

# Bird Watching & Photographic's Trip

## Day 1 Depart from home

We take a connecting flight to Delhi . (Meals Aloft)

## Day 2 Delhi

Arrival at Delhi , International airport Welcome by Representative of Tiger Expeditions and transfers to Hotel Shanti Palace, New Delhi . (B, L, D)

## Day 3 Delhi - Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary

After breakfast at about 0900 hrs drive for 205 kms / 4 hrs to Bharatpur N.P. Garden lunch at hotel Country Inn Kosi.Kosi is a place located in rural area on National Highway # 2 about 2 hrs drive time from Delhi . This is quite calm and away from hectic life of Delhi . So it will be an ease surface drive in two parts without any loss of time any where. Overnight at Uday Vilas Palace . (B, L, D)

## Day 4/5 Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary

Full two days excursion in Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary Overnight in hotel Uday Vilas Palace . (B, L, D Daily)

**Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary** is located in Rajasthan state and is listed in UNESCO World Heritage site; it densely inhabits 350 species of birds. We can watch fishing activities of the handsome pied kingfisher and the sleek darter provides engaging moments. Also seen are eight species of eagles and several species of falcons including the peregrine falcon. In addition to bird life, the park also possesses Indian python, Indian porcupine, fishing cat, Indian civet, Jackal, and three species of mongoose. Some other species like spotted, sambhar deer and Neel gai (blue bull) are also reported. The birds seen are as colorful as their names pintail ducks, red-crested pochards, and open-billed, painted, and black-necked storks. Overnight stay and all meals in hotel.

**Mode of safari:** Flat-bottomed boats, rickshaws and bicycle.

## Day 6 Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary - Mathura - Lalkuan

Complete whole day park visit and photographic .In the evening at 1900 hrs drive to Mathura railway station to catch 5311 kumaun Express to Lalkuan. Over night board in the train.

## Day 7 Lalkuan - Dhikala Rest House

After arriving at the Lalkuan railway station we will be transferred to hotel till breakfast & then leave around 09:30 hrs for Ramnagar gate now we are inside the core area and driving for the Dhikala Lodge Attend morning Park game drive. This park accommodates most precious wildlife in India along with diverse species of flora and fauna around 110 tree species, 50 mammalian species, 580 bird species and 25 reptile species.

## Day 8 / 10 Corbett National Park

Morning and afternoon excursion and photographic to the Corbett National Park. Overnight stay in Dhikala Lodge (B, L, D) Daily

**Corbett Tiger Reserve** Situated in Kumaon hills in Nainital district, with picturesque hilly ridges covered by Sal trees, down hill are grasslands and bamboo forest, park is named after the famous hunter and naturalist, Jim Corbett who recounts many fascinating tales of hunting down man-eating tigers.

**Mammals** (50 species): tigers , elephants, himalayan palm civet, indian gray mongoose, common otter, blacknaped hare, porcupine, the leopards are mostly found in the hilly terrains of park contrary to the sloth bear, which is found in the lower regions of the park. Also consists of the cat family like leopard cat, jungle cat and fishing cat. The dole or wild dog and



jackal are found in the southern parts of the national park other creatures are the langur, rhesus monkeys, Chital, Sambhar, barking and hog deer.

**Birds Life:** 585 species are reported - about half of the total species found in the entire Indian subcontinent! You can see parakeets, owls, orioles, drongos, thrushes, babblers, bulbuls, cuckoos, doves, bee eaters, rollers, flycatchers, warblers, robins, chats, finches, forketails, hornbills, kingfishers and good place for observing birds of prey. Park forms a natural crossroad and meeting ground for avian species from high altitude (himalayan) areas, plains and eastern and western regions.



**Reptiles and Amphibians:** 35 species with two varieties of crocodile that is long snouted gharial (*Gavialis gangeticus*) And mugger (*Crocodylus palustris*) - on the banks of Ramganga River, king cobra, Common krait, Russel viper, Python and Monitor lizard.

**Pisces:** Barbus tor, Barbus Chilinoideis, Labeo calabasu, Oxygastro bacaila,

Due to biogeographic diversity, the Park is a natural haven for the flora and fauna of the plains, the sub mountainous regions and high altitude areas of mixed woodland that spans the outer Himalayas. At the lower level are winding strips of alluvial grasslands or chaurs (beloved to many species of deer) crossed by numerous watercourses. The lifeline of the Park is the sparkling Ramganga river which provides safe harbor to mahaseer fish, crocodile and otter. Stately stands of sal and diverse mixed forest cover hills and valleys, fodder and foliage for large herds of elephants (about 300 plus Asiatic elephants). Sharp spurs in the terrain make it an idyllic habitat for shy species like the tiger.

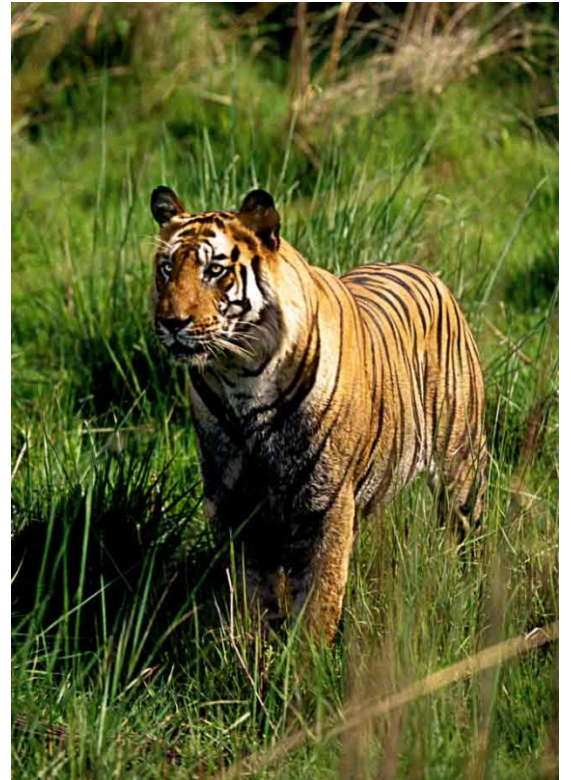
**Safari's mode:** Elephant/4x4 Jeep Safari is the most convenient mode to sight the Corbett national park.

#### **Day 11 Dhikala Rest house - Ramnagar - Delhi**

After whole day park excursion at 1700 hrs drive to Ramnagar railway station to catch over 5014A Corbett - Delhi Link Express Leaving from Ram Nagar at 2140 hrs overnight in the train (B,L,D)

#### **Day 12 Delhi - Back home**

The said train arrives Delhi at 0430 hrs. Transfer to hotel Shanti Palace. Breakfast in hotel. Check out hotel at noon to drive to international airport to catch your flight to back home.



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