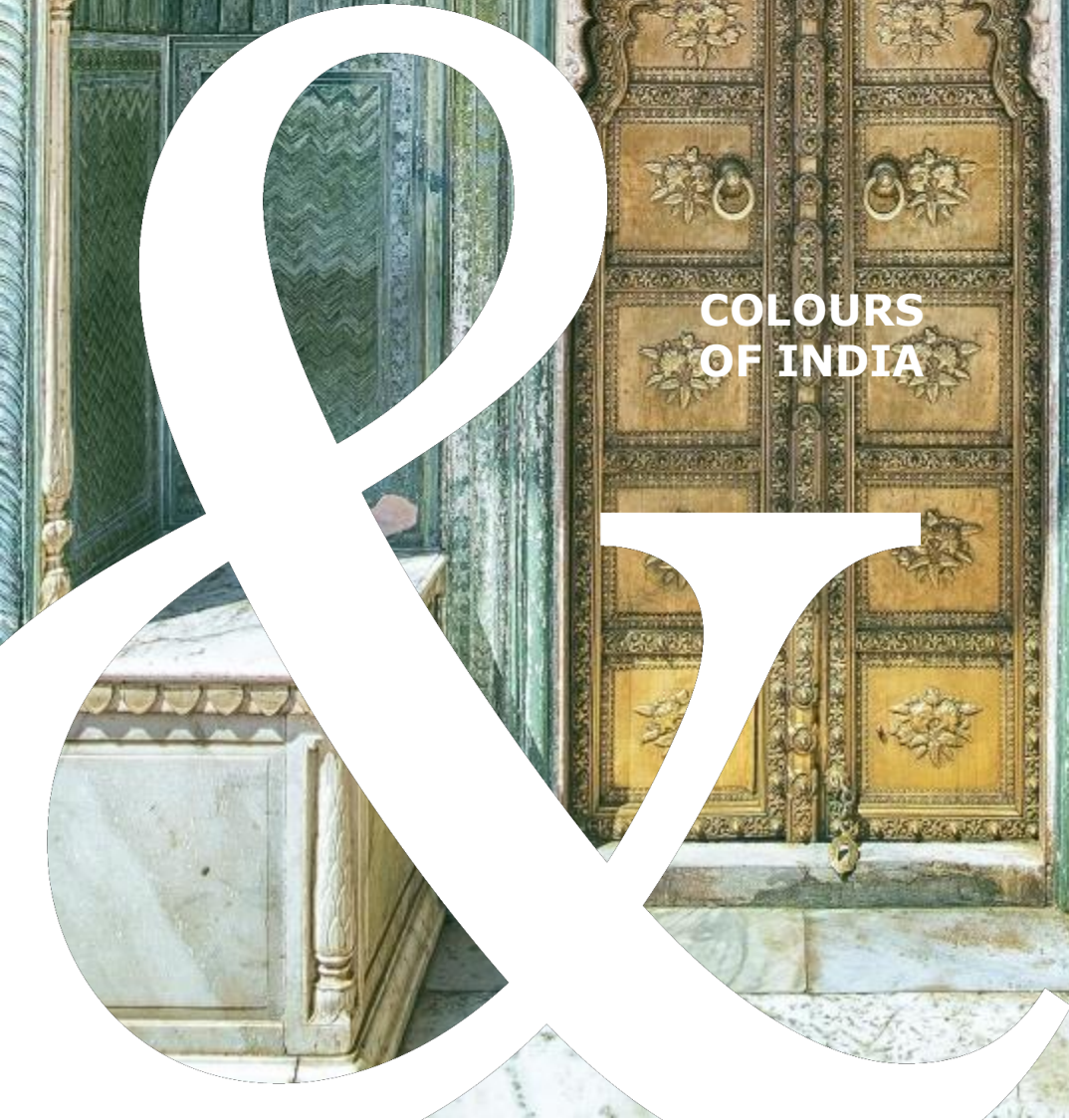


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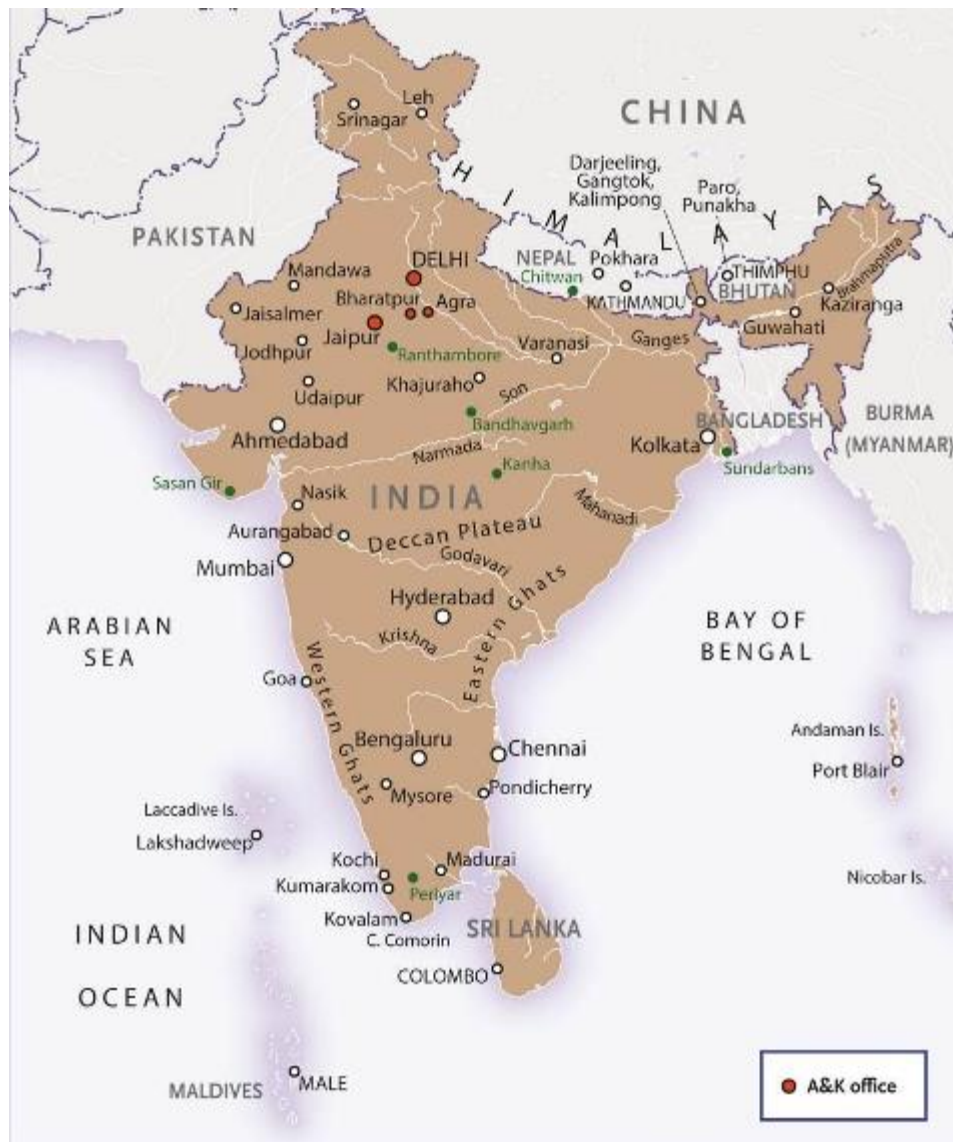


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### ITINERARY HIGHLIGHTS

- Rekindle your romance as you gaze at the monument of love - the Taj Mahal at Agra.
- Marvel at the collection of textiles & weapons at the City Palace Museum in Jaipur.
- Witness the Royal Bengal Tiger at Ranthambhore.
- Visit the majestic Mehrangarh Fort at Jodhpur.
- Enjoy the romantic boat ride at Lake Pichola, Udaipur.



## DAY 01

## NEW DELHI - AGRA

Morning drive to Agra covering 210 kms/ 4 hrs.

Agra: Akbarabad, as Agra was known during the Mughal era, is home to some of the most magnificent Mughal architectures. Situated on the banks of river Yamuna, the monumental beauty of Agra has inspired countless people around the world. This third largest city of the state of Uttar Pradesh is home to three UNESCO world heritage sites.

On arrival check in at the Hotel.



Afternoon visit Agra Fort Situated on the right bank of river Yamuna, the Agra Fort is one of the most important and robustly built stronghold of the Mughals, embellished with a number of beautifully decorated buildings bringing forth the Mughal style of art and architecture. This fabulous monument was once home to the Kohi-noor diamond. Not only that, this fort is witness to Akbar's great rule, Aurangzeb's tyranny and India's first fight for freedom, the revolt of 1857.



Sunset visit of The Taj Mahal **(CLOSED ON FRIDAYS)**: The Mughal masterpiece- The Taj Mahal has made Agra a must visit on every traveller's list. It took approximately 22 years, nearly 22,000 labourers and a thousand elephants to build what we see today as The Taj Mahal. One can have the most spectacular view of the Taj Mahal at sunset. As the sun sets in the horizon, the silhouette of the Taj Mahal against the crimson sky presents a stunning spectacle.

Return to the hotel for overnight stay.

**Meals included: Breakfast**

**Overnight: At Hotel**

## **DAY 02                      AGRA- BHARATPUR- RANTHAMBORE**

After an early breakfast (around 0700 hrs) drive from Agra to Ranthambhore covering a distance of 280 kms enroute visiting Fatehpur Sikri and Abhaneri.

En route, visit **Fatehpur Sikri**: visit to the Fatehpur Sikri, now a UNESCO world heritage site, brings alive the early days of Emperor Akbar and resonates the music of the legendary musician Tansen all over again. Fatehpur Sikri was Akbar's capital for approximately 12 years. The finest monuments within Fatehpur Sikri are the Diwan-i-Am, Diwan-i-Khas, Panch Mahal, Buland Darwaza and the tomb of Saint Sheikh Salim Chishti, and the Jama Masjid (one of the largest mosques In India).

**Abhaneri**: Chand Baori (stepwell) in the Abhaneri village is one of the oldest and most popular attractions in Rajasthan. It was built by King Chanda of the Nikumbha Dynasty in 9th century AD. One of the largest stepwells in the world, Chand Baori was built to conserve water and provide a respite from the intense heat. It was a community gathering place for locals as well as royals. Chand Baori is an architectural wonder with 3,500 perfectly symmetrical, narrow steps. It is this exquisite geometry that draws local and international visitors to it every year.



On arrival at Ranthambhore an A&K representative will assist you towards your hotel in Ranthambhore.

**Ranthambore Wildlife Sanctuary** - The Park is one of the prime examples of Project Tiger's conservation efforts in Rajasthan. It extends over an area of 392 sq kms of thick forests and abounds in scenic beauty, requisite refuge for both the carnivore and herbivore. The numerous valleys and flat hilltops form picturesque surroundings of the 13<sup>th</sup> century historical Ranthambore Fort. The Tiger is the main predators found in this reserve. Hyena and Jackal are the scavengers; Sloth Bear and Wild Boar are the main carnivore. The main herbivores found in this park are Spotted Deer, Sambar, "Nilgai" (Blue Bull) Antelope, "Chinkara" (Indian gazelle) and the common Langur.

Dinner and Overnight at the hotel.

**Meals included: Breakfast & Dinner**

**Overnight: Hotel**

**DAY 03**

**RANTHAMBORE - JAIPUR**

Morning game viewing by open 4x4 jeeps or canter. Go in search of the magnificent Royal Bengal Tiger and other wildlife.



Breakfast at the hotel.

Later drive to Jaipur covering 180kms/3hrs.

**Jaipur** Beautiful palaces, forts and colourful bazaars speak of the pink city's glorious regal past. Modernity walks hand-in-hand with history in Jaipur. This largest city of Rajasthan, founded by Maharaja Sawai Jai Singh, is famous for its magnanimous hospitality. The origins of the beautiful city of Jaipur can be traced back to the century, during the reign of Jai Singh II who ascended the Amber throne in 1699. Jaipur today epitomizes the spirit of Rajputana. In spite of growing into bustling metropolis, it still retains it's character and history.... a beautiful fusion of yesteryears and modernity.

On arrival check in at the Hotel.



Later proceed to visit the regal **Amber Fort**, it defines the royalty of Jaipur, overpowering the Aravallis. The fort is known for its artistic style and aesthetic ambience. The fort with its large ramparts, series of gates and cobbled paths is best seen from the jeep which will drive you to the fort.

Visit **Anokhi Museum** houses the world's best block painting garments and is a cultural endeavor of Anokhi clothing brand. This museum exhibits the oldest art form of Rajasthani art at its very best. Detailed explanation about every cloth is mentioned along with the quality of fabric and various other details.

Late evening Jaipur is famous for its magnanimous hospitality. Experience this hospitality with a local family of Jaipur over the **cooking Demonstration and Dinner**. Along with some delectable food soak in the history of this royal city with your new found friends.

Return to the hotel for overnight stay.

**Meals included: Breakfast & Dinner**

**Overnight: Hotel**

## DAY 04

## JAIPUR

Morning proceed for the city tour of Jaipur is a traveller's delight, we will begin our tour of the city with its heart, visiting **The City Palace**. The Jaipur royal family still continues to live in the City Palace. The Palace is a perfect blend of Rajput and Mughal architecture. The Palace complex houses a seven storey Chandra Mahal in the centre giving a fine view of the gardens and the city. The Diwan-E-Am (Hall of Public Audience) has intricate embellishments and collection of manuscripts. The Palace also has a rare collection of costumes and armoury of Maharaja Sawai Jai Singh. From here we head to visit **Jantar Mantar**. Built in the 18<sup>th</sup> Century this astro-observatory is a must visit. This UNESCO World Heritage Site has 20 astronomical instruments built in monumental sizes and makes for an enlightening experience.



Photostop at **Hawa Mahal**: The ornamental facade of this "Palace of Winds" is a prominent landmark in Jaipur. It's five-storey structure of sandstone-plastered pink encrusted with fine trelliswork and elaborate balconies. The palace has 953 niches and windows. Built in 1799 by Pratap Singh, the Mahal was a royal grandstand for the palace women.



Later afternoon enjoy A **rickshaw ride** in Jaipur's old city is a memorable experience. As you are driven in the small by lanes of the old city you will witness a flurry of colours and beautiful architecture. Crossing the Hawa Mahal- the Palace of Winds, you will be reminded of the royal procession undertaken by the erstwhile Maharajas.

Jaipur is a **shopper's delight**, offering the most colorful, spectacular and intricately made textiles, jewellery and footwear. Shopping in the city is a memorable experience. Jaipur is famous for its multicolored tie-and-dye and trademark striped (leheriya) prints. You can also see a demonstration of the traditional block printing in the by lanes of the bazaars. Some of the noteworthy local places to shop are the Johari Bazaar and Bapu Bazaar. While Johari (gemologist) Bazaar is synonymous to its name and has some of the most famous jewellery stores, Bapu Bazaar is popular for 'Mojri' footwear in vibrant colours. Apart from this the bazaar has many shops dealing in fabrics and sari along with a variety of original leather goods like bags and purses and local perfumes and trinkets.

Overnight at the hotel.

**Meals included: Breakfast**

**Overnight: Hotel**

## DAY 05

## JAIPUR - JODHPUR

Breakfast at the hotel.

In time proceed towards Jodhpur covering 325 kms/6 hrs.

**Optional:** Flight from Jaipur to Jodhpur:

Depart: Jaipur            at:1305hrs    by: Indigo Airlines 6E7405  
Arrive :Jodhpur        by:1410hrs



(Baggage: 20kgs of Check in baggage and 5 Kgs of Hand baggage).

**Jodhpur.** The second largest city of Rajasthan, Jodhpur was founded in 1459 by Rao Jodha, a Rajput chief belonging to the Rathore clan. Jodhpur is also known as the "**Sun City**" for the bright, sunny weather it enjoys all year and the "**Blue City**" because most of its houses in the old city are painted indigo. Founded in 1459 AD by the Suryavanshi Rao Jodha, Jodhpur gradually grew around the towering Mehrangarh Fort built as a stronghold on the advice of a sage. The pride and joy of Jodhpur - the temples, monuments and gardens depict multi - faceted grandeur.

On arrival check in at the hotel.



Afternoon sightseeing We begin our tour with one of the largest forts of the country, the majestic **Mehrangarh fort**. The fort is famous for its expansive courtyards, intricate carvings and multi-storeyed palaces. Our next stop will be near the fort, on the banks of a lake, **the Jaswant Thada**. This is the memorial of Maharaja Jaswant Singh II. Made of gleaming white marble on a platform of red sandstone this monument is worth a visit.

From here we head to the heart of Jodhpur, the old city. The **clock tower** is a popular landmark in the old city. Also, the narrow alleys of Sardar Market are worth exploring. It is a great place to walk around at leisure. You are sure to find some colourful clothing, silver trinkets and handicrafts.

Return to the Hotel for overnight stay.

**Meals included: Breakfast**

**Overnight: At Hotel**

**DAY 06**

**JODHPUR – RANAKPUR - UDAIPUR**

Morning drive to Udaipur covering 260 kms/6 hrs.

Enroute visiting **Ranakpur** is primarily famous for the Jain Temple. Surrounded by the Aravalli hills and located on the banks of 'Magai' river this grand and gigantic four-facet structure was built between the

late 14<sup>th</sup> to mid 15<sup>th</sup> centuries. The present structure of the temple came into being after 50 years of hard work by various artisans and sculptors. The temple is dedicated to 'Lord Adinath'. Light colour marble has been used for the construction of this grand temple which rises majestically from the slope of a hill with its distinctive domes. The temple has over 1444 marble pillars, carved in exquisite detail and no two pillars in the temple are the same. It is also said that it is impossible to count the pillars. So with countless pillars and each different from one another, you are bound to be baffled by the beauty of this unique temple.



Udaipur, also known as the City of Lakes is like the oasis of the Thar desert. The many lakes in the city have lent it the name of 'Venice of the East'. The royal palaces and forts add to beauty of the historic city of Udaipur founded in 1559.

On arrival check in at the Hotel.

**Meals included: Breakfast**

**Overnight: At Hotel**

## DAY 07

## UDAIPUR

We begin our tour of the historic city of Udaipur visiting the royal **City Palace**. City Palace towers over Lake Pichola. The main part of the palace is a museum displaying a large and diverse array of artefacts. There is also the armoury museum exhibiting a huge collection of protective gear, weapons including the lethal two-pronged sword. Each quarter of the City Palace offers something different like the Manak Mahal which has a lovely collection of glass and mirror work, Krishna Vilas displays a rich collection of miniature paintings, the Moti Mahal has beautiful mirror work and the Chini Mahal has ornamental tiles all over.

After this royal treat, our next stop is the 18<sup>th</sup> century garden, '**Saheliyon ki bari**'. With lush green lawns, marble fountains and beautifully carved pavilions, it makes for the most beautiful garden.



**Jagdish Temple:** Dedicated to Vishnu, this temple was built in 1651 AD by Maharana Jagat Singh II. The temple can be accessed from a steep staircase flanked by stone elephants. The external walls and the plinth are covered with bas-reliefs - friezes of alligators, horsemen and celestial musicians

Enjoy a romantic **boat ride at Lake Pichola** with the setting sun making the experience ever so magical. Udaipur, also known as the 'City of Lakes' The many lakes in the city have lent it the name of 'Venice of the East'. And what better to admire the regal beauty of this historic city dotted with palaces than a boat cruise.

Return to the hotel for overnight stay.

**Meals included: Breakfast**

**Overnight: At Hotel**

## **DAY 08 UDAIPUR - DELHI / MUMBAI DEPART**

Morning after a relaxed breakfast excursion to **Eklingji & Nagda**

Udaipur and its neighboring cities also have some very beautiful temples. And the Eklingji and Nagda temples are a must visit. We begin our tour with Eklingji. The town has in all about 70 temples including the famous Eklingji Shiva temple. The original structure of the temple was built in 734 A.D. The temple has a beautiful rustic architecture with distinctly carved tower. The temple also has beautiful and heavy silver doors. On entering the main hall, you are greeted by a mesmerizing fragrance and a silver image of 'Nandi'. There are two more Nandi's in the temple; one made of black stone and the other of brass. Shiva is worshipped here in the form of a four faced black marble image.

Our next stop would be Nagda. This city founded in the 6th century has many small and big temples, but the main attraction is the 'Sas-Bahu' temple. The term 'Sas-Bahu' suggests 'Mother-in-law and Daughter-in-law' respectively. The temple is dedicated to Lord Vishnu and it is made in two structures. The main

entrance to both the temples has intricate carvings. The temple of 'Sas' (mother-in-law) is comparatively larger than that of the 'Bahu' (daughter-in-law). The 'Bahu' temple has an octagonal ceiling, which is adorned with beautifully carved eight intricate female figures

In time drive to Udaipur airport to board the flight for Mumbai / Delhi:

**Option 01: Udaipur - Mumbai**

Depart: Udaipur at 1630 hrs by Air India AI 644  
Arrive: Mumbai at 1805 hrs  
(Baggage: 20kgs of Check in baggage and 5 Kgs of Hand baggage).

OR

**Option 02: Udaipur - Delhi**

Depart: Udaipur at 1520 hrs by Vistara Airlines UK628  
Arrive: Delhi at 1645hrs  
(Baggage: 20kgs of Check in baggage and 5 Kgs of Hand baggage).

Arrive Mumbai & Delhi and transfer to International Airport to connect flight to Abroad.

**Meals included: Breakfast**

**END OF THE TOUR**

## COST PROPOSAL

### PER PERSON COST IN INR

Validity: 25 September 2023 – 15 October 2023

Particulars	Based on 01 Pax	02 Pax onwards
Land cost	INR 275300 per person	INR 151950 per person
Single room supplement	-	INR 45135 per single
Air Fare: Jaipur-Jodhpur & Udaipur-Mumbai/Delhi in economy class	INR 20000 per person	INR 20000 per person

### The land cost includes:

- Accommodation on twin sharing basis (single room in case of 01 pax) at below mentioned hotels **or similar** in standard/base category:

CITY	HOTELS	ROOM TYPE	NIGHTS
Agra	Taj View Agra	Superior	01
Ranthambore	Nahargarh	Standard	01
Jaipur	ITC Rajputana	Executive Club	02
Jodhpur	Ajit Bhawan	Deluxe	01
Udaipur	Fatehgarh	Renaissance	02

- Meals as per the itinerary:
  - Daily breakfast
  - Dinner in Ranthambore on Day 02.
  - Cooking Demo with Dinner in Jaipur on Day 03.
- Transfers, sightseeing, excursions by an air-conditioned Toyota Innova car (01-03 pax) & Tempo Traveler (for 04-06 pax.)
- Services of accompanying English-speaking guide from Day 01 till Day 08.
- One Game drive by **jeeps** (subject to availability) failing shared deluxe canter at Ranthambore including English speaking Naturalist & park entrance fee
- Entrances at monuments at all cities, road tax and parking fees
- Jeep Ride at Amber Fort, Jaipur.
- Rickshaw ride in Jaipur.
- Boat ride at Lake Pichola, Udaipur
- All currently applicable taxes.

**The land cost does not include:**

- Personal expenses such as meals not included in the program, laundry, telephone calls, drinks, tipping etc.
- Visa fees or international flight tickets and insurance

**NOTES:**

- **AT RANTHAMBORE NATIONAL PARK THE ZONES 1- 5 ARE CLOSED TILL 30 SEPTEMBER, THE ZONES 6-10 ARE OPEN FOR SIGHTING.**
- **THE SAFARIS ARE NOT OPERATIONAL ON WEDNESDAY.**