

HIGHLIGHTS OF INDIA

A Classic Journey Through Royal Heritage, Timeless Monuments & Spiritual Traditions

14 Days / 13 Nights | Private Guided Tour | 3-star and 4-star hotel options

Route: Delhi - Jaipur - Ranthambhore - Agra - Gwalior - Orchha - Khajuraho - Prayagraj - Varanasi - Delhi

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A carefully curated journey through India's royal cities, Mughal landmarks, medieval temples and sacred river traditions. Comfortable private transport and expert local guidance connect celebrated monuments with lesser-known cultural treasures.

Tour highlights

- Old and New Delhi: Jama Masjid, Qutub Minar and Humayun's Tomb
- Jaipur: Amber Fort, City Palace, Jantar Mantar and the Pink City
- Ranthambhore: natural landscapes and optional tiger safari
- Agra: the Taj Mahal, Agra Fort and Mughal craftsmanship
- Gwalior and Orchha: dramatic forts, palaces and royal cenotaphs
- Khajuraho: UNESCO-listed temple architecture and sculpture
- Prayagraj: sacred Triveni Sangam
- Varanasi: evening Ganga Aarti, sunrise Ganges boat ride, ghat walks and Sarnath

Detailed day-by-day itinerary

DAY 01 | DELHI - Arrival in India

On arrival at Indira Gandhi International Airport, meet the GUIDEWALA representative and transfer by air-conditioned vehicle to the hotel. Enjoy time to rest following the international journey.

Overnight: Delhi | Dinner

DAY 02 | DELHI - Old and New Delhi

Discover the historic capital on a guided sightseeing tour. Visit Jama Masjid and the lively Chandni Chowk area, drive past the Red Fort and India Gate, and explore Qutub Minar and Humayun's Tomb. Sightseeing order depends on opening hours and traffic.

Overnight: Delhi | Breakfast and dinner

DAY 03 | DELHI TO JAIPUR - Journey to the Pink City

After breakfast drive to Jaipur, Rajasthan's vibrant capital. Check in at the hotel and, if time permits, take an introductory drive through the old city and its colourful markets.

Approx. 5-6 hours driving | Overnight: Jaipur | Breakfast and dinner

DAY 04 | JAIPUR - Royal Heritage

Visit the magnificent Amber Fort and its palace courtyards. Continue to the City Palace Museum and Jantar Mantar astronomical observatory. Enjoy photo stops at Hawa Mahal and Jal Mahal, with optional time to browse traditional bazaars.

Overnight: Jaipur | Breakfast and dinner

DAY 05 | JAIPUR TO RANTHAMBHORE - Into Tiger Country

Drive to Ranthambhore, known for its forested landscapes and wildlife heritage. Check in and enjoy the surroundings. A national park safari may be booked separately subject to available permits, park operation and arrival time.

Approx. 3.5-4.5 hours driving | Overnight: Ranthambhore | Breakfast and dinner

DAY 06 | RANTHAMBHORE TO AGRA - Journey to Mughal India

Travel by road to Agra. If timing permits, stop at the former Mughal capital of Fatehpur Sikri en route. Arrive in Agra and check into the hotel for the night.

Approx. 6-7 hours driving excluding stops | Overnight: Agra | Breakfast and dinner

DAY 07 | AGRA - Taj Mahal and Agra Fort

Visit the magnificent Taj Mahal, one of the world's most celebrated monuments, followed by Agra Fort, an imposing complex of Mughal palaces and courtyards. Learn about Agra's traditional marble inlay artistry. Note that the Taj Mahal is normally closed on Fridays.

Overnight: Agra | Breakfast and dinner

DAY 08 | AGRA TO GWALIOR - Fortresses and Royal Legacies

Drive to Gwalior and explore the majestic hilltop Gwalior Fort and richly decorated Man Mandir Palace. Visit the Jai Vilas Palace Museum, associated with the Scindia royal family.

Approx. 3-4 hours driving | Overnight: Gwalior | Breakfast and dinner

DAY 09 | GWALIOR TO ORCHHA - Medieval Bundelkhand

Continue to peaceful Orchha on the Betwa River. Explore the Orchha Fort complex, Jahangir Mahal and Raja Mahal, then admire the riverside royal cenotaphs that give the town its distinctive skyline.

Approx. 3-4 hours driving | Overnight: Orchha | Breakfast and dinner

DAY 10 | ORCHHA TO KHAJURAHO - Temples of Timeless Art

Travel to Khajuraho and tour its celebrated UNESCO-listed Western Group of Temples. Discover intricately carved monuments including Kandariya Mahadeva and Lakshmana Temple and learn about the Chandela dynasty.

Approx. 4-5 hours driving | Overnight: Khajuraho | Breakfast and dinner

DAY 11 | KHAJURAHO TO PRAYAGRAJ - The Sacred Confluence

Continue to Prayagraj, a major pilgrimage centre at the confluence of the Ganges and Yamuna rivers. Subject to arrival time, visit Triveni Sangam and the historic Anand Bhavan.

Approx. 6-8 hours driving | Overnight: Prayagraj | Breakfast and dinner

DAY 12 | PRAYAGRAJ TO VARANASI - Evening Ganga Aarti

Drive to Varanasi, one of India's most sacred cities. After hotel check-in, proceed to the Ganges ghats to witness the atmospheric evening Ganga Aarti ceremony, with lamps, chants and devotional rituals.

Approx. 3-4 hours driving | Overnight: Varanasi | Breakfast and dinner

DAY 13 | VARANASI - Sacred River and Sarnath

Begin before sunrise with a boat ride on the Ganges and a guided walk along the historic ghats. Continue to Banaras Hindu University, Bharat Mata Temple and Sarnath, where the Buddha is traditionally believed to have delivered his first sermon.

Overnight: Varanasi | Breakfast and dinner

DAY 14 | VARANASI TO DELHI - Departure

Transfer to Varanasi Airport for the included domestic flight to Delhi. Connect onward with your international flight home. Allow a generous connection time and verify whether baggage must be collected and rechecked.

Breakfast | End of tour services

Tour planning clarification

This 14-day sequence retains all listed destinations and a full day in Varanasi. The Varanasi-Delhi flight and international departure therefore both occur on Day 14. Travellers who require a separate overnight stay in Delhi before flying home should select a 15-day / 14-night version. Ranthambhore safari is optional and is not included in the base quotation.

Package inclusions

- 13 nights in selected 3-star or 4-star hotels on twin/double sharing basis
- Daily breakfast and dinner (half-board meal plan)
- Private deluxe air-conditioned transport with driver, fuel, tolls, parking and applicable road taxes
- English-speaking local sightseeing guides as described in the programme
- Entry fees to monuments specifically scheduled for interior visits, budgeted at foreign-visitor rates
- One-way economy domestic flight Varanasi-Delhi, subject to airline baggage rules
- Airport transfers and local tour coordination
- Sunrise Ganges boat ride, guided ghat walk and evening Ganga Aarti experience, subject to local conditions

Package exclusions

- International airfare, visa fees and travel insurance
- Lunches, drinks and other meals not specifically included
- Ranthambhore safari and permits unless booked as an additional service
- Tips, gratuities, personal expenses, laundry and shopping
- Optional excursions, camera fees and attractions outside the listed programme
- Costs due to exceptional delays, weather, closures or flight changes beyond operator control

Indicative hotel options

Destination	Comfort / 3-star example	Superior / 4-star example
Delhi	Hotel Godwin Deluxe	The Muse Sarovar Portico
Jaipur	Hotel Kalyan	Golden Tulip Jaipur
Ranthambhore	Ranthambhore Regency	Ranthambhore Heritage Haveli
Agra	Hotel Atulyaa Taj	Howard Plaza The Fern

Destination	Comfort / 3-star example	Superior / 4-star example
Gwalior	Hotel Grace	Clarks Inn Suites Gwalior
Orchha	Bundelkhand Riverside	Orchha Palace
Khajuraho	Hotel Harmony	Ramada Khajuraho
Prayagraj	Hotel Kanha Shyam	Grand Continental
Varanasi	Hotel Temple on Ganges	Rivatas by Ideal

Hotels are illustrative alternatives, not confirmed reservations or verified official star ratings. Equivalent properties may be substituted according to season, availability and guest requirements.

Indicative 2026-2027 selling prices

Group size	3-star, INR / person	4-star, INR / person
2 travellers	129,000	154,000
4 travellers	99,000	124,000
6 travellers	88,000	112,000
10 travellers	79,000	103,000
15 travellers	74,000	97,000

Planning estimates for international visitors, twin sharing, with breakfast, dinner, listed guided sightseeing, monument entry fees, road transport and Varanasi-Delhi flight. These are suggested commercial selling prices, NOT live hotel or airline quotations. Festive periods, room availability, seasonal surcharges, guide languages, airfare and tax treatment may change the final quote. Single-room supplement on request.

Important travel documents

- Passport: check the India entry rules for your nationality; commonly at least six months' validity from arrival and adequate blank pages
- Approved Indian visa or e-Visa where applicable; carry printed and digital copies
- International and domestic flight confirmations, hotel vouchers and itinerary
- Comprehensive travel and medical insurance, including emergency assistance
- Emergency contact numbers, prescriptions and copies of important documents

Recommended packing list

- Light breathable clothing, modest attire for sacred places and a sweater or jacket in winter
- Comfortable walking shoes and easy-to-remove footwear for temples
- Sun protection, reusable water bottle, hand sanitiser and insect repellent
- Prescription medicines in original packaging and basic first-aid supplies
- Phone, chargers, power bank, camera and suitable Indian plug adapter

- Small denominations of Indian rupees for incidental expenses

Important notes for travellers

- Travel days can be long; timings are estimates and may change due to traffic or road conditions.
- Dress respectfully at temples and ghats; remove shoes where required and follow photography restrictions.
- Use safe drinking water and advise GUIDEWALA of dietary needs or mobility limitations in advance.
- The Taj Mahal normally closes on Fridays; museums and other monuments may have weekly closure days.
- Ranthambhore safaris depend on permits, seasonal park operations and wildlife conditions; tiger sightings cannot be guaranteed.
- Varanasi boat rides and river ceremonies are subject to water levels, weather and official restrictions.
- Domestic airline baggage rules and flight schedules must be reconfirmed at ticketing.
- Guests should consult a medical professional about personal health and vaccination needs before travel.
- Keep valuables secure and follow the guide's advice in busy areas.

Booking and operational conditions

Rates and hotels are subject to availability until booking confirmation. Final itinerary order may be adjusted for flight schedules, weekly closures, local restrictions and operational needs. Confirm exact travel dates, group size, rooming list, nationality, preferred hotel category and optional safari before issuing a binding quotation. Payment terms, cancellation policy, single supplement and any festival surcharges should be supplied with the final commercial offer.