. On arrival you will check in to your HOTEL for your two-night stay. (B)

DAY 10: YALA

Today you will be taken on a morning and afternoon jeep safari in Yala National Park, travelling by jeep. (B)

DAY 11: YALA – GALLE

Today you will head to Galle, where the rest of the day is at leisure. Overnight at your HOTEL. (B)

DAY 12: GALLE – HIKKADUWA / AHUNGALLA

After breakfast you will be driven to either Ahungalla or Hikkaduwa for a two-night stay at your HOTEL. The rest of the day is at leisure. (B)

DAY 13: HIKKADUWA / AHUNGALLA

A day of leisure to enjoy the beach or a range of optional excursions. (B)

DAY 14: HIKKADUWA / AHUNGALLA – COLOMBO

This morning you will return to Colombo for a city tour. On completion, enjoy dinner at Rajabojun restaurant before being transferred to Colombo Airport for your onward flight. (B)





Cape Weligama

TASTE OF SRI LANKA

As the name suggests, the Taste of Sri Lanka, is ideal for those wanting to experience great food, wines and Sri Lanka's number one export – tea. The tour visits the lush tea country at Hatton, as well as the wildlife at Yala National Park and the beautiful beaches at Cape Weligama. Accommodation is 5 star, as is the experience, on this ultimate getaway.

DAY 1: ARRIVE COLOMBO

On arrival, you will be met and transferred to the CINAMON LAKESIDE for your overnight stay.

DAY 2: COLOMBO – HATTON

After breakfast, you will be taken by road to Hatton, one of the main tea growing areas of Sri Lanka. Here you will stay at the beautiful Relais & Chateau CEYLON TEA TRAILS for two nights. (FI)

DAY 3: HATTON

Enjoy the day at your leisure at Ceylon Tea Trails to trek, bike ride or picnic at a choice of locations, all in the heart of Sri Lanka's breathtaking tea growing area. (FI)

DAY 4: HATTON – YALA NATIONAL PARK

After breakfast you will be driven to Yala. On arrival you will check in to your hotel for your two-night stay at WILD COAST TENTED LODGE. (FI)

DAY 5: YALA NATIONAL PARK

Today, enjoy a day at your leisure. (FI)

DAY 6: YALA NATIONAL PARK – CAPE WELIGAMA

After breakfast, you will be taken by private vehicle to Cape Weligama, the magnificent resort located on top of the Weligama headland with unsurpassed views of the Indian Ocean. It is here you will spend the next three nights at CAPE WELIGAMA. (B, D)

DAYS 7 – 8: CAPE WELIGAMA

Spend two days at your leisure to enjoy all the facilities at Cape Weligama, including snorkelling, kayaking, swimming, scuba diving, PADI dive courses, big game fishing, seasonal whale & dolphin watching tours, and banana boating. There is also an extensive range of treatments at the resident spa as well as a fully equipped gym, (not all the activities listed above are included in the package price). (B, D)

DAY 9: CAPE WELIGAMA – COLOMBO

After breakfast you will be transferred to Colombo for a city tour. On completion, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant before being transferred to Colombo airport. (B, D)



Ceylon Tea Trails



Cape Weligama



Wild Coast Tented Lodge

9 Days / 8 Nights

SRI LANKA

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Low season

Luxury \$6,495

High season

Luxury \$8,650

* Seasonal supplement applicable

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 1 night at Cinamon Lakeside on a twin share basis including breakfast
- 2 nights in a luxury room at Ceylon Tea Trails on a twin share basis as with meals (FI)
- 3 nights in a pool view suite on a twin share basis at Cape Weligama with breakfast and dinner (B, D)
- 2 nights at Wild Coast Tented Lodge with all meals and two safaris
- Taxes, services charge
- All transfers to and from airports and between resorts in a private A/C vehicle with chauffeur/guide

NOTE: Daily departures based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.



Chena Huts

SRI LANKAN ESCAPE

This 11 day luxury tour visits some of the most interesting and beautiful areas of Sri Lanka including Anuradhapura with its statue of Buddha, Sigiriya, known for its 5th century rock citadel, the beautiful beaches of Trincomalee and Passikudah as well as wildlife viewing at Yala National Park. The accommodation is based on 5 star boutique properties, each uniquely designed and environmentally friendly, all offering outstanding food and service.

11 Days / 10 Nights

SRI LANKA

PRICE PER PERSON FROM:

Low season

Luxury \$5,350

High season

Luxury \$6,250

** Seasonal supplement applicable*

PRICE INCLUDES:

- 10 nights luxury accommodation on a twin share basis
- Breakfast daily
- All meals, local wines, spirits, comp Wi-Fi, laundry and mini bar at Chena Huts, Yala
- Entrance fees to Anuradhapura Site, Sri Maha Bodhiya, Dutch Fort, Isurumuniya, Sigiriya Entrance, Polonnaruwa, Koneswaram Temple, Kanniya Hot Spring Wells, Yala NP
- English speaking driver/guide throughout
- Air conditioned vehicles with use of a jeep at Yala

FI – Fully Inclusive

NOTE: Based on a minimum of 2 passengers travelling together.

DAY 1: ARRIVE COLOMBO

On arrival you will be met by your driver/guide who will be with you during your entire stay in Sri Lanka and who will transfer you to your hotel. Overnight stay at THE RESIDENCE.

DAY 2: COLOMBO – ANURADHAPURA

After breakfast, you will be taken on a full day tour of Anuradhapura – the first capital of Sri Lanka – which is regarded as one of the oldest civilizations in the world. Stroll through the sacred trails of the city where you can see the gigantic dagoba resting alongside the Basawakkulama Tank shaded by the Samadhi Buddha Statue, as well as the Isurumuniya Rock Temple. Overnight at ULAGALLA RESORT. (B)

DAY 3: ANURADHAPURA

Today you will be taken on a full day tour to Sigiriya to visit the 5th century rock citadel of King Kasyapa. Sigiriya is now a UNESCO World Heritage Site and is regarded as one of the finest monuments of art & culture. Continue to the ancient city of Polonnaruwa, another World Heritage Site featuring stupas, resting Buddha statues, irrigation canals and fantastically carved Hindu sculptures. Return to your hotel for overnight stay at ULAGALLA RESORT. (B)

DAY 4: ANURADHAPURA – TRINCOMALEE

After breakfast, you will be transferred by road to Trincomalee. The rest of the day will be at leisure, for you to enjoy the area. Overnight at JUNGLE BEACH RESORT. (B)

DAY 5: TRINCOMALEE

Today you will be taken on a city tour of Trincomalee. Afterward, visit the granite-built Portuguese fort or head towards the crystal blue sea for some scuba diving, snorkeling or fishing. You can also visit the medieval Hindu temple 'Koneswaram' which is a good example of Dravidian architecture, or take a stroll towards the Bhadrakali Amman Temple dedicated to the goddess Kali. Overnight at JUNGLE BEACH RESORT. (B)

DAY 6: TRINCOMALEE – PASSIKUDAH

Today you will travel by road to Passikudah. After arrival in Passikudah, the rest of the day will be at leisure.



Ulagalla Resort Organic Garden

Overnight at UGA BAY RESORT. (B)

DAY 7: PASSIKUDAH

Today is also at leisure to enjoy the beautiful reef protected beaches or make use of the vehicle for half a day (up to 80 km). Overnight at UGA BAY RESORT. (B)

DAY 8: PASSIKUDAH – YALA

Today you will head south to the Yala National Park, where you will have two nights at CHENA HUTS. (FI)

DAY 9: YALA

Today you will enjoy a full day safari at Yala National Park, which has the highest density of leopards in the world. It also has herds of elephant, sloth bear, spotted deer, wild pig, and jackal and over 30 species of birds. (FI)

DAY 10: YALA – COLOMBO

After breakfast, you will head back to Colombo for a city tour, including a visit to the crystal white Race Course – a horse racing hub in 1893 and a World War II airstrip. Afterwards, you will continue to Pettah and the Floating Market – an of the beaten path shopping experience, followed by a visit to Bauddhaloka Mawatha and the Arcade Independence Square shopping complex. Check in to your hotel for an overnight stay at THE RESIDENCE. (B)

DAY 11: DEPART COLOMBO

Today you will be transferred to Colombo airport. (B)



MALDIVES



Anantara Veli Resort

MALDIVES

They say that when people read about Paradise in books, the authors were thinking of the Maldives. Located in the Indian Ocean on top of an underwater mountain range, the string-like Islands are encircled by a lagoon with crystal clear water, and are protected by a reef structure housing one of the most exclusive and spectacular underwater world teeming with marine life. The Maldives offer award winning resort Islands that offer amazing luxury but still retain the peace and tranquility of a "getaway from it all" destination.



Kuramathi Maldives



Best time to travel

The Maldives has a warm tropical climate and the temperature remains fairly consistent throughout the year. The Maldives has two dominating seasons, a dry season (January – April) and a wet season (May – December). January to April is when you can expect little rain and low humidity, making this peak season at resorts. March and April offers the highest chance of seeing mantra rays and whale sharks, and provides a great opportunity for snorkelling with high visibility. From May to November temperatures are still warm but rain is more likely and there are usually plenty of great offers to take advantage of.



Anantara Over Water Pool Suite

* Photo depicts upgraded room type from price shown

Anantara Dhigu Resort

Anantara Dhigu Resort is located on a private beach and has 68 beachfront villas, all with unique outdoor bathrooms. The two beachfront pool villas are more spacious and come with their own private plunge pool and are set in a tropical garden. The 38 over-water suites feature private sun decks and open-air infinity-edged bathtubs with a view over the lagoon. The 2 exclusive deluxe over-water pool suites enjoy a prime setting at the end of the jetty, with their own private plunge pool.

PRICE INCLUDES: Breakfast daily, return airport shared speedboat transfers, local taxes

6 DAYS/ 5 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: Sunrise Beach Villa \$4,550pp*



Bandos Beach Villa

* Photo depicts upgraded room type from price shown

Bandos Island Resort

Modern, refurbished rooms maintain an island charm in this 215-room resort, located just ten minutes from the international airport. Discover the best of the Maldives with snorkelling trips, island hopping journeys, night fishing, sand bank picnics and whale shark expeditions. Different room types offer garden, beach or pool views, and all are air-conditioned and luxuriously appointed. Enjoy an incredible variety of cuisines at the several restaurants or unwind with a refreshment at the swim up bar.

PRICE INCLUDES: Breakfast daily, return airport shared speedboat transfers, local taxes

6 DAYS/ 5 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: \$1,525pp



Anantara Veli Resort Beach Pool Villa

* Photo depicts upgraded room type from price shown (OPEN 1st December, 2022)

Anantara Veli Resort

Anantara Veli Resort sets the stage for an idyllic honeymoon or getaway with newly renovated adult only beach and over-water villas. The bathrooms offer rain showers and a sumptuous terrazzo bath for two, whilst the bungalows offer decor inspired by traditional Maldivian designs. They all have the comforts of home, with its own espresso machine, residence mini bar, personal surround-sound stereo with flat screen TV, CD/DVD/MP3 player and 24 hour room service. Adults only.

PRICE INCLUDES: Breakfast daily, return airport shared speedboat transfers, local taxes

6 DAYS/ 5 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: Over Water Bungalow \$4,550pp*



Kurumba Maldives Beach Villa

* Photo depicts upgraded room type from price shown

Kurumba Maldives

White sand beaches, turquoise seas and palm trees swaying in the wind, Kurumba Maldives is a truly idyllic holiday destination. 180 luxurious villas offer beach views and private terraces. The resort is perfect for families, a kids and teens club keep children entertained while parents relax by the pool. For the adventurous, enjoy water sports, diving and snorkelling, or an easy game of tennis in the afternoon.

PRICE INCLUDES: Breakfast daily, return airport shared speedboat transfers, local taxes

6 DAYS/ 5 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: \$1,850pp*



* Photo depicts upgraded room type from price shown

Pool Water Villa

LUX* South Ari Atoll

Whether suspended over the water or scattered along the beach, the LUX* Maldives is designed to enhance the enchanting island surrounds. Enjoy a choice of 7 restaurants and 6 lively bars and make the most of your island getaway with complimentary reef snorkeling, kayaking and pedal boats that are available for guests. You can also cycle around the lush island setting or explore further afield with a private catamaran to neighboring islands. Two spacious swimming pools are located on the sunset side of the island or enjoy a game of beach table tennis, volleyball and tennis on floodlit courts.

PRICE INCLUDES: Breakfast daily, scheduleld seaplane transfers

6 DAYS/ 5 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: Beach Pavilion \$3,650pp



* Photo depicts upgraded room type from price shown

Deluxe Beach Villa with pool

Taj Exotica Resort & Spa

The Taj Exotica Resort & Spa offers two types of rooms. The resort's Lagoon Villas offer complete privacy. Built entirely over water, each villa comes with its own private sundeck. For those who prefer to stay on land, the Beach Villa Suites provide the ultimate in luxury; a sprawling two-level residence with a private sit-out, courtyard and an oversized plunge pool. You can choose from two restaurants at the resort offering exquisite Pan-Asian and Mediterranean cuisine. You can also indulge in a spa treatment at Jiva Grande Spa offering yoga and meditation.

PRICE INCLUDES: Breakfast daily, return airport shared speedboat transfers

6 DAYS/ 5 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: Lagoon Villa \$3,825pp



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Kuramathi Maldives

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Situated on Rasdhoo Atoll, Kuramathi offers a range of island experiences for families and couples looking to getaway. The resort features a range of villas, including pool, beach and honeymoon villas, all decorated in a modern style. Enjoy a wide variety of dining options to choose from including Teppanyaki, Indian and private dining experiences. There are also several water activities on offer such as fishing, diving and snorkelling.

PRICE INCLUDES: Breakfast, lunch and dinner, return shared speedboat transfers

6 DAYS/ 5 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: 2,200pp



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Superior Charm Beach Villa

Taj Coral Reef Resort & Spa

Taj Coral Reef Resort & Spa, has been refurbished to offer a personalized holiday experience for families and couples alike. The rooms are equipped with large comfortable sea-facing beds, a 32" LCD TV, an iPod dock, Wi-Fi Internet, a mini bar (which includes organic food and beverages), an outdoor shower and a uniquely designed open space. The resort offers many activities for the guests, which include diving, (the resort has numerous dive sites and it's very own reef and shipwreck to explore), snorkeling, sailing, canoeing, a fitness centre and the beautiful Jiva Spa.

PRICE INCLUDES: All inclusive, return airport shared speedboat transfers

6 DAYS/ 5 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: Superior Charm Beach Villa \$2,500pp



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Le Meridien Resort and Spa

Le Meridien Resort and Spa

Embark on your own modern castaway adventure as you set foot in Le Meridien. Situated on Thilamaafushi and surrounded by breathtaking blue lagoons, reefs and sea life, this resort is a little slice of paradise. Explore its nine hectares, choosing from six restaurants and bars, and spend your days lounging by the pool, discovering the conservation hub and unwinding at the spa.

PRICE INCLUDES: Breakfast daily, return airport shared speedboat transfers

6 DAYS/ 5 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: \$4,200pp



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Beach Villa

The Standard, Huruvalhi Maldives

This island oasis is just a short sea plane ride away from Male's International Airport and caters to all. Whether seeking a romantic getaway, escape with friends or family holiday, this 115-villa resort is the perfect choice. Choose from overwater or beachfront villas, all luxuriously appointed and tastefully styled in modern décor. Enjoy a range of activities including snorkelling, diving, and kayaking. To unwind, in the evening, enjoy a choice of four restaurants and two bars.

PRICE INCLUDES: Breakfast daily, scheduled shared seaplane transfers

6 DAYS/ 5 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: \$3,995pp*



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Meeru Beach Villa

Meeru Island Resort

With white sand beaches as far as the eye can see and clear glistening waters, Meeru offers a heavenly island escape. The 284-room resort features several room types including jacuzzi water villas, waterfront villas, beach villas and garden rooms. Enjoy meals with fresh produce from the vegetable and herb garden, and afterwards relax with a cocktail at the poolside bar. Unwind at the spa, enjoy a romantic dinner or enjoy the many water sports on offer. Meeru is also ideal for families, with a kids' and teens' club.

PRICE INCLUDES: Breakfast, lunch and dinner, return airport shared speedboat transfers

6 DAYS/ 5 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: \$1,800pp



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Beach Villa

Paradise Island Resort and Spa

A network of villas suspended over sparkling turquoise water and beachfront rooms with a view, this resort truly lives up to its name. Explore the beauty of the island with water sports such as snorkelling, surfing, sailing and diving. Choose from five restaurants each night or dine in with room service. Catering to all, the resort also hosts a kids club and even kids diving classes.

PRICE INCLUDES: Breakfast and dinner, return airport shared speedboat transfers

6 DAYS/ 5 NIGHTS PRICES FROM: Beach Villa \$2,200pp



ITTS BOOKING CONDITIONS 2022/2023

BROCHURE VALIDITY

These booking conditions relate to any bookings received for travel in 2022 or 2023 booked in 2022. The information is presented in our online brochure for 2022 which was correct to the best of our knowledge at the time of being placed on our website but is subject to change without notice. Changes may occur after this, with respect to prices, itineraries, duration of holidays, service standards, tour content, vaccination needs, health or safety issues at relevant destinations, airline fares and schedules. Please confirm details of your requirements at the time of booking to ascertain if there have been alterations to the tour you select before you book.

RESERVATION BOOKINGS

Bookings can be made directly with India Tours & Travel Specialists ('ITTS') or through recognized providers of agency/consultancy services (referred to as 'Travel Agents').

PASSENGER DETAILS

We require the correct names and initials of all people travelling in order to make bookings. The names and initials must match exactly to each traveller's passport so as to avoid any problems with bookings. Should the wrong information be given, ITTS reserves the right to charge additional fees to cover additional administrative costs to re-book or re-ticket the bookings under the correct name.

Whilst we do comply with the Privacy Laws in relation to keeping your personal information, as part of the booking process, from time to time, and required by some suppliers, operators, lodges, hotels, DMCs (Destination Management Companies), banks, airlines, shipping companies and government authorities, we do need to supply them with certain private information including, but not limited to: your full name, passport information, contact details, date of birth, weight, and any other private information as required. This we do without seeking your permission but only if it is a requirement to complete your booking. We do ensure that any company we hand your private information to complies with the privacy laws of their country.

DEPOSIT AND BALANCE

A non-refundable security deposit of 10% or 20% of the tour price (depending on destination), with a minimum of \$330.00 per person plus a signed booking form is payable at the time of booking. Payment of deposit represents acceptance of ITTS Terms & Conditions by the purchaser and/or passenger/s. As a general rule the balance is payable 60 days prior to departure, or immediately if travelling within 60 days of booking, however certain hotels, lodges, suppliers of transport and/or accommodation require balances to be paid up to 120 days prior departure. You will be generally advised of this at time of booking or when the supplier advises us. Any monies you pay to your Travel Agent shall not be taken to have been paid to us unless and until we actually receive them.

SPECIAL DEPOSIT REQUIREMENTS

Some of the tours and ground arrangements, group tour arrangements and specially designed arrangements may require higher deposits to meet hotel or tour operator's booking conditions. These are usually between 20% to 50% of tour cost. Please contact ITTS for further details for further details.

LATE BOOKINGS AND AMENDMENT FEES

A late booking fee of \$100.00 per file will be charged for bookings made within 14 days of departure. Should you wish to amend your arrangements or transfer to another trip, due to the extra administrative and communications costs incurred, there will be an automatic fee charged of \$50.00 per amendment or transfer. Additionally, there may be cancellation fees levied by the tour operator or fees may be applicable where arrangements have been pre-purchased. A land only fee of \$55.00 will be charged on land only bookings under 3 nights accommodation.

PRICES

All prices are quoted in Australian Dollars and are generally current at the time of printing. They are generally valid from 01 October 2021 to 30

September 2022, although some expeditions have different periods of validity so prices will vary accordingly. Most prices are based on low season unless stated otherwise. All prices are indicative only and are subject to change at any time up to and including the day of your departure. As our costings are based on conversions from foreign currencies, should the cost of any component of your package increase due to foreign currency fluctuations, ITTS may charge that cost to you at any time prior to ITTS receiving the full balance of monies due and the final documentation having been issued to you. Should additional taxes or Government charges or unforeseen new costs be payable or incurred, ITTS may charge these costs to you at any time, even after your departure.

MALDIVES

The Maldives Government introduced a 6% GST from January 2013. Prices have been adjusted accordingly.

GST

From 01 July 2000, the Australian government has introduced a 10% GST and even though at present overseas travel is exempt from GST, any service fees, courier, cancellation and amendment fees are subject to GST. We, therefore, reserve the right to vary the costing to incorporate the GST where applicable.

INCLUDED IN TRIP PRICE

Specific trip and accommodation inclusions are generally listed. Meals are not included unless specified in the itinerary – B = Breakfast, L = Lunch and D = Dinner.

BREAKDOWN OF COSTING

As all ITTS tours, packages, stopovers, car hire, train trips, fly in safaris etc are based on confidential and specially negotiated rates, we reserve the right and will not give out nor supply a breakdown of costings at any time.

AIRPORT/TICKET TAXES

Ticket taxes, airport taxes etc are subject to change without notice. Some airport taxes are not included on your air ticket are payable on departure from some international airports in India & Sri Lanka. These are usually payable in US Dollars in cash; exact amounts are required as no change is given.

CANCELLATION FEES AND REFUNDS

Any cancellations must be received in writing and will take effect from the date it is received by India Tours & Travel Specialists. The following cancellation fees will apply for our tours: More than 60 days before departure: Deposit 59 – 41 days before departure: 40% ** 40-35 days before departure: 60% ** 35 days or less before departure: No refund **

** There are now more lodges, hotels, scheduled tours, ground handlers, transfer companies, train operators, private and scheduled tours etc where their booking conditions state that cancellations after 60 or 90 days will incur 100% of cancellation fees. In this case, these and any other booking conditions imposed by the supplier may override our booking conditions (refer Responsibilities & Liabilities clause).

The exceptions are those amounts that can be refunded, such as airfares (less those amounts forfeited under airline regulations and loss of profit incurred by ITTS). Should payment be received in advance of 60 days, for example in the case when payment is made to avoid increases due to currency fluctuations, ITTS reserves the right to charge cancellation fees of up to 100%, especially where full payment has been made to our ground handlers, hoteliers, and airlines etc. Whilst insurance premiums are not refundable, should the reason for cancellation fall within the terms of the insurance cover, cancellation fees will normally be refunded by the insurance company. The non-issuance of an invoice or non-payment of deposit will not exempt passengers from these cancellation and administrative fees. We regret that we can make no exception to the charges and strongly recommend that insurance is taken out to cover cancellation fees (see Insurance below). There will be no refunds on unused tours, accommodation or other services.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

It is a condition of booking that you are adequately insured for the full duration of your trip. We recommend a comprehensive travel insurance to cover cancellation, health requirements, luggage and additional expenses, in particular to cover emergency evacuation. We recommend a separate insurance cover for expensive camera and video and other equipment. Further we advise that insurance policies rarely cover for loss of cash. We strongly recommend that insurance be purchased at the time of booking. Should you not take out insurance, we cannot be held responsible for costs incurred (including cancellation fees) arising from circumstances outside our control.

PASSPORT

You should be in possession of a passport valid for at least 6 months beyond your stay in India, Sri Lanka or the Maldives, with at least 2 spare (blank) visa pages.

VISA REQUIREMENTS

All foreign nationals (except Nepalese & Bhutanese nationals) require a visa for India, Sri Lanka and the Maldives. The tourist visa is valid for 6 months, and needs to be obtained prior to your departure. It is advisable to check with your travel agent or ITTS at the time of booking as regulations and charges can change.

VACCINATIONS AND HEALTH

For most trips to India, the following vaccinations may be recommended: Hepatitis, Tetanus, Typhoid, Cholera and Malaria prophylaxis. Whilst these vary depending on the length of stay away and the type of travel transportation and accommodation used, we do recommend that these and your other health needs be discussed with your doctor or specialist travel medical centre. It is your responsibility to ensure that you have the appropriate vaccinations and documentation.

CURRENCY

The currency of India is the rupee (Rs). Rupees in large numbers may not be brought out of India. UK Pounds/US Dollars are easy to exchange at the cashier's desk in the hotel, requiring a valid passport. Always keep your receipt/certificate to re-convert at the end of your trip. Major credit cards such as American Express & Visa are gaining acceptance in India. Local market vendors generally do not accept cards. It is recommended that you also carry cash, travellers cheques and credit cards.

EXTENSIONS AND AMENDMENTS

Not possible after a holiday has commenced.

HOTEL AND TOUR INFORMATION

Whilst every effort is taken to ensure the accuracy of hotel and tour information, we rely on the information supplied to us. As all hotels and tour operators are constantly changing services and facilities, we cannot be liable for any errors or omissions caused by the hotels and operators concerned.

CHANGES IN ITINERARY

As we are only an agent for airlines, hotels, tour operators and other Service Providers (see below under "Responsibility and Liability") your booking may be required to be changed or cancelled due to circumstances outside our control; for example, if a hotel is overbooked or an airline changes its timetable or reschedules its flights or if a tour is cancelled. Further, at certain times of the year, due to heavy bookings, we may not be able to obtain the accommodation advertised. In this case, we will use alternative accommodation of a similar standard, or the next best available. Accordingly we reserve the right to vary your itinerary or cancel your booking at any time.

NOT INCLUDED IN THE HOLIDAY COST

Costs of passports or visas, meals (other than those specified), all items of a personal nature such as excess baggage, telephone calls, laundry, room service, airport taxes and government taxes (other than accommodation taxes) any costs in Australia, Australian Passenger Movement Charge, Sydney Noise Levy Tax and any international taxes. Travel Insurance.

PASSENGER CONTACT ADVICE

You must notify us or your Travel Agent of any changes of address or telephone numbers to ensure any variations to the arrangements can be notified within 24 hours.

THIRD PARTY INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

It is now a requirement that we, at times, may be required to pass on your private information to certain third parties, including some overseas suppliers. For example, most Airlines now require your contact details, such as home phone number, mobile phone number and email address, to be included in your booking, which require your permission under the Privacy Act. Also banks and other financial institutions may require details of travellers including their dates of birth, home address and phone numbers, for payments to certain countries that you may be travelling to, in order to comply with new strict Australian Government regulations. By signing the booking form, you agree in giving us permission for us to pass on this information in order to comply with these third party requirements.

RESPONSIBILITIES

India Tours & Travel Specialists (a division of Four Corners Travel Group Pty Ltd ACN 004 712 734), (referred to as "ITTS") does not itself provide carriage services, accommodation, transport or tours. ITTS acts as an agent for accommodation providers, air, coach, shipping, rail, and other carriage or transport providers, tour operators and other service and product providers (referred to as "Service Providers"). All products and services provided by Service Providers are provided on those Service Providers' own terms and conditions, which may include limitations and exclusions of liability. All bookings with ITTS and all tickets, vouchers, receipts, coupons, exchange orders and other like documents issued to the client, are subject to each Service Provider's terms and conditions governing the provision of products and services to be provided by that Service Provider. ITTS shall not be liable for any acts, omissions or defaults whether negligent or otherwise, of any Service Providers. ITTS shall also not be liable (whether in contract, tort or otherwise) for any injury, illness, death, loss, damage, expense, delay or inconvenience resulting directly or indirectly from circumstances outside ITTS's control, including acts of God, war, civil disturbance, strikes, fire, flood, acts of government or other authorities, breakdowns, accidents, disease, quarantine, medical or customs regulations, and alterations, cancellations or delays concerning itineraries, timetables or accommodation. At ITTS sole and absolute discretion, where possible and provided the supplier or suppliers will allow, we will:

1. Offer the client alternative arrangements of similar standard as appropriate to the circumstances. ITTS may charge a reasonable fee to cover administration costs associated with providing alternative arrangements.
2. Defer the booking until it is possible to make alternate arrangements by up to 12 months at a time or as advised by the suppliers involved.
3. Seek a refund, if possible, less all costs incurred, including but not limited to bank fees, exchange rate differentials, administration costs and any loss of profit and/or costs incurred by ITTS.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, ITTS shall not be liable for loss of revenue, loss of profits, loss of anticipated savings or business, pure economic loss, loss of opportunity or expectation or any other form of consequential, special, indirect, punitive or exemplary loss or damages. Your Travel Agent is not acting as our agent. We will not be responsible for any information, statements or representations (whether orally or in writing) not made by us, or that are inconsistent with this brochure.

CONTRACT

The contract between ITTS and the client shall be governed by the laws of the State of Victoria. By making a booking with ITTS, the client agrees to be bound by all the terms and conditions referred to in this brochure and in the ITTS booking form.

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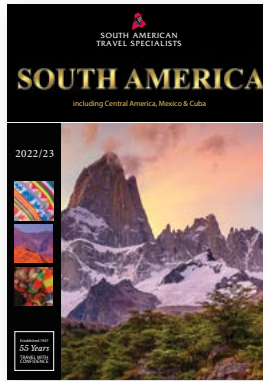
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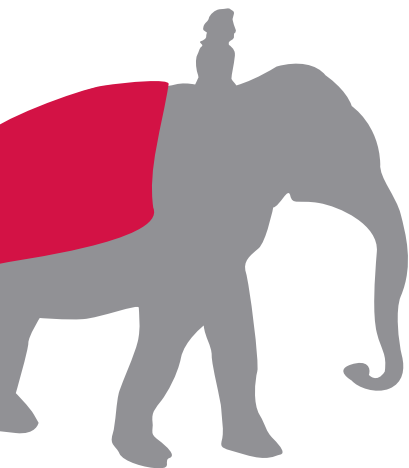
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