



Classics Of Northern and Eastern India - 16 Days (#16632)

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Overview

Combine the Golden Triangle of Delhi, Jaipur and Agra with the cultural sights of Varanasi and visit the formerly called Calcutta and now called Kolkata, capital of West Bengal state, and former capital of British India. The sixteen-day tour offers a colourful and vibrant insight into the best of North India and explores towns and cities that are full of atmosphere and character.

Trip Highlights

Delhi-Agra-Jaipur-Varanasi-Kolkata-Darjeeling-Kalimpong-Gangtok-Kolkata

Detailed Itinerary







Day 01

Day 1: Arrive Delhi

Arrive in Delhi and transfer to your hotel.

Day 02

Day 2: In Delhi

Morning tour of Old Delhi visiting Jama Mosque, Red Fort and take a rickshaw ride through fabled Chandni Chowk. Afternoon visit to New Delhi visiting Humayun's tomb, drive past Government Buildings, Connaught Place, Presidents House and India Gate.

Meal: Breakfast

Day 03

Day 3: Delhi - Agra

This morning you depart to the historical city of Agra. Afternoon tour of Agra visiting the sprawling Agra Fort and the spectacular Taj Mahal. (Taj Mahal remains closed on Fridays).

Meal: Breakfast

Day 04

Day 4: Agra – Jaipur

Travel by car to Jaipur en route visit Fatehpur Sikri, the mysterious 'ghost city' before exploring the colourful bazaars of Jaipur.

Meal: Breakfast

Day 05

Day 5: In Jaipur

Full day tour visiting the magnificent hilltop Amber Fort with its picturesque Sheesh Mahal and the Hawa Mahal, the Observatory-Jantar Mantar and City Palace.





Meal: Breakfast

Day 06

Day 6: Jaipur - Varanasi

Transfer to Jaipur airport to connect flight to Varanasi. Upon arrival check in and relax. In evening witness Aarti on the Ganges, the sacred "light ceremony", on the riverbanks of Mother Ganges.

Meal: Breakfast

Day 07

Day 7: In Varanasi

Early morning boat ride on the Ganges followed by Temple tour. After breakfast visit Sarnath.

Meal: Breakfast

Day 08

Day 08: Varanasi - Kolkata

In time transfer to Varanasi airport to connect flight to Kolkata. Meet & assist upon arrival and transfer to your hotel.

Meal: Breakfast

Day 09

Day 09: In Kolkata

Full day tour visiting the India Museum with its Italian architecture, Howrah Bridge, the most famous symbol of Kolkata, Victoria Memorial, a splendid architectural structure in white marble, and St Paul's Cathedral.

Meal: Breakfast

Day 10

Day 10: Kolkata - Bagdogra - Darjeeling



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Transfer to airport for a flight to Bagdogra. On arrival, drive on to Darjeeling and the afternoon at leisure.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 11

Day 11: In Darjeeling

Take a full day tour of Darjeeling including a visit to Ghoom monastery and the magnificent statue of Maitreya. Visit Himalayan Mountaineering Institute and Tibetan Refugee Self Help Centre where you can see Tibetan craftsmen making traditional items like carpet, woollen boots, wood carvings and leather goods.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 12

Day 12: Darjeeling - Kalimpong

Drive to Kalim pong and the visit Tharpa Choling Monastery, belonging to the Gelugpa sect followed by a visit to flower nurseries. Drive back to Darjeeling in the evening.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 13

Day 13: Kalimpong - Gangtok

Drive to Gangtok and afternoon tour visiting Dodrul Chorten and Enchey Monastery. Also, visit the Research Institute of Tibetology and Directorate of Handicrafts & Handloom; it is a centre for keeping alive the traditional arts and crafts, a veritable storehouse of exquisite carpets, blankets and shawls in Lepcha weaves.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 14

Day 14: In Gangtok

Enjoy an excursion to Rumtek Monastery, the seat of the Kagyupa order, one of the four major Tibetan Buddhist sects. Afternoon, visit Tashi viewpoint which offers an enchanting view of Mt. Kanchenjunga and Mount Siniolchu.



Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 15

Day 15: Gangtok - Bagdogra - Kolkata

Transfer to Bagdogra Airport to connect flight to Kolkata. Transfer to hotel and rest of the afternoon at leisure.

Meal: Breakfast

Day 16

Day 16: Kolkata Departure

Transfer to Kolkata airport for your onward flight or extend stay in India/Nepal by choosing various add on tours we offer.

Meal: Breakfast

Inclusions

15 Nights' accommodation on Twin / double occupancy on Bed & Breakfast basis except places like Darjeeling, Gangtok & Kalimpong where plan will be on MAP (Room + Breakfast + Dinner).

All transfers, excursions and sightseeing tours to be by Private A/C Vehicle.

Services of Local stationed English speaking Guide in all cities as per program.

Monument/Museum/Park entrance fees as per itinerary.

Assistance at airports by our company English speaking representatives.

Jeep ride at Amber Fort.

Boat Ride at Varanasi.

Toy Train ticket at Darjeeling.

All presently applicable taxes (GST).

With Our Best Compliments: 2 bottle of packaged drinking water in vehicle everyday & Traditional Indian Welcome Garlanding upon arrival in Delhi.

Exclusions



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- Any item of personal nature such as Mini bar, table drinks, Laundry, Telephone calls.
- Camera fees (Still/video) at any monuments
- Any tipping, gratuities or porterage anywhere
- Any International or **domestic airfare** & Visa Fees
- Excess Baggage charges
- Lunches & Dinners anywhere
- Insurance of any kind
- Early Check-in & late check-out

Note

HOTELS ENVISAGED (Based on Lead-In Category Room, Failing shall provide similar alternatives)

4 Star Hotels OR Similar

Delhi - The Royal Plaza OR Similar

Agra - Radisson Agra OR Similar

Jaipur - Golden Tulip OR Similar

Varanasi - Hotel Madin OR Similar

Kolkata - The Peerless Inn OR Similar

Darjeeling - Ramada Darjeeling OR Similar

Kalimpong - Silver Oaks Hotel OR Similar

Gangtok - The Royal Plaza OR Similar

Kolkata - The Peerless Inn OR Similar

Upgraded hotels available on request.

Important Note: Rates Not Valid from 20th December' 2023 – 10th January' 2024.

- **Regarding Pavilion at Tiger hill earlier it was under renovation & now even the renovation works is also stopped due to some dispute. One can see the view from open area.
- **Regarding Tea Garden/Estate on Sunday is the weekly holidays as such on Monday at Tea Estate/Garden there is no processing & during winter i.e. middle of Nov till Mar at Tea Estate there is no plucking or processing, one can just see the tea plantation only during this period. During festival period i.e. Durga Puja/Diwali festival tea garden will remain closed for 7-8 days.

Tour Highlights

Taj Mahal

Amber Fort







Boat Ride on Ganges Howrah Bridge Ghoom Monastery

Program Touring / Guide

Private touring

Periodic Departure

01 Apr, 2024 to 30 Sep, 2024

2-3 pax

AUD 5,439 P P twin share AUD 9,181 P P single AVAILABLE

4-5 pax AUD 5,053 P P twin share AUD 8,795 P P single AVAILABLE

6 plus AUD 4,819 P P twin share AUD 8,561 P P single AVAILABLE 01 Oct, 2024 to 31 Mar, 2025

2-3 pax

AUD 5,883 P P twin share AUD 9,649 P P single AVAILABLE

4-5 pax AUD 5,544 P P twin share AUD 9,310 P P single AVAILABLE

6 plus AUD 4,842 P P twin share AUD 8,608 P P single AVAILABLE

