

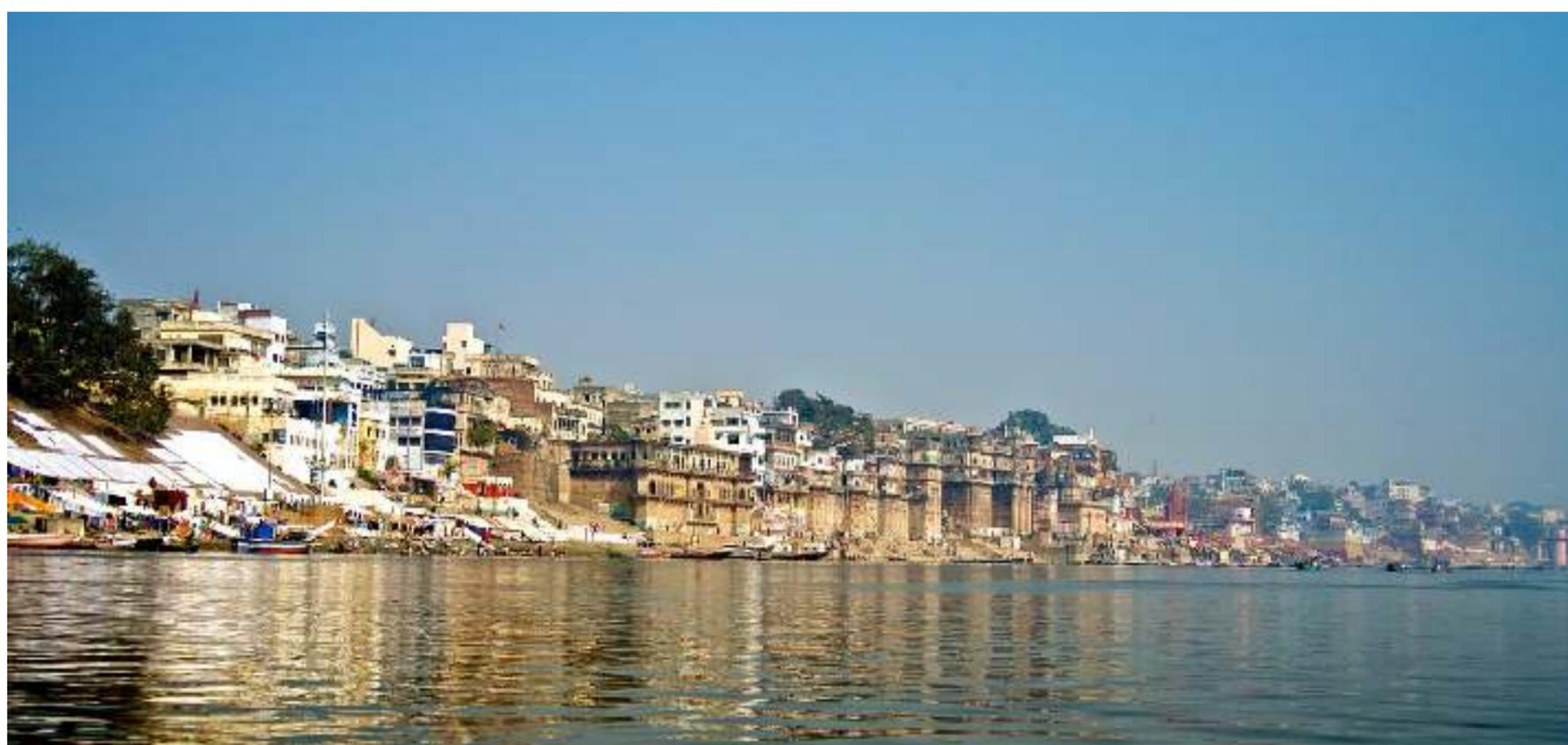
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HERITAGE INDIA & NEPAL TOUR

Delhi - Mandawa - Jaipur - Agra - Jhansi - Khajuraho - Varanasi - Kathmandu - Delhi

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About

This Heritage Tour takes you on a journey that contains historic buildings and constructions that are both symbolic and sacred to India's history. The tour also takes you to Kathmandu in Nepal showcasing the best of Buddhism and Hinduism sacred sites.

Day 01 :: Delhi

On arrival at Delhi international airport, welcome and transfer to hotel for overnight stay.

Day 02 :: Delhi / Mandawa

Morning drive to Mandawa. On arrival check-in hotel. Later visit the region of Shekhawati - Mandawa, Dundlod, Nawalgarh, Fatehpur, etc. Mandawa Town was founded in 1755 by Thakur Nawal Singh and is still the home of his descendants. Mandawa houses a collection of armories, costumes of ancestors, canons from 1820, ancient coins, numismatic, collection and many other interesting items preserved in a museum. Mandawa has beautiful frescoes, havelis & mansions. Overnight in hotel.

Day 03 :: Mandawa / Jaipur

After breakfast drive to Jaipur. On arrival check-in hotel. Afternoon proceed for half day tour of Jaipur city the capital city of the state of Rajasthan popularly known as "Pink City". The buildings in the old walled city are constructed in pink-colored sandstone. Overnight in hotel.

Day 04 :: Jaipur

After breakfast leave for excursion to Amber Fort, enjoy elephant ride up the hill on which the fort is situated. Afternoon free at leisure. Overnight in hotel.

Day 05 :: Jaipur - Agra

After breakfast drive to Agra en-route visiting Fatehpur Sikri built by emperor Akbar in 1569 and later abandoned due to scarcity of water. On arrival in Agra check-in hotel. Afternoon visit the world famous Taj Mahal, Agra fort & Tomb of Itmad-ud-daula. Overnight stay at hotel.

Day 06 :: Agra / Jhansi / Khajuraho

Early morning transfer to Agra Cantt railway station to board train Shatabdi express for Jhansi dep: 0800, arr: 1024. On arrival in Jhansi, proceed to Khajuraho (172 kms / 4 hrs approx) en-route visit Orchha. Proceed to Khajuraho. On arrival check-in hotel. Later proceed for city tour of Khajuraho visiting eastern & western group of temples. These temples are superb example of Indo-Aryan architecture constructed by Chandella rulers in the 10th century A.D. they have a fantastic range of sculptures including sensuous and erotic themes north block temples. Overnight in hotel.

Day 07 :: Khajuraho / Varanasi

After early breakfast visit south block temples. Later transfer to airport for flight to Varanasi. On arrival transfer to hotel. Evening "Deepmala tour" - a special tour where boat ride is given on river Ganges around sunset and earthen lamps are floated on the river. Return to hotel for overnight stay.

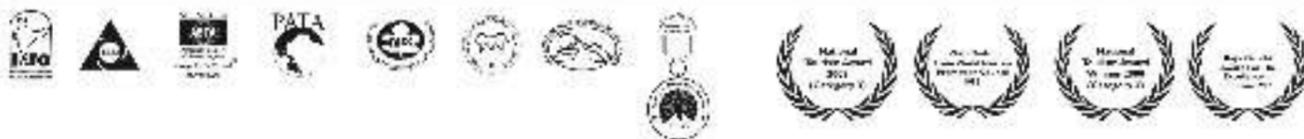
Day 08 :: Varanasi

Early morning boat excursion on the holy River Ganges to see the sunrise and morning prayers. Also see bathing ghats & cremation site. Watch people bathing & worshipping at the ghats which is one of the most extraordinary experiences of a visit to India. Return to hotel enroute visiting the small lanes and temples near the ghats. Breakfast at hotel. Later shory sight-seeing tour of Varanasi. Afternoon excursion to Sarnath. Overnight in hotel.

Day 09 :: Varanasi / Kathmandu

Transfer to airport for Kathmandu Flight. Arrive & transfer to hotel. Evening free at leisure. Overnight in hotel.

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Day 10 :: Kathmandu

Morning city sight-seeing tour visiting the Durbar square, Hanuman Dhoka, the ancient royal residential quarter, Machhender Bahlholy place for the Buddhists & Hindus, temple house of Kumari the Vestal Virgin or the living Goddess and Patan visiting the Old Newar city, the historic Durbar square, see the goldengate, the sky piercing temple of Teleju & the statue of Yogendra Malla, other temples and old windows and carved balconies and also visit Swayambhunath, the 2500 years old Buddhist temple. Afternoon free.

Day 11 :: Kathmandu

Day free at leisure.

Day 12 :: Kathmandu

Day free at leisure.

Day 13 :: Kathmandu / Delhi

Transfer to airport for Delhi flight. On arrival transfer to hotel for overnight stay.

Day 14 :: Delhi/Onward Destination

After breakfast leave for full day city tour visiting Qutub Minar, India gate (war memorial), Lakshminarayan Temple - modern Hindu temple, drive past President's House, Parliament House & Secretariat Building. Afternoon sight-seeing of Old Delhi visit Rajghat & Shanti Vana (the cremation sites of Mahatma Gandhi and Jawaharlal Nehru), Jama Masjid and drive past Red fort and Chandni Chowk. Await transfer to international airport for flight to onward destination.

TOUR ENDS

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