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India

7 Wonders of the World "Taj Mahal"

7 Days 5 Nights Amazing North & Central India

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Day	Itinerary for Glance	B	L	D
1	Early morning arrival (flights arrive after 0500hrs) Breakfast – Old Delhi Tour – Agra	✓	✓	✓
2	Agra Tour – Orchha	✓	✓	✓
3	Orchha Tour - Khajuraho	✓	✓	✓
4	Khajuraho Tour – Domestic Flight to Vanarasi, Vanarasi Evening Boat Ride	✓	✓	✓
5	Vanarasi Dawn Boat Cruise and Tour – Domestic Flight to Delhi	✓	✓	✓
6	New Delhi Tour – Depart from Delhi	✓	✓	✓
7	Arrive Home Destination	X		

Day 1: Arrive in New Delhi – Old Delhi Tour – Agra (B, L, D)

Arrive in New Delhi airport, you will be met and transferred for breakfast. After breakfast, begin the tour with a visit to unique yet fascinating experience of **Old Delhi**, the capital of Mughal India during 12th and 17th century. Drive past the opulent Red Fort towards the 17th century **Jama Masjid**, one of Asia's largest mosques. Take a private **Tricycle ride** through the lanes of Chandni Chowk, also known as Silver Street. This is perhaps one of Delhi's most populated areas and the largest marketplace. Conclude the tour of Old Delhi with **Raj Ghat**, a memorial to Mahatma Gandhi, father of the nation. After lunch, depart for Agra (204km/approx. 4.5 hours).

Day 2: Agra Tour – Orchha (B, L, D)

Early Morning, proceed for Sunrise (*clear view is subject to weather*) visit of the **Taj Mahal** (*Closed on Fridays*). Midway Tonga's "**horse carriages**" would be waiting for you and will drop you at the gates of the Taj Mahal. The Taj Mahal is everything that has been said about it and more. Taking 22 years and 20,000 men to build, the white marble was quarried 200 miles away and was transported to the site by a fleet of 1000 elephants. Built by the Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan as an expression of his love for his wife Mumtaz Mahal, in mid-17th century, the Taj Mahal is truly one of the wonders of the world. Though the Taj appears to be amazingly perfect from almost any angle, it is the close-up marble inlay work, which is really astounding. You will have ample time to view and be mesmerized by this outstanding piece of architecture. Next, visit the **Agra Fort**, an outstanding example of Mughal architecture. Agra Fort - the seat and the stronghold of the Mughal Empire under successive generations. This was the seat of Mughal rule and administration and the present structure owes its origins to Akbar who erected the walls and gates and the first buildings on the eastern banks of Yamuna River. Shah Jehan added the impressive quarters and the mosque while Aurangzeb added the outer ramparts. Visit its Hall of Public Audience and its Royal Pavilions. Transfer to Ocha.

Day 3: Orchha Tour – Khajuraho (B, L, D)

After breakfast at the hotel, visit Orchha with its striking forts, regal palaces, and poetry carved temples and **Chhatris**, Orchha presents a matchless spectacle and is a delightful place for photographers. An effervescent city with salubrious climate and glorious past, Orchha is renowned for its world class Mural Paintings. The outstanding frescos on the walls of the marvelous temples and regal palace of Orchha make the viewer spellbound. After lunch, you will be driven to Khajuraho (180km/approx.5.5 hours).



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Day 4: Khajuraho Tour – Domestic Flight to Vanarasi, Vanarasi Evening Boat Ride (B, L, D)

After breakfast, visit **Western group of temples** as morning is considered as the best time to visit these temples, as the natural light helps in photography. Among the western group of temples, the most famous is the Kandariya Mahadev temple, 32 meters high with a fantastic range of sculptures including sensuous themes. Other temples include the Chaunsat Yogini, which is a granite temple, the Devi Jagdambe temple dedicated to the Mother Goddess, the Chitragupta temple, dedicated to Surya the Sun God, etc. Next, visit the **Eastern group of temples**, which represent some of the finest examples of temple architecture in Northern India. The remote location of Khajuraho meant that the temples were unharmed by Muslim invaders and as a result, the intricately fine carvings are in very good condition and are said to represent life in heaven. After lunch, you would be transferred to the airport to connect the flight for Varanasi. Upon arrival in Varanasi, transfer to your hotel for check-in. The antiquity of **Varanasi** is veiled in immortal times and has been the centre of religion, learning and civilization since ages. The city gets its inherent charm from the location as it's situated on west side of the Holy Ganges. The principal attraction being the bathing **Ghats** that are always bustling with life at any given time of the day. In the evening you would be taken to the Ghats to see the illuminated **Ganga Aarti ceremony**. Rows of religious celebrants hold plates of flaming ghee, moving them in a circular salutation to the Goddess of the River Offerings of lamps and flowers are made to the river immediately following this ceremony and it is a moving sight to watch hundreds of miniature lamps float along the river.

Day 5: Vanarasi Dawn Boat Cruise and Tour – Domestic Flight to Delhi (B, L, D)

Early morning you will be taken on a visit to the **Ghats** witnessing the Hindu pilgrims perform the rituals and following the centuries old tradition and belief that by dying in Varanasi or by immersing the mortal remains in the holy Ganges, it clears one from the birth circle and you are incarnated to human life in the next birth. You would be taking a **boat cruise on the River Ganges** around all the ghats and stopping at the important ones. The riverfront, as seen from a boat, early in the morning, is a spiritually uplifting sight. Return to your hotel for breakfast. Next, visit **Sarnath**, a major Buddhist centre in the world. After achieving enlightenment at Bodhgaya, Buddha, the 'Awakened One', delivered his first sermon here. It was sixth century then, when he also set in motion the wheel of law, the Dharmachakra. Buddha gave his first sermon in the Deer Park where he initiated his first five disciples into Buddhist monkhood. Buddhism found its roots in Sarnath, the birthplace of this way of life. You will also visit the **museum** (closed on Fridays). Leave Varanasi for New Delhi by a domestic flight. You will be transferred from the airport to hotel on arrival in New Delhi.

Day 6: New Delhi Tour – Depart from Delhi (B, L, D)

Today discover of New Delhi starts with a visit to **Humayun's tomb** ~ the magnificent structure in red sandstone and white marble, one of the finest examples of the garden tomb and a precursor to the Taj Mahal. Visit **Qutab Minar** which is Delhi's Eiffel Tower, its Statue of Liberty and Nelson's Column. Drive to one of the most colonial part of New Delhi called **Raisina Hill**. Drive past the Viceroy's House, now the residence of the President of India and Lutyen's magnum opus; the India Gate, a war memorial arch. In the evening, tour ends at airport to catch your onward flight.

Day 7: Arrive Home Destination (MOB) Home Sweet Home!

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Note:

1. Minimum number of 2 adults required for FIT packages.
2. All passengers are required to have comprehensive travel insurance coverage prior to the departure of the tour for the best interest of the passengers' themselves.
3. The above itinerary, specified meals and hotel accommodation may be subjected to change in accordance with the land operator's final arrangement.
4. In case of specified hotels are full, we will change to similar or better hotel without surcharge.
5. All passengers must hold valid travel documents with the least 6 months validity date before expiry in accordance with the departure date of the tour.
6. All passengers must have valid entry visa to the country they intended to visit, No refund will be made shall the passenger be refused to enter the country. For clarification. Please consult our company travel consultants.
7. Tour Tipping (wholotrip) for local tour guide & driver totally: USD18 (6Days) (Applicable to all passengers including adults and children 2 years or above)