



India Golden Triangle - 8 Days (#17773)

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Trip Highlights

Delhi-Agra-Jaipur

Detailed Itinerary

Day 01

Day 01: Arrive Delhi

Meeting assistance on arrival at the airport with traditional Indian welcome & transfer to hotel.

As the capital of India, Delhi is the third largest city. Its strategic location along the north-south, east-west route has given it a focal position in Indian history and many great empires have been ruled from here. The monuments and ruins of these are scattered throughout the city, often cheek by jowl with modern structures and high-rise towers.

Overnight at hotel in Delhi.



Day 02**Day 02: In Delhi**

Today we drive to Old Delhi or Shahjahanabad, a city built by the Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan who shifted the Mughal capital here from Agra in the 17th century. Drive past along the river Yamuna past the magnificent Red Fort to one of the largest and most beautiful mosques in the world, the Jama Masjid. Enjoy a cycle rickshaw ride through the narrow lanes of Chandni Chowk, the spine of Old Delhi, past jewelers spice merchants, food vendors, shopping arcades etc. We will also visit the imposing modern Lakshmi Narayan Hindu Temple, built in 1938. The main temple is dedicated to Lakshmi, the 'Goddess of Wealth'.

Later continue to New Delhi and visit the Qutub Minar Complex, visiting a myriad of monuments that combine both Islamic calligraphy and Hindu motifs, commemorating the onset of Islamic rule in India. Continue to Humayun's Tomb (the second Mughal Emperor) built in the mid-16th-century. This tomb is the first great example of a Mughal garden tomb and was the inspiration for several monuments such as the incomparable Taj Mahal. Continue to "Lutyen's" New Delhi, drive past the Rashtrapati Bhawan, (President's Palace), Secretariat Buildings, Parliament House and the India Gate, a war memorial arch built in honour of soldiers who died in the Afghan Wars and World War-I.

Overnight at hotel in Delhi

Meal: Breakfast and Lunch

Day 03**Day 03: Delhi/Agra (By surface: 200 Kms/3-4 Hours)**

After breakfast we will commence the drive to Agra en-route visit Akshardham temple, The beautiful temple built without steel, consists of 234 ornately carved pillars, 9 ornate domes, 20 quadrangle shikhars, spectacular Gajendra Pith (plinth of stone elephants) and 20,000 murtis and statues of India's great sadhus, devotees, acharyas and divine personalities.

Continue drive to Agra & check-in at hotel.

Overnight at hotel in Agra.

Meal: Breakfast and Lunch

Day 04**Day 04: In Agra**

Rise early this morning to view the Taj Mahal in all its glory as the sun is rising. The Taj Mahal was built by the Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan in memory of his favourite wife, Mumtaz Mahal, who died in 1631. We will spend around 2 hours here, walking through the grounds with ample time for some photo opportunities. For admission to the main mausoleum area, we are required to wear shoe covers (this may be provided on site – be prepared to bring an additional pair of socks).

Return to the hotel for breakfast and a chance to freshen up. Later this morning stop at a marble inlay workshop, where we can learn more about the intricate skill of laying marble, which we saw this morning at the Taj Mahal. Next is Agra Fort situated on the west bank of the Yamuna River and built by Emperor Akbar between 1565 and 1573. Its imposing red sandstone ramparts form a crescent along the riverfront and encompass an enormous complex of courtly buildings, ranging in style from the early eclecticism of Akbar to the sublime elegance of Shah Jahan. The barracks to the north are British additions from the 19th Century. A deep moat, once filled with water from the Yamuna River, surrounds the fort.

Return to our hotel for the afternoon at leisure.

Overnight at hotel in Agra.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 05

Day 05: Agra/Abhaneri (By surface: 160 Kms/3 Hours)

After breakfast commence the drive to Abhaneri and check-in at your resort

After lunch visit the Abhaneri village, to see the Chand Baori stepwell and marvel at this ancient construction. Over 1,000 years old, the visually outstanding stepwell was originally dedicated to Harshat Mata, the 'Goddess of Joy and Happiness'.

In this secluded vale (The Road Less Taken), you get taken back in time as you travel on camel carts to sleepy villages where time seems to stand still. As the 'ship of the desert' gently pulls the cart along unpaved, sandy paths, there is a gentle, undulating rhythm in its movement...Along the fortress of solitude, the Aravali mountain range on your side, enjoy the Sundowner on the sand dune with a packed picnic basket and the fresh breath of mountain breeze for your soul.

Overnight at hotel in Abhaneri.

Meal: Breakfast, lunch and Dinner

Day 06

Day 06: Abhaneri/Jaipur (By surface: 100 Kms/2 Hours)



After breakfast visit local Village School where the guests gets a chance to meet and witness the way classes are held and practised at the local school and also interact with the Kids.

Later drive to Jaipur & check-in at hotel

Evening Heritage Walk - Vocations & Artisans of Jaipur

-Explore the geometrically precise architecture of the city and the significance of its 'Chaupars' (intersection points). Visit the old stables converted into market.

-Takes a bird eye view of walled Pink City from one of the biggest towers (Optional)

-Walk through the market of bangle makers & see a demo of bangle making - Sealing wax.

-Witness a narrow lane full of bridal clothing shops. This will leave you spellbound.

-Walk though some of the most interesting artisans & old houses (Havelis)

-Gemstone workshop & enjoy a hi-tea while witnessing gemstone bullion.

-Closely observe the gathering of local sellers selling the milk products for making the most delicious Indian sweets.

Overnight at hotel in Jaipur.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 07

Day 07: In Jaipur

Start today with a brief photo stop at Hawa Mahal (Palace of Winds), before travelling to Amer Fort, or 'Amber Fort' as the British named it. Erected in 1799 by Maharaja Sawai Pratap Singh, Hawa Mahal was built so that the veiled ladies of his harem could observe, unnoticed, the lively street scenes below. After we arrive at the base of Amer Fort, we will board a jeep that will take us all the way up to the entrance. Inside the fort we will visit the Jag Mandir or the Hall of Victory, which houses the famed Sheesh Mahal.

Visit the Maharaja's City Palace this afternoon to explore the former Royal residence; part of the building has been converted into a museum, while the Royal family of Jaipur still uses the remaining sections of the palace. Outside the gate to the Maharaja's City Palace is Jantar Mantar, the largest stone and marble crafted observatory in the world. The observatory has 17 large instruments, many of them still in working condition.

Before returning to the hotel, stop for some shopping inside the walled city, where villagers from around Jaipur come to sell and trade their produce. Here we will find saris, jewellery, clothing, shoes and spices for sale.

In the evening enjoy a hands-on Cooking class at an Indian home followed by dinner with the host family.

Overnight at hotel in Jaipur.



Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 08**Day 08: Jaipur/Delhi & Departure (By surface: 260 Kms/5 Hours)**

Depart Jaipur and drive towards Delhi. Upon arrival in Delhi have dinner at hotel in Aerocity and later transfer to International airport to board flight to onward destination.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Inclusions

- 07 night accommodation in Double/Twin room on room plus breakfast basis.
- 03 Lunches, 05 Dinners. (No Any Meal on Day of Arrival).
- Assistance on arrival / departure by Company representative.
- All transfers / sightseeing and excursion by air-conditioned transport.
- Services of local English speaking local guide. Supplement for national Escort quoted as above.
- Rickshaw ride at Delhi.
- Cooking Class at Jaipur.
- Heritage Walk at Jaipur.
- Entrance fee to the monument as per Itinerary.
- Jeep Ride at Amber Fort from Coach parking to Fort and back.
- All prevailing Government taxes on the package.

With our Best compliments

Traditional Indian welcome by garlanding with one bottle of mineral water on first arrival into India.

Exclusions

1. Any Services other than mentioned above.
2. Any Visa charges, airport taxes, airfare.
3. Any items of personal nature like laundry, telephone calls, tips and drinks.
4. Any airfare.



Note

HOTELS ENVISAGED: (Failing shall provide similar alternative)

Delhi - Radisson Blu Dwarka OR Similar

Agra - Crystal Sarovar Portico OR Similar

Abhaneri - Clement Retreats OR Similar

Jaipur - Ramada Jaipur OR Similar

Above rates are not applicable from 20 Dec'24 Till 10 January'2025 & Pushkar Period.

IMPORTANT:

1. Standard check in and check out time at hotels is 1200 hrs.
2. Kindly note that names of hotels mentioned above only indicate that our rates have been based on usage of these hotels and it is not to be construed that accommodation is confirmed at these hotels until and unless we convey such confirmation to you. In the event of accommodation not becoming available at any of the above mentioned hotels we shall book alternate accommodation at a similar or next best available hotel and shall pass on the difference of rates (supplement/reduction whatever applicable) to you.
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