

THE ROYAL HERITAGE TRAIL OF INDIA

A Seamless Journey Through Mughal Grandeur, Rajput Royalty, and Village Life



Delhi • Agra • Jaipur • Nalai • Udaipur
(11 Nights / 12 Days)

Get ready for an unforgettable journey through the cultural heart of India, where history, color, and timeless traditions unfold across five remarkable destinations. Your experience begins in Delhi, a vibrant capital where ancient monuments, bustling bazaars, and tree-lined boulevards reveal the fascinating contrast between old and new. From grand Mughal architecture to lively street scenes, Delhi offers a compelling introduction to India's rich heritage.

Next, travel to Agra, home to the legendary Taj Mahal. This world-renowned monument, crafted in luminous white marble, stands as a symbol of love and artistic mastery, captivating visitors with its symmetry, intricate detailing, and serene presence along the Yamuna River.

Continue onward to Jaipur, the Pink City of Rajasthan, where majestic forts, opulent palaces, and colorful markets reflect the legacy of royal dynasties. The city's vibrant culture, traditional crafts, and architectural grandeur bring Rajasthan's history vividly to life.

Leaving the bustle behind, arrive in Narlai, a tranquil heritage village set amid rocky hills and rural landscapes. Here, timeless village life, historic surroundings, and warm hospitality offer a peaceful and authentic Rajasthani experience.

The journey concludes in Udaipur, the romantic City of Lakes, where shimmering waters, graceful palaces, and scenic vistas create an atmosphere of elegance and charm. Together, these destinations form a beautifully balanced journey through India's most iconic and intimate landscapes.





SIGNATURE MOMENTS

- Glide by rickshaw through Old Delhi's historic lanes and vibrant street life
- Experience a meaningful Seva service at Gurudwara Bangla Sahib
- Witness the timeless beauty of the Taj Mahal at sunrise, a truly unforgettable experience
- Explore the architectural splendor of Mughal India at the majestic Agra Fort
- Step into Jaipur's royal legacy with visits to its magnificent forts, palaces, temples, and historic monuments
- Immerse yourself in the lively atmosphere of Jaipur's colorful bazaars, rich with crafts, textiles, and local life
- Experience Rajasthan's living traditions through a hands-on block printing workshop guided by skilled artisans
- Enjoy a rare and responsible wildlife experience with rescued elephants in the serene forests of Dera Amer
- Stay at a beautifully restored heritage hotel and absorb the authentic village charm of Narlai
- Set out on an early-morning leopard safari near Narlai, offering a thrilling encounter with Rajasthan's remarkable wildlife
- Marvel at the exquisite marble craftsmanship of the 15th-century Ranakpur Jain Temples
- Glide across the tranquil waters of Lake Pichola, enjoying panoramic views of Udaipur's palaces and lakeside beauty
- Soak in the romance, elegance, and serenity of Udaipur, the enchanting City of Lakes

JOURNEY

Day 01	Arrive in Delhi, INDIA
Day 02	Delhi
Day 03	Delhi
Day 04	Delhi – Agra
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Day 08	Jaipur – Narlai
Day 09	Narlai
Day 10	Narlai – Udaipur
Day 11	Udaipur
Day 12	Fly Udaipur – Delhi Delhi – Departure

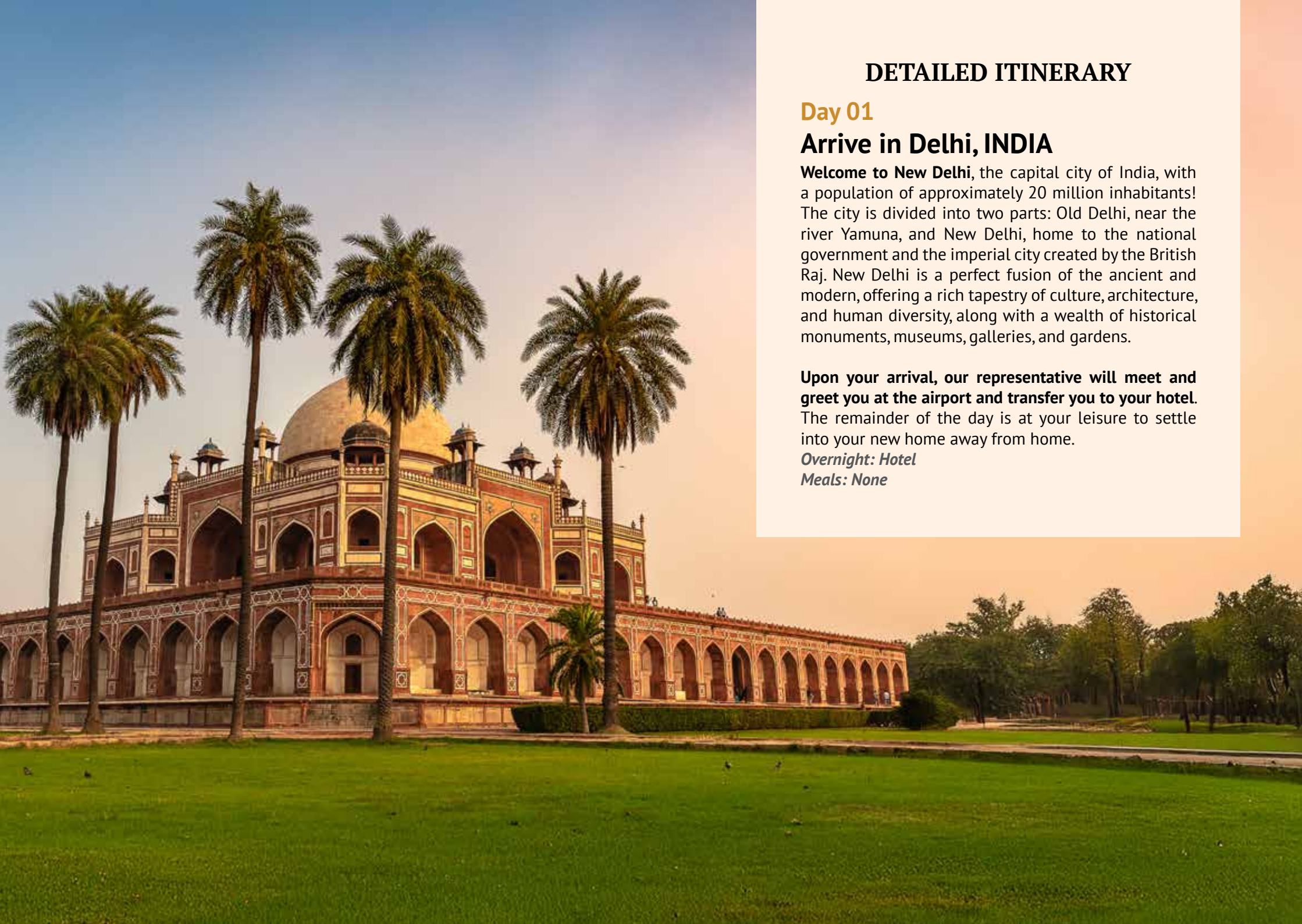
ACCOMMODATION

Delhi	- Hotel (3 nights)
Agra	- Hotel (1 night)
Jaipur	- Hotel (3 nights)
Narlai	- Hotel (2 nights)
Udaipur	- Hotel (2 nights)

MEALS

- As per the itinerary





DETAILED ITINERARY

Day 01

Arrive in Delhi, INDIA

Welcome to New Delhi, the capital city of India, with a population of approximately 20 million inhabitants! The city is divided into two parts: Old Delhi, near the river Yamuna, and New Delhi, home to the national government and the imperial city created by the British Raj. New Delhi is a perfect fusion of the ancient and modern, offering a rich tapestry of culture, architecture, and human diversity, along with a wealth of historical monuments, museums, galleries, and gardens.

Upon your arrival, our representative will meet and greet you at the airport and transfer you to your hotel. The remainder of the day is at your leisure to settle into your new home away from home.

Overnight: Hotel

Meals: None

Day 02

Delhi

Spend the morning at leisure to ease the effects of jet lag.

Late this morning, get ready for an exciting journey through **Old Delhi**, where a **cycle rickshaw ride** takes you through lively bazaars, ancient temples, and historical landmarks. Feel the city's vibrant energy as you explore its narrow lanes before visiting **Jama Masjid**, India's largest mosque, a stunning masterpiece of white marble, also called the "Friday Mosque." Enjoy a **photo stop at the iconic Red Fort** (drive past), an imposing structure built by Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan.

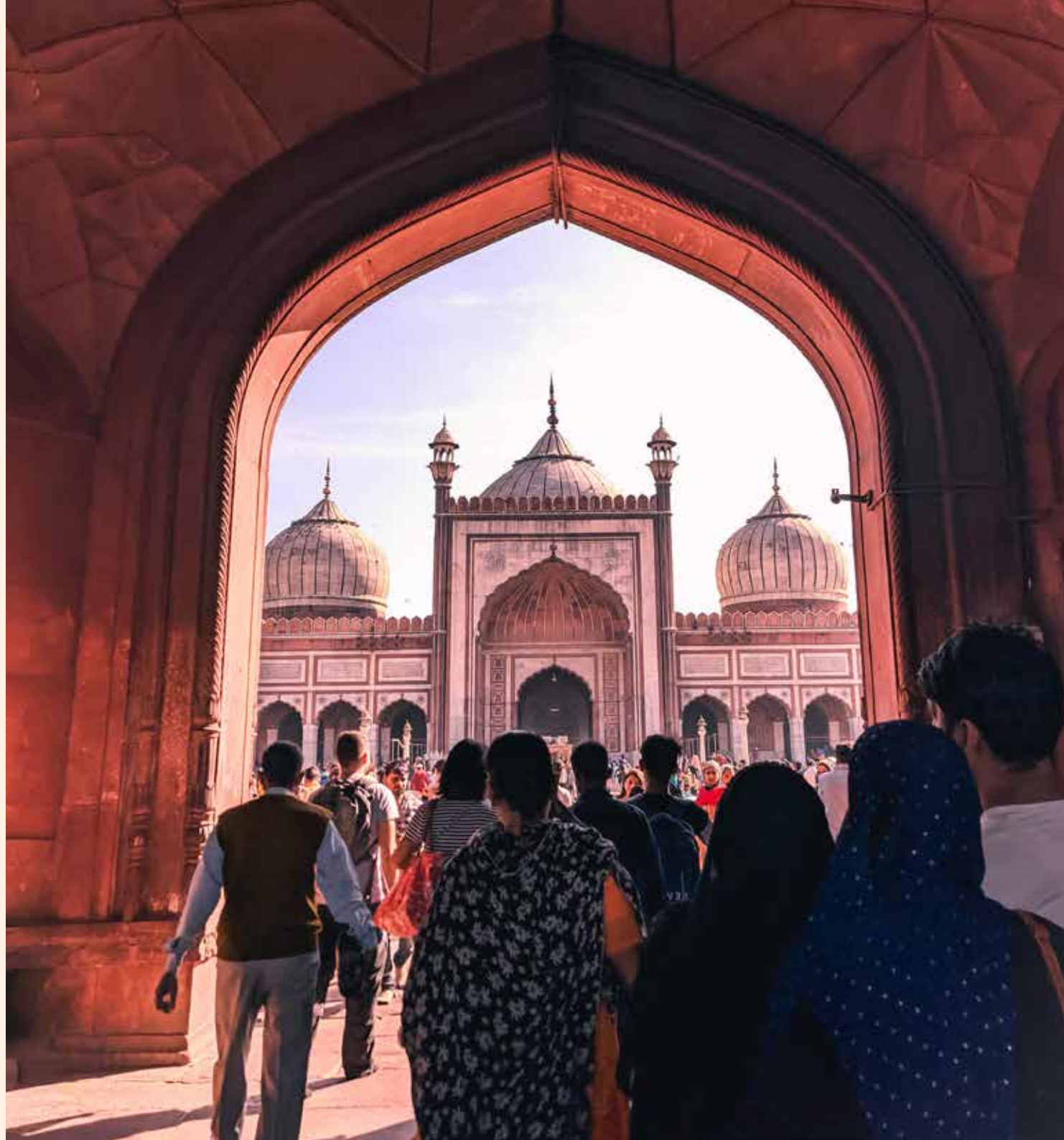
Later in the day, we will visit the **Gandhi Museum** showcasing the life and principles of Mahatma Gandhi, Father of the Nation who led the nation against British colonial rule. *(closed on Mondays)*

Conclude your exploration with a visit to **Humayun's Tomb**, a magnificent red sandstone mausoleum commissioned by Haji Begum in the mid-16th century. This UNESCO-listed masterpiece is considered a forerunner of the Taj Mahal, showcasing the grandeur of Mughal architecture.

Later, return to your hotel and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.

Overnight: Hotel

Meals: Breakfast





Day 03

Delhi

Today, explore the grandeur of **New Delhi** with a panoramic drive past some of the capital's key landmarks. Drive along **Rajpath** to view **India Gate**, the **Parliament House** (Sansad Bhawan), and the **Presidential Palace** (Rashtrapati Bhawan)—monuments that reflect the city's colonial legacy and modern-day significance.

Visit the **National Museum**, home to an impressive collection of Indian art and antiquities, from exquisite miniature paintings and Mughal carpets to rare Buddhist sculptures. *(closed on Mondays)*

Next, visit **Gurudwara Bangla Sahib**, one of Delhi's most important Sikh temples, where thousands of people are served free meals daily as part of the Sikh tradition of 'Seva' (selfless service). Experience the temple's peaceful atmosphere and learn about its inspiring community initiatives.

End your day at the famous **Qutab Minar**, a tall tower built by conquering Mughal leaders which is now a protected UNESCO World Heritage Site. It was built in 1199 by Qutbuddin as a tower for his victory against a Rajput King and is considered a great example of Indian-Islamic architecture.

Late afternoon you will be taken back to the hotel for you to enjoy the facilities – the evening being at your own leisure.

Overnight: Hotel

Meals: Breakfast

Day 04

Delhi – Agra

(3.5 hrs drive)

This morning, **drive to Agra**. This is a fascinating way to see the country as we wind our way down from the foothills back to the plains and onward to the city of love Agra, home of the Taj Mahal. On arrival, check-in, take a moment to unwind, and make yourself comfortable in your hotel room.

Late afternoon, visit **Agra Fort**, a great monument of red sandstone that dominates a bend in the Yamuna River and was constructed by the Mughals. The Fort contains splendid mosques and palaces in red sandstone and white marble built by two generations of creative builders during the time of Akbar and later Jahangir and Shah Jahan.

Overnight: *Hotel*

Meals: *Breakfast*





Day 05

Agra – Jaipur

(5 hrs drive)

Start your day with a **sunrise visit to the Taj Mahal**, a once-in-a-lifetime experience. As the first rays of sunlight touch the iconic marble mausoleum, its surface transforms into a warm golden hue, radiating an otherworldly beauty. Built by Emperor Shah Jahan in memory of his beloved wife Mumtaz Mahal, this UNESCO World Heritage Site is an enduring symbol of love and one of the world's greatest architectural masterpieces. *(Closed on Fridays)*

Upon completion of the tour, return to the hotel to enjoy breakfast.

Later, check out and **drive to Jaipur**, the capital city of Rajasthan, famously known as the “Pink City” due to its stunning pink sandstone monuments. Immerse yourself in the city's rich Rajput heritage as you explore its historical forts, palaces, and gardens. Founded by Sawai Jai Singh II, Jaipur is a meticulously planned city that showcases the kingdom's wealth and remains a significant heritage site, exuding historic charm as the gateway to Rajasthan. Upon arrival, check-in at your hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure, allowing you to enjoy the city at your own pace.

Overnight: Hotel

Meals: Breakfast

Day 06

Jaipur

Morning, explore the breath-taking **Amber Fort**, showcasing Rajput architecture with palaces, temples, and city views. Marvel at the intricate interiors with royal halls adorned in ivory, mirror, and glasswork. Experience the grandeur of an unconquered kingdom as you move through the fort's rooms.

Continue to the nearby **Panna Meena ka Kund** (also known as Panna Meena Baori) - a beautifully preserved **16th-century stepwell**. This geometric marvel was not only a practical water reservoir but also a community hub where locals gathered to rest, converse, and collect water. The striking symmetry of the steps and the surrounding sandstone walls make it a captivating example of traditional Indian engineering and design.

Afterward, explore the majestic **City Palace** in all its glory, a former royal residence blending Rajasthani and Mughal architecture. Explore its courtyards, palaces, and museum showcasing Jaipur's regal heritage with a remarkable artifact collection.

Make a brief stop at the iconic **Hawa Mahal**, or Palace of Winds, renowned for its intricately latticed pink sandstone façade designed for royal women to observe street life unseen.

Later, **walk through the local markets of Jaipur**, where you'll find a plethora of bazaars including Textile, Spices, Vegetable, and Fruits Market, each with its own unique charm. With an abundance of shopping areas, the Pink City is a top destination for shopping, offering everything from jewelry to textiles and even puppets. Immerse yourself in the bustling markets and discover the vibrant energy of Jaipur.

Overnight: *Hotel*

Meals: *Breakfast*





Day 07

Jaipur

Morning, visit **Galta Ji Temple** (also known as the Monkey Temple). It is a unique Hindu temple centred around a natural spring that has been channelled to fill seven large pools. This 30-minute hike is home to some stunning views of the temple and is slightly off the common tourist trail, but it makes for a pleasant half-day excursion from Jaipur.

Discover the **Albert Hall Museum**, showcasing Rajasthan's cultural heritage in Indo-Saracenic style. It houses artifacts, paintings, and sculptures, blending Indian, Mughal, and European influences. Don't miss the impressive miniature paintings depicting Hindu mythology and royal courts. Ideal for history buffs and art aficionados.

Afterward immerse yourself in traditional Rajasthani craftsmanship with a **hands-on block printing workshop**. Using hand-carved wooden blocks and natural dyes, skilled local artisans will guide you in creating intricate, colorful patterns on fabric. You'll also have the chance to design your own printed piece to take home as a unique souvenir.

In the afternoon, return to your hotel to unwind. Take advantage of your free time by enjoying the pool, indulging in spa treatments, or simply relaxing at your leisure.

In the evening, **drive to Dera Amer**, a serene wildlife sanctuary known for its natural beauty and dedication to animal care. The elephants here, rescued from Amer Fort, live in a safe and protected environment. On arrival, enjoy a **friendly interaction with the elephants** and explore the surrounding forest, where they will greet you lovingly. Take a gentle walk with the elephants through the scenic Aravalli forests around the camp. Conclude the experience with an **intimate jungle dinner under the stars** before returning to your hotel.

Overnight: Hotel

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Day 08

Jaipur – Narlai

(6 hrs drive)

Morning, **drive to Narlai**. Our journey takes us onward into the Aravalli hills to the sights and sounds of the 17th-century village of Narlai. On this part of the drive, you will see some of the most fascinating costumes worn by Rajasthani ladies and the most colourful turbans worn by men. Narlai is a tiny and typically Rajasthani village, where you will experience genuine Rajasthani hospitality. It is a little-visited but beautiful Rajasthani village shadowed by an imposing granite rock from the top of which one can have stunning views.

Upon arrival, complete your hotel check-in and have the remainder of the day to relax and enjoy at your own pace.

Overnight: Hotel

Meals: Breakfast





Day 09

Narlai

Begin your day with a thrilling **leopard safari** (starts at 6:45 AM) in an open jeep into nearby countryside, where Antelope, Leopards, Hyena, Jackals, Hare, Wild Boar, or a Sloth Bear (very rare) can be spotted if lucky. Wildlife and birds are in plenty, if you can just spot them. The awe-inspiring leopards found in this region rival their counterparts in South Africa. The residents of Narlai village, passionate about wildlife, possess an intimate knowledge of the big cats' habitats. Highly skilled and professional guides are on hand to lead you adeptly through this unforgettable experience, ensuring a seamless and informative safari.

Take a **stroll in the village** to get a feel of local life. There is a small bazaar here to walk around and engage with the locals. Here modern India seems very far away. Our accommodation for the night is a beautifully restored hunting lodge, now a delightful heritage hotel. There are sepia photographs of the maharaja's ancestors, cusped window frames, frescoed walls, stained-glass windows, pretty alcoves and coloured ceiling baubles.

In the evening, **enjoy dinner at the 1100-year-old "Step well"**. The Magical setting is brought to life by dimly lit oil lamps that illuminate setting through flickering night. The very private dinner is laid out in a traditional manner, and promises to remain an unmatched experience to anything you will ever experience for a long time. The entire evening is like a secluded sanctuary inspired by the mystical past, bracing Indian spirituality and unique experience of one being completely with nature.

Overnight: Hotel

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Day 10

Narlai – Udaipur

(3 hrs drive)

OPTIONAL: For the early risers that enjoy adventure, can go for **morning walks** and **climb to the top of the hill** and admire the colossal statue of the elephant guarding the village. A guided climb of over 700 steps to the summit of this hill gives a spectacular view of sunrise, whichever one may choose. You can and should enjoy the stiff sunrise walk up the rock (the views are intoxicating) before breakfast.

Late this morning, **drive to Udaipur**, the “city of sunrise,” India’s most romantic city, built around four lakes. The blue waters reflect the shimmering white palaces and temples and the whole city exudes a feeling of peace and space.

Enroute visit the famous **Ranakpur Jain Temple** from 15th century marble complex is noted for the 29 halls supported by 1,444 pillars, each adorned with hundreds of carved figures, with no two alike.

Upon arrival, check-in at your hotel and take the opportunity to unwind and enjoy a leisurely day.

Overnight: Hotel

Meals: Breakfast





Day 11

Udaipur

We start the day with a visit to the **City Palace**, the largest palace complex in Rajasthan. Though it is a conglomeration of buildings built by successive rulers, it manages to retain a surprising uniformity of design and impressive views of the lake.

We'll then proceed on to the **Jagdish Temple**, where you will find a remarkable black stone statue of Lord Vishnu and his majestic vehicle, the Garuda, depicted in a brass image. This temple stands as an exquisite testament to the artistry of the Indo-Aryan style.

Serenade yourself in an **exclusive boat ride in Lake Pichola**, overlooking the magnificent Udaipur Palace. The leisurely ride gives you a panoramic view of this spectacular medieval city. The majestic structure of the Udaipur Palace comes alive as you watch it from the serene lake adjoining the palace. As you enjoy your boat ride, learn all about the enthralling history of the Maharanas of Mewar, including heroic tales of Udaipur's brave kings and queens.

Overnight: *Hotel*

Meals: *Breakfast*

Day 12

Fly Udaipur – Delhi

Delhi – Departure

Today **fly to Delhi** to connect your international flight back home with a suitcase full of memories of this stunning ancient land.

We wish you safe travels ahead and we look forward to welcoming you back and continue exploring Incredible India in the near future.

