

Golden Triangle, with Tigers & the Ganges



From \$4,260 – 15 days. Fully inclusive from Australia

This tour highlights the Golden Triangle of Delhi, Agra and Jaipur, Nature Reserves with possible tiger viewing, an overnight train experience, the architecture of Khajuraho erotic temples and the bustling holy city of Varanasi.

Day 1: Australia to Delhi

Fly with Singapore Airlines to Delhi. Upon arrival in Delhi we will be welcomed and escorted to our hotel for overnight stay.

Day 2: Delhi

Today discover the vibrant city of Old and New Delhi. Drive past the Red Fort and undertake a walking tour of 'Chandni Chowk' (the silver street of Delhi), to Jama Masjid, India's largest mosque. Marvel at Raj Ghat (the memorial of Mahatma Gandhi), the Qutab Minar complex, Humayun's Tomb, Gurudwara Bangla Sahib and India Gate. Also, drive past the President's Palace, the Parliament House and other Government Secretariat Buildings.

Day 3: Delhi to Jaipur

After breakfast we drive to Jaipur, home to ancient forts and palaces and known as the 'Pink City'. This afternoon visit the Jaipur City Palace and Jantar Mantar, the ancient astronomical observatory. This evening enjoy the aarti ceremony at Lakshmi Narayan Temple.

Day 4: Jaipur

Start the day with an exciting excursion to the Amber Fort on elephant back! Enjoy a

sightseeing tour of the Hawa Mahal (Palace of Winds), Jagmandir and Hall of Victory before returning to the city via the Jal Mahal. Visit gem and carpet weaving factories then haggle for souvenirs in colorful crowded lanes and by-lanes of Jaipur.

Day 5: Jaipur to Ranthambore National Park

This morning visit Sanganer village, known for its unique block printing and handmade paper. Later drive to Ranthambore National Park. Arrive at your lodge in Ranthambore this evening for your orientation talk about



the park and its wildlife by the lodge staff.

Day 6: Ranthambore National Park

Experience early morning and afternoon jungle safaris in the park. Spread over an area of 392 sq. km, the park houses some of India's most endangered species. This afternoon visit the impressive Ranthambore Fort that overlooks the national park. Later, there is an opportunity to wander around local bazaars in Sawai Madhopur and shop for a bargain!

Day 7: Ranthambore National Park to Agra

Today we drive to Agra. En route we stop at Fatehpur Sikri, a magnificent fortified ghost city built in 1569 by Emperor Akbar as his capital, and local brick kilns to witness the unique Indian bricks baking process. Enjoy the evening at leisure around the Taj Mahal.

Day 8: Agra/Overnight Train to Umari

This morning view the Taj Mahal in all its glory at sunrise. Visit the red sandstone Agra Fort which stands like a crescent on the banks of Jamuna River, and marble inlay workshops. Tonight board an overnight train to Umari.



Day 9: Arrive Umari and Drive to Bandhavgarh

Arrival at Umari early in the morning and drive to Bandhavgarh, a small national park, compact yet full of game. The density of the Tiger population at Bandhavgarh is the highest known in India. It is also known as White Tiger territory. In the afternoon enjoy a jungle safari. The park has a mixture of plant life and bamboo is found throughout.

Day 10: Bandhavgarh

Enjoy an early morning jungle safari in the park. Return to our lodge after the visit. Later visit a local school in a nearby village and also spend time at leisure at our lodge. We will have another opportunity in the afternoon for tiger spotting during our second safari of the day.

Day 11: Bandhavgarh to Khajuraho

Morning drive will bring us to Khajuraho, a UNESCO world heritage site. Stop at Panna National Park en route to enjoy lunch. This evening enjoy a cultural dancing show.

Day 12: Khajuraho to Varanasi

This morning visit Khajuraho temples dating from 950 AD to 1050 AD. Later, fly to Varanasi, the oldest living city in India and the religious capital of Hinduism. This evening take a rickshaw ride to the Ghats of the River Ganges to witness the Aarti ceremony.

Day 13: Varanasi

Take an early morning boat ride on the Holy River Ganges. Witness the 'bathing ghats' and the 'burning ghats' before returning to the hotel for breakfast. Enjoy a tour of Varanasi city temples. This afternoon visit the Buddhist sites at Sarnath where Lord Buddha preached his first sermon. Sarnath was a renowned school of learning from 6th century BC to 12th century AD.

Day 14: Varanasi to Delhi Departure

Varanasi city is also renowned for its silk weavers, who prepare the finest types of woven silk fabrics. Visit silk weavers and cooperatives



to have a first hand experience in silk weaving. In the afternoon fly to Delhi, where we will connect our flight back home.

Day 15: Arrive Australia

Arrive home in Australia

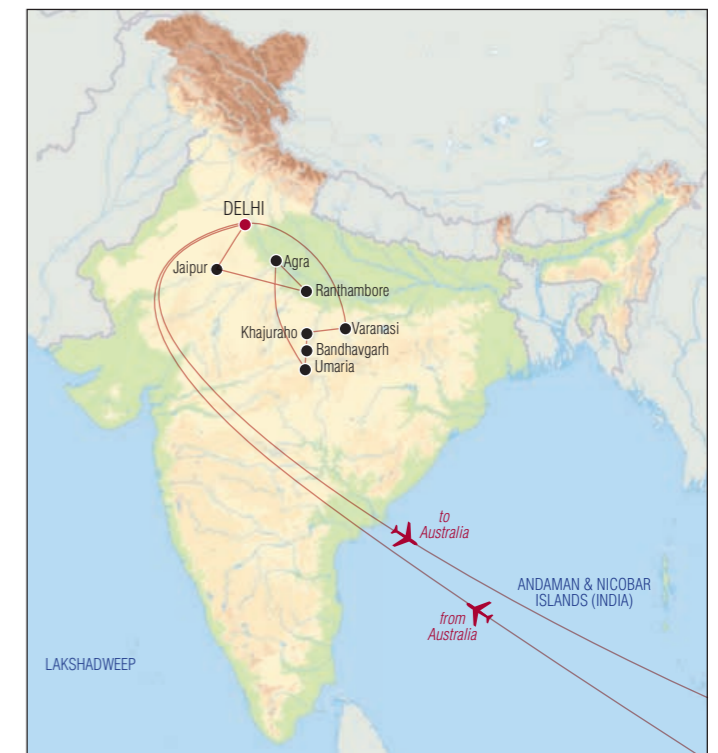
Tour Facts

- Medium Paced Tour – Ideal for those who want to see focus on an in depth tour of Rajasthan
- Tour uses forms of transport including air, rail, road, small boat trips
- Order of events, sightseeing may vary according to local conditions
- All tours are guaranteed at the listed price with a National Escort subject to a minimum of 10 people traveling together

Inclusions

- International airfares, all transportation in India, all meals, entrance fees, guides, daily tours, visa fee for Australian passport holders.

Tour Code	Depart Australia (Sat)	Arrive Australia (Sat)	Twin Share Price
2009			
I9401	07 February	21 February	\$4,260
I9402	28 February	14 March	\$4,260
I9403	07 March	21 March	\$4,260
I9404	26 September	10 October	\$4,680
I9405	10 October	24 October	\$4,890
I9406	17 October	31 October	\$4,890
I9407	07 November	21 November	\$4,680
I9408	14 November	28 November	\$4,680
2010			
I0401	06 February	20 February	\$4,680
I0402	27 February	13 March	\$4,680
I0403	06 March	20 March	\$4,680
I0404	27 March	10 April	\$4,680



Price Guide:

15 Days, Fully inclusive Twin Share. Fly with Singapore Airlines or Thai Airways. From \$4,260 per person – Departing Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, and Perth
Single Supplement – From \$1,170. Land Only from \$ 3,360
Airline Depart taxes and fuel surcharge are not included
Option: Price start from \$380 per person twin share for a 3 Day/2 Night stopover in Singapore or Bangkok