



# India & Nepal

February 18 - March 2, 2025

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**Day 1: Tuesday, February 18, 2025 • Departure**

We begin our unforgettable journey to India and Nepal as we board our international flight bound for Delhi, India. **Inflight meals**

**Day 2: Wednesday, February 19, 2025 • New Delhi**

Upon arrival at the Indira Gandhi International airport in Delhi, the group is transferred to a downtown hotel for overnight.

**Day 3: Thursday, February 20, 2025 • Delhi**

We take a city tour of **Old Delhi**, driving past and photographing the Red Fort, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Opposite the fort are the black and white onion dome minarets of the **Jama Masjid**, the most elegant mosque in India. We visit **Raj Ghat**, a memorial complex, where a black marble platform was raised to mark the spot where Mahatma Gandhi was cremated in 1948. We drive through the old city and photograph the **Presidential Palace** and the **Secretariat buildings** (the center of all government activity) and continue to the **World War I Memorial Arch**, the **India Gate**. We visit **Humayun's Tomb**, built in 1565 AD by his grieving widow Haji Begum. We also visit the **Qutub Minar**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The minaret is surrounded by several historically significant monuments including Quwat-ul-Islam Mosque and the much older Iron Pillar of Delhi that weighs six tons and is made of 98% wrought iron. Overnight in Delhi. **B**

**Day 4: Friday, February 21, 2025 • Chitwan National Park**

We transfer to Delhi airport to board an international flight for Kathmandu, the capital of Nepal. Nepal contains 8 of the world's 10 highest peaks, including Mount Everest - the world's tallest. Upon arrival, we drive to **Chitwan National Park**, the first national park in Nepal. It was established in 1973 and granted the status of a world heritage site in 1984. This wildlife reserve is home to 68 mammal species and is especially renowned for its protection of One Horned Rhinoceros, Royal Bengal Tiger, and Gharial Crocodile. We explore the park and look for the famous white rhinoceros, deer, antelopes, monkeys, tigers, leopards, and more than 500 birds. **B/L/D**



*Qutub Minar*

**Days 5 and Day 6: Saturday and Sunday, February 22-23, 2025 • Chitwan National Park**

These two days are full of jungle activities. We observe the wild animals and birds when we enter the jungle on an elephant safari. With a canoe ride we pass the shores of the rivers full of amazing crocodiles and beautiful birds. Stretch your legs on a jungle walk in the forest with a knowledgeable guide. In the evening we watch a Tharu cultural dance show. The locals perform a dance showcasing their culture, art and lifestyle wearing ethnic dresses. **B/L/D**

**Day 7: Monday, February 24, 2025 • Kathmandu**

We drive the picturesque route back to Kathmandu, the largest city and capital of Nepal. Once thought to be the fabled and inaccessible Shangri-La, Kathmandu is now a hub for travelers. **B**

**Day 8: Tuesday, February 25, 2025 • Kathmandu**

We take a city tour of Kathmandu and visit **Kathmandu Durbar Square**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The square suffered severe damage during the 2015 earthquake but is slowly being restored. This is also the location of the "House of the Living Goddess" where the virgin goddess known as Kumari resides. Sometimes she even appears in one of the exquisitely carved windows of the upper floor. **B**

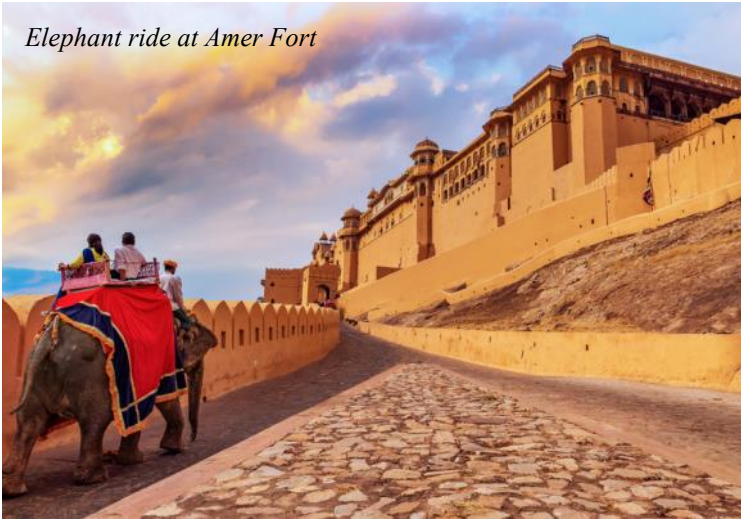
**Day 9: Wednesday, February 26, 2025 • Jaipur**

We fly to Delhi and drive to Jaipur, the state capital of Rajasthan. Jaipur is often referred to as the Pink City. In 1876, the rulers of the city painted most of the city buildings pink – a color of hospitality – to welcome Britain's Queen Victoria to their city. Jaipur is a popular tourist destination as it forms the western part of Golden Triangle circuit that includes Delhi and Agra. Spend the evening at your leisure. **B**

**Day 10: Thursday, February 27, 2025 • Jaipur**

We take a city tour of Jaipur and visit **Amer Fort**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Located high on a hill, we ride an elephant to reach it. We visit **City Palace**, a royal residence that houses the Chandra Mahal, Shri Govind Dev Temple, and the City Palace Museum. We visit **Jantar Mantar**, the largest and best preserved of the five observatories built by Jai Singh II throughout the country.

*Elephant ride at Amer Fort*



It houses nineteen astronomical instruments built by Sawai Jai Singh and features the world's largest stone sundial and is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It is still used today. We visit **Hawa Mahal**, a prominent landmark in Jaipur. **B**

**Day 11: Friday, February 28, 2025 • Agra**

We drive to Agra, which is globally renowned as the city of the Taj Mahal. Upon arrival we visit **Agra Fort**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, situated on the banks of the river Yamuna. The palaces, mosques and audience halls contained within its massive walls of red sandstone are perfect examples of blending Islamic and Hindu traditions. **B**

**Day 12: Saturday, March 1, 2025 • Delhi**

We wake early to see the **Taj-Mahal** (UNESCO World Heritage Site). With its incredible lacy white grandeur, the Taj Mahal is perhaps the most perfect architectural monument in the world. We return to the hotel for breakfast and any last-minute shopping. This afternoon we drive to Delhi. Upon arrival, we check-in and enjoy a farewell dinner at the hotel. **B/D**

**Day 13: Sunday, March 2, 2025 • Departure**

Transfer to the airport for early morning flights home.

**Abbreviations for Meals**

**B=Breakfast L= Lunch D=Dinner**



**About our Guide:**

*Ash Gupta is a native of India and is leading this group. He grew up in New Delhi and immigrated to the US in 2000. Ash has a master's degree in Tourism from Delhi University and a MBA from the US. Ash is multi-lingual and speaks 2 other languages apart from English and Hindi (most spoken language in India). Prior to immigrating to the US, he worked in the tourism business in India and has extensive experience with the Indian Subcontinent. He enjoys leading various groups to India and Nepal and showcasing this part of the world to fellow travelers.*

**TOUR COST: \$4,399\***

*per person, double occupancy*

**Single supplement = \$1,175**

*with a minimum of 19*

**Your Tour Includes:**

- **Land Transportation** via private deluxe air-conditioned motor coach
- Roundtrip airfare between India and Nepal
- **Accommodations** (double occupancy) in 4 and 5 star rated hotels/Heritage properties
- **Meals** (excluding drinks) per the itinerary
- **Admission** to all activities indicated in the itinerary except those listed as optional
- Services of **professional tour manager**
- Local **step-on guides** for city tours and major attractions
- **Luggage handling** of one piece per person at hotels where available
- **All tips** to porters, local tour guides and servers/waiters. Tips for the coach driver and tour director are not included.

**Your Tour Does Not Include:**

- **International roundtrip Airfare** and related taxes, fees and fuel charges
- Meals other than indicated above
- **Beverages**
- End of tour gratuity for coach driver (Suggested: \$5 per person/per day) and tour manager (Suggested: \$10 per person/per day) = \$190
- Items of a personal nature such as passport fees & Visas. (*Passport must be valid for 6 months beyond return date.*)
- **Optional insurance** for health, baggage and cancellation. (*This insurance is available and recommended.*)

**Payment Schedule:**

A deposit of \$500 per person is due with reservation. Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure date. (Nov. 20, 2024) Invoice will be sent out prior to final payment. Passengers may add after this date subject to air and land availability. Generally airlines do not increase the price of a ticket after it has been contracted. However, prior to the issuance of a ticket, airlines may (and regularly do) impose fuel, tax, or security surcharges. In the event a surcharge is imposed after Ed-Ventures has received a final payment, Ed-Ventures will send an additional invoice for the surcharge amount. Early registration is encouraged.

**Currency:**

Currency exchange rates fluctuate constantly. In the event of a significant drop in the value of the dollar, we reserve the right to add a currency surcharge to the price of the tour.

**Refund/Cancellation Policy:**

All cancellations must be in writing. The date of postmark will determine the amount of refund due. Refunds are based on the number of days prior to departure date. From the time of deposit to 120 days before departure a \$100/person administrative fee plus any airfare & land penalties will be assessed. From 119-31 days, a \$300/person cancellation penalty plus lost airfare deposits and any unrecoverable deposits to ground suppliers will be assessed. Airline tickets once purchased are nonrefundable. Anyone canceling 30 days or less prior to departure will receive **no refund.**

***Purchase of health, baggage, and trip cancellation/interruption insurance is strongly recommended.***

## Terms and Conditions

We reserve the right to cancel this trip due to lack of subscription. In the event of cancellation of the trip in its entirety, a full refund of all deposits will be made to passengers enrolled at the time of cancellation. Tour price is based on the value of the dollar and the cost of airfare and is subject to change without notice. Extensions are usually available, but must be requested when booking the tour. Any changes in airfare booking may result in a processing fee. It may be possible, that due to unforeseen events, conditions, or changes in airline schedules, the land portion of the trip may be extended or shortened. Any savings realized by such occurrences will be refunded, however any extra expenses incurred must be borne by the client. Trip cancellation insurance is available. This low-cost protection can save you money if you are forced to cancel or alter your trip for a medical reason only. You will be mailed trip cancellation insurance information with the brochure or upon receipt of your deposit.

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Due to COVID-19, we have a right to adjust the tour in order to follow the guidelines and policies set by the CDC and the local governments.

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## Passenger Information (1<sup>st</sup> Traveler)

Please record information **exactly as it appears on your passport**. Passport information may be sent later if you have yet to obtain a passport. *Include a copy of the photo page of your passport.*

Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Name for name badge): \_\_\_\_\_

Passport #: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Authority: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender (required by airline):  Male  Female

Dietary Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

## Passenger Information (2<sup>nd</sup> Traveler)

Please record information **exactly as it appears on your passport**. Passport information may be sent later if you have yet to obtain a passport. *Include a copy of the photo page of your passport.*

Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Name for name badge): \_\_\_\_\_

Passport #: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work phone/cell: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Sleeping Preference (circle one): Double bed (1 bed) Twin Beds (2 beds)

Roommate name: \_\_\_\_\_ OR Single supplement:  Yes  No

## Travel Insurance (7.2% of tour cost; policy must be purchased at time of initial deposit to cover pre-existing medical conditions)

- I wish to purchase a travel protection plan and have included the premium with my deposit.
- I wish to decline the travel protection offered. I understand I am solely responsible for any cancellation penalties and out of pocket expenses occurred should I have an emergency before or during the tour.

## Deposit Payment Information

Enclosed is my \$ \_\_\_\_\_ deposit and insurance premium (if applicable). **Make checks payable to Ed-Ventures, Inc.**

Please charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ deposit and insurance premium (if applicable) to my Discover/MasterCard/Visa

Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Card ID Code:\* \_\_\_\_\_ \*last 3 digits in signature box on the back of the card

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Signature of 1<sup>st</sup> traveler: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of 2<sup>nd</sup> traveler: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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