

Rajasthan Trip with Taj

India is blessed with different culture and heritage. Many people from other parts of world arrived to this marvelous land just to visit but finally attached forever and formed diverse culture in form of dances, languages, religions, people, their customs, festivals and built religious buildings and monuments which are still refreshing old memories for visitors. Indeed it is a country of big differences. Rajasthan is a one of the finest tourists destination in India offering beautiful palaces, forts, Havelies, temples & mosque and plains and deserts to it's visitors. People from various religions live happily for most of time and are very little connected with "Material Things" and they are still away from materialistic life. *This all is presented to you, if you opt & join with us a 18 days road driven trip of this colorful and vibrant Rajputana land through a Powerful Vehicle along with English speaking Driver. Our arrangements on this trip have been widely appreciated by our guests.*

ITINERARY: 18 DAYS

Day 1: Depart from home

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

Day 2: Arrive Delhi

Arrive at Delhi .Welcome & assistance by Representative of Tiger Expeditions transfer to Hotel. Overnight Stay at **Hotel Shanti Palace**.

Day 3: Delhi

After breakfast full day sightseeing in Delhi, Where you visit the mighty Qutub Minar, the unique lotus Temple, Humayuns Tomb, India Gate and Sikh Temple at Bangla Sahib. Then Relax and visits Delhi Monuments & Museum. Return to hotel, overnight stay in **Hotel Shanti Palace**.

Day 4: Delhi - Mandawa (265 Kms / 5 ½ Hrs)

Morning drive to Mandawa (Mukandgarh). On arrival transfer to hotel. Half day village tour of Shekhavati region - Painted Havelies. You can wander through the streets where mansions of rich merchants are adorned with elaborate frescoes. Overnight stay in **Singhasan Haveli**.

Day 5: Mandawa - Bikaner (200 Kms / 5 Hrs)

Morning drive to Bikaner. On arrival transfer to hotel Bhanwar Niwas. Afternoon city tour of Bikaner. It lies in the north-western part of Rajasthan state of India. This desert city has a stark beauty which is totally unique. Visit Junagarh Fort with palaces followed by visit to Camel breeding farm, Lallgarh palace, Gajner palace etc. Overnight stay in **Hotel Bhanwar Niwas**.

Day 6: Bikaner

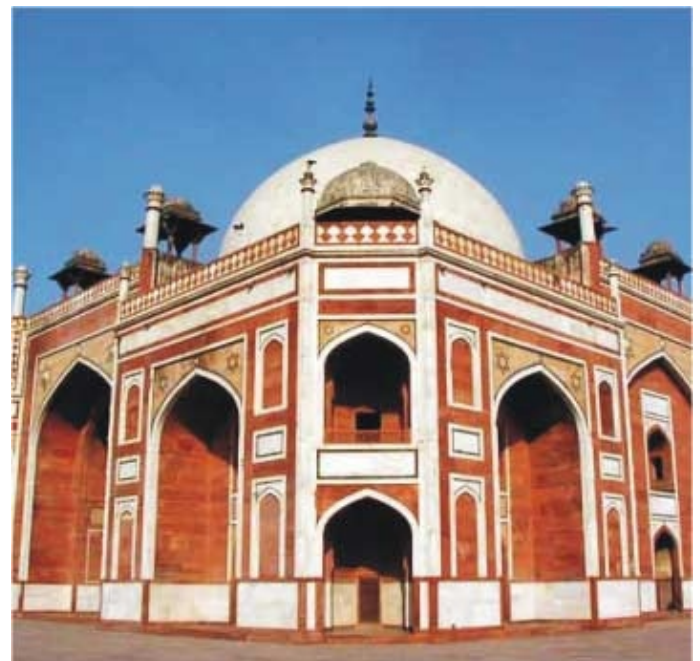
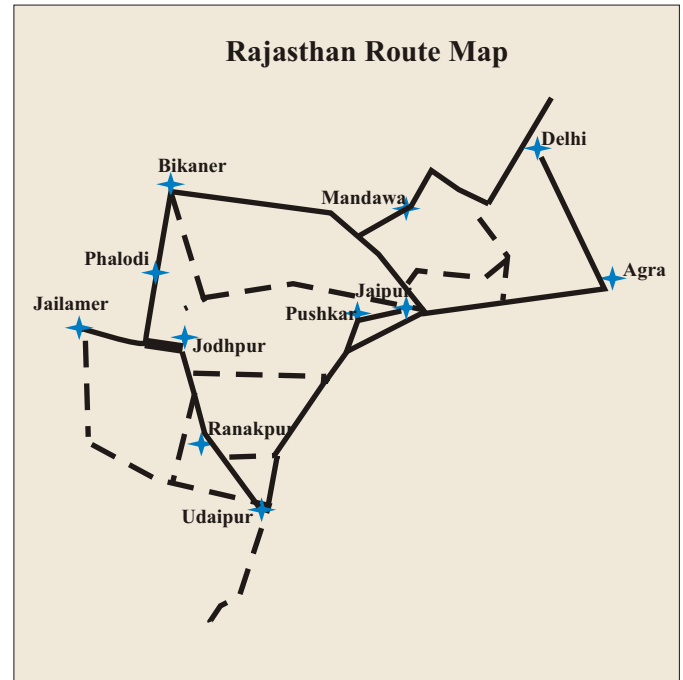
Full day entertain with sightseeing of Bikaner. Night stay at **Hotel Bhanwar Niwas**.

Day 7: Bikaner - Jaisalmer Via Phalodi (333 Kms / 8 Hrs)

Morning drive to Jaisalmer. En -route stop at Phalodi. Phalodi is an old caravan center in the Thar Desert. There are famous Jain and Hindu temples. Some of these temples are over 300 years old. There are a number of Havelis in Phalodi. Most of them are typical in their style. Special attention has been given in building Jharokhas and Jaalis to keep womenfolk in seclusion. Overnight at hotel **Hotel Gorbadh Palace Jaisalmer**.

Day 8: Jaisalmer

Full day sightseeing of Jaisalmer visiting Continue to our tour famous as 'the Golden City of India, Jaisalmer is one of the most popular tourist destinations in Rajasthan. The city is famous for its golden fort And beautiful



Havelis (mansions). Visit the famous Patwon ki haveli, Nathmalji ki haveli and Salim Singh ki haveli, Gadi Sagar Lake & Tank, Chhatriyan (Best sunset point) etc After visit all transfer to the **Hotel Gorbadh Palace Jaisalmer** and overnight stay there.

Day 9: Jaisalmer- Jodhpur (285 km)

After breakfast drive to Jodhpur through Osian. Osian 70 km from Jodhpur famous for its beautifully sculptured temples. The second largest cities of Rajasthan fortified by a high stonewall with seven gates and several fortresses. Visit the famous Mehrangarh Fort, Moti Mahal, Sheesh Mahal, Phool Mahal, Sileh Khana and Daulat Khana. After city tour visit Mehrangarh Fort, Jaswant Thada, Museum (Umaid Bhawan Palace). Overnight stay at **Hotel Rohetgarh in Jodhpur**.

Day 10: Jodhpur

Set at the edge of the Thar Desert, the imperial city of Jodhpur offer you a wide array of sightseeing tours that range from the opulent edifice in sandstone called Umaid Bhawan Palace, the majestic fort of Mehrangarh and the beautiful Kailana Lake. Stop over at Jaswant Thada, a view of the Blue city. Shopping in Jodhpur bazaars is a heady experience with a colourful display of the rich collection of exquisite handicrafts. Return to hotel. Overnight at **Hotel Rohetgarh in Jodhpur**.

Day 11: Jodhpur -Udaipur via Ranakpur (316 Kms/ 7 Hrs)

Morning drive to Udaipur, enroute sightseeing of Ranakpur where you visit the beautiful Jain Temples on the foothills of Kumbhalgarh National Park. On arrival in Udaipur transfer to hotel. Overnight in **Hotel Jagat Niwas Palace**.

Day 12: Udaipur

Morning city tour visiting City Palace on Lake Pichola, nearby you visit the Jagdish temple followed by Sahelion-Ki-Bari, the "ladies garden" and the beautiful garden surrounding the Pratap Memorial overlooking Fateh Sagar Lake and museum of Folk art the Bhartiya Lok Kala Mandir. Evening boat ride in Lake Pichola w Palace. Overnight stay at the **Hotel Jagat Niwas Palace**.

Day 13: Udaipur - Pushkar (301 Kms / 7 Hrs)

Morning drive to Pushkar. On arrival transfer to hotel. Pushkar, a small town sacred to the Hindus and now a tourist attraction for its annual camel fair, largest in the world. Many legends have grown over the origin of Pushkar. According to one of them, a lotus slipped out of Lord Brahma's hands and fell on the earth. Water gushed out of the spot where it fell. Thus the lake of Pushkar was created in the Desert. Pushkar is one of the traditional "once in a lifetime" places of pilgrimage. Epics, religious texts, coins and inscriptions bear evidence to the sanctity of Pushkar. Over the centuries it grew into a temple town, and today there are as many as 400 temples in Pushkar. Overnight in **Hotel Pushkar Palace**.

Day 14: Pushkar - Jaipur (40 Kms / 45 Minutes)

In the morning you walk around the holy lake and visit the famous Brahma Temple. Afternoon drive to towards Pink City Jaipur. On arrival transfer to hotel. Overnight in **Hotel Narain Niwas Palace**

Day 15: Jaipur

Early Morning wake up to visit jaipur. This 'City of Victory' was founded by in 1727 by Jai Singh II, the Maharaja of the Kachhwaha Clan of Rajputs, who ruled from 1699 1744. It is the most popular tourist destination of Rajasthan making one corner of the Golden Triangle. Half day city tour- 4hrs Visit 'Hawa Mahal' (Palace of Winds) an elaborate building encrusted with delicate honeycomb screens and carved balconies from which the royal ladies, confined to their quarters, could view the world outside. Jai Singh's Observatory built in the 17th century by the founder of Jaipur who, besides being a prince was also soldier, astronomer and builder. City Palace, a part is now a museum that Contains fine Rajput



And Moghul paintings, rare manuscripts and an armoury, old carpets, and even amazingly embroidered clothes of the Maharajas and the Maharanis. Amber Half day excursion 4 hrs Just 7 miles north of Jaipur is Amber with its a honey-coloured fortress-palace in the Aravalli Hills which can be mounted by elephant. It has been described as “the sleeping beauty of Rajasthan”. The sombre exterior belies the richness of the royal apartments, which open on to striking views of the gorge. It also possesses a Chamber of Mirrors. The Hall of Victory presents a galaxy of decorative art - panels of alabaster with fine inlay work of the tenderness hues. After full day excursion. Overnight at **Hotel Narain Niwas Palace.**

Day 16: Jaipur - Agra (240 Kms / 5 ½ Hrs)

Morning drive to Agra, en route visiting world famous Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary & Mughal capital "Fatehpur Sikri". On arrival transfer to hotel. Afternoon visit the Agra Fort which is another UNESCO World Heritage Monument of red sand stone built by third Mughal Emperor Akbar in 1565 followed by Itmad-ud-daulah's Tomb, Jama Masjid etc. Overnight **Hotel Utkarsh Vilas in Agra.**

Day 17: Agra - Delhi (204 Kms / 4hrs)

An early morning snack with tea helps us to get awake as we will move to see the famous UNESCO World Heritage Monument Taj Mahal early in the morning to catch the sunrise and also contemplate all the color changes of Taj Mahal's white marble due to reflection happening during sun rise. After lunch drive to Delhi via Bear Rescue Center at Keetham (195 kms from Agra).and on arrival Delhi transfer to International airport.

Day 18: Back to home

An early morning catch flight to back home.



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