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Mumbai - Udaipur - Jodhpur - Jaipur - Agra - New Delhi
13 Days / 12 Nights



Introduction

From the bustling streets and colonial charm of Mumbai to Rajasthan's royal capitals – Jaipur, Jodhpur, and Udaipur – witness a living tapestry of history, architecture, and culture. Enjoy intimate experiences like sunset boat rides on Lake Pichola, guided tours of majestic forts, and cultural insights into the lives of kings and queens. Conclude your journey with the awe-inspiring Taj Mahal in Agra and the vibrant contrasts of Old and New Delhi, creating a harmonious blend of heritage, luxury, and storytelling.

Accommodation	Destination	Basis	Duration
The Taj Mahal Palace Mumbai	Mumbai	B&B	2 Nights
Taj Lake Palace Udaipur	Udaipur	B&B	3 Nights
Umaid Bhawan Palace	Jodhpur	B&B	2 Nights
Rambagh Palace, Jaipur	Jaipur	B&B	2 Nights
The Oberoi Amarvilas	Agra	B&B	1 Night
The Taj Mahal New Delhi	New Delhi	B&B	2 Nights

Key

B&B: Bed and Breakfast

Included

- Hotels accommodation twin sharing at the hotels mentioned above or similar for a total of 12 nights in a mentioned category rooms with breakfast & inclusive of all currently government applicable taxes.
- Services of using air-conditioned vehicle for inter-cities transfers and sightseeing.
- Meeting and assistance on arrival / departure at airports.
- All sightseeing tours / excursions as per program mentioned above.
- Unlimited water bottle during long journeys.
- Service of an English (as per requirement) speaking local guides till 04 Pax & 04 Pax onwards we will provide English speaking accompanying escort.
- Includes entrances to all the monuments as mentioned in the program.

Excluded

- Does not include any airfare, any item not mentioned above, any items of personal nature such as table drinks, laundry, telephone bills, video camera fees, tips to guides/escort, drivers, bell boys, etc.
- Any International airfare, Travel Insurances or Visa – Please ensure clients have a valid E-visa and passport for their travel to India.
- Any other expenses of personal nature.

Day 1

The Taj Mahal Palace Mumbai, Mumbai

Mumbai

Formerly known as Bombay, the bustling city of Mumbai sprawls along India's West Coast and is the largest city in the country. This thriving metropolis is a go-to destination for travellers curious to experience a modern Indian city. It serves as the heart of India's world-renowned film industry, the incomparable 'Bollywood', and offers a kaleidoscope of culture, colour and flavours to enjoy. Lapped by the Arabian Sea, this urban seaside peninsula is a melting pot of old and new India. Towering office blocks and shiny apartment buildings shoulder crumbling grand dames of architecture. People play cricket in the leafy central parks, taxis navigate the jam-packed streets, and families stroll along the seaside promenades of Mumbai. Visitors can look forward to viewing the iconic Gateway of India stone arch at the Mumbai Harbour waterfront, visiting the ancient cave temples on the nearby Elephanta Island or hopping on a tuk-tuk tour to experience the magic and madness of this incredible city.

Day Itinerary

Upon arrival in Mumbai, a warm welcome awaits you as an Orange DMC representative greets you at the airport. You will then be transferred to your hotel, the iconic Taj Mahal Palace, an emblem of the city's grandeur and timeless elegance. Spend the evening at your leisure, relaxing and soaking in the vibrant Mumbai atmosphere.

Overnight: The Taj Mahal Palace Mumbai

The Taj Mahal Palace Mumbai in Colaba, Mumbai overlooks the Arabian Sea and the iconic Gateway of India. Guests enjoy proximity to attractions such as Marine Drive, Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Museum, and bustling Colaba Causeway. Guest rooms feature luxurious bedding, access to Wi-Fi, flat-screen televisions, optional minibars, and elegant marble bathrooms. On-site dining includes renowned venues such as Wasabi by Morimoto, Golden Dragon, Shamiana, and Souk, offering global cuisines. Facilities encompass a world-class spa, outdoor swimming pool, fitness centre, business services, and curated experiences, making the hotel a distinguished blend of heritage and modern luxury.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 2

The Taj Mahal Palace Mumbai, Mumbai

Day Itinerary

After a hearty breakfast, embark on an eye-opening tour of Dharavi, Southeast Asia's largest slum, gaining unique insights into its industrious communities and fascinating social fabric.

In the evening, enjoy a guided walk through the iconic Taj Mahal Palace, exploring its rich history and the pivotal role it has played in shaping Mumbai's heritage.

Continue with a guided city tour, discovering Mumbai's vibrant mix of culture, heritage, and modernity. Highlights include the Gateway of India, Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus, and the Art Deco district along Marine Drive, offering a captivating glimpse into the city's architectural and cultural tapestry.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 3

Taj Lake Palace Udaipur, Udaipur

Udaipur

Dubbed the ‘Venice of the East’, the city of Udaipur is built around three interconnected lakes – Lake Pichhola, Fateh Sagar Lake, and the smaller Swaroop Sagar Lake – and is encircled by the hills of the Aravalli mountain range. It is home to an array of ancient temples and fairy-tale-like palaces (several of the latter have been converted into luxury heritage hotels) and is known as one of Rajasthan’s most beautiful and romantic cities. Must-see attractions include the City Palace, the Lake Palace (set on a small island in the middle of Lake Pichhola), and the Udaipur Solar Observatory – Asia’s premier solar-gazing site.

Day Itinerary

Check out from The Taj Mahal Palace and transfer to the airport for your flight to Udaipur. Upon arrival, a private car and chauffeur will escort you to the legendary Taj Lake Palace, floating serenely in the heart of Lake Pichhola. A former summer retreat of the Maharanas, this centuries-old palace is an architectural masterpiece and an icon of Udaipur’s royal heritage, often celebrated on screen and in stories alike.

Spend your afternoon soaking in the breathtaking surroundings. As evening falls, head to the rooftop restaurant, Bhairo, for a cocktail and light bites while the sun sets over the shimmering lake—a perfect introduction to the magic of Udaipur.

Evening at leisure.

Overnight: Taj Lake Palace Udaipur

Taj Lake Palace Udaipur is located on Lake Pichhola in Udaipur, appearing to float serenely upon its waters. Nearby attractions include the City Palace, Jag Mandir, and the Jagdish Temple, all steeped in Mewar heritage. Guest rooms feature plush beds, elegant marble bathrooms, complimentary Wi-Fi, flat-screen televisions, and minibars. Guests may dine at Neel Kamal for authentic Indian cuisine, Jharokha for international dishes, or Amrit Sagar for fine spirits. Facilities include a spa, heritage walks, boat rides, and curated cultural experiences, ensuring a regal stay that blends history with modern luxury.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 4

Taj Lake Palace Udaipur, Udaipur

Day Itinerary

Start your day with a leisurely breakfast amid the stunning surroundings of your hotel. Then, set out to explore the timeless charm of Udaipur. Wander through the opulent City Palace complex, and discover the serene beauty of the city's many lakes, each reflecting the grandeur of palaces and temples.

In the afternoon, embark on a scenic boat ride across Lake Pichola, gliding past the majestic City Palace on one side and the regal Monsoon Palace on the other, as the golden light of sunset paints the horizon.

Evening at leisure to relax and soak in the magic of Udaipur.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 5

Taj Lake Palace Udaipur, Udaipur

Day Itinerary

Today is yours to enjoy at leisure. Stroll through Udaipur's vibrant markets, discovering exquisite textiles, sparkling jewellery, and intricate handicrafts, or simply unwind at your hotel with a rejuvenating spa treatment. Embrace the city at your own pace and soak in its charm.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 6

Umaid Bhawan Palace, Jodhpur

Jodhpur

Known as the gateway to the Thar Desert, Jodhpur is the second-largest city in the state of Rajasthan, India. It is a popular tourist destination featuring a variety of ornate palaces, age-old forts, and sacred temples. Dubbed ‘The Blue City’, the old city contains houses in a beautiful shade of indigo. While Jodhpur is largely a sprawling modern metropolis, enclosed within its old city walls is a labyrinth of winding, narrow medieval streets, and bazaars. The massive 15th-century Mehrangarh Fort, which towers over the city from its sandstone plinth, is one of the largest in the country. Other must-see attractions include the Umaid Bhawan Palace, one of the world’s largest private residences; and the Jaswant Thada, an intricately carved white marble mausoleum.

Day Itinerary

After a leisurely breakfast, depart Udaipur for a scenic drive to Jodhpur, winding through the striking countryside. En route, pause at the magnificent Ranakpur Temples, renowned worldwide for their exquisite marble craftsmanship and intricate carvings.

Continue to Jodhpur and arrive at the iconic Taj Umaid Bhawan Palace. A living royal residence, part of the palace remains home to the Jodhpur royals, while the hotel occupies the remaining wings. Check in and take in the breathtaking surroundings—rolling gardens dotted with peacocks and panoramic views of the Blue City. The rest of the day is at your leisure to relax and soak in the grandeur of this historic palace.

Overnight: Umaid Bhawan Palace

Umaid Bhawan Palace is located in Jodhpur, offering views of the Blue City and Mehrangarh Fort. Nearby attractions include the Clock Tower Market and Jaswant Thada. The rooms feature modern amenities such as air-conditioning, flat-screen TV, and a minibar. Dining options include Risala, serving Continental and Indian cuisine, and Pillars, offering multinational dishes. Leisure facilities encompass a heated indoor pool and an outdoor pool. The palace also boasts expansive gardens and a subterranean Zodiac Pool for relaxation.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 7

Umaid Bhawan Palace, Jodhpur

Day Itinerary

After a leisurely breakfast, set out with your guide to explore the enchanting Blue City on foot. Wander through narrow streets painted in stunning shades of blue, absorbing the city's vibrant energy and local charm. Your walking tour culminates at the majestic Mehrangarh Fort, a monumental fortress that dominates the skyline and offers breathtaking views of Jodhpur.

Return to your hotel for a relaxed afternoon at your leisure, soaking in the grandeur of your surroundings.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 8

Rambagh Palace, Jaipur, Jaipur

Jaipur

Fringed by the rugged Aravali Hills, Jaipur, nicknamed the 'Pink City' for its salmon-hued terracotta buildings, is the capital and largest city in the Rajasthan State. This metropolis combines tradition and modernity with its vibrant bazaars, lavish palaces, and ancient temples. Don't miss the fairy-tale splendour of the Amber Fort, set against the backdrop of the arid landscape and hosting enthralling sound and light shows; the UNESCO-listed Jantar Mantar, a collection of 300-year-old astronomical tools which look like contemporary art; and the opulent City Palace, with its palatial structures, sprawling gardens, and atmospheric courtyards. Jaipur falls within the Golden Triangle, a popular tourist circuit, which includes Delhi, Jaipur, and Agra, and it also serves as a gateway to the neighbouring desert cities of Jaisalmer and Jodhpur.

Day Itinerary

After a leisurely breakfast, depart Jodhpur and journey east toward Jaipur. The route unfolds through quaint villages and vibrant countryside, offering glimpses of Rajasthan's colourful rural life.

Upon arrival, check in at the iconic Taj Rambagh Palace, former residence of Maharani Gayatri Devi, where regal elegance meets contemporary comfort. After a warm welcome, enjoy a leisurely stroll through the palace gardens or unwind with a refreshing drink on the verandah, taking in the tranquil views of the manicured lawns.

Overnight: Rambagh Palace, Jaipur

Rambagh Palace, Jaipur, located in Rajasthan's Pink City, blends grandeur with timeless charm. Guests may choose from elegant rooms and lavish suites equipped with modern amenities such as minibars, TVs, and Wi-Fi. The hotel features facilities such as swimming pools, a fitness centre, and multiple dining options. Activities available include visiting nearby attractions like the Museum of Indology, Ram Niwas Bagh, and Nahargarh Fort Palace.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 9

Rambagh Palace, Jaipur, Jaipur

Day Itinerary

Begin your day with a visit to the majestic Amber Fort, an architectural gem and one of Rajasthan's most historic fortresses. Marvel at its ornate palaces, courtyards, and ramparts while soaking in sweeping views of the surrounding hills.

Continue to the City Palace, where grandeur and heritage come alive in its opulent courtyards and museum collections. Wander through the bustling bazaars of Jaipur's Pink City, a riot of colour, aromas, and handcrafted treasures. Pass by the iconic Hawa Mahal, the Palace of Winds, with its delicate façade and enchanting latticework, before returning to your hotel.

The evening is at your leisure to relax or explore Jaipur at your own pace.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 10

The Oberoi Amarvilas, Agra

Agra

Set on the banks of the Yamuna River in Uttar Pradesh, Agra is a beautiful city famous for its incredible Taj Mahal building, one of the seven wonders of the world. Commissioned by the Mughal emperor Shah Jahan in the 15th century as a memorial to his beloved wife Mumtaz Mahal, this is an architectural masterpiece of exquisite craftsmanship and perfect proportions. The city boasts numerous other superb attractions, including the red-hued sandstone Agra Fort, built in the 16th century; the Shahi Jama Masjid mosque, a 17th-century congregational mosque located in the historic core of Agra, and Itmad-ud-Daulah's tomb, with its white marble facade embellished with intricate inlaid designs, also called the 'Baby Taj'.

Day Itinerary

This morning, bid farewell to the regal landscapes of Rajasthan and journey to Agra, the illustrious Mughal capital. Upon arrival, check in at your hotel and take a moment to refresh.

Later, step into history with a visit to the Taj Mahal, a timeless monument of love, its ivory-white domes glowing in the afternoon light. Continue to explore Agra Fort, a majestic fortress showcasing Mughal grandeur and intricate architecture.

The evening is at your leisure to relax or soak in the city's enchanting atmosphere.

Overnight: The Oberoi Amarvilas

The Oberoi Amarvilas, located in Agra just 600 metres from the Taj Mahal, offers guests unrivalled views of this world wonder. Nearby attractions include the UNESCO-listed Agra Fort and the historic city of Fatehpur Sikri. Rooms feature five-star amenities such as private balconies, luxurious marble bathrooms, plush bedding, complimentary Wi-Fi, and personalised butler service. Guests can dine at Bellevue, serving international and Indian cuisine, or enjoy fine dining at Esphahan. Facilities include a full-service spa, landscaped Mughal-inspired gardens, a swimming pool, and curated cultural experiences, ensuring a stay that blends heritage, comfort, and exceptional hospitality.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 11

The Taj Mahal New Delhi, New Delhi

New Delhi

India's capital, New Delhi, lies on the Indo-Gangetic Plain, within the National Capital Territory of Delhi. Made up of the ancient walled city of Old Delhi and the more modern sector, New Delhi, the city encompasses a staggering array of beautiful buildings, including three UNESCO World Heritage Sites – the grand, sandstone Red Fort, striking Qutab Minar, and fascinating Humayun's Tomb. Architecture enthusiasts will delight in the iconic Lotus Temple. Hear 'qawwalis' (devotional music) at the dargah (tomb) of the Sufi saint Nizam-ud-din Auliya; or wander through the 17th century Chandni Chowk marketplace – still one of the city's most popular retail centres today, famous for its traditional jewellery and saris. The gorgeous Sunder Nursery and Lodi Garden provide calm, flower-filled oases for picnicking.

Day Itinerary

After breakfast, depart Agra and journey to New Delhi, the vibrant capital of India. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel, The Taj Mahal, located in the heart of the historic Lutyens' district, renowned for its grand colonial-era architecture. The rest of the evening is at your leisure to relax or explore at your own pace.

Overnight: The Taj Mahal New Delhi

The Taj Mahal New Delhi is a luxury hotel located on Mansingh Road in the heart of Lutyens' Delhi, close to India Gate. Guests can explore nearby attractions such as the Red Fort, Humayun's Tomb, Lodhi Gardens, and Dilli Haat. Guest rooms feature minibars, electronic safes, tea and coffee facilities, complimentary Wi-Fi, flat-screen TV, and private bathrooms. Dining options include Machan for international cuisine, House of Ming for Chinese specialities, Varq for modern Indian dishes, Emperor Lounge, Captain's Cellar, and Rick's bar. Facilities encompass the J Wellness Circle, swimming pool, elegant banquet spaces, concierge services, and curated cultural tours.



Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 12

The Taj Mahal New Delhi, New Delhi

Day Itinerary

After breakfast, set out on a private guided exploration of Delhi, where history and modernity entwine. Meander through the vibrant lanes of Old Delhi's Chandni Chowk, alive with the aromas of street food, the chatter of merchants, and the colors of bustling bazaars. Visit the majestic Red Fort, a testament to Mughal artistry and imperial power. Then transition to the serene elegance of New Delhi, with its grand boulevards, colonial architecture, and iconic landmarks. Return to your hotel in comfort, leaving the rest of the evening for you to relax and reflect on the city's timeless charm.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Day 13

End of Itinerary

Day Itinerary

As your extraordinary journey through India draws to a close, a private morning transfer will take you to the airport, marking the end of an unforgettable and immersive experience.

Basis

Bed and Breakfast

Travel Information



Vast, diverse, deeply spiritual and utterly unforgettable, India is unlike anywhere else on earth – a melting pot of ethnicities and religions, a treasure trove of history and culture, and a curious mixture of chaos and serenity. Stretching across more than three million square kilometres, it encompasses a staggering array of landscapes, vistas and environs, and offers unparalleled travel experiences – from the beautiful beaches of Goa, to the compelling craziness of Kolkata, the sacred Ganges river banks of Varanasi, the snow-capped peaks of the Himalayas in Kashmir and the ancient, exquisitely crafted temples dotted across the entire country. Not to mention the vibrant, friendly people, and the incredible cuisine.

Banking and Currency

Currency

Local currency: Indian Rupee

Symbol: ₹

ISO code: INR

Subunit: The Indian Rupee is divided into 100 paise, but since 2011, only the 50-paise coin is still accepted as valid currency.

Banknotes: ₹5, ₹10, ₹20, ₹50, ₹100, ₹200, ₹500

Coins: ₹0.50 (50 paise), ₹1, ₹2, ₹5, ₹10, ₹20

₹500 and ₹1000 banknotes of Mahatma Gandhi series issued up to November 08, 2016, have ceased to be Legal Tender with effect from the midnight of November 8, 2016.

Banking

Card Transactions: Yes

ATMs: Yes

Mastercard: Yes

Visa: Yes

American Express: Limited acceptance

Diner's club: Limited acceptance

Banking Hours:

Weekdays: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Weekends: Limited hours or closed, check with local banks.

Public Holidays: Yes (Varies, typically reduced hours)

Foreign exchange services: Yes

Travel, Transport and Getting Around

Air:

Main airlines: Air India, IndiGo, SpiceJet, Vistara

International Airports: Indira Gandhi International Airport (DEL), Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport

(BOM), Kempegowda International Airport (BLR), and others
Domestic Airports: Numerous, including Jaipur, Lucknow, Guwahati, and Patna.

Road:

Driving on the: Left
Tar roads: Yes
Gravel roads: Limited
Valid International Driver's License needed: Yes
Car hire available: Yes
Taxis: Yes
E-hailing services: Yes

Bus:

Inter-city bus services: Yes
Local city bus networks: Yes

Rail:

Railway system: Extensive
Subway System: Limited (in select cities)

Water:

Ferries: Limited
Water taxis: Limited
Leisure cruises: Limited

Food, Drink and Cuisine Advice**Food and water safety:**

Can you drink the tap water: No
Fresh fruit and veg: Wash thoroughly or peel
Ice: Use commercially produced ice
Meat: Ensure it's well-cooked
Street food: Yes

Local cuisine: Indian cuisine is diverse and varies greatly by region. Highlights include dishes like biryani, curry, dosa, chaat, and tandoori specialties. Vegetarian options are plentiful.

Drinks: Chai, lassi, sugarcane juice, and various regional beverages like coconut water. Alcoholic beverages are available, with beer and whiskey being popular choices.

Tipping: Generally 5-10% in restaurants; tipping for other services is discretionary.

Climate and Weather

Annual rainfall: Varies greatly by region, 500 mm-4,000 mm

Average temperature: Varies greatly by region, 15°C-30°C

Summer:

Average highs: 25-45°C
Average lows: 20-30°C

Winter:

Average highs: 10-25°C
Average lows: 5-15°C

Best time to visit: The best time to visit India depends on the region and your preferences. Generally, the winter months from October to March offer milder temperatures and are ideal for exploring most parts of the country.

Clothing and Dress Recommendations

Spring and Summer

Cool, light, breathable and comfortable: Yes

Lightweight warm clothes: No

Winter and Autumn

Jerseys, cardigans, sweaters, jackets: Recommended

Heavyweight clothing and boots: No

General

Umbrella and raincoat: Yes

Warm gloves, hat and scarf: No

Swimming costume (bathing suit): Yes

Hat, sunglasses and sunblock: Yes

Walking shoes: Yes

Casual: Yes

Smart-casual attire: Yes

Internet Availability

Internet cafes: Limited, mobile data or Wi-Fi in accommodations and cafes available.

Accommodation options: Yes

Restaurants: Yes

Cafes: Yes

Shopping malls: Yes

Public parks: Limited

Libraries: Limited

Electricity and Plug Standards

Plug Type: Type C, Type D, Type M

Voltage (V): 230

Frequency Hertz (Hz): 50

*Travel plug adapter and voltage converter might be necessary depending on your appliances.
