

**TOUR  
EAST**  
*HOLIDAYS*

**12 DAYS / 11 NIGHTS | SMALL GROUP TRAVEL**

# PORTRAIT OF NORTH INDIA

**O**n this multifaceted journey, you will visit some of India's most important cultural centers, iconic monuments and UNESCO World Heritage sites. Begin in Delhi, India's capital city, next the brilliant Taj Mahal leads us to Agra. From here make your way through one of India's finest tiger reserves – Ranthambore National Park - on a game drive followed by a foray into Rajasthan, the Land of Kings, to experience the majesty of Royal India. Visit the Venice of the East, Udaipur, and end the journey in Mumbai, contemporary India's financial and cultural hub. Bursting with over 20 million people, there is no better immersion into the colorful chaos that defines so much of Indian life.

## **DATES & PRICES (2018)**

<b>DEPARTURE DATE</b>	<b>TRIP COST</b>
October 14 .....	\$2,795
November 24 .....	\$2,795



## **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS**

- Experience Old Delhi
- Watch the sun rise over the Taj Mahal
- Jungle Safari experience in search of Bengal tigers
- Visits to select World Heritage sites
- Discover Jaipur's Amber Fort
- Explore palaces, fortresses and colourful bazaars
- Boat ride on Lake Pichola in Udaipur
- Stay two nights in bustling Mumbai
- English speaking guides, A/C transportation, and more!



## **TO BOOK CONTACT**

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### DAY 1 | ARRIVE IN DELHI

Upon arrival at the Delhi International Airport, you will be warmly greeted before your transportation to the hotel. Receive assistance with check-in and have remainder of the day at your leisure. Stay two nights in Delhi at the Crowne Plaza Mayur Vihar Hotel, or similar (5-star).

### DAY 2 | DELHI (B)

Your tour begins in Delhi, India's capital city, as you head out on a tour of Old Delhi, the capital of the Mughal dynasty between the 16th and 19th centuries. Arrive in Old Delhi and visit Jama Masjid - the largest mosque in India. From here we board our cycle rickshaws for a tour of Chandni Chowk to get a glimpse into an old world lifestyle slowly fading from Delhi. Continue to a Gurudwara (Sikh temple) and witness the community kitchen where thousands of worshippers are fed round the clock. In the afternoon, explore New Delhi starting with a visit to the Mahatma Gandhi Memorial, set within a beautiful park. Continue the tour passing by the Parliament House, the President's House and India Gate, and then visit Humayun's Tomb, a UNESCO World Heritage Site before returning to your hotel for the evening at your leisure.

### DAY 3 | DELHI – AGRA (B)

This morning, depart for the city of Agra by road and check-in to your hotel. In the afternoon, visit the Agra Fort, the seat and the stronghold of the Mughal Empire under successive generations. Stay one night in Agra at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, or similar (4-star).

### DAY 4 | AGRA – BHARATPUR – RANTHAMBORE (B/L/D)

Visit the Taj Mahal at dawn to see the sunrise over this impressive monument. Later, return back to the hotel for breakfast followed by transportation to the train station in Bharatpur where you will board the train for Ranthambore National Park. En-route visit Fatehpur Sikri, once the capital of the Mughal Empire. On arrival in Ranthambore, meet and transfer to the hotel for check-in. Ranthambore National Park is well known as a game sanctuary where guests take safari drives in search of the elusive tiger hiding amongst impressive scenery in a land rich in history. Stay two nights at the Abhyaran Hotel, or similar (4-star).

### DAY 5 | RANTHAMBORE NATIONAL PARK (B/L/D)

The Ranthambore National Park was once the hunting ground of Maharaja of Jaipur. In 1955, it was declared a game sanctuary, and in 1980, it became a national park. In the early morning, depart the hotel for a park visit in search of tigers and other wild animals by open vehicle with an expert naturalist. Return to the hotel for breakfast and some time at your leisure. This afternoon, enjoy another visit inside this National Park. This park is one of the best places in all of India to see Tigers, but as they are in the wild note that tiger sightings cannot be guaranteed.

### DAY 6 | RANTHAMBORE – JAIPUR (B)

This morning, depart for Jaipur. Known as the "Pink City", Jaipur is the capital of the colourful state of Rajasthan. On your arrival, check in to your hotel and enjoy the rest of the day free at your leisure. Stay two nights in Jaipur at the Fortune Select Metropolitan Hotel, or similar (4-star).

### DAY 7 | JAIPUR (B)

After an early breakfast, start on an excursion to the Amber Fort. Before the City Palace was constructed in Jaipur, Amber was the seat of power. The Fort is surrounded by fortified battlements and

overlooks the Moat Lake. Once you are on top, stroll through the sprawling complex of courtyards and halls. Many of the rooms have delightful wall paintings, with precious stones and mirrors inlaid in the walls. Return to the city and take a photo stop at the Hawa Mahal (Palace of the Winds). Continue to Jantar Mantar, an observatory built in the 18th century, before heading to the City Palace for a guided tour. Later, take a guided afternoon heritage walk through the old city and bazaar before returning to your hotel.

### DAY 8 | JAIPUR – UDAIPUR (B)

This morning, fly to Udaipur and then transfer to the hotel for check-in. With your guide today, visit the Eklingji and Nagda Temples in a nearby rural village outside of Udaipur. Stay two nights at the Fateh Niwas Palace Hotel, or similar (4-star).

### DAY 9 | UDAIPUR (B)

Enjoy a guided tour of the City Palace, towering over Lake Pichola and which is the largest palace complex in Rajasthan. You will also visit the Jagdish temple, a wonderful Indo-Aryan temple built by Maharana Jagat Singh in 1651, and Sahelion Ki Bari, the exclusive garden of the royal ladies who once lived in the palaces. Today's tour also includes a boat ride on the serene and beautiful Lake Pichola with the sun setting behind the hills.

### DAY 10 | UDAIPUR – MUMBAI (B)

Fly to Mumbai, the economic powerhouse of India, and meet for your transportation to your hotel for check in. In the afternoon, visit the impressive Prince of Wales Museum built in grand Indo Saracenic style, take a drive along the waterfront, explore the Malabar Hill area, see the Parsi Tower of Silence, see the Dhobi Ghats (outdoor laundromat), and stop to see the Mani Bhawan, a memorial dedicated to the life and works of Mahatma Gandhi. Stay two nights at the Trident Nariman Point Hotel, or similar (4-star).

### DAY 11 | MUMBAI (B)

Take a tour of the Elephanta Caves. An hour away from Mumbai by ferry, the Elephanta Caves are a network of sculpted caves located on Elephanta Island. Return to the mainland in the afternoon and have the remainder of the day free at your leisure.

### DAY 12 | MUMBAI – DEPARTURE (B)

Meet at the hotel at the appointed time and transfer to the airport for your departure flight. Check out is at 12 noon.



» Prices are per person based on a party of at least 2 adults traveling together. A single room supplement cost is applicable for those who would like their own single room. This is a group tour where a minimum number of travelers on each departure date are required to guarantee the materialization of the tour. Prices subject to change. If looking for your own private trip to India, contact us at [tour@toureast.com](mailto:tour@toureast.com) and we'll be pleased to provide you with your own personalized trip quote.

» Tour Price Includes: All taxes, Accommodation with daily breakfast, services of expert English speaking local guides, entrance fees to sites listed on the itinerary, private air-conditioned transportation, 2 on-tour flights, 1 train ticket, shared safari drives at Ranthambore National Park, and airport transfers. International flights are not included, contact us for preferred rates and schedules, or opt to book your own flights.

» Optional tours are available, please inquire for prices and details.

» A visa for India is required, but is not included. Entry visas for India can be obtained online (e-visa). It is the responsibility of each traveler to obtain their visa prior to traveling.

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