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Golden Triangle with Darjeeling & Kolkata

11 Nights / 12 Days

Meals

11 Breakfasts, 1 Dinner

Fully Escorted

Private Air-Conditioned Vehicle with English Speaking Driver/Guide

Trip Route:

Delhi - Agra - Abhaneri - Jaipur - Darjeeling - Kolkata

Trip Summary

Day 1

Vibrant India Tours - A Colourful Journey
Delhi, Welcome to Incredible India
Hotel Golden Grand - Standard - Hotel Golden Grand
ITC Welcomhotel Dwarka - Deluxe - ITC Welcomhotel Dwarka
The Lalit - Premium - The Lalit Boulangerie

Day 2

Delightful Tour of Old and New Delhi
Meals - Breakfast Included.

Day 3

Delhi - Agra, Tour Of Romance And Exaltation Begins (Approx. 3 hours and 30 minutes drive)
Meals - Breakfast Included.
Clarks Shiraz - Standard - Clarks Shiraz
Courtyard By Marriott - Agra - Deluxe
Trident, Agra - Premium - Trident

Day 4

Taj Mahal Sunrise Visit
Agra - Abhaneri, Stepwells (Approx. 2 hours drive)
Abhaneri - Jaipur (Approx. 2 hours and 30 minutes drive)
Meals - Breakfast & Dinner Included.
Sarovar Premiere - Standard - Sarovar Premiere
Alsisar Haveli - Heritage - Deluxe - Alsisar Haveli
Hilton, Jaipur - Premium - Hilton

Day 5

Jaipur, The Pink City Tour
Meals - Breakfast Included.

Day 6

Jaipur - Darjeeling by Flight
Meals - Breakfast Included.
Check in at Istana Resort & Spa - Standard - Istana Resort & Spa
Check in at Sterling Resorts Darjeeling - Deluxe - Sterling Resorts Darjeeling
Check in at Windamere Hotel - Premium - Windamere Hotel

Day 7

Discover Darjeeling
Meals - Breakfast Included.

Day 8

Explore Darjeeling
Meals - Breakfast Included.

Day 9

Darjeeling - Bagdogra (Approx. 2 hours and 30 minutes drive) - Kolkata by Flight

Meals - Breakfast Included.

Check in at Fortune Park Panchwati - Standard - Fortune Park Panchwati

Check in at The Peerless Inn Kolkata - Deluxe - The Peerless Inn Kolkata

Check in at The Lalit Great Eastern Kolkata - Premium - The Lalit Great Eastern Kolkata

Day 10

Discover Kolkata

Meals - Breakfast Included.

Day 11

Explore Kolkata

Meals - Breakfast Included.

Day 12

Kolkata Departure

Meals - Breakfast Included.

Inclusions

Exclusions

Day 1



Vibrant India Tours - A Colourful Journey

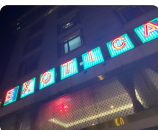


Delhi, Welcome to Incredible India

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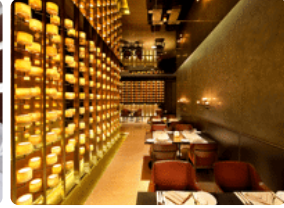
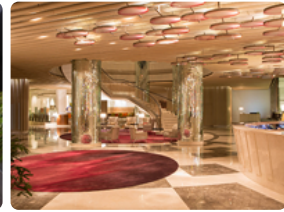
Hotel Golden Grand - Standard



Hotel Golden Grand
W-1/10, New Delhi, Delhi, IN, 110008



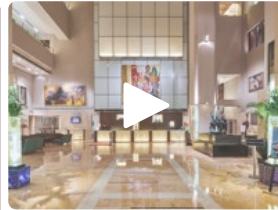
ITC Welcomhotel Dwarka - Deluxe Aerocity Location



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Dwarka, Delhi, Delhi, IN
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The Lalit - Premium



The Lalit Boulangerie
Fire Brigade Lane, New Delhi, Delhi, IN

Day 2



Delightful Tour of Old and New Delhi

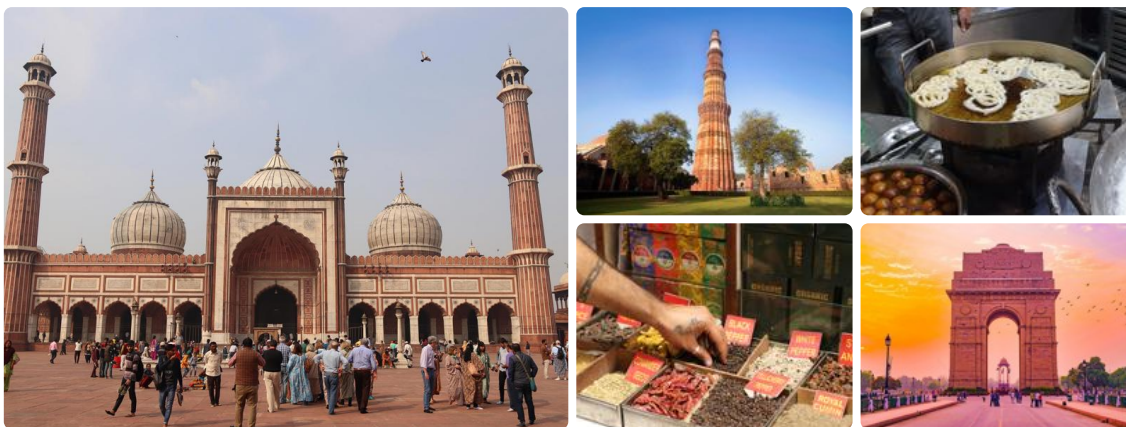
Your day would begin after a leisurely breakfast at the hotel. Post breakfast, you get yourself ready for a personalized guide tour, which begins from the Old and Historic Delhi.

Morning-

The first halt is **Jama Masjid** and **Red Fort**. Then the guide will arrange a **cycle rickshaw tour**, which will let you catch a closer insight of old era and the very illustrious **Anarkali Bazaar of Chandni Chowk**. At Chandni Chowk, we would further take you to **Khari Baoli Spice Market** – the largest spice market of Asia, which is a true delight for eyes.

Later, you will visit the **Humayun's Tomb** and the **12th century Qutab Minar**.

Afterwards, the imposing boulevards and buildings such as **Rashtrapati Bhawan (President's Residence)**, the one-time imperial residence of the British viceroys and **India Gate** will be experienced from the vehicle.



Meals - Breakfast Included.

Day 3



Delhi - Agra, Tour Of Romance And Exaltation Begins (Approx. 3 hours and 30 minutes drive)

After breakfast, pack yourself for a road trip to Agra – the Old Capital of Mughals.

On arrival, check-in at your hotel and after brief refresh visit the **Agra Fort**-a UNESCO world heritage site - known for its fine Mughal architecture during the day.

The Agra Fort, which was once the lavish **residence of the Mughal Emperors of India**, showcases immaculate architectural grandeur.

Walk through this historic fort and explore its impressive buildings and structures, including the **Moti Masjid, Musamman Burj, Diwan-i-Khas, Shahjahani Mahal, and Jahangiri Mahal**.

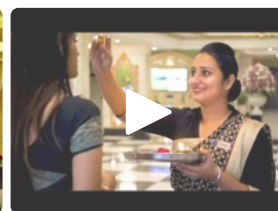
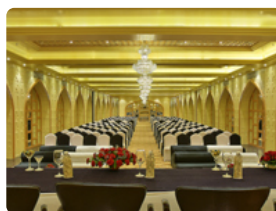
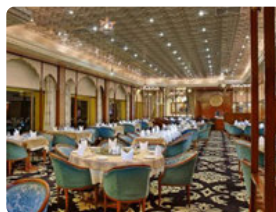
Make the overnight stay in your hotel room a memoir of the events of which you were the part.



Meals - Breakfast Included.



Clarks Shiraz - Standard



Clarks Shiraz

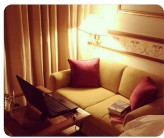
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Courtyard By Marriott - Agra - Deluxe



Trident, Agra - Premium



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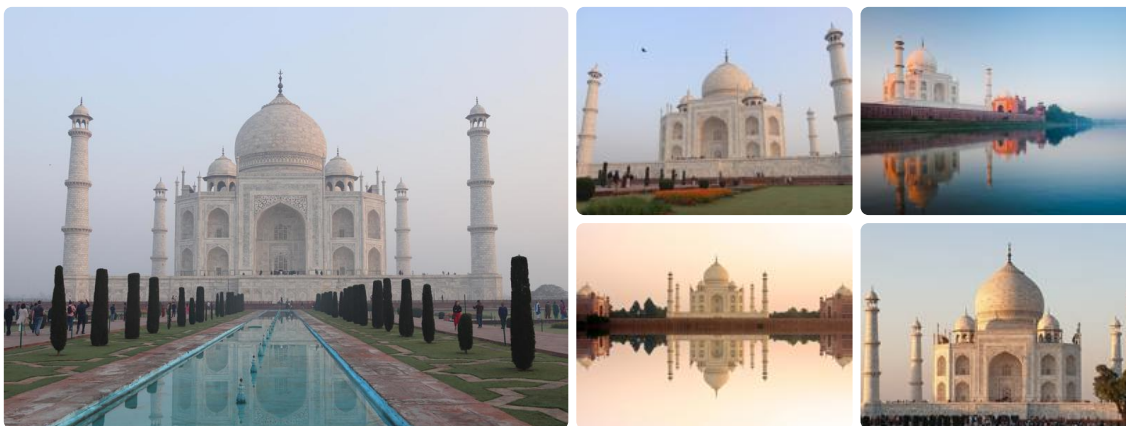
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Day 4



Taj Mahal Sunrise Visit

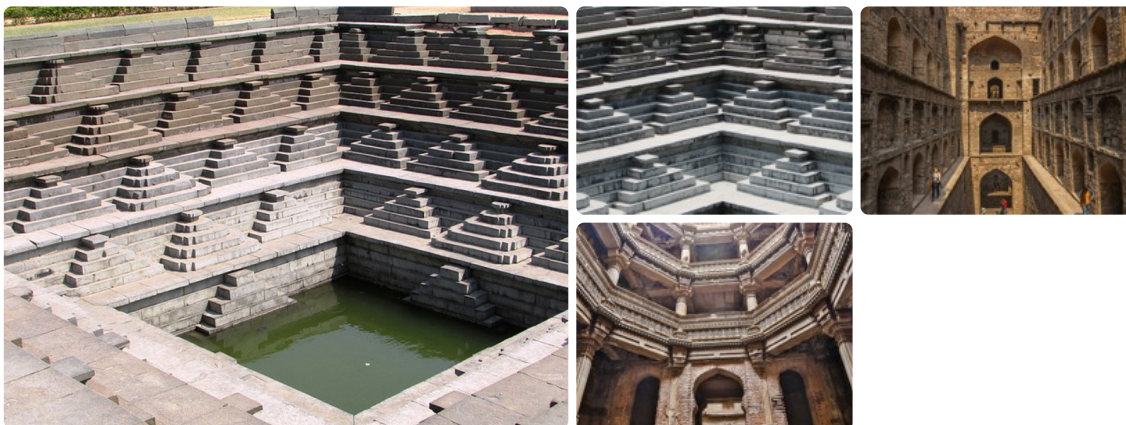
At dawn, visit the incomparable **Taj Mahal** – one of the seven wonders of the world and symbol of love, to observe the effects caused by the reflections of the changing colors of the rising Sun on this masterpiece. This momentary reflection of romance will captivate your heart by awe. Return back to your hotel for a delectable breakfast, while a part of you is still living in romanticism.



Agra - Abhaneri, Stepwells (Approx. 2 hours drive)

Later drive towards **Fatehpur Sikri-a UNESCO World Heritage Site**, a perfectly preserved red sandstone ghost town, which was once the capital of Mughal Empire built in 1569 and deserted when its water supply failed.

Later drive towards Abhaneri. The Chand Baori is a **stepwell** built over a thousand years ago in the Abhaneri village of Rajasthan. It is one of the largest stepwells in the world and one of the most beautiful ones.



Abhaneri - Jaipur (Approx. 2 hours and 30 minutes drive)

Later, proceed to Jaipur.

You will reach the Jaipur by late afternoon. Have a relaxing afternoon.

Spend the **evening with the local family**. It's a great way to have a local experience in Jaipur. You will experience a great insight into the lifestyle of Indian family.

You will be part of a **cooking class with the local family**. Get a taste of true Indian hospitality thanks to this cooking lesson and meal in the home of a local family. You will learn few local dishes and how to prepare them with fresh ingredients.

End the experience by enjoying your meal, accompanied by lots of lively conversation, with the family.

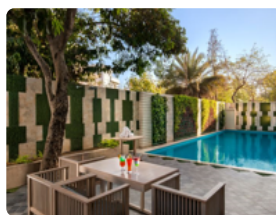
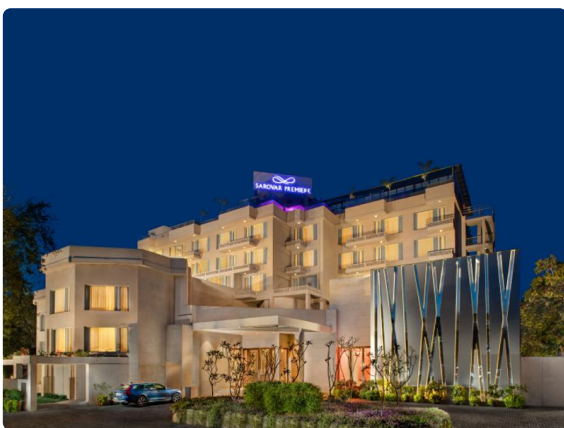
Return to your hotel and live a memorable night.



Meals - Breakfast & Dinner Included.



Sarovar Premiere - Standard

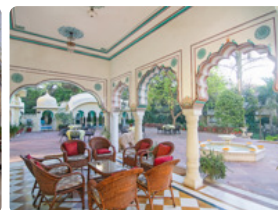
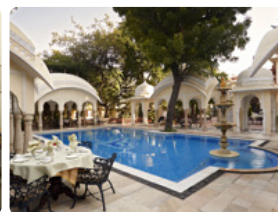
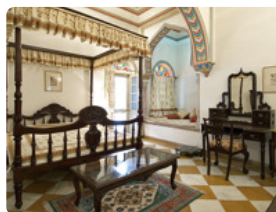


Sarovar Premiere
Sahakar Marg, Tonk Rd, Lalkothi



Alsisar Haveli - Heritage - Deluxe

More than five centuries ago, the grandson of Maharaja Udaikaran of Amer, the great warrior Maharao Shekhaji, founded a sub-clan popularly known as “Shekhawat”. The Alsisar Hotels is owned by this branch of the “Kachawa” clan of Rajputs. The descendants of the family have since restructured and refurbished many of the old family mansions and palaces to manage a portfolio of some of the best heritage and luxury hotels.



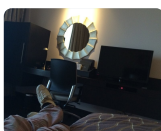
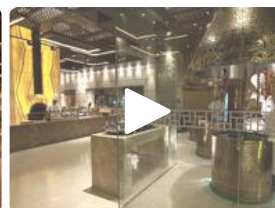
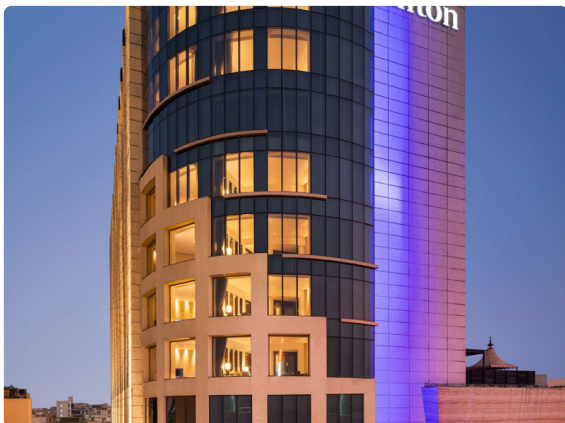


Alsisar Haveli

Sansar Chandra Road, Jaipur, RĀJASTHĀN, IN, 302001



Hilton, Jaipur - Premium



Hilton

42 Geejgarh House Hawa Sadak, Jaipur, RAJASTHAN, IN, 302006

Day 5



Jaipur, The Pink City Tour

Enthralling, historical Jaipur, Rajasthan's capital, is the gateway to India's most flamboyant state, Rajasthan. Renowned globally for its colored gems, the capital city of Rajasthan combines the allure of its ancient history with all the advantages of a metropolis. Since the color pink was symbolic of hospitality, Maharaja Ram Singh of Jaipur painted the entire city pink. The pink that colors the city makes for a marvelous spectacle to behold.

The morning is fresh as ever for you, and this is when you will have an excursion to **Amer Fort**. This palace is laid out over four layers and sits beside the shimmering Maota Lake.

Later visit the **Maharaja's City Palace** (the home of the erstwhile royal family) and **UNESCO-listed Jantar Mantar space observatory**.

Afterwards stop for picture at **Hawa Mahal** (the Palace of winds).



Meals - Breakfast Included.

Day 6



Jaipur - Darjeeling by Flight

This Morning, checkout from your hotel and at appropriate time you will be transferred to Jaipur airport for your flight to Bagdogra Airport.

Our representative will welcome you at the Airport and assist you with your hotel transfer to Darjeeling (2 hours and 30 minutes drive). Check-in at the hotel.

Spend rest of the day free at leisure to acclimatize the weather.



Meals - Breakfast Included.



Check in at Istana Resort & Spa - Standard

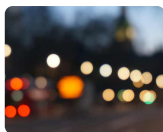


Istana Resort & Spa

Gandhi Road, Darjeeling, West Bengal, IN, 734101



Check in at Sterling Resorts Darjeeling - Deluxe



Sterling Resorts Darjeeling

Ghoom Monastery Road, Dārjiling, West Bengal, IN



Check in at Windamere Hotel - Premium



Windamere Hotel

Darjeeling, WEST BENGAL, IN, 734101

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Day 7



Discover Darjeeling

After breakfast, ride the famous **Darjeeling Hill Railway** (It was completed by the British in 1881 and is a UNESCO World Heritage Site) from Darjeeling Town, through the picturesque Batasia Loop and then to the neighboring towns of Ghoom and Kurseong (1-hour journey).

On the way back visit **Ghoom Monastery**, built in 1857 by Lama Sherab Gyatso and Gelug school of Tibetan Buddhism followed by **Japanese Temple and Peace Pagoda**.

Afterwards, visit **Himalayan Mountaineering Institute**, **P.N. Zoological Park** (Thursday closed) and **Tenzing Rock**.

Relax for a while and in the evening hit up **Darjeeling's indispensable Chowk Bazaar** (also known as Lower Bazaar) for a real local market experience. Its lanes are filled with an assortment of products including wholesale spices, tea, vegetables, meat, Buddhist artifacts, masks, household items, shoes, textiles, rugs, and caps. Be prepared for crowds and chaos!

Overnight stay at hotel.



Meals - Breakfast Included.

Day 8



Explore Darjeeling

If the weather is expected to be clear, today get up really early (4a.m) to head up to **Tiger Hill** to watch the panoramic views of sunrise over the snowy peaks of iconic Mount Kanchenjunga (third highest in the world) from the observation deck. **(Subject to weather).**

Return back to your hotel for breakfast.

After brief refresh, enjoy the tour of Darjeeling famous **tea garden**. You will get a full demonstration of how the leaves are plucked, oxidized, segregated, and processed.

Later, visit the **Tibetan Refugee self-help Centre** (Sunday closed), an insightful place to watch the traditional art of rug weaving. You can even design your own rug or choose from the catalog.

End the day by soaking up the views with tea at **Sunset Lounge**.

This tea bar belongs to Nathmulls, a prominent Darjeeling tea merchant, and is attached to their tea shop. As is to be expected, the variety of teas available is extensive. If you are finding it difficult to choose, the owner will give suggestions.



Meals - Breakfast Included.

Day 9



Darjeeling - Bagdogra (Approx. 2 hours and 30 minutes drive) - Kolkata by Flight

This Morning post appetizing breakfast, checkout from your hotel and proceed to Bagdogra Airport for your flight to Kolkata.

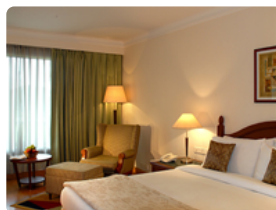
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Meals - Breakfast Included.



Check in at Fortune Park Panchwati - Standard

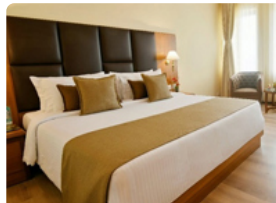
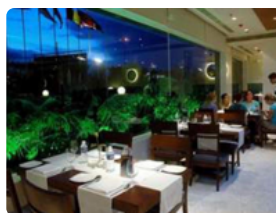
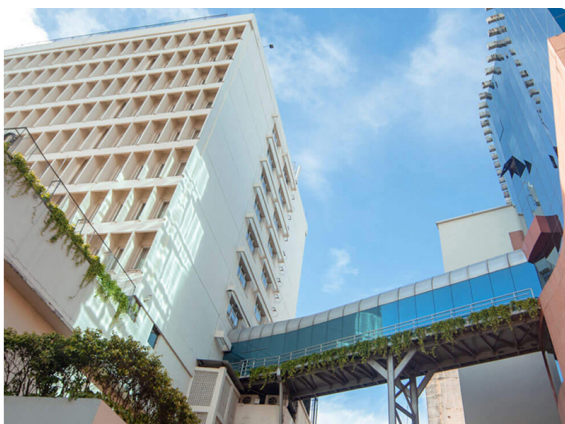


Fortune Park Panchwati

Kona Expressway, Howrah, West Bengal, IN, 711403



Check in at The Peerless Inn Kolkata - Deluxe





The Peerless Inn Kolkata
12 Jawaharlal Nehru Road, Kolkata, India



Check in at The Lalit Great Eastern Kolkata - Premium



The Lalit Great Eastern Kolkata
1,2,3 Old Court House Street, Kolkata, India

Day 10



Discover Kolkata

This Morning post appetizing breakfast, visit **Victoria Memorial** (Closed On Mondays & National holidays).

Built in the memory of Queen Victoria, Victoria Memorial is one of the best art museums in the country Boasting of a **rich collections of paintings, lithographs, historical documents, etc.**, this building is one of the most important part of any Kolkata tour. It was designed by William Emerson, a famous architect of that period. The building, spread over an area of 64 acres of land, was opened for public in 1921.

Afterwards, visit the **St. Paul's Cathedral Church**.

St Paul's Cathedral is acknowledged as the first Episcopal Church of the eastern world. It is an Anglican cathedral of the Church of North India. Besides, being a religious site, the cathedral is also an architectural marvel.

Later, visit **Mother Teresa House & Museum**.

Considered as pilgrimage rather than a tourist place, the Mother House in Kolkata is a holy and very serene place that one can be at. The Mother House is the Head Quarter of the Missionaries of Charity that pulls thousands of visitors from all around the world.



Meals - Breakfast Included.

Day 11



Explore Kolkata

After breakfast start for a full day city tour of Kolkata.

Malik Ghat Flower Market (Largest flower market of Asia)

Located few km away from BDalhousie Square, **Malik Ghat Flower Market** is an **exotic place** to be. The visit to the flower market at Malik Ghat is charming and extremely refreshing. The colour, the liveliness, the aroma, and the total energy of the place all together is a wonderful way to begin your day with.

Later, visit the **Dalhousie Square** (Covering Raj Bhavan, St. John's church, High Court, GPO, Town Hall, Writer's Building and other important colonial buildings). Take a **heritage walk** through the busy streets of Kolkata musing over the ultimate **colonial heritage** of the city's past.

Afterwards, visit the **Howrah Bridge**. This magnificent example of engineering was built in 1824. What makes it unique is the fact that this bridge stands on pillars as tall as 270 feet and has been built without using nuts and bolts.

No visit to Kolkata will be complete without visiting the **College Street area of Kolkata**

Fist visit the **Oldest Coffee House In Kolkata** Dating Back To 1942.

With the cultural history behind it, the Indian Coffee House, Kolkata is a nostalgic hot spot in the city. It is one of the most iconic **heritage eateries** in Kolkata.

Over decades, Coffee House has been a favourite with writers, poets, artists and political leaders. Great artists such as Rabindranath Tagore, Satyajit Ray and Amartya Sen have been regular patrons.

In the same area explore the **Asia's Largest Book Market**.

It boasts of being the world's largest repository of second hand books.

The book stores here are mostly makeshift ones, in addition to quite a few good publishing houses and bookstores. If one cares to browse thoroughly, one may also get hold of the first editions of a couple of iconic writers. Apart from being famous for its collection of books, College Street is also known for being visited by the eminent literati of the city.



Meals - Breakfast Included.

Day 12



Kolkata Departure

This Morning after breakfast checkout from your hotel and at appropriate time you will be transferred to Kolkata international airport for your onward journey.

Board your flight and fly back with memories to cherish for life. **Tour ends.**



Meals - Breakfast Included.



Inclusions

- Garlanding welcome at the Airport in Delhi.
- All arrival and departure transfers.
- Assistance at Airport on arrival.
- 01 Mineral water per person per day.
- **All applicable taxes.**
- **Entrance and Camera fees to the monuments and palaces.**
- **Sightseeing as per the itinerary.**
- Sightseeing by an exclusive deluxe air-conditioned Vehicle with chauffeur as per the itinerary.
- Accommodation at the specified hotels.
- Daily buffet breakfast during your stay at all proposed destinations.
- Services of English-speaking local tour guides during all sightseeing tours at Delhi, Agra, Kolkata, Darjeeling and Jaipur as per the itinerary.
- Evening with local family and dinner in Jaipur.
- Rickshaw ride in Delhi.
- Tea estate tour.
- Darjeeling Sightseeing.
- Darjeeling train.
- Tibetan Culture & Museum.
- Budhist Monasteries.
- UNESCO World Heritage Sites.
- Kolkata Sightseeing.
- Domestic airfares as per the itinerary.



Exclusions

- Anything not mentioned or "optional" or "own expense" in the itinerary.
- Portorage at Hotels and Airports.
- All Items of Personal Nature, Shopping, Tips, Insurance, Laundry, Liquors, Wine, Etc.
- Meals not specified in Itinerary.
- Tips for staff, guide & driver.
- International airfares unless specified.

- Optional, suggested, or unspecified activities.
- Insurance of any kind, Insurance and Medi claim.
- Visa costs.