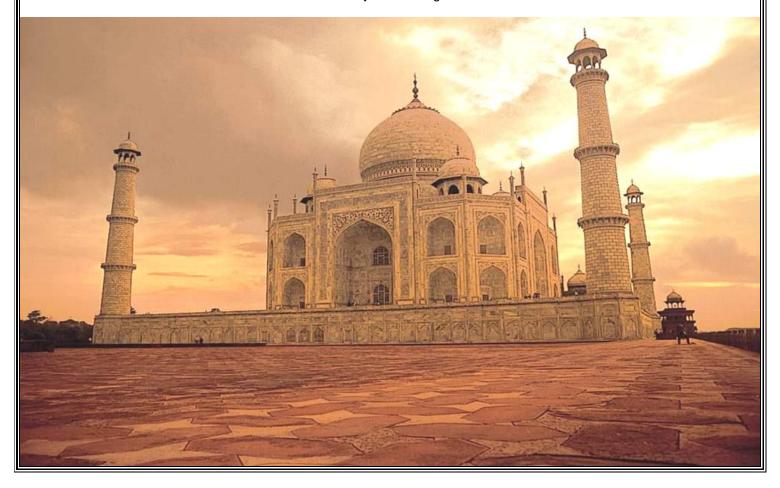


India - Tee-off in the land of the Maharaja

Delhi · Agra · Jaipur 10 Days /09 Nights





India - a country that travelers fantasize about: exotic, oriental, ancient, modern and booming. Between all lies a wealth of delights - charm of ancient civilization which is still alive and kicking after centuries. A trip to India is what travel stories are made of. It's not just the places and the sightseeing that travellers relish, but also the festivals, the art and craft, the people, the cuisines, and of course, the shopping. Above all the warmth, hospitality and friendliness!

One can enjoy play golf almost anywhere. The country of contrasts - offers a varied landscape that spreads itself out from the mystical Himalayas to the warm serenity of the backwaters of Kerala, from the deep mysterious Sunderbans to the brilliant colours swirling around the deserts of Kutch. Travel here takes you from country-sized bustling cities to forgotten mudhut villages around rich monuments in locations where empires once existed.

India was the first country outside Great Britain to take up the game of golf. The Royal Calcutta Golf Club, established in 1829, is the oldest golf club in India and the first outside Great Britain. Because of the British rule, the eighteenth century saw a mushrooming of new golf clubs in India. Golf as a game is gaining popularity day by day.

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There are a number of golf courses

coming up in the country designed by world renowned players like Greg Norman, Arnold Palmer and Jack Nicklaus. Some of the top Indian golfers have earned great repute world over in recent times and the future is really bright. Lots of tournaments are being conducted every year to promote and recognize new talent. India is also becoming a most preferred host for some international tournaments.

This tour gives offers a great introduction to the country. Swarming with the sights sounds and experiences that make India such an incredible and astonishing place - From the dazzling regal palaces to historical forts, from bustling markets to chaos of city life, India is startling!

A right balance; to blend rural and urban, heritage palaces and luxury retreats, major sights with private and personal experiences; this itinerary offers you the overall colors with abundant opportunities to put your feet up and actually let it all soak in, this program will unravel new mysteries every day while playing Golf at the picturesque locations.

Starting in the capital of Delhi, explore the fascinating sights of Old & New Delhi. Discover the architectural legacy of Lutyens Delhi. Tee off in Delhi, playing Golf at the best courses of the political capital of India. Continue overland to the Mughal city of Agra and see the fabulous Taj Mahal. Enjoy a round of Golf at the lush green Agra Golf Club.

Drive to Jaipur. Famous for its diverse colors, a rich and vibrant culture, mouth watering cuisine, history brimming monuments and palaces, it is one of the most visited destinations of India! Enjoy a round of golf at the royal Rambagh golf club. Next drive to the Blue city of Jodhpur known for its valor and chivalry tales! Tee at the browns of Sardar Club.



## DETAILED PROGRAM

DAY 01, SUNDAY

**ARRIVE IN DELHI** 

This evening arrive at New Delhi's Indira Gandhi International airport - Terminal 03. Our representative will meet you outside the customs gate and escort you to your air-conditioned vehicle.

Hotel check-in time is 14:00 hrs. The rest of the day can be used as free time.

Overnight at hotel

DAY 02, MONDAY

**DELHI** 

Morning proceed for full day sightseeing of Old & New Delhi. Introduction to Delhi starts with a heritage walk to Old Delhi (Shahjahanabad) visiting Red Fort, Jama Mosque, Chandni Chowk and Raj Ghat.

In the 17th century, the Mughal emperor, Shah Jahan, made his capital in Shahjahanabad, the area that broadly covers present-day Old Delhi, also called the walled city.

The **Red Fort** was built by the Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan in the 17th century that took around 9 years to complete this magnificent structure and around 10 million rupees to build the fort. The Red Fort is a masterpiece of architecture and is one of the most visited spot in old Delhi. The Red Fort, the last fort built in Delhi, has witnessed the vicissitudes of fate, the Mughals, the British, and finally the first light of Indian Independence.

**Jama Masjid** is the largest and most well-known mosque in India. It is flanked by Red fort on one side and old city Chandni Chowk on another side. Built by Shah Jahan in 17th century, Jama Masjid is one of the most crowded destinations in Delhi for pilgrims and tourists.

The romance of the bazaars of Delhi can be experienced at its best in and around Chandni Chowk and it's by lanes. Today, the walled city is one of the metropolis' most crowded, chaotic and captivating areas, with a bamboozling orchestra of sights, and sounds. According to legend, Chandni Chowk market was established during the reign of the Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan. The legend also says that Chandni Chowk market was designed by Jahanara-Emperor Shah Jahan's favorite daughter.

Following walk enjoy Rickshaw ride in the by lanes of **Chandni Chowk**.

Later visit **Raj Ghat**, resting place of Mahatma Gandhi's. Raj Ghat remembers the man who is known as the Father of the Nation for his tireless and pacifist work to reclaim India's independence.

Following visit of Raj Ghat, proceed for Lutyen's Delhi covering a photo stop at India Gate followed by orientation tour of Raj path, Parliament House and President House.

Overnight at hotel



## DAY 03, TUESDAY DELHI

Breakfast is at hotel pick-up from hotel and transfer to **Delhi Golf Club**.

The Delhi Golf Club is perhaps the only one in the world, dotted with ancient monuments. One can tee off from the shadows of the Lodhi Dynasty tombs or get held up because a peacock decides to perch itself on the green. The Delhi Golf course is also a sanctuary for over 300 species of birds. Planted with a variety of over 200 trees, the Delhi course is the lushest in the country, and its sandy loam has produced a rich turf good for the exacting fairway shots. The thorny bushes lining the fairways of Delhi Golf Club put a huge premium on accuracy. The course was redesigned by Peter Thompson in 1976-77 and some of the holes have been relaid.



A new short nine-hole course has also been carved within the same area. The Delhi Golf Club is home to many professional tournaments including the Indian Open, part of the prestigious Asian PGA circuit.

After golf, transfer back to hotel.

Overnight at hotel

#### DAY 04, WEDNESDAY DELHI – AGRA

Breakfast is at hotel pick-up from hotel and transfer to **Golf at Jaypee Greens**, Noida (approx 1 hour drive).

Jaypee Greens golf course is the only Greg Norman designed golf course in India. The course is an 18-hole championship layout. India's longest championship course at 7347 yards and includes 14 lakes & water bodies and 88 snow-white bunkers. The playing surfaces have been carpeted with Bermuda Evergreen on the fairways and Tifdwarf on the greens. The visually striking bunkers are reminiscent of classic Melbourne Sandbelt courses. The course landscaping includes open and closed woodlands. understory shrublands. wetlands and wild grassed areas





Later drive to Agra, covering a distance of 200 Kms in approx 4 hours.

Agra - Two great Mughal monarchs, Akbar and Shah Jahan, transformed the little village of Agra into a befitting second capital of the Mughal Empire - giving it the name Dar-ul-Khilafat {seat of the Emperor}. Today, a visitor to Agra is caught up in a world of contrasting edifices of red sandstone and white marble, narrow lanes and quaint buggies, and that irresistible charm that this favourite city of the Mughals still retains. It is not surprising, that modern Agra still reflects its Mughal heritage most conspicuously. A walk down the narrow bustling streets of the city will introduce the visitor to the wafting aroma of Mughlai cuisine.

Arrive in Agra and check in to your hotel.

Rest of the day will be at leisure for relaxation/spa.

Overnight at hotel

#### **DAY 05, THURSDAY**

### **AGRA - JAIPUR**

Early morning visit the mesmerizing **Taj Mahal -** a UNESCO World heritage. Enjoy a romantic ride to the monument of the love on **decorated Tongas** 'horse driven carriages'. The 17th century Taj Mahal is often called a poem in stone. If so, the mausoleum is a love poem - created by Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan for his favorite wife Mumtaz Mahal. It took 22 years to be completed and was designed and planned by a Persian architect Ustad Isa.

Apart from its stunning design balance and perfect symmetry, the Taj is also noted for its elegant domes, intricately carved screens and some of the best inlay work ever seen. (Taj Mahal remains closed on Fridays).





Return to the hotel for Breakfast

Later visit **Agra Fort** - a UNESCO World heritage site. An imposing structure with walls of red sandstone, almost two miles long and contains palaces, audience halls and mosques. The fort presents a good sampling of Islamic and Hindu architectural styles.

Drive to Jaipur covering a distance of 265kms in approx 6 hours.

Evening arrive in Jaipur and check-in to your hotel.

**Jaipur**, "The City of Victory", was first intended to be "Sawai Jaipur", named after the boy Prince who commissioned it - Maharaja Jai Singh II - a warrior, astronomer and politician who reigned over the Mughals from 1699 to 1743. Today's Jaipur is pink, visually described as the city shaded with the autumn colors of a sunset.

Although originally the walls were render set and pigmented the color of red sandstone, Jaipur's universal coat of pink only came in 1876 to coincide with the visit of the Prince of Wales (King Edward VII). Almost the entire city was given a coat of pink paint, thus giving it the name "The Pink City

Overnight at hotel

DAY 06, FRIDAY

**JAIPUR** 

Morning proceed for the sightseeing tour of Jaipur visiting **Amber Fort, City Palace, Observatory**, and **Hawa Mahal**.

**Amber Fort** is located in Amer, 11 Km from Jaipur. The fort boasts of an artistic grandeur and structural expertise. It is a reminiscent of the bravery and courage of the mighty Rajputs, who had played a remarkable role in the history of medieval India. Man Singh I started the construction of this fort in 1592 and, perhaps, it was the defense that topped his priorities before constructing this fort. The Kesar Kyari Complex of Maota Lake enhances the entire experience.

You will enjoy **Elephant Ride** to reach the magnificent Amber Fort.

Later proceed for City Palace.

**City Palace** is one of the major landmarks in Jaipur. The beautiful palace was built by Maharaja Sawai Jai Singh during his reign. Among the various forts and palaces of Jaipur, City Palace stands apart, with its outstanding art and architecture. In the Palace complex visit Maharaja Sawai Man Singh II Museum.

Following City Palace, visit to Observatory or **Jantar Mantar**. It is an astronomical observation site built in the early 18th century. It was built by Maharaja Jai Sigh II in 1724, whose passion for science, engineering, and astronomy prompted him to construct this complex of fourteen scientific instruments. It's been over 200 years since they were first constructed, these fourteen structures can still accurately measure time; predict eclipses, and track stars and planets in their orbits.



Drive past magnificent **Hawa Mahal** and walk through the old bazaars of Jaipur, popularly known as Bapu Bazar.



Evening is at leisure.

Stay overnight at hotel.

# DAY 07, SATURDAY JAIPUR

Breakfast is at hotel pick-up from hotel and transfer to Golf Rambagh Golf Club.

Breakfast at hotel

Tee-off at Rambagh Golf Club for 18 holes

Evening is at leisure.

Stay overnight at hotel.



DAY 08, SUNDAY

**JAIPUR - GURGAON** 

Morning drive to Gurgaon, your last hotel upon arrival check into hotel.

Overnight at hotel

DAY 09, MONDAY

**GURGAON** 

After breakfast you will be driven to the golf club where you will play your first round of golf. The GC **Golden Green** looks like a links course and surprises with deep pot bunkers.

Here on 275 h land was Martin Hawtree designed a championship course in the best "left" tradition. This championship course is packed with strategically placed bunkers on winding fairways that look like olive crumpled blankets.

The Golden Greens is the first and only one of its kind in India, designed to look like part of its natural environment: it seems like a wind blowing over dunes and native scrub in the Aravallis hills, deep bunkers and skilfully contoured Greens, let the player believe he is on a links course. All this requires a precise play and strategic placement of drives to get into the clubhouse with a good score.



After golf, transfer back to hotel.

Overnight at hotel



DAY 10, TUESDAY GURGAON

Breakfast at hotel.

Check out at 1200 hrs. (No hotel accommodation envisaged)

Then golf round on the Classic Golf.

Classic Golf & Country Club was the first Jack Nicklaus Signature golf course in South Asia and the first private club to host the Indian Open. The Classic Golf & Country Club is located in the foothills of Aravali Hill. The preservation of the natural character of the soil was of utmost importance to Jack Nicklaus. Without exaggeration one can say here that the golfer's hearts beat faster here, because strategic and inteligentes play is required.

India's most prestigious golf tournament, The Wills Indian Open, was held for the first time in 2000 at the Classic Golf & Country Club.



In time transfer to airport hotel for dinner.

After dinner transfer to airport to connect flight for onward destination.

DAY 11, WEDNESDAY LEAVE DELHI

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