



## **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**

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 Kalimpong 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 Doder 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





- 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 portorage 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 Oct, 2024 to 31 Mar, 2025**

2-3 pax

AUD 6,097 P P twin share

AUD 10,000 P P single

AVAILABLE

4-5 pax

AUD 5,745 P P twin share

AUD 9,648 P P single

AVAILABLE

6 plus

AUD 5,018 P P twin share

AUD 8,921 P P single

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