

Golden Triangle with Jodhpur & Udaipur

09 Nights / 10 Days

2N Delhi- 1N Agra- 2N Jaipur-1N Pushkar- 1N Jodhpur- 2N Udaipur

PACKAGE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Visit in Delhi - Jama Masjid, Qutub Minar, Humayun Tomb
- Drive past in Delhi - Red Fort, Rajghat, President House & India Gate
- Rickshaw ride in Chandni Chowk
- Visit in Agra - Taj Mahal, Agra Fort & Fateh-pur Sikri
- Visit in Jaipur - Amber Fort, City Palace, Jantar Mantar Observatory, Hawa Mahal & Albert Museum
- Elephant ride at Amber Fort
- In Pushkar, Visit Pushkar Lake & Brahma Temple
- In Jodhpur, visit Mehrangarh Fort & Jaswant Thada
- Ranakpur Temple visit - approx. 1400 exquisitely carved pillars Jain temple
- In Udaipur, visit Lake Pichola, City Palace and Jagat Temple.
- Boat Ride in Lake Pichola
- Services of English-speaking guide during sightseeing tours
- Assistance at airport and sightseeing tours by private air-conditioned vehicle
- Start From Delhi and End in Udaipur



ITINERARY:

Day 01 Delhi

Meet our representative upon arrival in Delhi and check-in at the hotel. India's capital & a major gateway to the country, Delhi is contemporary and a bustling metropolis which successfully combines in its fold the ancient & the modern. Its strategic location was one of the prime reasons why successive dynasties chose it as their seat of power. New Delhi also reflects the legacy the British left behind. Overnight in Delhi.

Day 02: Sightseeing in Delhi

After breakfast, proceed for a full-day tour of Old and New Delhi. This fascinating city has been in existence since the 6th century BC and has seen ups and downs from the rule of the Pandavas right up to the British Raj. Visit Jama Masjid, which is the largest mosque in India, commissioned by Emperor Shah Jahan. The courtyard of the mosque can hold about 25,000 worshippers. Enjoy a rickshaw ride in Chandni Chowk, the busiest market in Old Delhi...noisy, chaotic and uniquely Indian. You will then drive past to the Red Fort, which was constructed during the rule of Emperor Shah Jahan and served as the residence for the Mughal royal family. It continues to be significant till date, as every Independence Day, the Prime Minister makes a speech from its ramparts as the Indian flag is hoisted. Later, drive past to India Gate, President House and several other government buildings in Edwin Lutyen's Delhi before you head toward Rajghat, the memorial to Mahatma Gandhi. This simple memorial marks the spot where Mahatma Gandhi was cremated in 1948. Thereafter, visit Humayun's Tomb, commissioned by Humayun's wife Hamida Banu Begum in 1562. It was the first garden tomb built in the Indian sub-continent where the Persian architect used red sandstone on a large scale. Later in the evening visit the Qutab Minar, which is the tallest brick minaret in the world; it was commissioned by Qutbuddin Aibak, the first Muslim ruler of Delhi. (Optional) - Attend a Sufi ceremony at Nizamuddin Dargah). Return back to Hotel. Overnight in Delhi.

Day 03 Delhi - Agra (210 kms/ approx. 4 hours)

On arrival in Agra, check-in into your Hotel. Later proceed for Half Day City Tour of Agra. Visit the Red Fort, which was commissioned in 1565 by Akbar. The beautiful yet forbidding structure is a handsome example of Mughal architecture. Later, visit the Taj Mahal ... a mausoleum built as a symbol of Emperor Shah Jehan's devotion to his beloved queen Mumtaz Mahal. Considered an architectural marvel, its construction took thousands of workers over 21 years to complete. Overnight in Agra.

Day 04 Agra - Jaipur (230 km/approx. 5 hours)

After breakfast, drive to Jaipur and enroute visit Fatehpur Sikri, which was built by Emperor Akbar and is home to many historical buildings. Akbar wanted to make Fatehpur Sikri his headquarters; however, he had to abandon it due to shortage of water. The Tomb of Sheikh Salim Chishti enshrines the burial place of the Sufi saint who lived a religious life here. Today, Fatehpur Sikri is a UNESCO World heritage site. Further drive to Jaipur and check into your Hotel. Jaipur is the gateway to the magnificent and vibrant state of Rajasthan. Evening take a stroll in the markets of Jaipur for the traditional dresses and shoes, curio shops, blue pottery etc. Overnight in Jaipur.

Day 05 Jaipur

Today, enjoy a full-day sightseeing trip of Jaipur, also known as the 'Pink City'... it is famous for its colorful culture, forts, palaces, and lakes. The old city of Jaipur is painted pink, which gives it a magical glow. Visit the Amber Fort... a fascinating blend of Hindu and Mughal architecture. The best way to explore the fort is to ride up to it on elephant back. Later, stop to photograph the beautiful Hawa Mahal, also known as the "Palace of the Winds." This beautiful façade with its ornately carved latticework windows is made of pink sandstone. Post lunch, visit the City Palace... again, a synthesis of Rajasthani and Mughal styles. Later, visit the Jantar Mantar Observatory, comprising geometric devices for measuring time. You will also visit the Albert Hall, which was modeled on the Victoria and Albert Museum in London and is a fine example of Indo-Saracenic style of architecture. **(Optional) - An Evening at the Raj Mandir cinema - Bollywood film, and high atmosphere color in the room.** Overnight in Jaipur.

Day 06 Jaipur - Pushkar (155 kms / approx. 3 hours)

After breakfast proceed to Pushkar. Upon arrival check-in to your hotel. Later enjoy a half day sightseeing tour of Pushkar. The picturesque Pushkar is set in a valley just about 14 km off Ajmer. Surrounded by hills on three sides and sand dunes on the other, Pushkar forms a fascinating location and a befitting backdrop for the annual religious and cattle fair. It is said that in battle lord Brahma killed the demon Vajra Nabh with a lotus flower, whose petals floated down to earth and landed in three places in and around Pushkar where lakes sprang up. The charming Pushkar lake amidst the hills has fifty-two bathing ghats, built around lake. The water around each ghat is supposed to have special powers. Pushkar is a city of temples of all sizes. Visit the famous Brahma Temple, said to be the only temple dedicated to Brahma in India. In the evening return back to the hotel. Overnight stay in Pushkar.

Day 07 Pushkar - Jodhpur (190 kms / approx. 4 hours)

After breakfast proceed to Jodhpur. Arrive Jodhpur and check-in to your hotel. Proceed for half-day sightseeing trip of Jodhpur, which is the second largest city in Rajasthan and also called the 'Sun City'. Visit the Mehrangarh Fort. This spectacular fort made from red sandstone stands on a perpendicular cliff above the skyline of Jodhpur. The foundations of this fort were laid in 1459; today it houses a museum with a fine collection of arms, costumes, paintings and even a collection of palanquins. Also visit Jaswant Thada, a marble cenotaph built to commemorate Maharaja Jaswant Singh II. The monument, in its entirety, is built out of intricately carved sheets of marble. These stones are extremely thin and polished so that they emit a warm glow when the sun's rays dance across their surface. Later, drive past the Mandore garden, which showcases cenotaphs of Jodhpur's former rulers; instead of the usual umbrella-shaped cenotaphs these are built along the lines of a Hindu temple. Overnight in Jodhpur.

Day 08 Jodhpur - Udaipur (270 kms / approx. 6 hours)

After breakfast, proceed to Udaipur. Enroute, visit the Ranakpur Temples, acclaimed worldwide for their intricate and superb architectural style. These temples form one of the five major pilgrimages of the Jain's. Arrive Udaipur and check in to your hotel and relax. Rest of the day at leisure. **(Optional) A course of Indian cuisine at home - you then share the meal with the family that welcomes you.** Overnight in Udaipur.

Day 09 Sightseeing in Udaipur

After breakfast, proceed for full-day tour of Udaipur. Visit the City Palace, standing on the east bank of Lake Pichola. The complex is a massive series of palaces built at different times from 1559. The balconies of the palace provide panoramic views of the Lake Palace Hotel and Jag Mandir on one side, and the city of Udaipur on the other. The paintings, mosaics, intricately carved 'chhatris' and the architecturally brilliant facade all contribute to making your visit to the City Palace a truly memorable experience. Thereafter, visit a picturesque garden, Sahelion ki Bari. You will visit also visit Jagat Temple, which is dedicated to Goddess Ambika- a form of Goddess Durga. Built in 961 A.D, this temple is renowned for its intricate carvings in the exteriors. In the evening, enjoy a boat ride on Lake Pichola, which is an artificial fresh water lake (depending upon the water level of lake), created in the year 1362 AD. Overnight in Udaipur.

Day 10 Departure from Udaipur

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Udaipur airport for return flight back home.