

Golden Triangle with Rural Village and Tigers

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India's most immersive journey combining the iconic Golden Triangle of Delhi, Agra, and Jaipur with an authentic rural village experience in Karauli and thrilling tiger safaris at Ranthambhore National Park. This 9-day adventure spans over 800 km and takes you through Mughal grandeur, Rajput heritage, untouched village life, and the raw wilderness of one of India's finest tiger reserves.

Golden Triangle

Delhi, Agra and Jaipur: UNESCO heritage, Mughal monuments, and the Pink City

Rural Karauli

Royal palace stay, village walk, camel cart ride and cooking demo

Ranthambhore Tigers

3 exclusive jeep safaris in India's premier tiger reserve

TourRoute: 08 Nights / 09 Days • Delhi [2N] 3 Agra [1N] 3 Karauli [1N] 3 Ranthambhore [2N] 3 Jaipur [2N] 3 Delhi

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Tour Highlights



UNESCO Heritage Sites
Delhi, Agra (Taj Mahal) and Jaipur's iconic landmarks



Old Delhi Rickshaw Ride
Weave through Chandni Chowk, Jama Masjid and Gurudwara Sees Ganj



Taj Mahal Sunrise and Sunset
Witness the marble monument glow pink at dawn and gold at dusk



Abhaneri Stepwell
One of the most beautiful and largest stepwells in the world



Local Home Cooking and Dinner
Learn to cook traditional Rajasthani dishes with a local family in Jaipur



Holy City of Pushkar
Stroll around Pushkar Lake and visit the sacred Brahma Temple



Jeep Safari — Rural Marwar
Witness farming, weaving, pottery and Rajasthani desert life



Tuk-Tuk Ride in Jodhpur
Explore the Blue City's Ghantaghar (Clock Tower) area



Valley Queen Heritage Train
Scenic heritage train ride through royal Rajasthan landscapes



Jain Temples at Ranakpur
1,444 unique lyrcarved marble pillars in a 15th-century masterpiece



Puppet Show and Bhavai Dance
Traditional Rajasthani performance satBagore ki Haveli, Udaipur



Boat Ride at Lake Pichola
Glide across Udaipur's iconic lake with views of the City Palace



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Train Ride Experience

Board the Gatimaan Express from Delhi to Agra, one of India's fastest trains



Rural Village Visit at Karauli

Interact with farmers, school children and handicraft workers



Birdwatching at Ranthambhore

Over 320 species of birds in the national park



Castle Kanota

Explore the 1872 heritage castle where Marigold film scenes were filmed



Sanganer Village

Famous for textile printing, handmade paper and Jain temples



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Photograph Tigers

Spot Bengal tigers in their natural dry deciduous habitat at Ranthambhore



Dastakari Kendra NGO

Visit an NGO working for women's employment and empowerment



Walled City Rickshaw Ride

Explore Jaipur's colourful bazaars by rickshaw



Local Home Cooking and Dinner

Learn to cook traditional Rajasthani dishes with a local family

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DAY 01

Arrive Delhi

Delhi, India's modern capital, is an ancient city tracing its origins in legend – dotted with hundreds of landmarks and offering more than a millennium of history in stone.

01

Arrive at Indira Gandhi International Airport

One of Asia's busiest hubs, handling 68 million passengers annually. Terminal 3 is among the world's most modern terminals.

02

Customs and Immigration

E-visa holders use dedicated fast-track counters. Formalities typically take approximately one hour after landing.

03

Meet Your Representative

Greeted warmly just after baggage collection, holding a company paging board with your name. Receive a traditional welcome and briefing on the journey ahead.

04

Transfer and Check-In

Comfortable air-conditioned private vehicle transfer to your hotel in Delhi. Welcome drink on arrival. Overnight in Delhi.

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DAY 02

Delhi Sightseeing

Morning

- Lodhi Gardens – 90-acre historic garden with tombs of the Sayyid and Lodi dynasties; a favourite morning walk spot for Delhi's residents, joggers and yoga enthusiasts
- Humayun's Tomb (1570) – First garden-tomb on the Indian subcontinent, UNESCO Heritage site, built by Empress Bega Begum; direct architectural predecessor of the Taj Mahal
- Qutab Minar – 73-metre UNESCO Heritage minaret built in 1193 by Qutb ud-Din Aibak at the site of Lal Kot, the first city of Delhi; marks the arrival of Islamic rule in India

Afternoon and Evening

- British Colonial Buildings – President's House (Rashtrapati Bhavan), India Gate, Parliament House, Raj Path, Janpath, Connaught Place and surroundings
- Old Delhi Rickshaw Ride – Explore Chandni Chowk's silversmiths, spice vendors and sweetmeat shops; visit Jama Masjid (India's largest mosque), Gurudwara Sees Ganj Sahib with its community langar kitchen serving free meals to all
- Optional: Akshardham Temple (stunning modern Hindu temple complex) or Dilli Haat (open-air handicraft bazaar showcasing artisans from every Indian state)
- Dinner at a restaurant of your choice or at the hotel. Overnight in Delhi.

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DAY 03

Delhi to Agra — By Train

220 km • Gatimaan Express

After breakfast, transfer to the railway station to board the Gatimaan Express (Train #12050, departs 08:10, arrives Agra 09:50) 4 one of India's fastest trains, operating daily except Fridays. Arrive in Agra, the city of the Taj Mahal, and check in to your hotel.

Agra Fort

UNESCO World Heritage Site built by three generations of Mughal emperors. Akbar built the walls and gates, Shah Jahan added the marble palaces, and Aurangzeb completed the ramparts. Highlights: Diwan-i-Am, Diwan-i-Khas, and the Musamman Burj tower where Shah Jahan spent his final years gazing at the Taj Mahal.

Itimad-ud-Daulah (Baby Taj)

Exquisite Mughal mausoleum on the western bank of the Yamuna, built by Empress Nur Jahan between 1622-1628. Known as the "Jewel Box," it was the first Mughal structure built entirely of white marble with intricate pietra dura inlay 4 a technique later perfected in the Taj Mahal.

Sunset at Mehtab Bagh

Cross the Yamuna to this 25-acre Mughal garden directly opposite the Taj Mahal for the most dramatic unobstructed sunset view of the Taj glowing golden, perfectly reflected in the river below. Dinner and overnight in Agra.

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DAY 04

Agra to Karauli via Fatehpur Sikri

190 km • 4 Hours Drive

01

Sunrise at Taj Mahal

Arrive before dawn to witness the Taj emerge from the morning mist, its white marble shifting from soft pink to brilliant white. Note: Taj Mahal closed every Friday.

02

Breakfast and Check-Out

Return to the hotel for breakfast, then check out and depart with your driver.

03

Fatehpur Sikri (en-route)

UNESCO-listed abandoned Mughal capital built by Emperor Akbar in 1571, deserted just 14 years later. Explore the Buland Darwaza (world's tallest gateway), Jama Masjid, Salim Chishti's marble tomb and the royal palaces. Allow approximately 2 hours.

04

Drive to Karauli

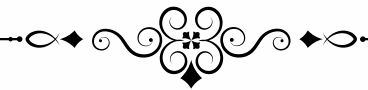
Resume drive through the Rajasthan countryside. Stop for lunch at a popular restaurant en-route.

05

Arrive Karauli

Check in at Bhanwar Vilas Palace as personal guests of Karauli's royal family. Opportunity to interact with members of the royal family (subject to availability) and discover their history, heritage and rich culture. Overnight at Bhanwar Niwas Palace Hotel.

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DAY 05

Karauli to Ranthambhore National Park

100 km • 3 Hours Drive

Ranthambhore National Park — nestled between the Aravalli and Vindhyan hill systems in the Sawai Madhopur district of eastern Rajasthan — is one of the best places in the world to see Bengal tigers in their natural habitat. The dry deciduous forest makes it far easier to spot and observe tigers than in dense jungle reserves.

City Palace of Karauli

Appreciate magnificent frescoes and royal architecture. Enjoy a camel cart ride and stroll through the local village. Visit an organic farm, a local charity school and a handicrafts shop — interact with farmers, school children and artisans.

Cooking Demonstration at Karauli

Lunch at Karauli with a traditional Rajasthani cooking demonstration by the palace chef. Learn the secrets of authentic local cuisine.

Drive to Ranthambhore

3-hour drive in your private air-conditioned vehicle through the Rajasthan countryside to the national park.

Check-In and Rest

Arrive at the resort, check in and relax. Retire early after dinner — gearing up for the next day's early morning and afternoon tiger safaris. Overnight in Ranthambhore.

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DAY 06

Ranthambhore National Park – Tiger Safaris

A full day dedicated to the wild. Two exclusive jeep safaris – morning and afternoon – deep into Ranthambhore National Park, one of India's premier tiger reserves. Note: Tiger Reserve remains closed for visitors every Wednesday.

01

Morning Safari (3 hours)

Board your exclusive open 4x4 jeep at the meeting point before dawn. Your expert naturalist will guide you through the park's dry deciduous forest, ancient ruins and lakeside zones – the best areas for tiger sightings. Return to the hotel after the safari.

02

Breakfast and Leisure

Enjoy breakfast at the hotel. Relax by the pool or explore the resort grounds.

03

Ranthambhore Fort

Your driver takes you to the historic Ranthambhore Fort, which lies within the park boundary. Climb for a bird's-eye panoramic view of the entire national park and its lakes. Return to the hotel for lunch.

04

Afternoon Safari (3 hours)

Board your jeep again for the afternoon safari into the park. Different zones are covered in the afternoon, maximising your chances of spotting tigers, leopards, sloth bears, crocodiles and over 320 species of birds.

05

Evening and Dinner

Return to the hotel by late evening. Freshen up and enjoy dinner at the resort. Overnight in Ranthambhore.





DAY 07

Ranthambhore to Jaipur

195 km • 4 Hours Drive

01

Morning Safari (3 hours)

One final early morning exclusive jeep safari into Ranthambhore National Park. Return to the hotel, enjoy breakfast and check out.

02

Castle Kanota (en-route)

Stop at this heritage castle built in 1872, spread over 8 acres. It was the venue for the Viceroy Club and the filming location for several scenes in the Marigold film starring Celia Imrie and Ronald Pickup. Located on the outskirts of Jaipur. Enjoy lunch at Castle Kanota.

03

Arrive Jaipur and Check-In

Check in to your hotel in the Pink City.

04

Walled City Evening

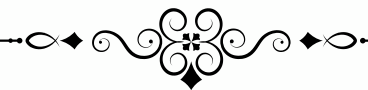
Explore the spices, sweets and colourful bazaars of Jaipur's walled city by rickshaw. Then drive to Galta Ji to visit the famous Monkey Temple.

05

Local Home Cooking and Dinner

Visit a local Jaipur family home for an interactive cooking demonstration. Learn to prepare traditional Rajasthani dishes before sitting down for a warm home-cooked dinner. Overnight in Jaipur.

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DAY 08

Jaipur Sightseeing – The Pink City

Monuments and Palaces

- Amer Fort – 16th-century fortress of the Kacchwaha Rajput kings perched on a hillside overlooking Maota Lake. Highlights: Sheesh Mahal (Palace of Mirrors), Diwan-i-Khas, and the Ganesh Pol gateway with intricate frescoes. Ascend by jeep or on foot.
- City Palace Museum – Still partially home to Jaipur's royal family. Houses the Mubarak Mahal (textile museum), Sileh Khana (armoury), and the famous giant silver urns – the largest silver objects in the world.
- Jantar Mantar Observatory – UNESCO site built by Maharaja Jai Singh II in 1734. Contains 19 astronomical instruments including the Samrat Yantra, the world's largest sundial, accurate to within 2 seconds.
- Hawa Mahal (Wind Palace) – Iconic five-storey pink sandstone facade with 953 small windows (jharokhas), designed in 1799 for royal ladies to observe street life unseen.

Afternoon— Sanganer and Bazaars

Post-lunch, drive to Sanganer – famous for its distinctive textile block-printing tradition, handmade paper industry and ancient Jain temples. The Sanganer fabric prints are made in bright colours on white or off-white backgrounds, a style unique to this region.

Return to the hotel by late evening. Dinner at a restaurant of your choice. Overnight in Jaipur.

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DAY 09

Jaipur to Delhi Airport

250km · 4.5 Hours Drive

Wake up at leisure and enjoy a relaxed breakfast at the hotel. The morning is free for optional activities before your driver collects you for the journey back to Delhi.

Hot Air Balloon Ride (Optional)

Drift silently above the Pink City at sunrise for a breathtaking 360° panorama. Float over Hawa Mahal, Amber Fort, Nahargarh Fort and Samode Palace as the city wakes below. Flights last approximately 45-60 minutes. Subject to weather conditions.

Bathe the Elephants (Optional)

Head to Dera Amer on the outskirts of Jaipur for an ethical elephant experience. Meet the resident elephants, scrub and bathe them at the waterhole, and feed them fresh fruit. A truly unforgettable and responsible wildlife encounter.

Drive to Delhi Airport

Approximately 4.5-hour drive along the NH48 expressway. Your driver will ensure a comfortable, timely transfer to Indira Gandhi International Airport 4 Terminal 2 for domestic or Terminal 3 for international flights.

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03

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04

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Once finalised, we'll send you a detailed cost breakdown.

05

Confirm and We Book

On your approval, we arrange all hotel bookings and ground arrangements.

06

Advance Deposit

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07

Balance Payment

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