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OUR CHRISTMAS STOCKING!

December is here and Christmas is just around the corner! But we're already busy charting out our travel trajectory for 2025! What's in store for the coming year?

Adventure... culture... wellness... wildlife... and much more!

In this edition, we take you on a wild ride through the subcontinent from the Himalayas to the Deccan Plateau, the beaches of Goa to the Central Highlands of Sri Lanka, and the magnificent reefs of the Maldives.

Explore ancient kingdoms. Discover incredible wildlife. Indulge in soothing wellness. Immerse yourself in vibrant culture.

As the magical holiday season draws near, I want to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering trust, inspiring partnership, and steadfast support throughout this incredible year.

This festive season offers a beautiful opportunity to pause and reflect on the moments that matter most. May it bring you boundless joy, the warmth of cherished connections, and rejuvenating energy for an exciting and prosperous year ahead.

From all of us at Orange, we wish you and your loved ones a holiday season filled with love, laughter, and unforgettable memories.

Merry Christmas!
Best Regards,
Manan Mahajan



BORN TO BE WILD...

2025

JUNGLE BEATS



BHARATPUR, INDIA

If you're a bird-lover, then Bharatpur is a must. The Keoladeo Sanctuary is a beautiful wetland area that attracts thousands of migratory birds, and also has a vast population of resident species. From Painted Storks to Sarus Cranes and more, explore a wonderful world of avifauna in the heart of Rajasthan.

THE TERAI, NEPAL

Known for its vast stretches of grassland, the Terai Arc in Nepal is the ideal habitat for some of South Asia's most iconic animals. This magnificent region is home to Rhinos, Tigers, Asiatic Elephants and several other species of birds, reptiles and herbivores. Chitwan and Bardia are your best bet for excellent sightings and terrific guides.



ARI ATOLL, MALDIVES

If you love surf, sun and a touch of adventure then dive into the Ari Atoll in the Maldives. These turquoise waters are known for abundant marine life. While the reef itself is fragmented, this atoll is famous for sightings of large aquatic animals like whale sharks and manta rays. If you get your adrenaline rush by diving into the deep, then this is a once in a lifetime experience!



HIMALAYAN HIDEAWAYS
NEPAL - BEST-KEPT SECRETS



01. Kathmandu

From elegant palaces to funky cafes, bustling markets to serene stupas, Kathmandu is one of the most dynamic destinations in South Asia! Explore an array of art, handicrafts, history, culture and cuisine tucked away in its by-lanes and squares.

02. Bhaktapur

Known for its deep spirituality, Bhaktapur is one of the most picturesque cities in Nepal. The central square is full of ancient temples, shrines and monasteries. This town is renown for its crafts and you'll find incredible artisans here. From stone and wood carvers to weavers and potters explore Nepal's incredible architectural and cultural heritage.



HIMALAYAN HIGHLIGHTS THE BEST OF NEPAL

Solukhumbu 03.

If you're a trekker or a mountain biker, then head up into one of Nepal's hidden valleys in the Solukhumbu region. Known as one of the "beyuls" of the Himalayas, the region is revered for its sacred energy. Explore the forested mountain slopes and earthy local communities on foot or mountain bike.



Lo Manthang 04.

If you're a born adventurer, then a visit to the Upper Mustang region of Nepal is a must. This area is known for its authentic Tibetan Buddhist traditions and shrines. Lo-Manthang is the erstwhile capital of the region, and a visit here gives you unique insights into life in this remote corner of the planet.

05. Dhulikhel

Set amid rolling countryside and lush fields, Dhulikhel is the perfect place to rekindle your wellbeing. Indulge yourself in yoga, meditation, and spa therapies in the midst of a pristine landscape. Dine on organic farm-to-table cuisine and discover the delicious flavours of Nepali cuisine.



DWARIKA'S HOTEL, KATHMANDU

DWARIKA'S RESORT, DHULIKHEL

HAPPY HOUSE, PHAPLU

TIGER MOUNTAIN LODGE, POKHARA

NEPAL EXPLORER

KATHMANDU, DHULIKHEL, PHAPLU, POKHARA.

ON THE BANKS OF THE BRAHMAPUTRA

Meandering down from the Tibetan Plateau, across the north-east of India, the Brahmaputra River charts its own course. This magnificent waterbody supports a thriving ecosystem. From aquatic wildlife to local culture, ancient history to stunning wildlife, there's a new and delightful experience around every turn!

Explore the ruins of the Ahom dynasty with their distinctive architecture. The Ahom rulers were strong warriors and defended their turf for centuries. Then head into the magnificent wild precincts of Kaziranga. One of the largest and wildest national parks in India, Kaziranga is a unique and stunning habitat. From tigers to rhinos, elephants to birds, reptiles to primates, its teeming with flora and fauna. Discover an entire cultural microcosm with vivid dance, music and costume on Majuli Island.

The banks along the Brahmaputra are best explored on a river-cruise. Comfortable accommodations, excellent service, delicious cuisine and guided excursions make this a delightful journey. Are you interested in river-cruising on the great rivers of the subcontinent? Ask the team at Orange to know more.



WILDLIFE. HISTORY. CULTURE. CUISINE.



RUSTIC & ROMANTIC

**DIPHLU RIVER LODGE
KAZIRANGA**

With its charming thatched roofs made of a local grass, this gorgeous lodge is built on stilts so that the ecosystem is free to move around on the ground beneath.

If you're visiting Kaziranga, Diphlu River Lodge is a terrific place to base yourself. Comfortable rooms, cozy public areas, open decks with stunning views, smiling staff and delicious cuisine make this a terrific stay. An experienced team of naturalists and guides take you on fabulous forays into the park.



GREAT MIGRATIONS!

The beauty of the subcontinent is not lost on wildlife! From raptors to whales, thousands of birds and animals flock to this region in the winter.

IN THE PINK:

The flamingo migration in the Rann of Kutch is one of the most stunning sights in the world. Clouds of Greater and Lesser Flamingo come to this remote habitat in the western corner of India.

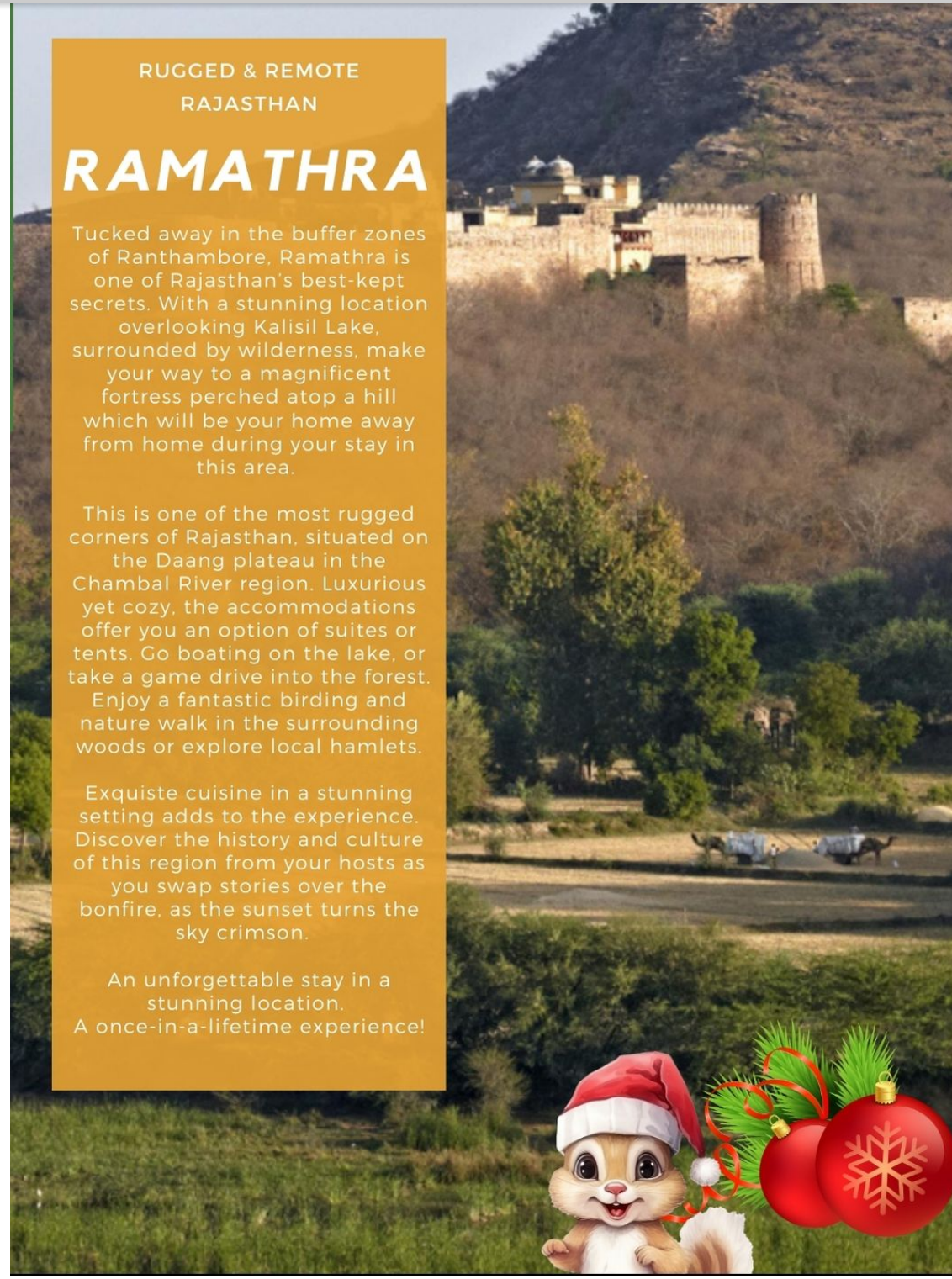
MARINE GIANTS:

The South coast of Sri Lanka is known for its whale migration. Observe these giants as they gambol in the warmer waves near Mirissa, Galle and Ahangama.

THE GREAT HARRIER ROOST:

Velavadar in Gujarat is famous for the enormous number of Harriers that fly in from Eurasia and roost here for the winter. Don't miss these magnificent raptors as they soar above the grasslands in search of prey.

Did you know... Lake Chilika in Orissa is one of the largest birding hotspots in the world? This magnificent wetland is a birder's dream and thousands of rare migratory species come here to roost in the winter months.



RUGGED & REMOTE
RAJASTHAN

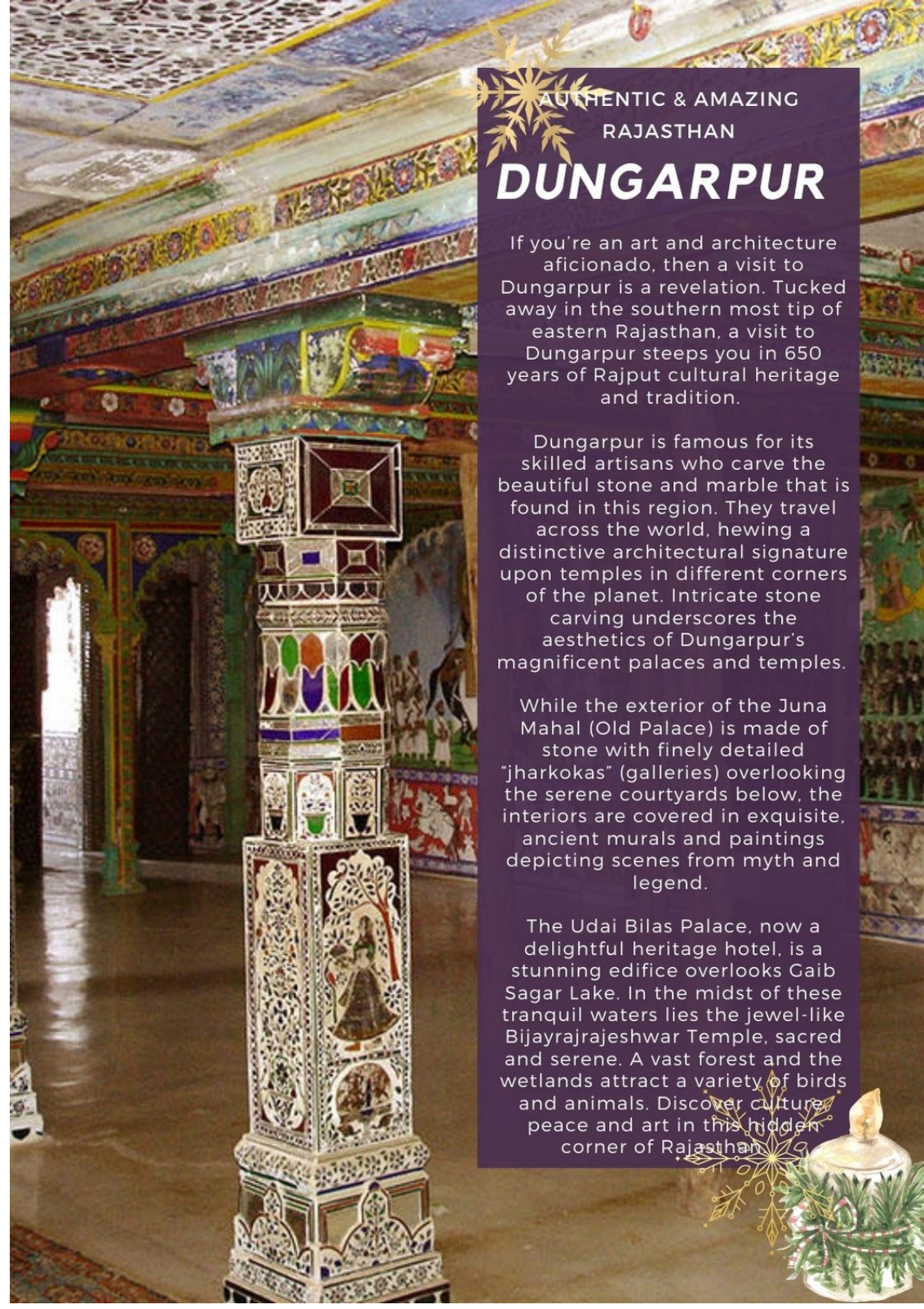
RAMATHRA

Tucked away in the buffer zones of Ranthambore, Ramathra is one of Rajasthan's best-kept secrets. With a stunning location overlooking Kalisi Lake, surrounded by wilderness, make your way to a magnificent fortress perched atop a hill which will be your home away from home during your stay in this area.

This is one of the most rugged corners of Rajasthan, situated on the Daang plateau in the Chambal River region. Luxurious yet cozy, the accommodations offer you an option of suites or tents. Go boating on the lake, or take a game drive into the forest. Enjoy a fantastic birding and nature walk in the surrounding woods or explore local hamlets.

Exquisite cuisine in a stunning setting adds to the experience. Discover the history and culture of this region from your hosts as you swap stories over the bonfire, as the sunset turns the sky crimson.

An unforgettable stay in a stunning location. A once-in-a-lifetime experience!



AUTHENTIC & AMAZING
RAJASTHAN

DUNGARPUR

If you're an art and architecture aficionado, then a visit to DUNGARPUR is a revelation. Tucked away in the southern most tip of eastern Rajasthan, a visit to DUNGARPUR steeps you in 650 years of Rajput cultural heritage and tradition.

DUNGARPUR is famous for its skilled artisans who carve the beautiful stone and marble that is found in this region. They travel across the world, hewing a distinctive architectural signature upon temples in different corners of the planet. Intricate stone carving underscores the aesthetics of DUNGARPUR's magnificent palaces and temples.

While the exterior of the Juna Mahal (Old Palace) is made of stone with finely detailed "jharkokas" (galleries) overlooking the serene courtyards below, the interiors are covered in exquisite, ancient murals and paintings depicting scenes from myth and legend.

The Udai Bilas Palace, now a delightful heritage hotel, is a stunning edifice overlooks Gaib Sagar Lake. In the midst of these tranquil waters lies the jewel-like Bijayrajeshwar Temple, sacred and serene. A vast forest and the wetlands attract a variety of birds and animals. Discover culture, peace and art in this hidden corner of Rajasthan.



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