



Itinerary

Mysteries of India

Jan 18, 2022 - Jan 31, 2022

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Pre Night: The Park New Delhi

"Begin your exploration with a pre-tour Dubai extension. See one of the world's fastest growing and most intriguing cities. With its many famous man-made structures, Dubai is a must-see destination for any traveler. Enjoy magnificent views of the world famous Burj Al Arab hotel. See the Jumeirah Mosque and Dubai Creek. View the Al Bastakia old wind-towered houses built by wealthy merchants. Stop at Al Fahidi Fort, now the Dubai Museum. Travel by abra, a traditional water taxi. Embark on an exciting desert safari and ride aboard luxury 4x4 vehicles over rolling sand dunes through the Dubai desert. Arrive at a desert campsite where a feast awaits you and enjoy a belly dancing performance. "

Day 1: Delhi, India - Tour Begins



Discover India's perfect synthesis of nature, spirituality, and regal legacy. From the fabled Taj Mahal to the iconic tigers of Ranthambore, step into a world of captivating mysteries and vibrant color. A paradise of contradiction, Delhi features a bustling energy, age-old monuments, and an all-encompassing vitality that courses its way through the busy streets. Experience everything this dynamic metropolis has to offer, from modern New Delhi to historic Old Delhi.

Hotel

The Park New Delhi
Delhi

Weather

High 14°
Low 9°

Day 2: Delhi



Start your morning at the expansive Humayun's Tomb, one of the best-preserved Mughal monuments dating back to the 1500s. This sprawling complex inspired countless mausoleums, including the legendary Taj Mahal. Enjoy some free time in the afternoon to explore on your own. Gather with your group in the evening for a welcome dinner featuring Indian specialties.

Hotel

The Park New Delhi
Delhi

Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

Weather

High 14°
Low 9°

Day 3: Delhi



Cut through Old Delhi's buzzing streets on a rickshaw – your mode of transportation for an exhilarating tour of old Delhi. See the city's friendly vendors as you travel down narrow streets and busy corridors. Visit Jama Masjid, one of the largest mosques in India, and stand in awe before its iconic red sandstone towers. Your exploration of New Delhi continues on a journey by the city's famous monuments, including the India Gate and Parliament building.

Hotel

The Park New Delhi
Delhi

Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

Weather

High 14°
Low 9°

Day 4: Delhi - Jaipur



Wish the city goodbye and embark on a scenic drive through the countryside. Stop for lunch in a local restaurant before arriving in Jaipur, the "Pink City." See Hawa Mahal, the former home of a maharaja (Indian prince). Marvel at the city's architectural brilliance as you stroll through the heart of the Old City.

Hotel

Radisson Jaipur City Center
Jaipur

Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

Weather

High 22°
Low 9°

Day 5: Jaipur



Take in the extensive palace complex of Amber Fort, India's former seat of power. Head to the palace by means of a vintage jeep, scaling the hills overlooking Jaipur. In the evening, get to know a local family as you join them for a hosted dinner in their home.

Hotel

Radisson Jaipur City Center
Jaipur

Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

Weather

High 22°
Low 9°

Day 6: Jaipur



Set out to explore the beautiful city of Jaipur, starting with the City Palace. Nearby, take in the impeccable masonry of the Jantar Mantar – the world's oldest stone sundial. The afternoon is yours to discover Jaipur however you please.

Hotel

Radisson Jaipur City Center
Jaipur

Culinary

Breakfast

Weather

High 22°
Low 9°

Day 7: Jaipur - Ranthambore National Park



Seek out tigers in their natural habitat at Ranthambore National Park. Learn about Project Tiger's conservation efforts and the impact the organization has had on the Ranthambore sanctuary. Connect with a naturalist, introducing you to India's extensive wildlife.

Hotel

Sawai Vilas
Ranthambore

Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

Weather

High 28°
Low 12°

Day 8: Ranthambore



Board a canter (open-air truck) and drive along scattered ruins, passing by barking deer, Indian gazelles, and exotic birdlife. Follow the tigers' paths in search of the sanctuary's renowned wildlife. Then, it's your choice! Return to your hotel to relax -OR- visit Dastkar Ranthambore, a social enterprise dedicated to providing employment and training for local women artisans. No matter what you choose, return to the wild for another chance to seek out marsh crocodiles, sloth bears, and the park's famous tigers.

Hotel

Sawai Vilas
Ranthambore

Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

Weather

High 28°
Low 12°

Day 9: Ranthambore - Agra



Make your way to Agra, a city rich with the splendors of the past. Along the way, stop for lunch and get another taste of local flavors. Enjoy time in Agra to explore on your own. Home to stone forts and marble mausoleums, this animated city features a lively culture and picture-perfect architecture.

Hotel

Crystal Sarovar Premiere Agra
Agra

Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

Weather

High 23°
Low 17°

Day 10: Agra



The Taj Mahal, a stunning vision in white marble and sandstone, was built as an expression of love by Emperor Shah Jahan. Experience the romantic spirit of the Taj Mahal in the early morning, when the colors of the sky dance on the bright façade and shimmer in its reflective pool. Visit Agra Fort, the seat of the Mughal Empire. Enjoy lunch at Sheroes' Hangout – a café that empowers female survivors of violence, allowing them to reclaim their lives through employment and sisterhood.

Hotel

Crystal Sarovar Premiere Agra
Agra

Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

Weather

High 23°
Low 17°

Day 11: Agra - Khajuraho



Start your morning with a train ride to Khajuraho. In the shadow of the Vindhya mountain range, find a city of stone temples and mystifying sculptures. Make the most of time at leisure to explore the area on your own.

Hotel

Radisson Jass Hotel Khajuraho
Khajuraho

Culinary

Breakfast & Lunch

Weather

High 24°
Low 11°

Day 12: Khajuraho - Varanasi



Take in the Chandela Temple complex, home to unparalleled temple architecture and intricate stone carvings. Fly to Varanasi – India's holiest city – where spiritual energy radiates from the ground up. Sail along the River Ganges and pass by the ghats (banks) where locals wade into the river. From the Dasaswamedh Ghat, enjoy a reserved seat to experience the Ganga Aarti ceremony as it illuminates the night sky.

Hotel

Radisson Varanasi
Varanasi

Culinary

Breakfast

Weather

High 21°
Low 7°

Day 13: Varanasi



Take advantage of a morning boat ride for an opportunity to see the sunrise on the River Ganges. Travel to Sarnath, where Siddhartha Gautama – later known as Buddha – gave his first sermon in the 6th century B.C. Discover this holy site and gain insight into the country's divine past. Celebrate your adventure through India alongside new friends at a farewell dinner.

Hotel

Radisson Varanasi
Varanasi

Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

Weather

High 21°
Low 7°

Day 14: Varanasi - Delhi - Tour Ends



Enjoy a morning at leisure before flying back to Delhi, where a room has been reserved for you to freshen up before your return flight home.

Hotel

Lemon Tree Premier, Delhi Airport
Delhi

Culinary

Breakfast

Weather

High 14°
Low 9°