

# INDIA

## 17-DAY WILDLIFE & CULTURAL ADVENTURE



### DAY 1 – U. S. / NEW DELHI

### DAY 2 – NEW DELHI

Upon arrival you meet your Indian naturalist guides and transfer to the **Trident Hilton Hotel** or the **Taj Palace Hotel**.

**DAY 3** – Following breakfast you begin your sightseeing tour of Old and New Delhi visiting the Jama Masjid, Humayun's Tomb, the 12<sup>th</sup> century Qutab Minar and the famous India Gate. B/L/D

### DAY 4 - DELHI / BHARATPUR / KEOLADEO GHANA RESERVE

In the morning you drive to Bharatpur and check into your accommodations at the **Laxmi Vilas Palace**. In the afternoon you make your first visit to the Keoladeo Ghana Reserve where more than 400 species of birds have been recorded. Jackals, otters, nilgai, spotted deer, and sambar are some of the mammals you may see here. B/L/D

### DAY 5 - BHARATPUR / KEOLADEO GHANA RESERVE

Following an early morning cup of coffee or tea you make your way to the Keoladeo Ghana Reserve. You begin your exploration of this wetlands area in flat-bottomed boats and later switch to bicycle rickshaws. Following lunch at the lodge you are free to set out on your own to observe and photograph wildlife or to explore some of the shops in the nearby town of Bharatpur. Your meals and accommodations are again at the **Laxmi Vilas Palace**. B/L/D

### DAY 6 - BHARATPUR / FATEHPUR SIKRI / AGRA

After a morning of birding in the Keoladeo Ghana Reserve, you drive to Agra, stopping en route to visit the ancient city of Fatehpur Sikri. In the afternoon you visit the Red Fort in Agra. In the evening you make a sunset visit to the Taj Mahal. Your dinner and overnight accommodations are at the **Agra Hotel Mugal Sheraton**. B/L/D

### DAY 7 - AGRA / JHANSI / ORCHHA / KHAJURAHO

Following a sunrise visit to the Taj Mahal and breakfast you transfer to the Agra Cantt Railway Station and board the express train to Jhansi. Your lunch this afternoon is at the Hotel Amar Mahal. In the afternoon you drive to Khajuraho stopping en route to visit some of the palaces and temples in Orchha. Your dinner and overnight accommodations are at the **Hotel Jass Raddisson** in Khajuraho. B/L/D

### DAY 8 – KHAJURAHO / BANDHAVGARH NATIONAL PARK

In the morning you visit the famous erotic temples of Khajuro before driving on to Bandhavgarh National Park. Your overnight accommodations are at the **Bandhavgarh Jungle Lodge**. B/L/D

### Days 9 & 10 – BANDHAVGARH NATIONAL PARK

Morning and afternoon game drives, in open vehicles and on elephant back and nature walks give you an opportunity to explore this magnificent wildlife reserve. Your overnight accommodations are at the **Bandhavgarh Jungle Lodge**. B/L/D

### DAY 11 - BANDHAVGARH NATIONAL PARK / KANHA NATIONAL PARK

In the morning you depart for Kanha National Park and your accommodations, for the next three nights, at **Kanha Jungle Lodge**. B/L/D

### DAYS 12, 13 & 14 - KANHA NATIONAL PARK

Morning and afternoon game drives, from open jeeps and on elephant back, take you to various locations depending on where your guides think you have the best chance of seeing exceptional wildlife. You return to the lodge for lunch and a bit of rest before departing on your mid-afternoon game drive. B/L/D

### DAY 15- KANHA NATIONAL PARK / NAGPUR

Following breakfast and an early morning game drive you board your coach for the seven-hour drive to Nagpur. Following your arrival, late in the afternoon, you check into your rooms at the **Hotel Pride**. B/L/D

### DAY 16 - NAGPUR / DELHI

After breakfast, you transfer to the airport and board the flight to Delhi. Here you are met and transferred to dayrooms at the **Trident Hilton Hotel** or **Taj Palace Hotel**. In the afternoon you may visit the Heritage Village Center, featuring the comparative cultures of India or rest and repack in preparation for your return to the U.S. After a farewell dinner you transfer to the international airport and check in for your flight to the U.S. B/L/D

## **DAY 17 - DELHI / U.S.**

You arrive in the U.S. with many fond memories of your wildlife and cultural expedition to India.

B = Breakfast; L = Lunch; D = Dinner

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#### **2010 group costs for World Discovery Safaris 17-day India Wildlife & Cultural Adventure, exclusive of international air and subject to availability at the time of booking:**

10 full fare passengers with 1 free (land only) trip leader - US \$3925 per person  
12 full fare passengers with 1 free (land only) trip leader - US \$3795 per person in twin  
15 full fare passengers with 1 free (land only) trip leader - US \$3575 per person in twin  
18 full fare passengers with 1 free (land only) trip leader - US \$3495 per person in twin

Plus Nagpur / Delhi Air currently \$225 per person, but subject to change

Single room supplement adds \$1400 to the program cost

**WHAT IS INCLUDED:** Services of World Discovery Safaris, accommodation at above-mentioned hotels or hotels of a similar category on twin sharing full board (fixed menu) basis in a standard room, unless otherwise requested. All drives, sightseeing and transfers by air conditioned coach. Four-wheel drive /elephant ride on a shared basis (elephant ride, subject to availability) as mentioned in itinerary inclusive of park entry fees and resident/park naturalist services during the safaris, train ticket in air-conditioned coach from Agra to Jhansi. Services of English speaking guides and of an English speaking accompanying naturalist/guide from Delhi to Delhi. Rickshaw and/or boat ride at Bharatpur. (Boat ride subject to the water level in the lake.) Bottled water as required at Bharatpur, Bandhavgarh & Kanha, and during all the drives, train journey and safaris, tips for the driver, park guides, park drivers, & mahouts. One still camera fee per person per day. Meet & greet assistance at airports, railway stations and all major cities.

**NOT INCLUDED:** International air to and from Delhi, costs of obtaining passports & visas (visas for U.S. passport holders to enter India are required), excess baggage charges, immunizations, travel insurance, camera fees and items of a personal nature, such as souvenirs, excursions and services not stated in the India travel program itinerary, drinks that are not included with meals, tips to your guides, porters and hotel staff, laundry, faxes, e-mails, and telephone calls and any sudden increase in price due to steep hike in fuel cost, change in government taxes or park regulations

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