

*Hawa Mahal palace
(Palace of the Winds)*

Tour Code: INTT23



Taj, Temples & Tigers:

India

SCHEDULED DEPARTURE

Feb. 3 - 15, 2023



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Humayun's Tomb



DAY 1: Leave U.S.

We fly to New Delhi, India for the start of an unforgettable journey to this incredible land.

DAY 2: Arrive New Delhi, India

Upon arrival, we are met and escorted to our hotel for a restful first night in India.

DAY 3: Delhi

After breakfast, we start our explorations of Delhi. We drive past the Red Fort, a 300 year old walled city built by Emperor Shah Jehran. Opposite the fort are the black and white onion domes and minarets of the Jama Masjid, the most elegant mosque in Indian. We visit Raj Ghat, where Mahatma Gandhi was cremated in 1948. Then, we see Old Delhi. We enjoy a rickshaw ride to see where the old and the new converge in "Old Delhi". Later, we continue our sightseeing as we drive past the Presidential Palace, the Rashtrapati Bahawan and the Secretariat buildings. Then, we continue down the impressive Raj Path to the World War I memorial arch, the India Gate, High Court Building and the Old Fort. We end our tour with a visit to Humayun's Tomb, built by his grieving widow in 1565 AD. You'll be well-versed in Delhi by the time we return to the hotel. Dinner is on your own this evening. **B**

DAY 4: Agra

We board our coach after breakfast, heading southwest to Agra. Along the way, we visit the tower of Qutab Minar. It is the tallest brick minaret in the world. We learn about the historic monuments surrounding it, including Quwat-ul-Islam Mosque and the much older Iron Pillar of Delhi- weighing 6 tons and made of 98% wrought iron. You have some free time in Agra to shop and enjoy a relaxing dinner. **B**

DAY 5: Agra

Taj Mahal at Sunrise - with its incredible lacy white grandeur the Taj Mahal is perhaps the most perfect architectural monument in the world. The great Mughal emperor, Shah Jehan constructed this extravagant and incomparable monument in memory of his wife. We return to the hotel for breakfast and later visit Agra Fort on the banks of the river Yamuna. We see how the Palaces, mosques and audience halls contained within its massive wall of red sandstone are perfect examples of blending Islamic and Hindu traditions. **B**

DAY 6: Lalsot

Mahatma Gandhi once wrote, "If you want to experience the

Qutub Minar



soul of India, then you must go to her villages." After breakfast, we head off the standard tourist path and drive to Gadoli, one of those villages. On the way, we also stop at Abhaneri Step Well. The step wells (also known as Chand Baori) are more impressive structures and are over 1000 years old. We check into our hotel to rest and refresh before enjoying dinner together this evening. **B,L,D**

DAY 7: Lalsot

We explore rural India during today's excursions. We set out to visit the nearby villages, mostly inhabited by the colorful tribes. We observe the daily life of the villagers, and see their traditional mud huts decorated with floral and animal designs on the walls and floors. There is free time this afternoon, when you may join in a friendly game of badminton on the retreat grounds. You may choose to take part or just watch a game of Polo with an instructor. Or, you may find your chair in the shade and enjoy a good book while you relax. **B,L,D**

DAY 8: Ranthambore

The tiger is a prominent symbol of India. After breakfast we drive to Ranthambore to see the fascinating jungles famous for a rare species of Tiger. We arrive in Ranthambore and check into the hotel followed by lunch. After lunch we visit Dhonk, whose objective is to promote local talent and highlight the colors of Rajasthan for the visitor. Dhonk is a blend of ethnic and modernistic fashion giving the best of both the worlds. **B,L,D**

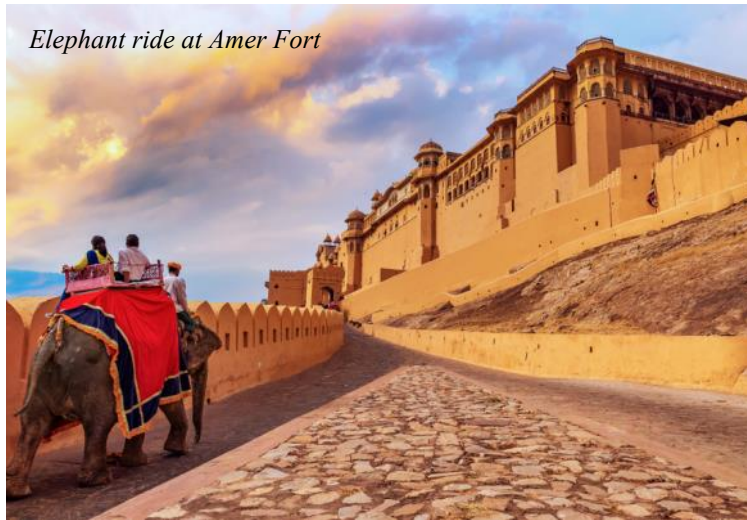
DAY 9: Ranthambore

We have morning and afternoon game drives in Ranthambore National Park. Located at the junction of the Aravalli and Vindhya hill range, this is one of the finest places to view animals, especially as they are used to tourists. The park covers an area of approximately 400 sq. km and if combined with the area of Sawai Mansingh sanctuary area, it is around 500 sq. km. Animals to be on the look-out for include tigers, leopards, macaques, marsh crocodiles and a wide range of unique and colorful birds. **B,L,D**

DAY 10: Jaipur

We have one more morning game drive. Then we drive to the lovely city of Jaipur after breakfast. Despite being a bustling metropolis, it still retains the character of it's founding and growth during the 18th century. It's often called the Pink City for the extensive use of pink plastered stone painted in honor of a royal visit by the royal consort of Queen Victoria. We

Elephant ride at Amer Fort



have some time to explore the city and have dinner on our own. **B**

DAY 11: Jaipur

Today we explore Jaipur, beginning with an elephant ride to the top of the hill at Amer Fort. The fort is a marvelous example of Rajput architecture. You'll want a photo of the reflection of the terraces and ramparts reflected in Malta Lake below. Inside the fort, there are various royal halls decorated with intricate ivory work, exquisite wall paintings and tiny mirror chips. Then, it's on to City Palace, a complex that sprawls over one-seventh of the area within the walled city. Next, we visit Jantar Mantar - the largest and the best preserved of the five observatories built by Jai Singh II. Finally, we visit the "Palace of the Winds", Hawa Mahal. This landmark has five stories plastered with pink sandstone encrusted with fine trelliswork and elaborate balconies. **B**

DAY 12: Jaipur-Delhi (Depart India)

After breakfast, we return to Delhi. If time permits, we may have a few hours for some last-minute shopping. Dinner is at a hotel near the airport. Two rooms are provided for the group to use to wash and change before transfer to the airport for onward international flights. **B**

DAY 13: Arrive back in the U.S.

Abbreviations for Meals
B=Breakfast **L**= Lunch **D**=Dinner

Ranthambore Fort



TOUR COST: \$4,259*
per person, double occupancy

Single supplement = \$1000
with a minimum of 15

Your Tour Includes:

- **Land Transportation** via private deluxe air-conditioned motor coach
- **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
- **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: \$4 per person/per day) and tour manager (Suggested: \$7 per person/per day)
- 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 100 days prior to departure date. 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.

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India

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Passenger Information (1st 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. *Best practice is to 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: _____

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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: _____

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 (Check payable to Patrick Dare)

- I wish to purchase Travelex 360 Group Premier Plan insurance and have included the premium with my deposit.
- I wish to decline the Travelex Group Premier Plan insurance offered.

Deposit Payment Information (Credit card payments will incur a 3% non-refundable fee)

- Enclosed is my \$ _____ deposit and insurance premium (if applicable). **Make checks payable to Ed-Ventures, Inc.**
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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 1st traveler: _____ Date: _____

Signature of 2nd traveler: _____ Date: _____



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