

MAGICAL JOURNEYS BEYOND
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THE TIGERS TRAILS OF INDIA TOUR

20 Days / 19 Nights

A Marvelous Jungle Adventure for wildlife enthusiasts



**Mumbai (02 Nights) - Pench (02 Nights) - Kanha (02 nights)
Bandhavgarh (02 Nights) - Khajuraho (02 Nights) - Agra (02 nights)
Ranthambore (02 nights) - Jaipur (02 nights) - Delhi (03 Nights)**

Day 01 Arrive Mumbai



Arrive at Mumbai international airport. Our representative will be meeting you on arrival (after clearing passport and customs formalities) and shall assist with the transfer to the hotel for check-in.

Mumbai, formerly known as Bombay, is the capital city of the Indian state of Maharashtra. It is the most populous city in India and the fourth most populous city in the world.

Overnight stay at your hotel (Mumbai, 02 nights)

Day 02 Full Day City Tour of Mumbai



After breakfast take a trip to **Elephanta Caves via boat**. Elephanta is a 3 kilometer long island, consisting of two hills separated by a valley. The **caves with rock-cut figures** and carvings are believed to be carved by the sculptors of Ajanta. They bear mute testimony of the Golden Age in Indian history during the Gupta period and were built to honor Lord Shiva.

Upon returning to the Mainland, commence a City Tour of Mumbai.

The **Gateway of India** is a monument built during the British Rule to commemorate the landing of King George V and Queen Mary when they visited India in 1911. The structure is a basalt arch 26 meters high that lies at the end of Chhatrapati Shivaji Marg at the water's edge in Mumbai Harbor. It was a crude jetty used by the fishing community which was later renovated and used as a landing place for British governors and other prominent people. In earlier times, it would have been the first structure that visitors arriving by boat in Mumbai would have seen.



Notably the prettiest temple in Mumbai, the **Jain Temple** is a must-see. Officially called **Babu Amichand Panalal Adishwarji Jain Temple**, this beautifully decorated and adorned temple has an entrance flanked by two stone elephants. The downstairs area houses an array of deities and saints, including an image of Ganesh that recalls historical links between Jainism and Hinduism.

Afterwards, continue your tour with a drive past the "**Towers of Silence**", circular raised structures used by Zoroastrians for exposure of the dead, particularly to scavenging birds for the purposes of excarnation. To preclude the pollution of earth or fire (Zam and Atar respectively), the bodies of the dead are placed atop a tower and so become exposed to the sun and to birds.



Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus formerly known as Victoria Terminus is a historic railway station and a UNESCO World Heritage Site in Mumbai, Maharashtra, India



which serves as the headquarters of the Central Railways. The station has been designed by Frederick William Stevens according to the concept of Victorian Italianate Gothic Revival architecture and meant to be a similar revival of Indian Goth (classical era) architecture. The station was built in 1887 in the Bori Bunder area of Mumbai to commemorate the Golden Jubilee of Queen Victoria. *Due to traffic congestion in the streets immediately surrounding the building, the Terminus is typically only viewed from the exterior for photography.*



Conclude with **Mani Bhavan**, the house where Mahatma Gandhi stayed during his visits to Bombay. It is now a Museum displaying photographs, letters and personal items used by him. The building also acted as the focal point of Gandhi's political activities in Mumbai between 1917 and 1934.

Overnight stay at your hotel

Day 03 Mumbai to Nagpur (by air) then drive to Pench (5 hour drive)

After breakfast, transfer to Mumbai Airport to board a flight to Nagpur. You will be greeted upon arrival and will then drive onward to Pench. On arrival in Pench, check-in to the hotel.

Pench National Park is situated in the Seoni and Chhindwara districts of Madhya Pradesh. It derives its name from the Pench River that flows through the National Park from north to south, thus dividing the park into almost equal western and eastern well-forested halves. The park was declared a sanctuary in 1977 and was raised to the status of National Park in 1983.

Overnight stay at your hotel (Pench, 02 nights)



Day 04 Sightseeing tour of Pench National Park



In the morning after breakfast, we leave for a **morning wildlife tour** at Pench. The park includes tigers, leopard, fox, gaur, jungle cat and many other types of mammals as well as many different species of local and migratory birds that visit Pench every year. Some of the birds found in the area are peafowl, crimson-breasted barbet, magpie robin, pintail, shoveler and many more. Enjoy an afternoon jeep safari into the **Pench National Park**, with your evening at leisure.

Overnight stay at your hotel

Day 05 Pench to Kanha National Park (4 hour drive)

In the morning after breakfast, we depart for **Kanha National Park**. On your arrival in Kanha, check into the hotel. Kanha is a tourist friendly place which pampers the tourists and gives them all the opportunity to spend their time in the pure nature. The town is famous for its varied wildlife and various historical sights. Enjoy your evening at leisure.

Overnight stay at your hotel (Kanha, 02 nights)



Day 06 Sightseeing tour of Kanha National Park



In the morning after breakfast, we leave for **Kanha National Park** tour which includes a **jeep safari into the Kanha National Park**. In the afternoon we visit to other sites such as the **Kanha Museum** and **Bamni Dadar**. Kanha Museum is a tribal museum that gives elaborate details about the lifestyle of the people who belong to the jungle. Bamni Dadar is one of the famous sunset points where guests visit to get the picturesque view of the setting sun. Your evening is at leisure. ***Overnight stay at your hotel***

Day 07 Kanha to Bandhavgarh (5 hour drive)

In the morning after breakfast, depart for **Bandhavgarh National Park**, one of the most famous wildlife sanctuaries in India. On your arrival in Bandhavgarh, check into the hotel. Located in the rugged and green Vindhyan Range near Jabalpur, Bandhavgarh National Park has one of the highest numbers of tigers and is home to a rich variety of flora and fauna. Your evening is at leisure.

Overnight stay at your hotel (Bandhavgarh, 02 nights)



Day 08 Sightseeing tour of Bandhavgarh



In the morning after breakfast, your tour will start from Bandhavgarh to include a **jeep safari into the Bandhavgarh National Park**. In the afternoon, enjoy a visit to the **Bandhavgarh Fort**, the oldest fort in India at more than 2500 years. Also see **Gopalpur**, a place for bird watching where a slow approach may provide you memorable sightings of wild fauna. Your evening is at leisure. ***Overnight stay at your hotel***

Day 09 Bandhavgarh – Khajuraho, 5 hours drive

In the morning after breakfast, we depart for **Khajuraho**. On your arrival in Khajuraho, check in into the hotel then visit the Khajuraho Group of Monuments. Khajuraho is one of the most popular tourist destinations in India, being that it has the largest group of medieval Hindu and Jain temples, famous for their erotic sculptures.

Overnight stay at your hotel (Khajuraho, 02 nights)



Day 10 Sightseeing tour of Khajuraho, the City of Erotic Temples



After breakfast in the hotel, visit the **famous temples of Khajuraho**. The temples are grouped into three divisions the western, eastern and southern groups. **Kandariya Mahodeo**, the largest and most typical of the Khajuraho temples, is dedicated to Shiva. The main shrine is exquisitely carved and features delicate details. The temples dedicated to various gods and goddesses bear friezes depicting not only celestial beings but also portraying the everyday life and culture of a highly civilized people. The erotic theme prevails in an array of sculptures of amorous couples in the most intimate and extraordinarily varied postures of sensual love.

Overnight stay at your hotel

Day 11 Khajuraho to Orchha for sightseeing, then to Agra (by train)

After breakfast, you will drive to Jhansi, en route visiting **Orchha**.

The city of **Orchha**, lies on the Betwa River and was established by Maharaja Rudra Pratap Singh in 1501 as the seat of a former princely state in the Bundelkhand region.

The Bundela chief Raja Rudra Pratap chose an easily defended and beautiful site for his capital. Set on the island on a bend in the Betwa River, it is elevated above the surrounding wooded countryside. Once the capital of its own state, Orchha contains three palaces - **The Raj Mahal, Rai**



Parveen Mahal, Jahangir Mahal - each built by succeeding Maharajas in a similar style and combining to form a complex as imposing as that at Udaipur. Also visit the **Ram Raja Temple** and the **Chaturbhuj Temple**.

On arrival at Jhansi, transfer to the railway station to board your train to Agra.

On arrival at the Agra railway station, meeting and assistance will be provided by our representative for transfer to the hotel for check-in.

Overnight stay at your hotel (Agra, 02 nights)



Day 12 Sightseeing tour of Agra, The City of Taj

Agra is the city of the **Taj Mahal**, perhaps the most photographed monument in the world. However, no matter how many pictures you have seen or no matter how high your expectations are, the Taj never lets you down. The unparalleled glory and beauty of the building surpasses all human imaginations.





Begin your sightseeing of Agra with a tour of the **Agra Fort**, an astounding structure comprised of sprawling palaces, royal residences, opulent harems, magnificent towers, impressive ramparts and awe-inspiring gateways. This stately structure showcases not only the political stature and power of the Mughal Empire under Akbar but also the advancements made in the sphere of art and architecture. The present day structure was built by the Mughals, though a fort had stood there since at least the 11th century CE.

The monumental **Delhi Gate**, which faces the city on the western side of Agra Fort, is considered the grandest of the fort's four gates and a masterpiece of Akbar's time. The gate was built circa 1568, both to enhance security and to serve as the king's formal gate. It is embellished with inlay work in white marble. A wooden drawbridge was used to cross the moat and reach the gate from the mainland. An inner gateway called Hathi Pol, or "Elephant Gate", is guarded by two life-sized stone elephants with their riders.



If you would truly like to feel like a royal, a tonga cart is a fun way of getting around the city. A **tonga ride** is in essence something akin to a horse drawn carriage decorated with colorful flowers and cloth. We arrange for a tonga ride to the city's greatest monument, the Taj Mahal, to truly experience.

Agra is the city of the **Taj Mahal**, perhaps the most photographed monument in the world. It was commissioned in 1632 by the Mughal emperor Shah Jahan (reigned 1628–1658) to house the tomb of his beloved wife of three, Mumtaz Mahal. As one of Seven Wonders of the World, the Taj Mahal is regarded by many as the best example of Mughal architecture and is widely recognized as "the jewel of Muslim art in India".



Then you have the opportunity to view the **Taj Mahal**. Come, walk along the pathway beside the reflecting pool with fountains leading up to the mausoleum crafted in soft marble and jeweled with semi-precious stones. Here is where, in the serenity of paradise, rests the Queen in peace with her King. Come to unfold the pages from the past to reveal the charm out of its mystique and enrich your imagination about this marvel, an epic in stone. A look this time at the Taj will keep you indulged with your thoughts and allows you to feel the presence of Shah Jahan, the Maker, and Mumtaz Mahal, the Reason, as if they are walking along with you. *(Note that the Taj Mahal is closed on Fridays).* **Overnight stay at your hotel**

Day 13 Agra to Ranthambore (5 hour drive)

After breakfast at the hotel, drive to **Ranthambore National Park**. En route visit **Fatehpur Sikri** or the **Keoladeo National Park Bird Sanctuary**.

Fatehpur Sikri is a regal city also named “the abandoned city”. Built by the great Mughal Emperor Akbar as his capital, the city was abandoned only a few years later due to the scarcity of water. The whole city is built of red sandstone and is still remarkably well preserved.



Or you may instead visit **Keoladeo National Park**.

Enjoy a relaxed **tour of the park surroundings via cycle rickshaw**. The sanctuary was formerly a waterfowl hunting reserve of the Rajput Maharajas of Bharatpur. Keoladeo National Park is now a man-made and man-managed wetland and one of the national parks of India. The reserve protects Bharatpur from frequent floods, provides grazing grounds for village cattle.

The 29 square kilometer Keoladeo reserve is locally known as Ghana and is a mosaic of dry grasslands, woodlands, woodland swamps, and wetlands. These diverse habitats are home to 366 bird species, 379 floral species, 50 species of fish, 13 species of snakes, 5 species of lizards, 7 amphibian species, 7 turtle species and a variety of other invertebrates. Every year



thousands of migratory waterfowl visit the park for wintering breeding etc. The Sanctuary is one of the richest bird areas in the world. It is known for nesting of its resident birds and visiting migratory birds including water birds. Many species migrate to India and to Keoladeo from Siberia, Afghanistan, China, Turkmenistan and many other northern countries.



Proceed to Sawai Madhopur, home to **Ranthambore National Park** and sprawled in the Aravalli and Vindhya mountain ranges of Rajasthan. Ranthambore encompasses an area of 410 square kilometers in which lives a healthy population of about **40 tigers**. A large number of deer inhabit the area and leopards are occasionally sighted. Ranthambore is known to have India's Friendliest tigers, assured of protection in the park. These normally nocturnal creatures are seen often in the day.

Overnight at the hotel (Ranthambore, 02 nights)



Day 14 Sightseeing tour of Ranthambore, The Tiger Sanctuary



The region around Sawai Madhopur is thick with remnants of its past history. Ancient walls, mosques, wells and hunting lodges adorn the lush rolling hills of the Vindhya and the Aravalis. Tiger, Panther, Hyena, Jackal, Jungle Cat, Caracal, Sloth Bear, Sambar, Chital, Nilgai, Wild Boar, Chinkara, Indian hare mongoose are the common animals here

Enjoy **two game viewing safaris**, morning and evening, through the park by jeep. *Overnight at the hotel*

Day 15 Ranthambore to Jaipur (5 hour drive)

After breakfast drive to **Jaipur**, the capital and largest city of the Indian state of Rajasthan. It was founded in 1727 by Maharaja Sawai Jai Singh II, the ruler of Amber, after whom the city has been named. Jaipur is known as the Pink City of India. On arrival, check into the hotel.

Jaipur was built in 1727 by Maharaja Sawai Jai Singh II. In 1876 CE, Jaipur dressed itself in pink to welcome Prince Albert, consort of Queen Victoria and earned the moniker '**Pink City**'. It is also a home of excellent handicrafts and is especially known for the exquisite gold jewelry enameled or inlaid with precious stones, blue pottery, carvings of wood, stone and ivory, block print, tie & dye textiles, handmade paper and miniature painting.

Overnight stay at your hotel (Jaipur, 02 nights)



Day 16 Sightseeing tour of Jaipur, The Pink City

After an early breakfast you have a morning visit to the impressive **Amber Fort** situated on a ridge just outside Jaipur City. At the foot of the hill you will enjoy a slow but steady **climb up to the main gate by way of your caparisoned elephant**. (Elephants are subject to availability, otherwise enter via jeep, so arrive early). The Fort, completed in the early 18th century, took over 100 years to build and now, although deserted, offers a fascinating insight into the lifestyle of the ruling families.



Constructed of sandstone and marble, the attractive and opulent palace is laid out on four levels, each with a courtyard. It consists of the **Diwan-e-Aam** (Hall of Public Audience), the **Diwan-e-Khas** (Hall of Private Audience), the **Sheesh Mahal** (mirror palace), or **Jai Mandir** and the **Sukh Niwas** where a cool climate is artificially created by winds that blow over a water cascade within the palace.





Later stop at **Hawa Mahal** (the Palace of the Winds) for photography. Hawa Mahal was built in 1799 and its original intention was to allow royal ladies to observe everyday life in the street below without being seen. The structure was designed in the form of the crown of Krishna, the Hindu god. Its unique five-story exterior is akin to the honeycomb of a beehive with its 953 small windows, called jharokhas, that are decorated with intricate latticework.

Continue to the **City Palace** which is now the residence of the royal family of Jaipur and a beautiful museum. The palace was built between 1729 and 1732 by Sawai Jai Singh II, the ruler of Amber. He planned and built the outer walls and later additions were made by successive rulers continuing up to the 20th century. The architects achieved a fusion of the Shilpa Shastra of Indian architecture with Rajput, Mughal and European styles of architecture. Within the City Palace is located the **Sileh Khana**, or armory section of the museum, as well as the **Mubarak Mahal**, or Textile Gallery.



Afterwards you will visit **Jantar Mantar**, an outdoor observatory. Built in the 18th century by the city founder Jai Singh II, the enormous instruments are made out of stone and served to explore the night skies with remarkable accuracy. The monument expresses architectural innovations, as well as the coming together of ideas from different religious and social beliefs in 18th century India. The observatory is an example of the Ptolemaic positional astronomy which was shared by many civilizations. ***Overnight at the hotel***

Day 17 Jaipur to Delhi (5 hour drive)



After breakfast at the hotel, drive to Delhi. On arrival, check into the hotel. Your evening is at leisure.

Delhi, India's modern capital is also an ancient city tracing its origins in legend. It is dotted with hundreds of landmarks and offers more than a millennium of history in stone. From here the various Hindu and Muslim dynasties including the Mughals ruled. When British administration moved to Delhi in 1911, New Delhi became the Capital of India.

Overnight stay at your hotel (Delhi, 03 nights)

Day 18 Sightseeing tour of New Delhi, The Capital City of India



After breakfast begin with sightseeing in New Delhi.

New Delhi has the **India Gate**, a memorial raised in honor of the Indian soldiers who were martyred during the Afghan War. Even though it is a war memorial, it evokes the architectural style of the triumphal arch like the Arch of Constantine, outside the Colosseum in Rome, and is often compared to the Arc de Triomphe in Paris and the Gateway of India in Mumbai.

You may, depending on timing, have the opportunity to see the **Changing of the Guard at the President House**. The Change of Guard ceremony is a military tradition whose origins are lost in antiquity. From time immemorial, guards and sentries at palaces, forts and defense establishments change periodically to enable a fresh body of troops to take charge. At Rashtrapati Bhavan the Ceremonial Army Guard battalion is responsible for providing ceremonial guards and sentries for the President of India. The thirty minute ceremony commences with the PBG troops, astride their caparisoned, powerful and well groomed steeds advancing from behind the Jaipur Column to the tunes played by the Army Brass Band.



Directly opposite is **Rashtrapati Bhawan**, once the imperial residence of the British Viceroys and now the official residence of the President of India. To one side is Parliament House, a circular building that is a symbol of Indian democracy.

Then visit **Humayun's Tomb**, a sandstone forerunner of the Taj Mahal built in 1569.

The tomb was commissioned by Humayun's son Akbar in 1569-70 and designed by Mirak Mirza Ghiyas, a Persian architect chosen by Bega Begum. It was the first garden-tomb on the Indian subcontinent. Turkish and Mughal rule in the Indian subcontinent also introduced Central Asian and Persian styles of Islamic architecture in the region and, by the late 12th century, early monuments in this style were appearing in and around Delhi.



Also see **Qutub Minar**, an 11th century victory tower. In 1200 CE Qutub-ud-Din Aibak, the founder of the Delhi Sultanate, started construction of the Qutub Minar. In 1369, lightning struck the top story, destroying it completely, and Firoz Shah Tughlaq carried out restoration work, replacing the damaged story with two new stories made of red sandstone and white marble. At 73 meters high, Qutub Minar is the tallest brick minaret in the world.

Qutub Minar is surrounded by several historically significant monuments, which are historically connected with the tower and are part of the Qutub Complex. These include the Iron Pillar of Delhi, Quwwat-ul-Islam Mosque, Alai Darwaza, the Tomb of Iltutmish, Alai Minar, Ala-ud-din's Madrasa and Tomb, and the Tomb of Imam Zamin. ***Overnight stay at your hotel***

Day 19 Sightseeing tour of Old Delhi, Centuries of History

After breakfast you will have sightseeing in Old Delhi. Old Delhi was founded as Shahjahanabad by Mughal Emperor Shahjahan in 1639. It remained the capital for the Mughals until the end of the Mughal dynasty. It was once filled with the mansions of nobles and members of the royal court, along with elegant mosques and gardens. Today Old Delhi still serves as the symbolic heart of metropolitan Delhi.



The tour of Old Delhi includes a self-guided walking tour of the **Red Fort**, a huge settlement that contains within it some very beautiful palaces and handsome public buildings. The Red Fort was the residence of the Mughal emperor of India for over 200 years, until 1857. In addition to accommodating the emperors and their households, it was the ceremonial and political center of the Mughal government and the setting for events critically impacting the region. Constructed in 1648 by the fifth Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan as the palace of his fortified capital, the Red Fort is named for its massive enclosing walls of

red sandstone. The fort is adjacent to the older Salimgarh Fort, built by Islam Shah Suri in 1546. (Note that the Red Fort is closed on Mondays).

Also visit **Jamma Masjid**, one of the largest mosques and a graceful structure that is still a house of worship for devout Muslims. The mosque was completed in 1656 with three great gates, four towers and two 40 meter high minarets constructed of layers of red sandstone and white marble. There are three domes on the terrace which are surrounded by the two minarets. The courtyard can accommodate more than 25,000 persons.



Continue to **Raj Ghat**, the cremation site of Mahatma Gandhi, the Father of Modern India. The monument is left open to the sky while an eternal flame burns perpetually at one end. A stone footpath flanked by lawns leads to the walled enclosure that houses the memorial.

You conclude the morning with an enjoyable **cycle rickshaw ride** through the streets of **Chandni Chowk**, one of the oldest and busiest markets in Old Delhi. Chandni Chowk's speciality is the variety of its markets and their Indian heritage. From authentic Indian food with delicacies and sweets of more than 1,000 kinds to sarees with chikan and zari work, there is so much to see. There are many narrow lanes with shops selling books, clothing, shoes, leather goods, electronics and consumer goods. The area, although very congested, is a good place for window shopping and photography. *Overnight stay at your hotel*



Day 20 Excursion tour of Akshardham and departure transfer

After breakfast in the hotel, partake of a visit to Akshardham.

Swaminarayan Akshardham in New Delhi epitomises 10,000 years of Indian culture in all its breathtaking grandeur, beauty, wisdom and bliss. It brilliantly showcases the essence of India's ancient architecture, traditions and timeless spiritual messages. The Akshardham experience is an enlightening journey through India's glorious art, values and contributions for the progress, happiness and harmony of mankind. The complex was inaugurated in November 2005.



Later in the day, depart to Delhi International airport to connect to your flight for home.

PRICING: All of our tours are fully customizable and therefore have pricing that varies depending on the destinations, activities, accommodations and meal plans.

Please see our website at www.magicaljourneysbeyond.com for current pricing on this tour. Tours that are further customized are subject to re-pricing and we will be happy to assist you with that.

Hotels shown in the table below are indicative of the hotels that are commonly used but particular properties are subject to room availability. Guest may also choose to stay in Heritage Hotels which are historic palaces, forts and havelis that have been renovated to serve as modern hotels yet still maintain their old world charm. Please contact us for Heritage Hotel options.

| CITIES | HOTELS' ENVISAGED (3 - 4* Hotels) | HOTELS' ENVISAGED (4 - 5* Hotels) | MEAL |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Mumbai (02 nights) | C.I. HERITAGE | FARIYAS | Breakfast |
| Pench (02 nights) | PENCH JUNGLE CAMP (4* STD) | | All Meals |
| Kanha (02 nights) | INFINITY | KANHA JUNGLE LODGE | All Meals |
| Bandhavgarh (02 nights) | INFINITY | BANDHAVGARH JUNGLE LODGE | All Meals |
| Khajuraho (02 nights) | RAMADA | RADISSON JASS | Breakfast |
| Agra (02 nights) | HOWARD PLAZA | FOUR POINT BY SHERATON | Breakfast |
| Ranthambhore (02 nights) | PUGMARK | DEV VILAS | All Meals |
| Jaipur (02 nights) | PARK PRIME | RAMADA | Breakfast |
| Delhi (03 nights) | AFRICA AVENUE GK-I | HOLIDAY INN MAYUR VIHAR | Breakfast |

| CITIES | 5* HOTELS ENVISAGED | MEAL |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| Mumbai (02 nights) | TRIDENT | Breakfast |
| Pench (02 nights) | TATHASTU RESORT | All Meals |
| Kanha (02 nights) | KANHA JUNGLE LODGE | All Meals |
| Bandhavgarh (02 nights) | BANDHAVGARH JUNGLE LODGE | All Meals |
| Khajuraho (02 nights) | RADISSON | Breakfast |
| Agra (02 nights) | JAYPEE PALACE | Breakfast |
| Ranthambhore (02 nights) | NAHARGARH | All Meals |
| Jaipur (02 nights) | THE LALIT, JAIPUR | Breakfast |
| Delhi (03 nights) | THE LALIT, NEW DELHI | Breakfast |

IMPORTANT NOTES;

PRICE;

- ❖ Our prices are based on hotel and other service costs as of now and any increase in Guide, Fuel, Govt. Service tax, Monuments entrance fees, etc. would be advised as supplement

DOMESTIC AIRLINE TICKETS;

For individuals - Mostly airlines in India work on Best Available Fare basis, which is like the offer of the day. This fare is dynamic and keeps changing on daily basis. So we request our partners and clients to send a timely reservation to avoid any hike up. Therefore the applicable fare is only known at the time of actual booking.

MEALS;

- ❖ The meals will start with Breakfast on the 2nd day of arrival in Mumbai
- ❖ The meals will end with Breakfast on the last day in Delhi

Tour Price Inclusions

- **HOTEL ACCOMMODATION;** Accommodation is based on twin sharing at all the places.
- **MEALS;** Daily Breakfast at the specified hotels, except **all meals in Pench, Kanha, Bandhavgarh and Ranthambhore National Parks.**
- **TRANSPORT;** All Transfers, Sightseeing tours, Excursions and Inter-city drives will be provided by an excellent quality **Air-conditioned vehicle**
 - For 02 pax using **Standard Car** (Toyota Etios or similar)
 - For 04-06 pax using **Mini Van or similar (Tempo traveler)**
- **TRANSPORT TAXES;** All Road / Toll / Interstate Taxes, Parking Fee, Fuel Charges and Driver's allowance etc.
- **ENTRY FEE;** Entry fee for all the Monuments, National Parks & other sightseeing places as per the program, as listed specifically below.
- **GUIDE;** Services of English speaking guides for sightseeing as per program.
- **MEETINGS & ASSISTANCE;** Meeting & Assistance at all the airports.
- **GOVERNMENT TAXES;** All prevailing taxes by the Central & State Government.
- **COURTESY ETERNAL JOURNEYS;** Daily 02 Bottles of Mineral Water, for each person, Exclusive Souvenir, Baggage Tags, Writing material and India map.

Activities Included on this Tour:

- **Mumbai:** Elephanta Caves via boat, Gateway of India, Mani Bhavan, Jain Temple, Prince of Wales Museum, Crawford Market, Drives past Towers of Silence and Hanging Gardens
- **Pench:** 02 wildlife viewing safaris by shared jeep
- **Kanha:** Wildlife viewing safari by shared jeep, Kanha Museum
- **Bandhavgarh:** Wildlife viewing safari by shared jeep, Bandhavgarh Fort
- **Khajuraho:** Viewing of the temples
- **Agra:** Taj Mahal, Agra Fort, Tomb of I'timad-Ud-Daulah
- **Fatehpur Sikri:** The Abandoned City or Keoladeo National Park in Bharatpur
- **Ranthambhore:** 02 wildlife viewing safaris by shared jeep
- **Jaipur:** Elephant ride up to Amer Fort (as available, else by jeep), Hawa Mahal from exterior, City Palace, Jantar Mantar
- **Delhi:** Red Fort, Jamma Masjid, Raj Ghat, Rickshaw ride through Chandni Chowk, India Gate, Rashtrapati Bhawan, Humayun's Tomb, Qutab Minar, Akshardham

Tour Price Non – Inclusions

- **Personal Expense;** Expenses of personal nature like laundry, telephone calls, fax services, beverages (even during meals), camera fee and video charges at monuments.
- **Tips & Gratuities;** Tips or Gratuities to Guides, Drivers or at the Restaurants.
- **Baggage Handling;** Portorage (for baggage handling) at the hotels, airports & railway stations.
- **Insurances;** Insurances of any kind relating to Trip (Delay or Cancellation), Baggage (Lost or Damaged) and Medical (Medication, Consultation or Hospitalization).
- **Visa:** Visa for India
- **Others;** All services which are not mentioned in the “Trip Inclusions”.
- **Single room stay;** Single room stay (advised as supplement).

Some important notes

- ❖ **ADVANCE PAYMENTS;** Our special rates are on **Full Advance Payment basis**, as per agreed terms. Split or delayed payments are often subject to hotel and airfare rate increases beyond our control.
- ❖ **PROGRAM DETAILS / TIPPING GUIDELINES;** A full Detailed Program, General Information on India (Do’s & Don’ts, Tipping Guidelines etc.), are On request.
- ❖ **NON AVAILABILITY OF COACHES;** In some destinations in India, there is no availability of coaches at all as you go on to the hill stations. So all services shall be rendered by the cars.
- ❖ **FLIGHT / TRAINS DELAYS;** Domestic flights and trains in India as well as International connecting flights suffer constant modifications or delays and even cancellations. In such cases, we will do all possible to look for the best available alternative solution but will not accept any responsibility whatsoever for the airlines or railway systems.
- ❖ **ROAD CONDITIONS;** Ours is very different country than yours in every respect. While we have some of the best hotels in the world, the road conditions, transport systems as well as domestic flights cannot be compared with those in your country. The average speed on roads in India is 40-50 Km per hour. In the rural areas particular to this tour, overall speeds of travel may be less due to road conditions.
- ❖ **LAST MINUTE BOOKINGS;** With a population of over 1.2 billion people there is an emerging traffic of domestic travelers. It means that late and last minute bookings may place us in long waiting lists, especially on domestic flights or trains, and the reservation may not confirm at all. So we request for reservations well in advance to enable us to serve you better.
- ❖ **TOUR INCLUSIONS;** Our rates only include those items which are specified in the Itinerary Inclusions.
- ❖ **CANCELLATION POLICIES;** Our prices are governed by the Booking and Cancellation Policies, of the company. In many cases we are bound by local reservation and payment policies that do not allow for refunds. **We strongly recommend that all guests enroll in a suitable travel insurance program to protect your investment** in the case of cancellation of major change within or beyond our control.
- ❖ **CURRENCY FLUCTUATIONS;** Tour cost has been calculated on the existing tariffs and conditions. In case of any currency fluctuations, amendment in local Government taxes or any fuel hike we reserve the right to revise the tour price accordingly.
- ❖ **EARLY CHECK-IN / LATE CHECK-OUT;** Hotel check-in time is 1400 hours and check-out time is 1200 noon. However we do put a request on behalf of the clients, and do our best to get the early check-in and late check-out. But that remains at the discretion of the particular hotel and only known at the last minute.
- ❖ **PICK UP TIMINGS;** Pick-up timings for all the transfers, sightseeing tours etc. shall be advised at each destination itself, by our local office representatives, as it is best decided by them looking at many situations on that particular day.

- ❖ AIRPORT REPORTING; Reporting time is two hours prior to the schedule departure for all domestic flights and three hours prior on international flights.
- ❖ ADDITIONAL SERVICES; Additional service, if any, during the trip have to be paid directly.
- ❖ HOTEL PRICES / BOOKINGS & OTHER TERMS ;
 - I. Our room rates are best available, at the time of making quotations. Hotel rates may change at the time of making reservation (unless being already booked), depending on the day we process the actual reservations.
 - II. At this moment we are not holding any reservation (unless specified with status column), which takes 24 hours to process.
 - III. Hotels reserve the right to revise the rates, or introduce peak season supplements, at a later stage unless already paid in full.
 - IV. Our price does not include the participation cost at Special Evenings or the cost of Gala Meals (during various fairs & festivals), e.g. Christmas Eve, and New Year Eve etc., which shall be settled directly by the clients.
 - V. Our quotations are calculated on base category of accommodation at each property and are subject to modification, if the same hotel / category of room are not available at the time of reservation. Then we will confirm the superior category of room (or an alternate place) and shall advise the supplement charges (if applicable) accordingly.
 - VI. Upgrade from base category to higher-category rooms can also be done separately.
 - VII. Few hotels do not have extra beds and, in lieu of them, provide the roll-away beds or mattresses.
 - VIII. There is always a shortage of twin rooms at hotels around India, and we can be provided with an extra bed or a mattress within a double room, to make up for the separate bed.
 - IX. Room availability in India is getting saturated due to heavy demands from the tourism industry, international fairs and conventions and due to these constant sold-out situations the hotels are applying the cancellation rules more stringently and once the reservation is guaranteed then the same is subject to full cancellation charges If you decide to not to use the same. We also recommend you to make necessary insurance to protect yourself against this.

***** Please feel free for any further clarification or information which you may require on our Tour proposal *****

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