

Duration: - 15 Nights / 16 days

Place to visit : Delhi - Jaipur - Agra - Lucknow - Varanasi - Bodhgaya - Rajgir - Nalanda - Patna - Kushinagar - Sravasti - Lumbini - Kathmandu

Day 01: Arrival Delhi

Arrival at New Delhi International Airport, assistances on arrival and transfer to Hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 02: Delhi / Jaipur: (260 Kms/5 Hrs)

After Breakfast drive to Jaipur. Jaipur has been like that since 1727 when Maharaja Swai Jai Singh II had it built. Arrive & check-in at hotel. Overnight at Hotel.

Day 03: Jaipur

After breakfast depart for Amber Fort (12 kms) - Visit the imposing Amber fort on the outskirts of the Pink City. Afternoon tour of Pink City - visiting the imposing City Palace now a museum, the ancient Observatory, the Palace of Winds and the picturesque bazaars of the walled city. Overnight at Hotel.

Day 04: Jaipur / Agra

After breakfast drive to Agra. (240kms /5 to 6 Hours) Enroute Fatehpur Sikri - the extraordinary city built by Akbar the Great, deserted 14 years later, but which, during its brief span, exceeded London in both grandeur and population. Arrive & Check into the hotel. Afternoon visit the Red Fort built by three generations of Mughal Emperors between 1565 and 1573. Later Visit Taj Mahal a monument of love built by Moguls, an incredible 20,000 workman's labored on it, day and night, for over 20 years. Overnight at Hotel.

Day 05: Agra / Lucknow

After Breakfast drive to lucknow (10 - 11 hrs) en-route visit SANKASIA, where Lord descended from heaven after giving sermon to his mother after 7 years of her death. Later continue drive to Lucknow, Check-in at Hotel. Overnight at Hotel.

Day 06: Lucknow - Varanasi

After early breakfast drive 7 hrs to Varanasi, Arrive & transfer to hotel en -route Visit Sarnath - 5 miles out of Varanasi - it is one of the holies Buddhist sites in the world, where Buddha preached his first Sermon in 590 B.C. Sarnath has a fine Museum filled with sculptures found at the site. Overnight at Hotel.

Day 07: Varanasi

Early Morning boat-ride on the Ganges river at dawn to see the Hindu pilgrims flock to the ghats and have a ritual morning bath, practice yoga and perform 'puja' to the rising sun...all rituals evolved and derived from thousands of years of worship and traditions. Also cruise past the Manikarnika ghat to see the pyres being lit for the first cremations of the day. After the Boatride visit a living Hindu temple to see the ceremony of morning "puja".

Return to hotel for breakfast. After breakfast walk through the myriad of narrow lanes in the Old city, past the many ancient temples, shrines and little shops crammed with customers looking for the famous silver and gold brocades for weddings or ever for cremation cloth. The most famous temple is the Kashi Vishvanath or "Golden" temple, which though off-limits to non-Hindus, can be seen from the top floor of the old house opposite it. Evening visit the Ghats to see the puja ceremony on River Ganges. Overnight at Hotel.

Day 08: Varanasi / Bodhgaya

After breakfast drive to Bodhgaya (06 hrs) Holding extreme religious importance to the buddhists, Bodhgaya lies 13 km south of Gaya, beside the river Phalgu. It was here, that the Lord Buddha sat under the Banyan tree and attained enlightenment, and a descendant of that original tree still flourishes there today. Bodhgaya is small and quiet town, which is the most important of all the Buddhist sites in the world. Overnight at Hotel.

Day 09: Bodhgaya

After breakfast visit one of the holiest Buddhist pilgrimage centres. It was here that Gautama attained enlightenment and became Buddha under the "Bodhi" tree Satabodhi temple, Japanese and Tibetan monasteries along with Magadha university musuem are also to be visited. Evening free for Independent activities. Overnight at Hotel.

Day 10: Bodhgaya / Rajgir / Nalanda / Patna

After breakfast drive to Bodhgaya (6 Hrs), enroute visiting Rajgir and Nalanda. Rajgir (2 hrs & 30 mins) capital of 6th century Magadha Empire. It was revered site of Buddhas discourses. Buddha spent many years here. Visit Gridhrakula, Sapataparni cave, Ajatsatru fort and Venuvana. And visit Nalanda - the world's oldest university founded in the 5th century. Also visit monasteries and temples with impressive Buddhist & Hindu images. The Institute for research into Buddhism and Pali literature which houses rare manuscripts, is also worth visiting for the enthusiasts. Archaeological musuem is also not to be missed for the rare collections. Overnight at Hotel.

Day 11: Patna / Kushinagar (7 To 8 Hours Drive)

After breakfast drive to Kushinagar enroute visiting Vaishali where Lord Buddha preached his last sermon announcing his approaching Nirvana. Visit stupas holding urns containing ashes of Buddha and Ashok pillar erected by Emperor Ashoka to mark places sanctified by Buddha. The place is also known now for famous Madhubani paintings. Continue drive to Kushinagar. Arrive & Check-in at hotel. Kushinagar is the place where Buddha entered perfect tranquility the state of Maha Pari Nirvana. Overnight at Hotel.

Day 12: Kushinagar / Sravasti (Balrampur)

After breakfast drive to Balrampur. Arrive & check-in at hotel. Overnight at Hotel.

Day 13: Sravasti / Lumbini

After breakfast drive to Lumbini (6hrs). Lumbini: The birth place of Lord Buddha in the Himalayan foothills of Nepal. Arrive & check-in at hotel. Overnight at Hotel.

Day 14: Lumbini / Kathmandu

After Breakfast Depart to Kathmandu by Flight. Arrive Kathmandu - meet and transfer to Hotel Kathmandu City: Known as Kantipur, the capital of the Kingdom of Nepal. Here you will visit the temple of the Living Goddess, who acknowledges the greetings of the devotees from the balcony of her temple residence. Kasthamandap - the source of the name Kathmandu and supposed to be made from the timber of a single tree and the Durbar Square ate with it's array of temples overlooked by the Hanuman Dhoka Palace, the ancient place of the Nepalese Royalty. Swayambhunath: - Located approximately 4 km/2.5 miles, Buddhist stupa this is said to be 2000 years old. The stupa, which forms the main structure, is composed of a solid hemisphere of brick and earth supporting a lofty conical spire capped by a pinnacle of copper gilt. Overnight at Hotel.

Day 15: Kathmandu

After breakfast proceed for Patan - 20 kms from Kathmandu - the city with thousands of golden rooftops where they made the film "Little Buddha". An important ancient city of Kathmandu valley. Overnight at Hotel.

Day 16: Kathmandu / Delhi Departure By Flight

After breakfast transfer to Kathmandu airport. Arrive Delhi - proceed for sightseeing tour of OLD DELHI - visiting the Jama Masjid. At the Chandni Chowk board cycle rickshaws and see the sights & sounds of this busy street with its quaint shops & ancient gateways. After Lunch tour of NEW DELHI - drive past the stately government buildings of the British Era designed by Lutyen's, including the Indian Gate & the Presidential Palace. Continue onto the beautiful Humayun's tomb of the Mughal era & thereafter visit the towering minaret of Qutab Minar. After dinner transfer to IGI airport to catch flight for onward journey.

COST DETAILS FOR PACKAGE (Rates Valid from 1st Apr'2016 till 30th Sep, 2016)

Per Person Price

CATEGORY	STANDARD	DELUXE	LUXURY
MIN. 2 PAX	35218	44756	53286
MIN. 4 PAX	27455	36993	45524
MIN. 6 PAX	22472	32010	40541

HOTEL DETAILS

CATEGORY	STANDARD	DELUXE	LUXURY
Delhi	La Vista Hotel	Blue Berry	Radisson Blu
Jaipur	Vesta Maurya	Vesta International	Park Plaza
Agra	The Lighthouse	The Retreat	Radisson Blu
Lucknow	Hotel Madakini Saket Regency	Gen X Casaya Inn-Gomti Nagar	Sapna Clarks Inn
Varanasi	Hotel R B International	Hotel Vibharash	Hindustan Hotel
Bodhgaya	Hotel Vipassana	Hotel Heritage	Hotel Bodhgaya Regency
Patna	Hotel Park Inn	Buddha Heritage	The Panache Hotel
Kushinagar	Rahi Pathik Niwas	Olive Tree Hotel	Lotus Nikko Hotel
Sravasti	Rahi Tourist Bungalow	Hotel Pawan Palace	Lotus Nikko Hotel
Lumbini	Lumbini Bamboo Resort	Hotel Nirvana	Buddha Maya Garden Hotel
Kathmandu	Backyard Hotel	Mirage Lords Inn	Hotel Vaishali

PACKAGE INCLUSIONS	PACKAGE EXCLUSIONS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome drink on arrival. Accommodation on Double / Twin Sharing Basis as Per Package Selected. Daily Breakfast. All Sightseeing as per Itinerary. All Transportation and Sightseeing by Indigo/Innova. All permit fees & hotel taxes (as per itinerary). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any Kind of Personal Expenses or Optional Tours / Extra Meals Ordered. Tips, Insurance, Laundry, Phone Calls. Any Kind of Drinks (Alcoholic, Mineral, Aerated). Cost incidental to any change in the itinerary/ stay on account of flight cancellation due to bad weather, ill health, roadblocks and/or any factors beyond control. Service Tax.



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