





- ~ Some of the famous National Parks of India ~
  - ~ 17 Nights / 18 Days
  - ~ Itinerary at a Glance



Mumbai - Kanha - Bandhavgarh - Khajuraho -Agra -Ranthambhore - Jaipur - Delhi

It is unbelievable that how India has been able to protect its wildlife and boasting of being home to more than 50% of the world population of the Tigers. More than that it has a very rich and diverse flora and fauna.

An absolute delight for all the wildlife lovers and Bird watchers from all across thee Globe





















Day 01 Arrival into Mumbai

Arrival at Mumbai Airport. Rooms shall be blocked from the day before to facilitate quick check in.

Day 02 Mumbai

After a leisurely Breakfast, proceed for a sightseeing Tour of Mumbai.

Mumbai, which was previously known as Bombay is a major metropolitan city of India. It is the state capital of Maharashtra. Mumbai city is known as the business capital of India, it being the country's principal financial and communications centre. The city has the largest and the busiest port handling India's foreign trade and a major International airport. India's largest Stock Exchange which ranks as the third largest in the world is situated in Mumbai.

Visit the Gateway of India, Mumbai's famous landmark built to commemorate the visit of King George V and Queen Mary to India in 1911; the Mani Bhawan Museum, the memorial dedicated to the legendary freedom fighter of India & the Father of the Nation, Mahatma Gandhi, who stayed here between 1917 and 1934 during India's freedom struggle; the Parsi Tower of Silence; the Hanging Gardens also known as Ferozeshah Mehta Gardens, are terraced gardens perched at the top of Malabar Hill. They provide sunset views over the Arabian Sea and feature numerous hedges carved into the shapes of animals. See the Victoria Terminus, declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Modelled on the lines of St. Pancras Station in London, the Terminus boasts of a spectacular stone dome, turrets, stained glass windows, pointed arches and unusual ground plan, unlike the traditional Indian architecture. Its fine interiors, like wood carving, tiles, ornamental iron, brass railings, etc, reflect the efforts of students at the Bombay School of Art.

Also see the Dhobi Ghats of Mumbai. A unique feature in Mumbai, a dhobi is a traditional laundryman, who collects dirty linen, washes it, irons it and returns it to the owner. The laundries are called 'ghats'. Around 200 dhobi families work there together.





Day 03

Mumbai -Elephanta caves - Nagpur - Pench National Park

Today morning we take an excursion to the Elephanta Caves. The elephanta caves are part of the UNESCO world heritage and are exceptional examples of the cave and rock cut architecture found in india. The caves themselves date back to 5-6th Century AD.

Afternoon flight to Nagpur and further drive to Pench National Park

Day 03 Pench National Park

02 Game Drives in Pench National Park.

The national park derives its name from the Pench River, which meanders through its lush forests, creating a picturesque landscape. It was established in 1975 and gained further recognition when it became one of the inspirations for Rudyard Kipling's famous novel, "The Jungle Book."

**Day 04** 

Pench - Kanha National Park(200Kms/04 Hrs)

Drive to Kanha National Park

Day 05 Kanha National Park

02 Game Drives in Kanha National Park.

The park's dense sal and bamboo forests provide a perfect habitat for a diverse range of wildlife, including the majestic Royal Bengal tigers, leopards, Indian bison (gaur), barasingha (swamp deer), sloth bears, and a plethora of avian species. With its enchanting beauty and abundant wildlife, Kanha National Park offers a captivating wilderness experience that leaves visitors in awe of its natural wonders.





Day 06

Kanha - Bandhavgarh(250Kms/06 Hrs)

Early Morning Drive to Bandhavgarh. Upon arrival check in to the Hotel

Day 07 Bandhavgarh)

02 Game drives in Bandhavgarh.

The rugged terrain of Bandhavgarh is adorned with dense forests, rocky hills, and ancient ruins, creating a picturesque backdrop for diverse flora and fauna. Along with tigers, the park is home to a variety of wildlife, including leopards, sloth bears, Indian gaur, sambar deer, spotted deer, and a myriad of bird species.

### Day 07

Bandhavgarh - Khajuraho (230Kms/05.5 Hrs))

After breakfast drive on to Khajuraho. Upon arrival check into the hotel, rest of the day at leisure.

Khajuraho is a UNESCO World Heritage site located in Madhya Pradesh, India. It is renowned for its exquisite and intricately carved temples that date back to the medieval period. The temples of Khajuraho showcase stunning architectural brilliance, adorned with intricate sculptures depicting various aspects of human life, mythology, and sensuality. These temples are famous for their intricate erotic carvings, which are considered to be a celebration of human passion and love. Khajuraho attracts visitors from all over the world who come to admire the incredible artistry and cultural heritage preserved in these magnificent temples.









**Day 07** 

Khajuraho-Panna National Park- Khajuraho

Morning excursion to Panna National Park. Rest of the day at Leisure

Panna National Park, located in Madhya Pradesh, India, is a captivating wildlife reserve renowned for its diverse ecosystem and stunning natural beauty. Spanning across an area of approximately 542 square kilometers, the park is home to a wide range of wildlife, including tigers, leopards, sloth bears, Indian gaur, sambar deer, and an array of avian species. Panna's breathtaking landscapes encompass lush forests, sparkling rivers, and rocky gorges, providing a picturesque backdrop for wildlife enthusiasts.

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Day 08

Khajuraho - Agra

This morning visit the Eastern and Western Group of Temples in Khajuraho, which are the remains of the 85 Temples which were built between 950 – 1050AD. In present times only 22 are remaining and the temples of Kandariya Mahadeo, Lakshmana and Chaunsath Yogini Temple.

Later drive from Agra to Jhansi and board the Shatabdi Express Train to Agra. Upon Arrival transfer to the Hotel.





Day 09 Agra

Early in the morning, begin with the sightseeing of Taj Mahal. "Taj Mahal" - one of the Seven Wonders of the World & surely the most extravagant expression of love ever created. Many architects have rated it as the most perfect of all buildings standing on earth. Three artists designed it: a Persian, an Italian, and a Frenchman. But the design is completely Mohammedan. Even the skilled artisans who built it were brought in from Baghdad, Constantinople, and other centers of the Muslim faith. For 22 years more than 20,000 workmen were employed to build the Taj. The building and its surroundings cost more than \$200,000,000 in today's currency.

Next visit the Agra Fort, the rust-colored, majestic, red-sandstone fort of Agra stands on the banks of the river Yamuna. The Red Fort in Agra encompasses a radius of three kilometers and is bordered by a wall, which is 70 foot tall.

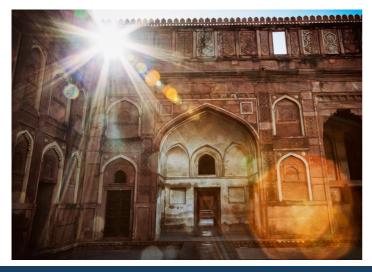
Another highlight of the Day for today is the Tomb of Itimad ud Daula also known as Baby Taj.

### Day 10

### Agra - Ranthambhore(285Kms/5.5 Hrs)

Enroute, visit Fatehpur Sikri, a UNESCO world heritage site. Built during the second half of the 16th century by the Emperor Akbar, Fatehpur Sikri (the City of Victory) was the capital of the Mughal Empire for only some 10 years. It is a complex of monuments and temples, all in a uniform architectural style.

Upon arrival in Ranthambore, check into the hotel.









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Day 11 Ranthambhore

Ranthambhore National Park, located in Rajasthan, India, is a prominent wildlife sanctuary renowned for its thriving tiger population and ancient Ranthambore Fort. Covering an area of approximately 1,334 square kilometers, the park offers a unique blend of history and natural beauty. Its rugged terrain is adorned with dense forests, lakes, and meandering rivers, providing a habitat for diverse wildlife, including tigers, leopards, sloth bears, sambar deer, and a variety of bird species. Ranthambhore's rich cultural heritage, combined with its stunning landscapes and abundant wildlife, makes it a remarkable destination for wildlife enthusiasts and history buffs alike.

#### 02 Game drives in Ranthambhore





### Day 12

Ranthambhore - Jaipur(190Kms/3.5 Hrs)

Post Breakfast drive to Jaipur. Upon arrival, check into the hotel. Rest of the day is at leisure.

The city of Jaipur is famous for its hilltop fortresses, magnificent royal palaces and historic pink-painted sandstone architecture, earning it the affectionate nickname of the 'Pink City'. The buildings within the Old City district of Jaipur were first painted pink in 1876 to welcome the current Prince of Wales, and this tradition has remained ever since.

Afternoon at leisure for individual activities.





Day 12 Jaipur

Early morning, visit the Amber Fort, the old capital of Jaipur rulers. The Amber Fort looks stunning, all-built in white marble and red sandstone. To add to its charm, Maotha Lake makes its foreground. The crystal mirror image of the Fort, on the still waters of the lake, seems to be a beautiful illusion.

The outer appearance of the Fort, being rough and craggy is totally different from its core. The interior of the Fort provides a soothing and warm ambience, which is least expected from its outer appearance. The marvelous decoration of the Amber Fort is influenced by both, the Hindu and Muslim manner of ornamentation.

Exquisite paintings of hunting scenes on the walls depict the temperament of the Rajputs, who were adventurous, revolutionary and self-indulgent.

The intricate carvings on the walls and ceilings simply astonish the visitors. The minute mirror work adds to the grand appearance and royalty of the halls. The Amber Fort undoubtedly captivates the tourists with its artistic quality of delicate work. The mighty walls guarantee the protection of the Fort against the invasion of the enemies.

Afternoon sightseeing tour of Jaipur includes City Palace, Jantar Mantar Astronomical Observatory and Hawa Mahal.

City Palace forms one of the most famous tourist attractions and a major landmark in Jaipur. The foundation of City Palace was laid at the time when the city of Jaipur itself came into existence. Sawai Maharaja Jai Singh, who founded Jaipur and also laid the foundation of the City Palace, set apart two out of nine segments in which the city was divided, for the purpose of constructing this beautiful palace. The area covered by the City Palace is around one seventh of total area of the Jaipur. Though the foundation was laid in the 18th century itself, further additions and modification in the palace complex continued for the next two centuries. City Palace complex is divided into a series of gardens, courtyards and buildings. A part of the exquisite Palace still makes home for the former Maharaja/ King.

Rest of the day is at leisure. Overnight at hotel.





Day 12

Jaipur -Delhi- Flight back Home

Post breakfast, drive to connect to your Flight to Delhi. Upon arrival check in to the Hotel for Rooms for wash & change. Transfer to the Airport to connect to your Flight Back Home

Day 12

Delhi - Flight Back Home

Post Breakfast, embark on a sightseeing tour of the Historic City of Delhi The city where one can experience the influence of the many rulers who ruled this region, a city built and destroyed and re-built over seven times. The guided tour takes to the monuments that depict the different eras of Delhi

Begin with the Rajghat, a monument where Mahatma Gandhi was erected on the site of his funeral pyre and an important place of pilgrimage for people from all over the world.

Drive past the Red Fort towards the Jama Masjid, the great mosque of Old Delhi. It is the largest in India and the final architectural extravagance of Shah Jahan. Begun in 1644, the mosque was not completed until 1658. It has three great gateways and two minarets standing 130 ft high and constructed of alternating vertical strips of red sandstone and white marble. The courtyard of the mosque can hold 25,000 people, and broad flights of steps lead up to the imposing gateways.

Visit tomb of Humayun, a world heritage monument also famous as the forerunner of Taj Mahal.









### **Hotel Options**

CITY	Superior	Deluxe	Luxury	Nights
Mumbai	Royal Orchid	Taj President	The Taj Mahal Palace	02
Pench	WH Jungle Home	Pugdundee Safari	Baghvan by Taj	02
Kanha	Aranayak Resort	Pugdundee Safari	Banjara Tola by Taj	02
Bandhavgarh	Aranayak Resort	Bandhavgarh Jungle Lodge	Mahua Kothi by Taj	02
Khajuraho	Clarks Khajuraho	Radisson	Lalit Temple View	02
Agra	Radisson	Courtyard by Marriott	The Oberoi Amarvilas	02
Jaipur	Alsisar Haveli	Hilton Jaipur	Taj Rambagh Palace	02
Delhi	Vivanta By Taj	The Claridges	The Oberoi	02

#### **Inclusions**

- Accommodation in Hotels as indicated above or similar on twin share basis. Single room Supplement quoted separately.
- Accommodation on Half Board basis. includes Breakfast & Dinner
- Air conditioned surface transportation (Tempo Traveller) including Transfers, sightseeing tours and excursions as indicated in the itinerary.
- 02 Game drives in Ranthambhore on shared basis with forest Jeeps.
- Good knowledgeable German / English speaking accompanying Tour Manager / Guide not staying in the same hotels
- Entrances to the Monuments as mentioned in the Programme.
- All around Local Support through our network of local offices in all the cities
- 24 x 7 reachable Phone Contacts for any query / Clarification / Assistance during the whole Tour
- All prevailing Taxes.

#### **Exclusions**

- Meals not indicated above
- Room Service, Drinks and beverages, housekeeping & Laundry, Telephone calls, expenses of personal nature.
- Tips and Gratuities













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