

# Glories of India & Dubai

Taj Mahal, Golden Triangle & Incredible Dubai

### Trip code: TP16GI

13 Nights

Small Group (Avg. 26 pax)

25 Meals

Airfare included

Coach, Flight

Guided tour

4-5 Star Hotel

Daily Sightseeing



### WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT

Combine the beautiful landscape and extraordinary history of India with the phenomenal man-made wonders in Dubai. Visit India's golden triangle Delhi, Agra, Jaipur and Dubai, Abu Dhabi, and more!

- ✓ Awed by the Taj Mahal, the most perfect architectural monument in the world.
- Visit Amber Fort with its gorgeous Palace of Mirrors.
- Enjoy a two-night stay in a luxury tent of Vanaashrya with camel cart ride and village visit.
- ✓ Rickshaw ride along the lanes of Chandni Chowk, once the imperial avenue of Mughal royalty.
- ✓ Enjoy a visit to Akshardham, one of the biggest and most intricate places of worship..
- View the man-made Palm Island and Burj Al Arab, Dubai's most recognizable structures.
- ✓ Option to ascend to the very top of Burj Khalifa, the tallest building in
- ✓ Set out on an Abu Dhabi city tour that includes a stop at the Louvre
- It is the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque, a masterpiece of modern Islamic architecture.



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### **Day 1: North America- Delhi**

Fly overnight to Delhi.

### **Day 2: Delhi Arrival**

Welcome to Delhi! Arrive in the energetic capital city of India; meet your representative and transfer to the hotel. Time to rest and relax after your journey and acclimate to the new time zone.

### Day 3: Delhi

Begin the tour at the walled city of Old Delhi. Pass by the massive Red Fort and continue to the imposing Jama Masjid, the great mosque of Old Delhi. Then visit Akshardham also known Swaminarayan. This is one of the Hindu religious complexes that displays a millennium of traditional Indian and Hindu culture. After that, you may join an Optional Cycle Rickshaw Ride in Chandni Chowk with lunch to view the narrow, bustling alleyways of this area (USD\$35 pp). Continue your afternoon tour in New Delhi which is a combination of British and Indian styles. Drive by the Parliament House, the Presidential Palace, and the towering India Gate war memorial. Visit Humayun's Tomb, а magnificent monument built in red sandstone, designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Tonight, return back to the hotel and the remainder of your evening at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

### Day 4: Delhi - Jaipur

This morning, marvel at one of Delhi's most striking monuments is the 70-meter-high Qutab Minar, (Arabic for pole or axis) which looms majestically across the wide plains of Delhi. The monument marked the site of the first Muslim kingdom in Northern India, established in 1193. Depart for Jaipur known as the "Pink City" of India for its ribbon of walls that extends throughout the city core. In 1876, the city was painted its distinctive color to celebrate the Prince of Wales's first visit to Jaipur. After arrival proceeds to your hotel and the rest of the day at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

## Day 5: Jaipur

After breakfast, pass the Hawa Mahal, often known as the "Palace of the Winds." on your way by. Visit the magnificent Amber Fort next, which is a magnificent combination of Mughal and Hindu architecture. Its magnificent Palace of Mirrors, amazing labyrinth of courtyards, and opulent private apartments represent the magnificence of the Mughal Empire. When you get to the Amber Fort, take an elephant ride up the hill to the ramparts. From here, you can see Jaipur's historic city walls and the lake below in a stunning view. Before browsing a store's extensive selection of regional handicrafts, stop for refreshments. This afternoon is free on your own or join the optional City Palace and Observatory tour (US\$45). The tour moves on to the lavish City Palace, a former royal palace that has been transformed into a magnificent museum featuring an outstanding collection of miniature paintings, costumes, and armory. Next to the city palace is Jantar Mantar, literally translated as Calculation Instrument. This Observatory was built between 1728 and 1734 by Maharaja Jai Singh, Jantar Mantar was built on a grand scale and was way beyond its time.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

## Day 6: Jaipur - Tehla (Vanaashrya)

Set off to visit the Abhaneri Step Well. The concept of step-well was originated in India and acted as the reservoirs or the storage tanks that could store large amount of water and keep it cool at the same time. Then drive to Vanaashrya, where you will experience the luxury of camping in the middle of jungle. Tehla is a small village in the foothills of Aravali Ranges of Raiasthan and offers absolute peaceful & pristine atmosphere to relax. Tucked far away in the countryside, Vanaashrya is close to the Sariska tiger reserve in Rajasthan. Enjoy every moment in this luxurious hideaway with well-equipped cottages and tents to make your stay comfortable and memorable for a lifetime. After lunch, enjoy an unforgettable experience, an authentic camel cart Safari through the local villages. Visit the Sarpanch and interact with nearby Banjara tribes on a comfortable camel cart and enjoy the true rural experience. Continue for a Village Walk and time permitting visit to a local school.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



## Day 7: Tehla (Vanaashrya)

Early morning, you may join the Jungle Safari to the Sariska National Park(\$195 USD pp, min 6 people). Sariska National Park was the former hunting preserve of the Maharaja of Alwar set in the Aravalli hills. The park consists of dry deciduous forests, with Dhak, Acacia, Ber and Salar trees, with the Siliserh Lake at its north-eastern corner. One can sight a good number of Nilgai, Sambar, Wild Boar and Chital during the day. The nocturnal population includes the Indian Porcupine, Striped Hvena, Indian Palm Civet and even Leopard is sometimes sighted. The Sariska National Park is excellent for birdwatching and has an unusually large population of Indian Peafowl.Continue on to visit Bhangarh, one of the Top 10 most haunted places in India. Here you will visit Bhangarhm Fort - The Haunted Fort. Rest of the day at leisure to relax at the resort.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### Day 8: Tehla - Agra

This morning, proceed to Fatehpur Sikri, "The City of Victory", or the deserted red sandstone city. This ancient capital today remains almost the same condition as it was over 300 years ago. This afternoon, visit the Agra Fort, which dominates the center of the city with its imposing gates, walls of red sandstone and moat. Later, visit an artisanal marble inlay unit. Here you will see how craftsmen skillfully create a beautiful inlay of precious and semi-precious stones into the marble. Celebrate "love" tonight by attending an optional evening performance of Mohabbat- Taj Show(USD\$58), a collection of plays that illustrates Shah Jahan's deep love for his bride and the opulent lifestyle of the Mughal era.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

### Day 9: Agra - Delhi

An unforgettable day as you explore the magnificent Taj Mahal, which Emperor Shah Jahan constructed as a monument for his cherished queen. Built over a 22-year period using white marble and precious stones, this monument is regarded as the world's most outstanding example of Mughal architecture. Visit a handicraft exhibition and showroom later on to see its distinctive collection of sculptures and its meticulous marble inlay work. As you see a demonstration of the precise technique of creating marble sculptures, filigree, and stone inlay, be in awe of the museum-quality craftsmanship. Return to your hotel for breakfast. This afternoon, return to Delhi and the rest of the day is at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner



## Day 10: Arrive in Dubai

Today fly to Dubai. Arrive in Dubai, the quintessential land of opulence, wealth, and astonishing skyscrapers that stand alongside ancient mosques. Take the rest of the day to rest, relax and acclimate to the adrenaline-charged tempo of this city and your new time zone.

Meals: Breakfast

# Day 11: Dubai

Enjoy your half-day trip of historical Dubai. In historical Dubai, you will be visiting Dubai Museum located in the ancient Al Fahidi Fort. Continue the tour through the cloth markets and end up at the Abras, where local water taxis will take you across the Creek to the area of spice and gold souks. Walk through the bustling alleys of these souks and allow the mystical aromas of numerous spices tantalize your senses. The jewelry on sale, mostly in gold with astounding quality, varies from traditional to the latest designs. Afterward, on to the Bastakiya area where old wind-towered houses of wealthy merchants can still be seen. While in the area, you're invited to the important Sheikh Mohammed Centre in the heart of the old Bastakiya area for a specially arranged local Emirati lunch. Return to the hotel with free time. In the evening, you may join the optional Marina Dhow Cruise Dinner (USD\$85)

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

# Day 12: Dubai

In modern Dubai, you will be driving past Jumeirah Road, la Mer beach & market, and Photo-stop at Jumeirah Beach and Burj Al Arab. Next head to visit Palm Jumeirah - a man-made island built in the shape of a palm, where you will be driving past the luxurious Atlantis, The Palm. Marvel at the stunning views of the island as you ride high above the ground. Continue on Sheikh Zayed road to visit the world's tallest tower, Burj Khalifa(USD\$80).

While at the top, a guide will help answer all your questions from your vantage point on level 124 of the building. Free time for lunch in Dubai Mall. In the afternoon, you may join the optional tour to visit New Museum of the future(MOTF) (USD\$120). The museum of The future takes pride in place along the city's super highway, is an exhibition space for innovation and futuristic ideologies, services, and products.

Meals: Breakfast

### Day 13: Dubai

This morning, you may join the optional tour to visit Sharjah(US\$55), the neighboring emirate of Dubai, also known as the 'Pearl of the Gulf'. We start with a photo-stop at the magnificent Al Noor Mosque on Al Buhaira Corniche and proceed to the largest mosque in Sharjah, the King Faisal Mosque. We then visit the Islamic Civilization Museum. Several galleries display carefully restored artifacts from around the Muslim world, celebrating Islamic contribution to the World Heritage. We drive to Sharjah's 'Old Town'. After a stroll through the restored traditional market Souk Al Arsa, visit Sharjah Heritage museum for a glimpse of a traditional family home and typical Arabian Gulf architecture. Before returning, you have time to explore Souk Al Markazi - a treasure trove of carpets, jewellery and handicrafts. This afternoon, you may join the thrilling Desert Safari with dinner(USD\$95). Board a 4X4 vehicle in Dubai and head out towards the highest sand dunes of the surreal surrounding desert. Feel the thrill of "dune bashing" as you spiral up and down the enormous golden dunes. Stop to watch the beautiful before reaching the Bedouin sunset Campsite. You'll be welcomed with traditional Arabic coffee and might have the opportunity to ride a camel. Then, enjoy a prepared Barbeque prepared on an open fire. Later, a captivating belly dancer enchants you with her swirling dances under the starlit sky before returning to the hotel.

Meals: Breakfast

### Day 14: Dubai

Spend the morning at leisure, on your last day in Dubai. This afternoon, visit the Al Shindagha Museum and learn more about the story of the Creek and what it took to grow the trading business. Visit the Perfume House within the museum complex which addresses the history and culture of perfume making. Learn how these fragrances are created, using regional ingredients such as musk, rose, myrtle flowers, and saffron. Then, embark on a walking tour to one of the trendiest places in Dubai, the Dubai Marina, and Jumeirah Beach Residence. The tour concludes at the Madinat souk with time at leisure to explore the treasures among the lantern-lit corridors. There will be time for dinner on your own before transferring to the airport for your late-night departure flight

Meals: Breakfast

## Day 15: Dubai-Abu Dhabi

Tour Abu Dhabi today. Visit the maiestic Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque which is one of the popular landmarks of Abu Dhabi city. Explore the rich past, vibrant present and thrilling future of Abu Dhabi, the largest emirate in the United Arab Emirates. Admire the mosque's white marble structure that consists of 82 domes, chandeliers, and flowerpatterned designs. Next, take a drive along the Abu Dhabi Corniche to experience scenic views of the Arabian Gulf. Admire the clean water of the harbor as you continue to the opulent Emirates Palace, the official palace of Abu Dhabi's ruling government. Then enjoy a visit to another of Abu Dhabi's landmarks, the Etihad Towers. Later you will visit the Heritage village, a journey to the past and experience traditional life in Abu Dhabi. Then continue driving towards the Date market where we will have a great opportunity to taste a variety of the local fruit. Head back to Dubai via Yas Island, the home of the F1 Circuit and Ferrari World Theme Park. Enjoy your farewell dinner tonight.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

### **Day 16: Arrive North America**

Arrive your sweet home in the morning.

### **Optional Tours**

- Cycle rickshaw ride in Chandni Chowk USD\$30 per person
- · Visit to City Palace, museum and Observatory USD\$45 per person
- Jungle Safari to Sariska National Park USD\$260 per person
- Witness the Mohabbat the Taj Show USD\$58 per person
- Marina Dhow Cruise Dinner USD\$85 per person
- Burj Khalifa Tour USD\$80 per person
- Visit New Museum of the future USD\$120 per person
- Sharjah Half-day tour USD\$55 per person
- Desert Safari Tour USD75 per person

### **Package Includes**

- Return International airfares from
- · Airport taxes
- 4-5 Star hotel accommodation
- Entrance fees to scenic attractions as indicated
- Services of English-speaking tour guides
- Sightseeing per itinerary in modern
- air-conditioned motor coach
- All transportation in the destination
- Meals as indicated in the program

## **Package Does Not Includes**

- Visa fees
- Insurance of any kind
- Prepaid Gratuities: USD\$208 (includes gratuities for tour guides, drivers, etc.)
- Personal expenditure such as laundry service, souvenirs and telephone calls

#### **Price Notes**

- Prices are per person based on twin share accommodation.
- Single room supplement fee: \$1,299
- · Add on airfare from other cities: Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec City from \$300, Calgary, Edmonton, Victoria, Saskatoon, Regina, Winnipeg from \$600, Vancouver, St. John, Halifax, from \$600
- Tour prices are subject to change without prior notice.

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