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HIGHLIGHTS

In this heritage and Cultural Tour of Rajasthan takes you to the journey of superb architectural diversity in the temples, palaces, and forts. In this tour, you will show casts the rich culture, royal hospitality, history, heritage, fair & festivals and local life of the people. This tour invites you to explore the colorful bazaars & Emporiums offering vivid textiles, carpets, semi-precious stones, and handicrafts etc. which are the specialty of the state of Rajasthan.

Through this package, we will help you unfold the mysteries of North India as we take you through the royal romance of Rajasthan, music, its deserts, its colours, its small reclusive hamlets and bewilderingly enormous palaces, and its mouthwatering cuisine – all together create an unforgettable and colorful tapestry.

ITINERARY DETAILS

DAY 01 ARRIVE DELHI



Welcome to India.... Namaste!

On arrival at Delhi Airport, you will meet our team representative, who will escort you to your hotel and assist you with check-in. After that, you will go for sightseeing tour of Delhi. The tour starts with exploring the historic attractions of Old Delhi. You will travel around the bustling market of Chandni Chowk, visit India's largest mosque, Jama Masjid, and savor the authentic Mughlai cuisine. Also, you will visit Raj Ghat, Mahatma Gandhi's cremation site memorial. After that, you will proceed to Qutb Complex, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that houses the world's tallest brick minaret – Qutab Minar.

Then, you move to Humayun's Tomb, the first garden-tomb in the Indian subcontinent and the inspiration for several monuments including the Taj Mahal. You will enjoy a drive pass India Gate and Embassy Lane. Overnight, stay at the hotel.

DAY 02**DELHI-MANDAWA (233 Km/ 6hrs)**

After breakfast, you will check-out from hotel and drive to Mandawa. This city lies in the Shekhwati region of Rajasthan and it is called the “Open Art Gallery” of Rajasthan as the city is adorned with magnificent havelis boasting of intricate frescos and paintings. It has been featured in various Bollywood movies too. Upon arrival in Mandawa, you will check-in at the hotel and spend some time at leisure. Later, explore your surroundings and stroll through the markets, a haven for lovers of art and paintings. On that Night, for dinner be sure to savor Shekhawati dishes of Rajasthani cuisine, especially kair – sangri ki subzi for main course and ghevar for dessert.

Overnight, stay at the hotel.

DAY 03**MANDAWA-BIKANER (193Km/ 4hrs)**

Spend the morning exploring some of the famous havelis of Mandawa that are known for their fresco paintings. A few of these famous havelis are Jhunjhunwala Haveli, Murmuia Haveli, and Goenka Double Haveli. Round off your morning tour with a visit Thakur Ji Temple and Mandawa Fort. After that, you will drive to Bikaner which is established by Rao Bika and the Jats in the 15th century. Bikaner became popular around the world for its snacks and sweets.

The colorful city of Rajasthan in the Thar Desert still retains its old-world charm and reflects the chivalry, courage and bravery of royal Rajputs. On arrival in Bikaner, check-in at the hotel. This evening, explore the markets of Bikaner, a shopper’s paradise for leather products, embroidered mojri (slip on shoes), cotton and wool products.

Overnight, stay at the hotel.

DAY 04**BIKANER-JAISALMER (330Km/6hrs)**

After breakfast, you will walk for Junagarh Fort which provides an insight into the lavish lifestyle of the erstwhile Maharanas of Rajasthan. The fort complex houses temples, palaces and a museum. Then, visit Laxmi Niwas Palace, the former royal abode of the king of Bikaner Maharaja Ganga Singh. Designed in the Indo-Saracenic style, the palatial building is a magnificent structure of red sandstone that blends with its beautiful surroundings. Later, discover the Karni Mata Temple, popularly called the “Temple of Rats”, home to 20,000 rats.

Afterwards, drive to Jaisalmer. Jaisalmer is the heart and soul of the Great Indian Desert – Thar Desert and is often referred to as the “Golden City” of India. On arrival in Jaisalmer, check-in at the hotel. Overnight, stay at the hotel.

DAY 05**JAISALMER SIGHTSEEING**

Jaisalmer owes its title to the “Golden City of India” to the yellowish-golden tinge that is present in most of the city’s architecture. This color comes from the yellow sand and the yellow sandstone used prominently in constructions. Jaisalmer is also famous for its hospitality and for having the warmest people in the country. The day is dedicated to discovering the living fort of Jaisalmer, where a quarter of the city’s population still resides. Raj Mahal (Royal Palace), Laxminath temple and Jain temples are the main areas to explore within the fort. Jaisalmer is also famous for its spectacular havelis, many of which you can visit.

In the evening, enjoy a sun downer on the Sam Sand Dunes while watching a beautiful sunset. Dinner is also served on the dunes with live traditional music, songs and folk dance performances.
Overnight, stay at the hotel.

DAY 06**JAISALMER- JODHPUR (272Km/05hrs)**

After breakfast, we will drive to Jodhpur; this city is called the “Sun City” for the sunny weather it enjoys all year round. It is also called the “Blue City” as most of the houses here are painted in blue. On arrival in Jodhpur, you will check-in at the hotel. Later, you can explore the famous Jodhpur markets – Tripola Bazaar, Sardar Market and Clock Market. They are the famous places to buy famous tie-dye textiles (bandhani), mojri (footwear), and traditional Indian handicrafts.

Jodhpur is also very well known for its snacks and sweets. Taste some of its popular snacks such as pyaaz ki kachori, badaa, gathiya and sev, relish the traditional Indian ice-cream called malai kulfi, and don’t forget the world famous Motichur laddu.
Overnight, stay at the hotel.

DAY 07**JODHPUR SIGHTSEEING**

On that day after delicious breakfast, you will walk to Mehrangarh Fort which is one of the largest forts in India. The fort houses some of the finest palaces and its museum preserves many priceless relics exhibiting Indian chivalry life. Armoury Gallery, Palanquins Gallery, Moti Mahal (Pearl Palace), Sheesha Mahal (Mirror Palace), Daulat Khana (Treasure), Turban Gallery, Loha Pol (Gate) and Dedh Kemgra Pol (Gate) are the major attractions of the fort. Nestling on a rocky hill, the fort offers a breathtaking panorama of Jodhpur from its ramparts.

In the afternoon, you will take a jeep drive to Bishnoi village. The locals are the ardent ecologist and are responsible for preserving many endangered species like the black buck antelope.
Overnight, stay at the hotel.

DAY 08

JODHPUR-RONAKPUR-UDAIPUR (260Km/ 05hrs)

This morning, drive to Udaipur. The drive today takes you across the Aravali Hills, the older mountain range in the world. The scenery along the way is superb and you will see many vignettes of Rajasthani rural life. Your first stop this morning is at the white marble temples of Ranakpur. Considered one of the architectural gems of this area, these profusely and intricately carved temples belong to the Jain religion. The stunning carvings are in contrast to the dictates of simplicity and austerity promoted by this religion.

On arrival in Udaipur, check-in at the hotel. This evening, unwind with a boat ride on the waters of Lake Pichola. Overnight, stay at the hotel after delicious dinner.

DAY 09

UDAIPUR SIGHTSEEING

Embark on a sightseeing tour in and around Udaipur. There are famous romantic destinations like The fabulous palaces, havelis, temples The gleaming Lake Pichola, and bustling markets with the majestic Aravalli Hills in the backdrop which make Udaipur a royal destination. Udaipur city tour starts with a visit to the City Palace. The royal abode of Maharanas of erstwhile; the palace displays an elaborate and flamboyant style which combines both the Rajasthani and Mughal architectural design. Strategically placed on a hill top, the palace gives an impressive view of Udaipur and its beautiful sites such as the Lake Pichola, the Jag Mandir, the Monsoon Palace and Neemach Mata Temple.

Overnight, stay at the hotel.

DAY 10

UDAIPUR-PUSHKAR-JAIPUR (394Km/ 07hrs)

Early morning, check-out from the hotel and drive to Jaipur, 430 km (approximately six hours) from Udaipur. Founded by Maharaja Jai Singh II in the year 1727, Jaipur is the first planned city of India. Jaipur is famously called the “Pink City” of India as the city was painted pink to commemorate the visit of Prince of Wales in 1876. Many of its avenues remained painted in pink till long, giving the city a distinctive appearance.

En route, we will take a halt at the Pushkar, an ancient city nestling on the shore of Lake Puskar. It enjoys the title of “Tirth Raj”, which means the king of pilgrimage sites for Hindus for it houses the famous Lord Brahma Temple that is said to be the most significant of the Brahma Temples. On arrival in Jaipur, check-in at the hotel. Stay overnight at the hotel.

DAY 11**JAIPUR SIGHTSEEING**

Relish with delicious breakfast, you will start the day with an excursion to the Amer Fort. Amer port is perched on a hill in the suburbs of Jaipur; the fort was once the capital of Rajasthan. This is a former residence of Rajput Maharajas; the fort is notable for its grand architecture showcasing Hindu style of art. After that, you will explore the City Palace complex that is comprised of two palaces, Chandra Mahal and Mubarak Mahal, a museum, a vast array of courtyards, gardens, and buildings. You will visit the other places which include Hawa Mahal (Palace of Wind), Jal Mahal (Water Palace), and Jantar Mantar (an observatory). Make sure to spend some time in the charming markets of the Old City.

Back to the hotel and overnight stay here.

DAY 12**JAIPUR-FATEHPUR SIKRI-AGRA (241Km/05hrs)**

On that day after breakfast, you will drive to Agra. En route, you will visit Fatehpur Sikri. It's a UNESCO World Heritage Site showcasing the grandeur of Mughal architecture, and well worth the time. This was the transitory capital of the Mughal Empire between 1571 and 1585, throughout the reign of Emperor Akbar. Mughal Empire visited the village of Sikri to consult the Sufi saint Shaikh Salim Chishti, who predicted the birth of an heir to the Mughal throne.

On arrival in Agra, check-in at the hotel. Overnight, stay at the hotel.

DAY 13**AGRA-SIKANDRA-DELHI (231Km/05hrs)**

After breakfast, check-out from hotel and drive to Delhi. On the way, you will stop at Sikandra to visit the Tomb of Akbar the Great. This is architectural which is showcasing the splendid Mughal architectural style. This tomb was commenced by Akbar himself and was completed after his death by his son, Jahangir. The four white marble minarets at the entrance of the tomb from the South gate are similar to those of the Taj Mahal. On arrival in Delhi, check-in at the hotel.

Overnight, stay at the hotel.

Today your tour comes to an end. After hearty breakfast, we arrange your drop to Delhi Airport, from where you will board your flight back home. This itinerary is only a slice of the wonderful diversity and beauty that Rajasthan Tour, India has to offer and we hope that you will return soon to discover more.

Namaste!

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