

Incredible India Tour #1608



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Visit: Delhi - Agra - Jaipur - Bundi - Chittourgarh - Udaipur - Mumbai - Bengaluru - Mysore - Ooty - Coonoor - Cochin - Alleppey - Kovalam - Trivandrum

Escorted Experience

- Fixed Dates
- Modern Airconditioned Vehicle
- First Class Hotels

Tour Vehicle

Multi Seater AC van

Tour Guide

Local English only guide



Detailed Itinerary

Day 01: DAY-01 DELHI ARRIVAL

Meeting assistance by our representative on arrival at Delhi airport with welcome garlanding and transfer to your hotel of stay (Rooms from 1200 Noon) Overnight at Hotel (No Meals)

Day 02: DAY-02 DELHI

After Breakfast and proceed with sightseeing tour of Old & New Delhi Old Delhi: The 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, workshops as well as residences. Later proceed with visit to Qutub Minar Complex, visiting a myriad of monuments that combine both Islamic calligraphy and Hindu motifs, commemorating the onset of Islamic rule in India. Then proceed 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 honor of soldiers who died in the Afghan Wars and World War–I. Visit the Humayun's Tomb, the first great example of Mughal architecture in India and regarded as a prototype of the famed Taj Mahal of Agra. Overnight at hotel (Breakfast)

Day 03: DAY-03 DELHI-AGRA (BY SURFACE 200 KMS/03-04 HOURS)

After leisurely breakfast drive to Agra & Check-in at Hotel Later the afternoon visit Agra Fort - Built by Emperor Akbar on the west bank of the river Yamuna and beautified with palaces and gardens by Jahangir, Agra Fort today dominates the center of the city. Diwan-i-Aam (hall of public audience) and Diwan-i-Khas (hall of private audience) were built by Shahjehan for receiving audiences. Later Visit Marble inlay workshop to see craftsman demonstrating ancient technique of inlay precious and semi-precious stones in marble Overnight at hotel (Breakfast)

Day 04: DAY-04 AGRA-JAIPUR (BY SURFACE 240 KMS/04-05 HOURS)

SUNRISE: Visit the world famous Taj Mahal (Remain Closed on every Friday) built by Shah Jahan in 1630 for his queen Mumtaz Mahal to enshrine her mortal remains. This architectural marvel is a perfectly proportioned masterpiece fashioned from white marble that stands testimony to the sill of 20,000 craftsmen brought together from Persia, Turkey, France and Italy and who took 17 year to complete this 'Love Poem in Marble'. Return to hotel for breakfast Later drive to Jaipur enroute visiting Abhaneri village. Later on drive to Jaipur. Upon arrival check in the hotel. Overnight at hotel (Breakfast)



Day 05: DAY-05 JAIPUR

After breakfast Proceed for Sightseeing Tour of the Jaipur visiting Amber Fort: the ancient capital of the State until 1728. Visit the Temple of Kali, the Hall of Victory or Jai Mahal and Jagmandir. The Amber Fort, the capital of the erstwhile State of Jaipur until 1728 is perched on a hill. It has halls of Public and Private Audience, a Sheesh Mahal (hall of mirrors) various marble palaces which are marvelous examples of ancient Rajput architecture. The Temple of Amba (Mother Goddess), the patron deity of the Royal family is at the entrance to the palace. Ride an Elephant to ascend the Fort situated on hilltop. Later in the afternoon your tour of the pink city, visit the City Palace - It has an art gallery with an excellent collection of miniature paintings, carpets, royal paraphernalia and rare astronomical Works in Arabic, Persian, Latin and Sanskrit. Also visit the Jantar Mantar - an astrological and astronomical Observatory built by Maharaja Jai Singh in 18th century, which is remarkable for its accuracy even at the present times. Lastly stop at Place of wind for taking pictures and spend time in crowded lanes & by lanes of pink city, haggling and souvenir hunting. Overnight at hotel (Breakfast)

Day 06: DAY-06 JAIPUR-BUNDI (BY SURFACE: 215 KMS/03:30 HOURS)

After breakfast you will be drive to Bundi. In evening visiting the Bundi Palace next to the Taragarh Fort which has some beautiful murals on display. At Chhattar Mahal of the many splendid structures the ancient water clock at Hathi Pol and the beautiful Diwan-e-Aam are a must see. The stables at Ratan Daulat offer a glimpse into medieval Rajput lifestyle. Chatra Mahal and Badal Mahal, a part of Garh Palace, is a treasury of miniature paintings in red, golden and blue. Phool Sagar Palace is another building which has wonderful murals. The area is also famous for its step-wells such as the 17th century Raniji-ki-Baoli built by Rani Nathavatji. This is the largest of the baolis in Bundi. Overnight at hotel (Breakfast)

Day 07: DAY-07 BUNDI-CHITTOURGARH-UDAIPUR (BY SURFACE: 264 KMS/05:30 HOURS)

After breakfast drive to Udaipur en-route visiting Chittorgarh Fort. Chittorgarh: Once the cradle of Rajput chivalry and heroism. It preceded Udaipur by about a thousand years as the capitals of Sisodia Rajputs of Mewar. The ancient Bastion, described in a ninth century classic Khoman Rasa, is renowned for its solidity and strength. It was sacked thrice and the wide, gaping holes can still be seen, but it withstood all onslaughts, and many a myth and folk-tales are woven around this fort. Upon arrival check in Udaipur hotel. Overnight at hotel (Breakfast)

Day 08: DAY-08 UDAIPUR

After breakfast proceed for sightseeing tour of Udaipur. Udaipur, a splash of color in Rajasthan that is brighter when tinged with the tones of local lore and legends. Visit Saheliyon-Ki-Bari, the City Palace, built



in 1725, which hours the Dilkhush Mahal, Sheesh Mahal - studded with glittering Belgium Mirrors, Moti Mahal and the Palace of Lord Krishna all of which are ornately decorated. Later visit the Jagdish Temple. This temple built in 1651 is dedicated to Lord Vishnu, the preserver in gardens of the maids-of-honor, with beautiful lawns, gardens and fountains. Later drive around the Fateh Sagar Lake. Evening: Boat Cruise on Lake Pichola, 4-Km long and 3-Km broad, surrounded by splendid hills, palaces, temples, bathing Ghats and embankments. Visit the island palace Jag Niwas which is beautifully set in the lake. Overnight at Hotel (breakfast)

Day 09: DAY-09 UDAIPUR-MUMBAI (BY FLIGHT)

After breakfast Transfer to Udaipur airport to board your flight to Mumbai Meet upon arrival check-in at Hotel. Half day visit to Gateway of India, Mumbai's principle landmark. This arch of yellow basalt was erected on the waterfront in 1924 to commemorate King George V's visit to this colony in 1911. Drive past the Afghan Church. Secretariat of Maharashtra Government and along the Marine Drive which is fondly known as the 'Queen's Necklace'. Visit Jain temple and Hanging Gardens which offer a splendid view of the city, Chowpatty, Kamala Nehru Park and also Mani Bhavan where Mahatma Gandhi stayed during his visits to Mumbai. Drive past Haji Ali Mosque, a shrine in honor of a Muslim Saint on an island 500 m. out at sea and is linked by a causeway to the mainland. Stop at the 'Dhobi Ghat' where Mumbai's 'dirties' are scrubbed, bashed, dyed and hung out to dry. Watch the local train passing close by on which the city commuters 'hang out like laundry' - a nice photography stop. Continue to the colorful Crawford market and to the Flora fountain in the large bustling square, in the heart of the city. Overnight at Hotel (breakfast)

Day 10: DAY-10 MUMBAI-BANGALORE-MYSORE (FLIGHT+BY SURFACE 140 KM/ 04:00HRS)

After breakfast later transfer to airport to board flight to Bangalore upon arrival meet and assist and drive to Mysore via will visit the ancient fort at Srirangapatina, situated at a short distance from Mysore, to visit the summer palace and fort of Tipu Sultan, an erstwhile ruler of Mysore. Upon arrival check in the hotel. Overnight at Hotel (breakfast)

Day 11: DAY-11 MYSORE

After breakfast embark on a guided tour of Mysore. Your tour will begin with a visit to the stunningly beautiful Mysore Palace, a defining landmark in Mysore. Your guide will narrate the history of the palace, of the family of rulers that lived here and their significance in the history of South India. Later you will visit the church dedicated to St. Philomena and then the Mysore market. After you will then return to Mysore and drive to the top of Chamundi Hill where you will visit a temple dedicated to a Hindu goddess named Chamundeswary. Descending the hill on your return to Mysore you will see enormous statues of a mythological figures from Hinduism, of a demon named Mahishasura and a celestial black bull named Nandi (bull). Overnight at Hotel (breakfast)



Day 12: DAY-12 MYSORE - OOTY (BY SURFACE 135 KM /03:30HRS)

Post breakfast, drive to Ooty "the queen of mountain resorts." It used to be popular in summer and weekends for the British during the colonial Era. The establishment here of numerous tea plantations created the fame of Ooty. Noble mountains, dense forests, extensive meadows and miles of tea gardens greet passengers on their route. Visit of a tea plantation during the Afternoon. On arrival check-in at hotel. Evening at leisure Overnight at Hotel (breakfast)

Day 13: DAY-13 OOTY-COONOOR-OOTY (BY TOY TRAIN)

After breakfast Morning Proceed to Ooty, Take a toy Train from Ooty –Coonoor. The Nilgiri Mountain Railway, built by the British in 1908, and was initially operated by the Madras Railway. In July 2005, UNESCO added the Nilgiri Mountain Railway as an extension to the World Heritage Site of Darjeeling Himalayan Railway, the site then became known as "Mountain Railways of India." Proceed for Conoor sightseeing.Lamb's Rock is a tourist spot in Coonoor. On the way to Dolphin's Nose, about 5½ km from Coonoor, lies Lamb's Rock, another point to view the fantastic landscape and the tea and coffee plantations. It is located at a distance of 8 kilometers from Coonoor. Dolphin's Nose Viewpoint is a tourist spot in Coonoor. Dolphin's Nose is well over 1,000 feet above sea level, 10 km from Coonoor and is a spectacular spot to visit. Evening return to hotel. Overnight at Hotel (breakfast)

Day 14: DAY-14 OOTY-COCHIN (BY SURFACE 275 KM /06:30HRS)

After breakfast start a drive to Cochin upon arrival assistance and check into hotel. Evening free at leisure Overnight at Hotel (breakfast)

Day 15: DAY-15 COCHIN

After breakfast at hotel, proceed for sightseeing of Kochi visiting St. Francis Church and the Santa Cruz Basilica. While driving along the coastline, at the Harbor's mouth, one can also view the unique and still-in-use "Chinese Fishing Nets" which were introduced by the Chinese traders in the 14th Century. The tour ends in the Fort Kochi area where you can walk through the historical Dutch and Portuguese buildings. Some parts of this nearly 500-year-old Fort are still amazingly well preserved. Evening: Witness India's most spectacular Kathakali Dance show drama based on stories from Ramayana and Mahabharata. The dancers are elaborately made up with paint and masks, accompanied with drummers and musicians. Overnight at Hotel (breakfast)

Day 16: DAY-16 COCHIN-ALLEPPEY (BY SURFACE 55 KM /01:30HRS)

After Breakfast visiting the Dutch Palace, the Jewish Synagogue - (which remains closed on Fridays). Later on drive to Alleppey & check-in to Houseboat, Your house boat carries you slowly down palm-hung waterways, past backwater settlements of thatched and tiled cottages, bright with cartons and hibiscus. You



set your own pace: stopping where you like, resting when you like, and indulging yourself with the freshest of foods bought from the farmers and fishermen on the banks of the backwaters. You are always within the reach of other people & yet no one can intrude into your lives if you don't want them to. Overnight at Houseboat (breakfast+lunch+dinner)

Day 17: DAY-17 ALLEPPEY-KOVALAM (BY SURFACE 03:40HRS/160 KM)

Early in the morning you can have the panoramic view of sunrise from your houseboat. After breakfast disembark your houseboat and drive to Kovalam upon arrival assistance and check into hotel. Free at leisure to explore (free time to explore on your own) Overnight at Hotel (breakfast)

Day 18: DAY-18 KOVALAM

Full day on leisure you are free to explore on your own. (No Transpiration / No Guide) Overnight at Hotel (breakfast)

Day 19: DAY-19 KOVALAM-TRIVENDRUM-KOVALAM (BY SURFACE 20 KM /30 MINUTES)

After breakfast drive to Trivandrum and check into hotel then proceed for city sightseeing as per below details. • Sri Padmanabhaswamy Temple: This 260-year old temple has a Gopuram that rises 30 meters in the sky and intricately carved pillars which are beautiful. (Non Hindus are not allowed inside of temple) • Napier Museum: This is an art and natural history museum which houses a collection of archaeological and historic artefacts, bronze idols, ancient ornaments, a temple chariot and ivory carvings. (Closed on Mondays, Wednesdays & Govt. Holidays) • Chitralayam Art Gallery: See works by renowned painters Raja Ravi Varma and Nicholas Roerich as well as examples of Mughal and Tanjore art. If time permits then also see Zoological Gardens. Overnight at Hotel (breakfast)

Day 20: DAY-20 KOVALAM -TRIVENDRUM (BY FLIGHT)

This morning after breakfast you will be transferred to Trivandrum airport to board your flight for onward destination. Room will be available till 12 Noon. (Breakfast only)

Inclusion

Accommodation sharing twin on Bed & Breakfast Basis inclusive of taxes everywhere except Houseboat where all meals will be included. All transfers, excursions and sightseeing tours to be by private air-conditioned vehicle Monument entrance fees as per itinerary (1 visit per monument) Service of Local stationed English Speaking Guide from 02-09 paying pax and accompanying English speaking guide from 10 paying pax onward (Different guide accompanying in North & South India sectors) Assistance at airports by our company representatives Cycle Rickshaw ride in Old Delhi Jeep ride at Amber Fort in Jaipur



Boat cruise on lake Pichola, Udaipur (sharing boat basis) Kathakali dance show in Cochin Non AC Toy Train Ticket from Ooty – Connor All presently applicable Governments taxes (GST)

Domestic air fare - Udaipur / Mumbai & Mumbai / Bengaluru

With Best compliments Two bottles of mineral water daily in the vehicle Traditional Indian welcome by flower garlands on arrival

Exclusion

Any item of personal nature such as table drinks, Laundry, Telephone calls. Camera fees (Still/video) at any monuments Any tipping, gratuities or porterage anywhere Lunches, Dinner unless specified Any International airfare/Visa Fees Any item not mentioned in above cost inclusions

Note

CITY	HOTELS (Combination of 3* & Basic 4* Category)	NIGHTS
Delhi	The Regent Vila OR Similar	2
Agra	The PL Palace OR Similar	1
Jaipur	Nirbana Palace – A Heritage Hotel OR Similar	2
Bundi	Hadoti Palace Bundi OR Similar	1
Udaipur	Treehouse Atulya Niwas OR Similar	2
Mumbai	The Ambassador Hotel - Marine Drive OR Similar	1
Mysore	Southern Mysore Star OR Similar	2
Ooty	Sterling Ooty Elk Hill – Resorts and Hotels OR Similar	2
Cochin	Abad Atrium OR Similar	2
Backwater	AC Houseboat	1
Kovalam	Uday Samundra OR Similar	3

Tour Dates & Pricing