

# The Women's Travel Group India's Golden Triangle

November 7 – 14, 2021

# Our partners in this trip won the award of Top Incoming Tour Company to India.

8 Days: Delhi, Agra, Fatehpur Sikri, Jaipur with options to add time.

# **Tour Overview**

India's Golden Triangle includes the three most visited cities in the country's northwest corner, Delhi, Agra, and Jaipur. This area has been dubbed "golden" because of the vast wealth of cultural and historic treasures found in these three cities. From the majestic Taj Mahal in Agra to the fascinating abandoned city of Fatehpur Sikri, this golden land beckons with mystery and complex cultural drama of India. Jaipur looks like an old Raj film and offers the best gems. This is luxury without that price tag.

Delhi (at beginning and end) makes it easy to add other cities to your trip. Our suggestion is the Southern India post trip, an adventure to the tropics and mysterious wonders.

# Day 1 – Sunday November 7 - Arrive Delhi

Welcome to India's capital city! Upon arrival we are welcomed with a traditional Indian greeting before being escorted to our hotel. **Taj Palace Superior Room** 

Nestled amidst the heart of the historic Indian capital, the iconic Taj Palace, New Delhi has held a distinguished position among the finest hotels of the world for close to four decades. Spread over six acres of lush gardens, our 5-star hotel in Delhi is synonymous with timeless luxury and unmatched hospitality. With panoramic views of the city's protected greens, our hotel offers Indian art, with warm personalized service and unmatched luxury. Four award-winning restaurants featuring an array of cuisines from across the world, a stylish bar, nine-hole putting greens, a temperature-controlled swimming pool and an expansive Spa make Taj Palace, New Delhi, where you want to relax in your first Indian hotel.

# Day 2 -- Monday November 8 - Delhi Sightseeing (BD)

We embark on a guided tour of Old and New Delhi. The morning begins with the historic Red Fort (Drive-By), Raj Ghat and the mile-long Chandni Chowk bazaar of Old Delhi. The afternoon



is dedicated to New Delhi and the Humayun's Tomb, Qutab Minar, Birla Temple, and a drive along Rajpath. Return to the hotel by 4 pm. There is a tour briefing before the Welcome dinner at internationally famous restaurant, Bukhara, with our guide. Here everyone will meet and have the opportunity to ask questions. The rugged North West Frontier of India comes alive at this authentic, award-winning restaurant, making it a landmark dining destination in New Delhi.

# Day 3 – Tuesday November 9 - Delhi / Agra (BL)) 152 miles – 4 hours

After breakfast we drive on highways to Agra. Upon arrival, check-in at our chosen hotel. We visit the incredible Taj Mahal, this flawless monument bathed in the warm glow of the setting sun, the incredible lacy white grandeur built by Emperor Shah Jehan in memory of his wife Mumtaz Mahal, the "lady of the Taj". It is described as the most extravagant monument ever built for love. Lunch in a local restaurant. **Taj View (Superior Taj View)** 



This modern 5-star hotel reimagines all that Agra can be. Our luxury hotel in Agra has 239 plush rooms including 12 lavish suites and one presidential suite to whisk guests away into a world of repose. A refreshing rooftop restaurant, Sky Deck, with magical views of the Taj Mahal, an invigorating spa and a buzzing fitness center are at hand to rejuvenate every guest. There is also an abundance of dining options to delight the epicurean.

### Day 4 – Wednesday November 10 - Agra (B) Free day at leisure Optional Sunrise visit to Taj Mahal

**Optional tour to Fatehpur SikriFatehpur Sikri Half day:** Visit the abandoned and nearly intact Mughal city of Fatehpur Sikri, once ruled by Emperor Akbar. Akbar the Great was only 14 years old when he became the 3<sup>rd</sup> Mughal Emperor. This ghost town is remarkably well preserved and presents a perfect synthesis of Muslim, Hindu, and Jain architecture. Here he would host scholars from various religions: Hindus, Zoroastrians, Christians, yogis, and Muslims of other sects. He allowed the Jesuits to construct a church at Agra and discouraged the slaughter of



cattle out of respect for Hindu. The sculptured columns bear mute testimony to this gallant experiment to unite Hindus and Muslims.

Spend time at the beautiful pool. Relax and revive your senses with the help of the Taj's welltrained therapists and their award-winning techniques. Whether you are looking for an intense massage or a mild treatment to relax your strained muscles you will find it at Jiva Spa. You can also book a Yoga session with the Taj's trainer. Taj View Agra is equipped to cater to all your needs. For shoppers, Agra is famous for marble, crafts, jewelry and much more.

# Day 5 - Thursday November 11 - Agra / Jaipur (BL)

After breakfast we depart for Jaipur. Check in upon arrival at our hotel. Jai Mahal Palace (Luxury)

Built in 1745, the Jai Mahal Palace is a stunning piece of Rajasthan's heritage, a great example of Indo-Saracenic architecture set amidst 18 acres of landscaped Mughal gardens. Jai Mahal Palace has been the residence of three Prime Ministers of the princely state of Jaipur. Painstakingly restored and recently refurbished, it is now a luxury five-star Taj heritage hotel equipped with all modern-day comforts. The 94 rooms and six suites offer unbeatable views of the city and palace gardens. Perfectly located downtown in the heart of the Pink City, you are close to the main shopping areas and prime historical sites such as Amber Fort, Hawa Mahal and City Palace. The Jaipur International Airport is a mere 30 minutes away. While our five-star palace hotel gives you a taste of the best of Rajasthani heritage and culture, you also savor the best flavors at Cinnamon and Giardino, our two specialty restaurants. Unwind with rejuvenating treatments and therapies at our Jiva Spa, or center mind and body with yoga and meditation. Come, live like royalty at this heritage hotel.

# Day 6 – Friday November 12 – Amber Fort Excursion & Jaipur (BD)

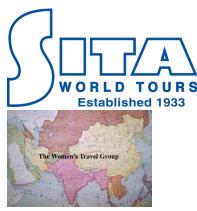
Visit the mountain fortress of Amber where you have a choice of ascending the fort by jeep. Amber is a superb example of Rajput architecture with its complex of palaces, temples, and ornate apartments. Later, visit Hawa Mahal, City Palace and the ancient observatory of Jaipur City. Afternoon is free for shopping- Jaipur is the jewelry capital of India, budget, or fine gems. In the evening, enjoy a home hosted dinner.

## Day 7 – Saturday November 13 - Jaipur – Sanganer Extension (BD)

Sanganer is a village near Jaipur known for its wood block printing that dates to the 17th century and is popular in Europe. There are Saris, table linens and bedcovers in abundance. Farewell dinner.

## Day 8 – Sunday November 14 - Jaipur / Delhi / Depart

Bid farewell to India before being transferred to Delhi International airport for your onward flight home. Jaipur Airport is only 30 minutes from our hotel, so our connections are easy (B)



Consider adding our Silks and Spices Tour to Southern India. Other suggestions: Ranthambhore for wildlife viewing,

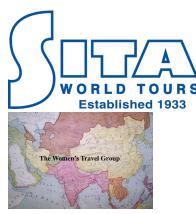
LAND ARRANGEMENTS MAIN TOUR Minimum 6 travelers on sharing basis Single Supplement add \$1,385	\$3,400 Per Person
Optional Taj at Sunrise Minimum 2 travelers Minimum 4 travelers	\$ 72 Per Person \$ 56 Per Person
Optional Tour Fatehpur Sikri Minimum 2 travelers Minimum 6 travelers	\$113 Per Person \$ 70 Per Person

### COST INCLUDES:

Accommodation on Twin sharing basis at the hotels mentioned above or similar Daily breakfast Lunches – 02 Dinners - 03 including Welcome & Farewell dinners and Home hosted dinner in Jaipur Bottled Water at meals Tips at group meals All transfers by Air-Conditioned vehicle TEMPO or MINI COACH including transfer of baggage by the same vehicle (1 piece per person). Depending on size of the group and prevailing distancing needs, we will change the coach size. This change if happens might slightly increase the trip cost. Bottled water on van/coach while traveling Porterage at hotels Services of English-speaking accompanying tour escort One visit to Taj Mahal Henna hand painting Services of our representative at airport on arrival/departures All present applicable government taxes.

### COST DOES NOT INCLUDE:

Expenses of a personal nature such as telephone, laundry, drinks, etc. TIPS for tour guides, tour escort etc. Anything not specified in the inclusions. Camera Fees at the monuments Any new Tax, which may be imposed by the government or increase in Monument Fees



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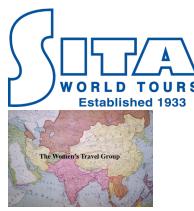
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