

GOLDEN TRIANGLE

6 Days/5 nights

Day 01: Delhi

Arrive at Delhi, the capital city of India and after completing customs and immigration formalities you will be met & assisted by our representative for your arrival transfer to the hotel.

Day 02: Delhi

After breakfast, we proceed on a tour of New Delhi visiting the Qutub Minar. Drive through the Embassy area, Connaught Place, the heart and main shopping district of the capital. Continue to Humayun's tomb, also known as the forerunner to the Taj Mahal. At noon, we cross the city into the walled gates of Old Delhi. Our tour includes a visit to the "Jama Mosque" (1650) and drive through the fabled area of "Chandni Chowk". Then we drive past the Red Fort (1639-1648) built by Shahjahan, the builder of the Taj Mahal in Agra. Later visit Raj Ghat to pay homage to Father of the Indian Nation – Mahatma Gandhi.

Day 03: Delhi/Jaipur

After breakfast depart for Jaipur. On arrival transfer to the hotel and rest of the day is at leisure. Jaipur is the capital state of Rajasthan also known as the "Pink City" built by the great warrior and even better astronomer, Raja Sawai Jai Singh II in 1727; Jaipur is full of formidable forts, enchanting palaces and lovely temples. The city was completed in eight years. Also this city is a paradise for shoppers; Jaipur offers jewelry, carpets & rugs, textiles and other good deals.

Day 04: Jaipur

After breakfast visit Amber Fort; included is an "elephant ride/Jeep ride" (kindly note that an elephant ride is subject to availability and guests have to leave early and line up for approximately 2 hrs before. As per the new rule, each elephant can take only 2 persons at a time and each elephant is limited to 3 trips a day; there are usually 50 elephants in all). Perched on a hill 11 km from Jaipur and nestling among the Aravali Hills is the historic fort-palace. Set in a picturesque background, the splendid Amber Fort (Jaigarh) was built in 1600 by Raja Man Singh, commander-in-chief of the Mughal army during Akbar's reign and greatest general of medieval India. There is a timeless appeal to Jaipur's colorful bazaars where one can shop for Rajasthani handlooms and trinkets.

Afternoon set out on a half day city tour visiting Hawa Mahal, the Observatory-Jantar Mantar and City Palace. The Hawa Mahal or "Palace of Winds" was built in 1799 to enable the ladies of the royal household to watch street processions while remaining in a strict state of purdah. Between 1727 and 1734 Maharajah Jai Singh II of Jaipur constructed five astronomical observatories in west central India. The observatories or "Jantar Mantars" as they are commonly known, incorporate multiple buildings of unique form, each with a specialized function for astronomical measurement. Conceived and designed by Jai Singh, the City Palace, is a fine blend of Rajasthani and Mughal architecture. Chandra Mahal is still the residence of the present royal family. Evening visit to the local market.

Day 05: Jaipur/Agra

After breakfast checkout from the hotel and depart for Agra visiting enroute "Fatehpur Sikri", the mysterious ghost city founded by the Mughal Emperor Akbar the Great in the late 16th century and capital of the Mughal Empire from 1581 to 1595. The city occupies a sandstone ridge and the area around it is enclosed within a seven-mile-long wall. We'll stroll about the fort and palace.

After sightseeing continue drive to Agra (01 hour), on arrival check-in. Evening is at leisure.

Day 06: Agra/Delhi

Morning visit to Taj Mahal, this grand edifice was built by Shahjehan from 1631 to 1653 to enshrine the remains of his Queen Mumtaz Mahal. We walk into the inner chambers of this renowned "Monument to Love" and seek out several vantage points to see the magnificent play of light. It is truly worthy of its status as one of the world wonders. Later visit the sprawling "Agra Fort" on the bank of the Yamuna River. This immense fort and palace was the seat of power for four generations of Mughal emperors. Agra Fort's architecture is an almost perfect fusion between military might and lavish beauty.

Afternoon, continue drive to Delhi. On arrival transfer to international airport for your onward journey home.