

TIGER TRAILS & GOLDEN TRIANGLE (06 Days)

DAY 01 – JAIPUR

Today arrive at Jaipur and transfer to your hotel.

The capital of Rajasthan, Jaipur, is popularly known as the “Pink City,” as pink sandstone was used to construct the buildings in the old walled city. Jaipur owes its name—it’s foundation and it’s planning—to the Great-Warrior-Astronomer Maharaja Jai Singh II (1699–1744 AD). Jaipur (City of Victory) was founded by Maharaja Sawai Jai Singh II in 1727. It is the only city in the world that symbolizes the nine divisions of the universe through nine rectangular sectors subdividing it. The architect who formalised the city’s plans on the Shilpa Shastra, the epic Hindu treatise on architecture, mixed it with the sublimity of the Mughal and Jain influences of those times. The city was painted pink in 1853 in honour of the visit by Prince Albert. Except for the busy traffic of bicycles, cars, and buses, little seems to have changed. Afternoon is free to walk around in the colorful and bustling bazaars for personal exploration or shopping.

Overnight stay at your Hotel.

DAY 02 – IN JAIPUR

After breakfast, proceed for a full-day city tour of Jaipur, visiting Amer Fort, located at a distance of 11 kilometers from Jaipur, which was the old fort of the Kachhwaha clan of Amber. It used to be the capital, until it was moved to Jaipur. The fort is built with white marble and red sandstone and looks even more attractive because of the Maota Lake in the foreground. The fort in itself is a beautiful sight to behold, but as one looks at the fort with its clear reflection on the lake in front, one cannot help but wonder if it is a dream or a beautiful illusion. **An elephant [subject to availability/alternatively by jeep]** will spare you the trouble of climbing up to the fortress. Once on top, stroll through the sprawling complex of courtyards and halls with a well-informed and well-spoken guide who would regale you with tales of yore.

Later, visit the City Palace of Jaipur. Among the highlights to be seen while touring Jaipur are the City Palace, which is an overwhelming complex of exquisite palaces, gardens, courtyards, decorative art, and carved doorways. The palace museum houses collections of rare manuscripts, armor, costumes, carpets, and miniature paintings. Walk to the adjacent Jantar Mantar, or Astronomical Observatory, made by the Maharaja of Jaipur, built in 1726. It is one of the five such astronomical wonders built by Sawai Jai Singh and makes accurate predictions even to this day. Jaipur is a shopper’s paradise. Most of the bazaars are in an old city with a wide range of things to buy, from jewellery (precious and semi-precious stones

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and handcrafted silver) to textiles to handicrafts and antiques. No doubt, for an avid shopper, “Jaipur” is the best city to shop and collect memorabilia.

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DAY 03 – JAIPUR – RANTHAMBORE (200 KMS) {PARK CLOSED FROM 01 JULY TO 30 SEPTEMBER}

After breakfast, drive to Ranthambore. Arrive Ranthambore and transfer to your hotel.

The park is one of the finest tiger reserves in the country, where more visitors spending a couple of nights are likely to spot one of these majestic animals, THE ROYAL BENGAL TIGERS.

Once a private tiger reserve of the Maharaja of Jaipur, in 1972, the sanctuary came under the Project Tiger scheme.

It covers 410 sq. km. and runs from the easternmost spur of the Aravalli to the Vindhya Range. It has both the old fort and the wildlife sanctuary, also known as Sawai Madhopur, after the town, which has some Jain temples with gilded paintings. Apart from tigers, you can see herds of Chital and Sambar deer and sounds of wild boar, Nilgai antelope and Chinkara gazelles. There is also a sloth bear, a few leopards, and crocodiles. Extensive bird life includes spur fowl, jungle fowl, partridges, quails, crested serpent eagle, woodpeckers, flycatchers, etc. There are also water birds like storks, ducks and geese at the lakes and waterholes.

Afternoon Game Drive [**Not included in the quote**] to Ranthambore National Park.

Overnight at Hotel

DAY 04 – RANTHAMBORE – AGRA (300 KMS)

Early morning game drive [**not included in the quote**] into the park, where your naturalist will talk to you about the wildlife found in this park. Ranthambore National Park is probably the best place in the world to see wild tigers and has the only dry deciduous tiger habitat in the world. In the game drive, your naturalist will help you explore the park in the search for the Royal Bengal Tiger.

After Game Drive, return to the hotel for breakfast. Later, drive to Agra en route, visiting Fatehpur Sikri.

Fatehpur Sikri, the deserted red sandstone city, was built by the Great Mughal Emperor, Akbar, as his capital and palace in the late 16th century. It was abandoned soon after it was built when the local wells went dry, and it remains today in much the same condition as it was over 300 years ago. It is complete with palaces and mosques and used to be a town larger than London when it was originally constructed. Now it is an extraordinary place to wander around, with its buildings in near-perfect condition.

Later, I will continue to drive to Agra. Arrive in Agra and transfer to your hotel.

Agra came into the limelight during the rule of Afghan King Sikandar Lodhi, who had made it the capital of his empire. Later in 1526 A.D., the Mughal Emperor Babar took upon himself the task of rendering Agra a unique character and beauty of its own. Agra, in terms of ambiance, is still associated with its Mughal period. The Mughals, besides being great rulers, were also great builders, and they preserved their best architectural wonders for Agra & its neighbourhood. It has many wonderful monuments, and the Taj Mahal, the greatest of them all, is a masterpiece of Mughal architecture at its best.

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DAY 05 – AGRA – DELHI (203 KMS)

After breakfast, proceed for a half-day city tour of Agra. **The Taj Mahal (closed on Friday):**

The Taj Mahal is everything that has been said about it and more. Built by the Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan as an expression of his love for his wife, Mumtaz Mahal, in the mid-17th century, the Taj Mahal is truly one of the wonders of the world. Though the Taj appears to be amazingly perfect from almost any angle, it is the close-up marble inlay work that is really astounding.

Later, visit **the Agra Fort**, an outstanding example of Mughal architecture. Agra Fort was the seat and stronghold of the Mughal Empire under successive generations. This was the seat of Mughal rule. Shahjahan added the impressive quarters and the mosque, while Aurangzeb added the outer ramparts. Visit its Hall of Public Audience and its Royal Pavilions. Besides the historical monuments, one can also explore Agra's rich heritage of handicrafts in its markets. Also visit Itmad ud Daula. This tomb was built in 1622 for Ghiyas Beg, father of Empress Noor-Jahan, the wife of Emperor Jahangir. It is beautifully conceived in white marble, mosaic, and lattice and sets a precedent as the first Mughal building to be faced with white marble inlaid with contrasting stones. Sometimes also called 'Baby Taj', it is small, intimate, and has a gentle serenity.

Later, drive to Delhi; arrive in Delhi and transfer to your hotel.

India's capital and a major gateway to the country, contemporary Delhi is a bustling metropolis that successfully combines in its folds the ancient with the modern. Amidst the fast-spiraling skyscrapers, the remnants of a bygone time in the form of its many monuments stand as silent reminders of the region's ancient legacy. The first impressions for any visitor traveling in from the airport are of a spacious, garden city, tree-lined with a number of beautiful parks.

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DAY 06 – DEPART DELHI

After breakfast, proceed for a tour of Old and New Delhi. Old Delhi is the Mughal capital of Shahjahanabad. Visit **the Jama Masjid**, which is the principal mosque of Old Delhi in India. Commissioned by the Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan, builder of the Taj Mahal, and completed in the year 1656 AD, it is the largest and best-known mosque in India. It lies at the origin of a very busy central street in Old Delhi, the Chawri Bazar Road. The mosque of Friday was built from 1644 to 1658 during the reign of Shahjahan. The mosque is 80 m long and 27 m wide. The courtyard can accommodate 25,000 worshippers and occupies 408 square feet.

Later, we proceed to visit **Raj Ghat**, where Mahatma Gandhi, The Father of the Nation, was cremated, and drive past the **Red Fort [from outside]**, the palace for Shahjahan's new capital, Shahjahanabad, the seventh Muslim city in the Delhi site. Wander in the busy streets of the mile-long **Chandni Chowk**, popularly called "The Silver Street.". Enjoy the 'Cycle Rickshaw' ride in Old Delhi.

In the afternoon, proceed for a tour of New Delhi, which reflects the legacy the British left behind. The division between New and Old Delhi is the division between the capitals of the British and the Mughals, respectively. The division in the walled city and New Delhi also marks the division in lifestyles. The walled city is all tradition, where one will be able to glean a past lifestyle in all its facets, colors, and spells. New Delhi in contrast, is a city trying to live up to the best of 21st-century standards.

The tour to Imperial Delhi will start with a visit to the **Qutab Minar**, the tallest stone tower in India. The Qutab Minar was started in 1199 AD by Qutab-ud-Din Aibak and completed by the sultan's successor and son-in-law, Iltutmish. The building is 72.5 m high and has 379 steps from the bottom to the top. The Minar is tapered; the diameter of the base is 14.3 m, while at the top floor it is 2.7 m. The Qutab Minar is still the highest stone tower as well as one of the finest Islamic structures ever raised in India.

Later, visit **Humayun's Tomb**, built by the widow of the second Mughal Emperor, Humayun. It is an outstanding monument in the Indo-Persian style, a precursor of the Taj Mahal.

Drive past **the imposing India Gate**, the Parliament building, and the Rashtrapati Bhawan, the President's residence.

Later in time transfer to Delhi Airport / Railway Station to board your flight / train for onward journey to your next destination.

*****TOUR ENDS*****

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QUOTE SHEET

SUMMER PACKAGE VALID FROM – 01st April 2024 TO 30th September 2024
COST SHEET FOR ITINERARY –TIGER TRAILS– 06 DAYS

DELUXE PACKAGE - HOTEL OPTIONS OR SIMILAR

CITY	HOTEL OPTION	ROOM CATEGORY	NIGHT
Jaipur	Rudra Vilas/Jaipur Central /Lords Plaza	Standard Room	02
Ranthambore	Om Rudra Priya/Ranthambhore National Resort /Sawai Bagh	Standard Room	01
Agra	Crystal Inn	Standard Room	01
New Delhi	Almondz Hotel / Regent Grand	Standard Room	01

TOUR COST BASED	TOUR COST
Tour Cost based on Twin Sharing Basis for 05 Nights on CPAI with A/C SEDAN CAR	Rs.25,300/- NETT- PER PERSON.

SUPER DELUXE PACKAGE - HOTEL OPTIONS OR SIMILAR

CITY	HOTEL OPTION	ROOM CATEGORY	NIGHT
Jaipur	Fern Eco / Lemon Tree / Sunday	Standard Room	02
Ranthambore	Vanya Mahal/Regency / Similar	Standard Room	01
Agra	The Retreat	Standard Room	01
New Delhi	The Hans Hotel / Park Plaza	Standard Room	01

TOUR COST BASED	TOUR COST
Tour Cost based on Twin Sharing Basis for 05 Nights on CPAI with A/ SEDAN CAR	Rs. 32,775/- NETT-PER PERSON.

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SUPERIOR PACKAGE - HOTEL OPTIONS OR SIMILAR

CITY	HOTEL OPTION	ROOM CATEGORY	NIGHT
Jaipur	Hilton / Radisson Blu City Centre / Similar	Standard Room	02
Ranthambore	Nahargarh / Tigriss / Amaghati / Similar	Standard Room	01
Agra	Crystal Sarovar Premiere	Standard Room	01
New Delhi	Lalit/ Welcomhotel by ITC Dwarka	Standard Room	01

TOUR COST BASED	TOUR COST
Tour Cost based on Twin Sharing Basis for 05 Nights on CPAI with A/C SEDAN CAR	Rs. 41,400/- NETT-PER PERSON.

EXTRA BED COST –

PACKAGE CATEGORY	EXTRA ADULT	CNB (06 TO 11 YEARS) SHARING BED WITH PARENTS	CHILD UPTO 05 YEARS
STANDARD	Rs. 3,623/- NETT PER PERSON	Rs. 1,512/- NETT PER PERSON	COMPLIMENTARY BASIS SHARING WITH PARENTS
DELUXE	Rs. 4,830/- NETT PER PERSON	Rs. 2,116/- NETT PER PERSON	COMPLIMENTARY BASIS SHARING WITH PARENTS
SUPER DELUXE	Rs. 7,245/- NETT PER PERSON	Rs. 2,869/- NETT PER PERSON	COMPLIMENTARY BASIS SHARING WITH PARENTS
SUPERIOR	Rs. 15,000/- NETT PER PERSON	Rs. 4,830/- NETT PER PERSON	COMPLIMENTARY BASIS SHARING WITH PARENTS

OUR QUOTE INCLUDES:

- **05 Nights** accommodation basis at the hotel mentioned above or similar category of alternate hotels.
- Meal Plan – Daily buffet breakfast at all the hotels.All applicable taxes .
- All transfers, city tours and transport services by **AC VEHICLE** All India Tourist permit vehicle as per the above itinerary. Road taxes, parking fee, fuel charges, interstate taxes.

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OUR QUOTE DOES NOT INCLUDE: THE ABOVE PRICE EXCLUDES:

- MONUMENTS Entrance Fee. + Services of English Speaking Local Guide.
- Elephant Ride or Jeep Ride at Amber Fort in Jaipur. +Tonga Ride in Bikaner.
- Game Drive at Ranthambore National Park in Ranthambore +Camel Ride on Sand Dunes in Jaisalmer. +Jeep Safari in Jodhpur. +Common Boat Ride on Lake Pichola in Udaipur.
- **Anything which is not mentioned under "INCLUDES" header.**
- Expense of personal nature like tipping, laundry, telephone / fax calls, alcoholic beverages, camera/video camera fee at monuments, medical expenses, airport departure tax etc. Any other services not mentioned in the inclusions
- Airfare / Train Fare
- Any expenses caused by reasons beyond our control such as roadblocks, accidents & any medical evacuations. Any train delays, or re-scheduling etc. Any Visa fees, insurance fees, etc. Any tips to hotel staff, local guides, drivers etc. Any meals apart from the ones mentioned above. Any expenses apart from the ones above.

SPECIAL NOTES:

- Check-In time is 1400 hrs & Check-out time 1200 NOON at all hotels.
- **KINDLY NOTE FOR GUESTS SAFETY & SECURITY, WE DON'T ALLOW NIGHT DRIVING, HENCE REQUEST GUESTS TO LEAVE IN TIME SO THEY CAN REACH NEXT DESTINATION BEFORE 2000 HRS.**
- In case on any amendment in local Government taxes, or any fuel hike, we reserve the right to adjust the tour price accordingly.
- Please note, the names of hotels mentioned above only indicate that our rates have been based on usage of these hotels. It is not to be construed that accommodation is confirmed at these hotels until and unless we convey the confirmations to you on receipt of your acceptance. However in the event of any of the above mentioned hotels not becoming available at the time of initiating the reservations, 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.

THE IMPORTANT POINTS: MONUMENT CLOSURE DAYS:

- All the Monuments will Remain **Closed** on Dhulandi (Next Day of HOLI FESTIVAL) in Rajasthan.
- Ranthambore Park & Sariska National Park will be **CLOSED** from 01 JULY to 30 SEPT Every Year