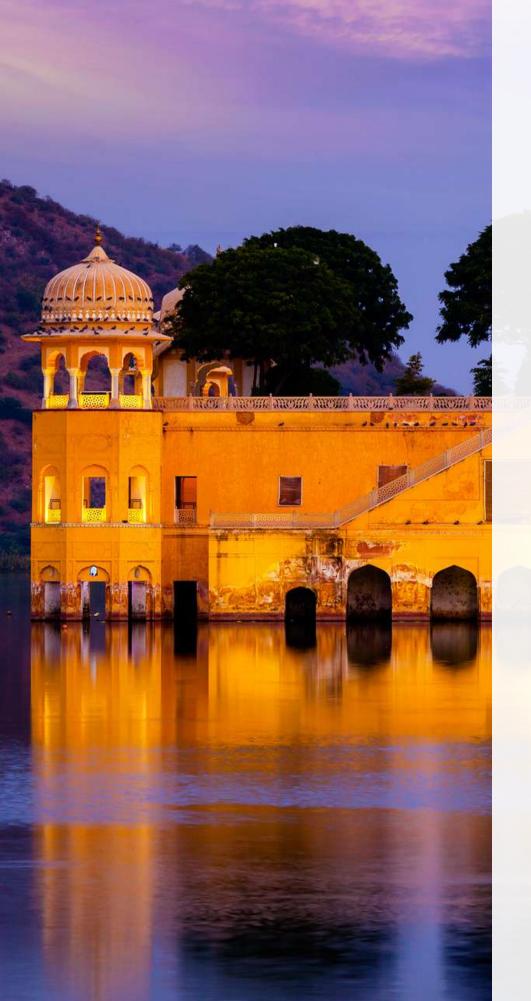
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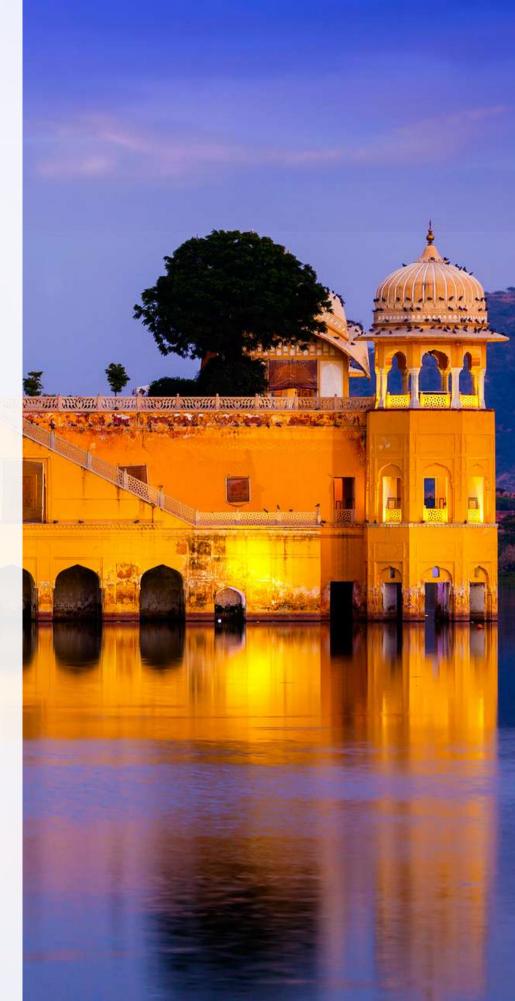
# Royal Rajasthani Odyssey

Embark on a Regal Sojourn Through Timeless Splendors



# Overview

Experience the epitome of opulence and cultural richness on the Royal Rajasthani Odyssey, a 13-day journey through India's majestic cities. From the bustling streets of Delhi and the regal ambiance of Jaipur to the historic charm of Jodhpur, Narlai's enchanting landscapes, and the serene beauty of Udaipur, each destination unveils a tapestry of vibrant experiences. Immerse yourself in the heart of tradition with rickshaw rides through old Delhi, interactive Sikh temple encounters, and the grandeur of iconic landmarks. Indulge in royal accommodations, savor local delicacies, creating memories to last a lifetime. Concluding with a farewell dinner and the option for a post-night at Pulmans, this extraordinary journey captures the essence of Rajasthan's regal allure.



# Route & Map

1 December'24, Sunday: Arrive Delhi 2 December'24, Monday: In Delhi 3 December'24, Tuesday: In Delhi 4 December'24, Wednesday: Delhi - Agra - Delhi 5 December'24, Thursday: Delhi - Jaipur 6 December'24, Friday: In Jaipur 7 December'24, Saturday: In Jaipur 8 December'24, Saturday: In Jaipur 9 December'24, Sunday: Jaipur - Jodhpur 9 December'24, Monday: In Jodhpur 10 December'24, Tuesday: Jodhpur - Narlai 11 December'24, Wednesday: Narlai - Udaipur 12 December'24, Friday: In Udaipur





# Summary

DATE	CITY	HOTEL	GETTING THERE
1 DECEMBER'24, SUNDAY	ARRIVE DELHI	<u>CLARIDGES</u>	ARRIVE DELHI BY FLIGHT
2 DECEMBER'24, MONDAY	IN DELHI		_
3 DECEMBER'24, TUESDAY	IN DELHI		_
4 DECEMBER'24, WEDNESDAY	DELHI – AGRA – DELHI		TRAIN FROM DELHI TO AGRA AND BACK
5 DECEMBER'24, THURSDAY	DELHI – JAIPUR	NARAIN NIWAS	FLY FROM DELHI TO JAIPUR (6E 2204, 13:05 - 13:45)
6 DECEMBER'24, FRIDAY	IN JAIPUR		_
7 DECEMBER'24, SATURDAY	IN JAIPUR		_
8 DECEMBER'24, SUNDAY	JAIPUR - JODHPUR	AJIT BHAWAN	FLY FROM JAIPUR TO JODHPUR (6E 7405, 09:45 - 10:40)
9 DECEMBER'24, MONDAY	IN JODHPUR		_
10 DECEMBER'24, TUESDAY	JODHPUR – NARLAI	- RAWLA NARLAI -	DRIVE FROM JODHPUR TO NARLAI (129 KMS, 2.5 HOURS)
11 DECEMBER'24, WEDNESDAY	NARLAI - UDAIPUR		DRIVE FROM NARLAI TO UDAIPUR (115 KMS, 2.5 HOURS)
12 DECEMBER'24, THURSDAY	IN UDAIPUR	TAJ FATEH PRAKASH	DRIVE FROM NARLAI TO UDAIPUR (115 KMS, 2.5 HOURS)
13 DECEMBER'24, FRIDAY	UDAIPUR - DELHI- DEPART		FLY FROM UDAIPUR TO DELHI AND CATCH A FLIGHT BACK HOME (AI 470, 12:50 - 14:15)

# **Detailed Itinerary**

# 1 December'24, Sunday

Arrive Delhi

Upon arrival at New Delhi's International Airport, you will proceed through customs, immigration formalities, and baggage collection. A representative will be waiting for you as you exit the arrivals terminal building, and will transfer you to your hotel.

As India's capital and a major gateway to the country, Delhi is a bustling metropolis that combines the ancient with the modern. Amidst the fast spiraling skyscrapers, there are remnants of a bygone time in the form of many monuments that stand as silent reminders of the region's ancient legacy. As you arrive, you'll experience a spacious, garden city with treelined streets and a number of beautiful parks.

Overnight: Claridges, Delhi



# 2 December'24, Monday

In Delhi

Today after an early breakfast proceed to explore Delhi.

Start your day on a sensory journey with a magnificent exploration of Delhi's Mughal-era architecture through Old Delhi. Enjoy a rickshaw ride through the bustling streets of Chandni Chowk, visit Jama Masjid, a masterpiece of Mughal architecture, its grandeur is reflected in the vast courtyard and imposing red sandstone structure, offering a serene space for spiritual reflection.

Take a break to savor a delectable early lunch at the majestic Haveli Dharampura.

Before returning to the hotel, explore the exquisite Bangla Sahib, a place of great spiritual significance, where you can immerse yourself in the peaceful and serene atmosphere. Next visit Qutub Minar, a UNESCO World Heritage site in Delhi, gracefully pierces the sky with its 73-meter sandstone tower, narrating tales of ancient craftsmanship and historical significance.

Get ready for an opulent and enchanting welcome dinner.

Overnight: Claridges, Delhi



# 3 December'24, Tuesday

In Delhi

Indulge in the luxury of a leisurely morning.

Later proceed to Khan Market, located in the heart of New Delhi, is a vibrant shopping destination renowned for its upscale boutiques, eclectic shops, and diverse culinary offerings.

#### Overnight: Claridges, Delhi

# 4 December'24, Wednesday

Delhi - Agra - Delhi

Early this morning, you will take a train to Agra.

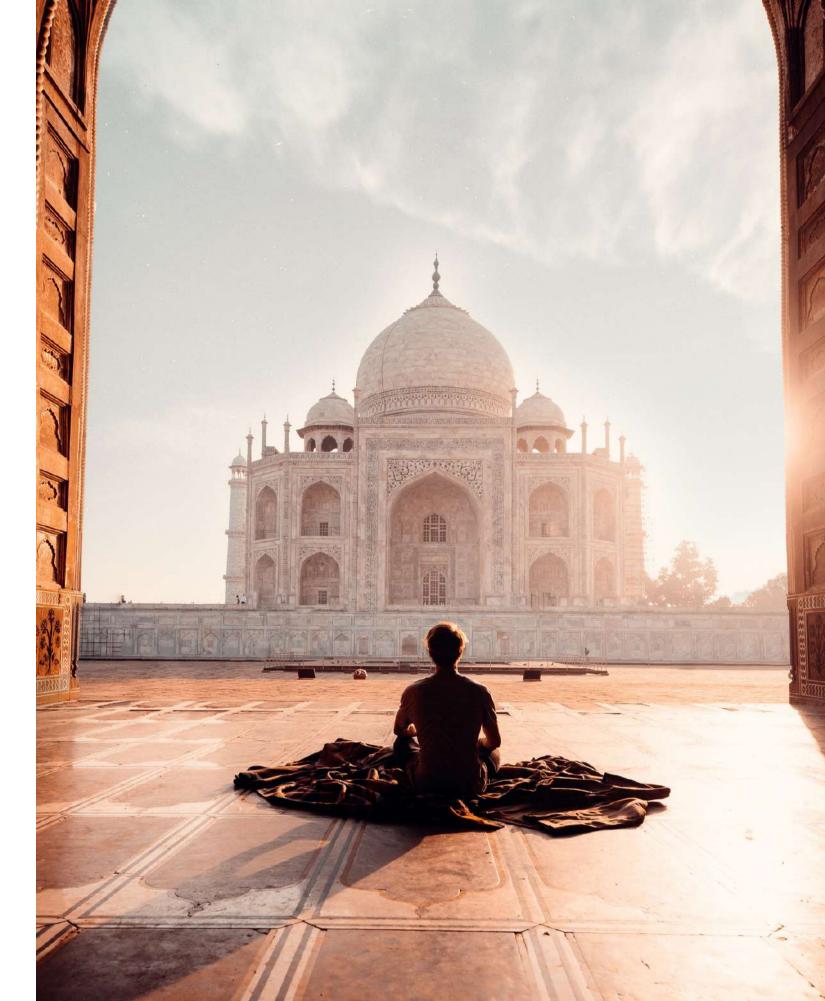
Agra is still associated with its Mughal period. The Mughals besides being great rulers were also great builders and they preserved their best architectural wonders for Agra & its neighborhood.

Visit the Agra Fort, the seat and stronghold of the Mughal Empire, is a testament to the grandeur of Mughal rule, with its impressive quarters and mosque, along with its Hall of Public Audience and Royal Pavilions.

Later visit the iconic Taj Mahal at sunset. Take in the breathtaking beauty of the white-marble Mughal architecture as you stroll around and capture stunning photos with the Taj as your backdrop. You can also watch the Yamuna River flowing behind the Taj.

You will then take a train back to Delhi

Overnight: Claridges, Delhi



#### 5 December'24, Thursday

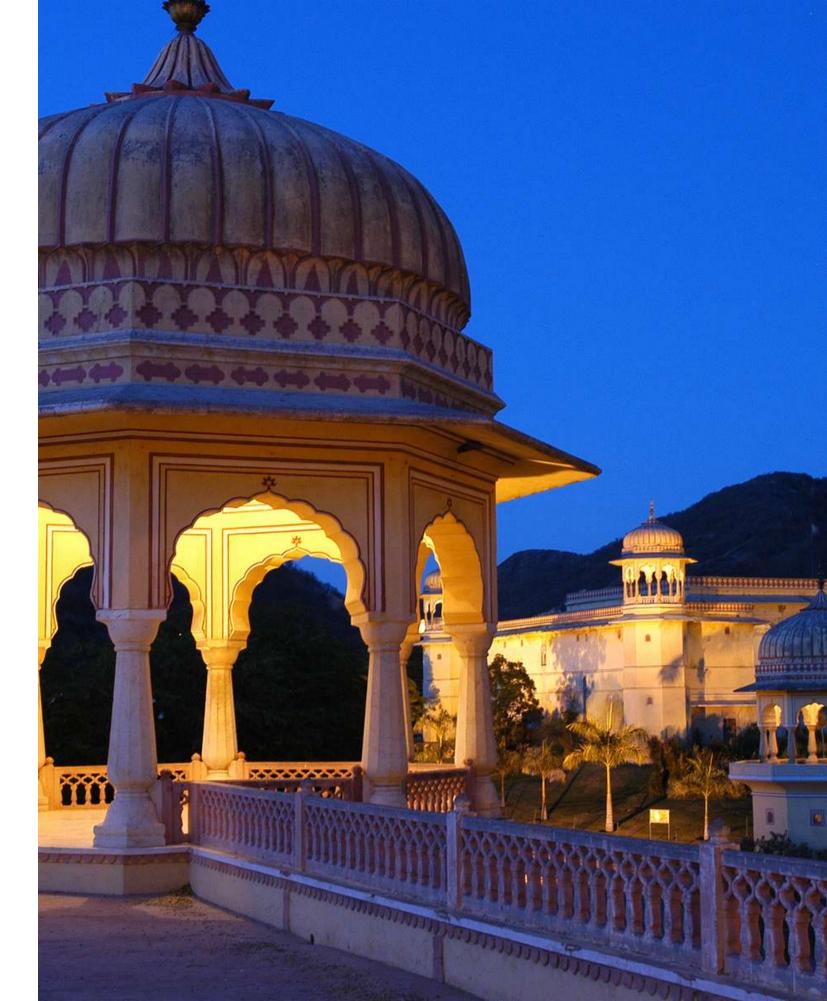
Delhi - Jaipur

After breakfast, you will be driven to the airport to boar a flight to Jaipur – land of the Rajputs. Jaipur is an exuberance of colour, dance and traditional arts and crafts. Known, as the 'Pink City', Jaipur is home to ancient forts and palaces and is one of India's most well planned cities.

Upon arrival, you will check into your hotel.

Embark on a cultural journey in Jaipur with a visit to the City Palace, a majestic blend of Rajput and Mughal architecture, showcasing exquisite courtyards, palatial structures, and a remarkable museum. Adjacent to the palace, the Laxmi Narayan Temple, also known as Birla Mandir, captivates with its intricate carvings and serene surroundings, offering a peaceful retreat amidst the vibrant cityscape. Explore the rich history and spirituality encapsulated in these iconic landmarks.

Overnight: Narain Niwas, Jaipur



#### 6 December'24, Friday

### In Jaipur

This morning, visit the magnificent Amber Fort, which was built in the 16th century. Experience a jeep ride up to the fort. Sightseeing this morning involves 2–3 hours on foot and there are a number of steps within the fort.

This afternoon, visit the fascinating Jantar Mantar, the ancient astronomical observatory built by the Maharaja of Jaipur. Also see Hawa Mahal (Palace of Winds), built in the 18th century. Later explore the many facets of Jaipuri crafts such as semi precious jewels, colourful fabrics, woven carpets etc – watch artisans at work and enjoy souvenir shopping in this colourful city of Jaipur.

Later in the evening, enjoy a Hi- Tea at Rambagh Palace, located in the heart of Jaipur, is a stunning palace-turnedhotel known for its luxurious ambiance and rich heritage. The Hi-Tea experience here is a lavish affair, featuring delectable treats and refreshments served in a regal setting.

# Overnight: Narain Niwas, Jaipur

# 7 December'24, Saturday

In Jaipur

This morning enjoy a relaxed breakfast at the hotel.

Spend the rest of the day shopping at the local bazaars.

Overnight: Narain Niwas, Jaipur



### 8 December'24, Sunday

### Jaipur - Jodhpur

This morning after an early breakfast you will proceed to the airport to board a flight to Jodhpur. Upon arrival, you will be transferred to your hotel in Jodhpur, the second largest city of Rajasthan, which was founded in 1459 A.D. by Rao Jodha. The rest of the day will be at leisure.

#### Enjoy dinner at the hotel.

#### Overnight: Ajit Bhawan, Jodhpur

#### 9 December'24, Monday

#### In Jodhpur

After a relaxed breakfast, visit the rock-solid Mehrangarh Fort, and the grand palaces within the fort – Moti Mahal, Sheesh Mahal, Phool Mahal, Sileh Khana and Daulat Khana, which are impressive examples of architectural excellence. Near the fort complex stands the Jaswant Thada, and a group of royal cenotaphs made of white marble. While in Jodhpur shop for the exquisite handcrafted articles such as embroidered shoes, metal curios, silverware, paintings and tie and dye fabrics.

Also visit Umaid Bhavan Palace Museum - built by Maharaja Umaid Singh (1929 – 1942) and named after him, this exquisite Palace is also known as Chittar Palace because of the local chittar sandstone used in its construction. This palace is a splendid example of Indo-colonial and art deco architecture of the 1930s.

This evening dinner at Khass Bagh (direct payment)

Overnight: Ajit Bhawan, Jodhpur



#### 10 December'24, Tuesday

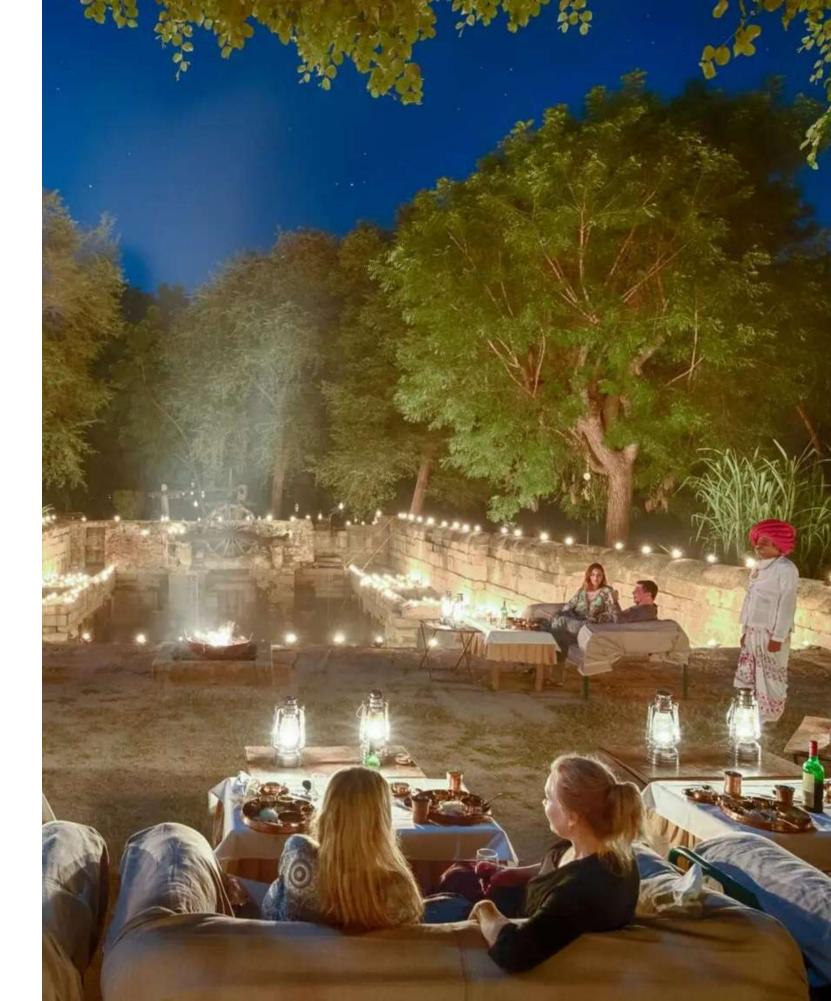
Jodhpur – Narlai

After breakfast you will be driven to Narlai.

#### Upon arrival in Narlai, check-in to your hotel.

Prepare for a memorable evening with a "Step Well Dinner" experience. A truly an experience that would linger in the fringes of your mind. Taste the flavor of true Rajasthani royal hospitality at the 16th Century old Baori (Step-well) of Rawla Narlai. The journey that begins when you gather at the courtyard, sip a welcome drink with the resident royal who will regale you with stories & history of the locals while you get adorned with the turbans & scarf and transportation by bullock carts are arranged for you. Guided by a local into the dusk, swaying to the movement of the cart, watching the village slowly going to sleep and the starlit sky unfolding above you, passing the yogi who meditates by the blazing fire, you reach your destination that is lit by hundreds of lamps. Following this experience is the culinary journey that ignites your taste buds with elaborate fare offered over the next couple of hours while being entertained by the local jogi singing the devotional folk songs in his rich melodious voice. This culinary experience ends with the return to the hotel courtyard by our jeeps and a welcome cup of calming herbal tea.

Overnight: Rawla Narlai, Narlai



#### 11 December'24, Wednesday

#### Narlai - Udaipur

After an early breakfast, embark on a scenic drive to the enchanting city of Udaipur.

Visit the intricately carved Ranakpur Jain Temples, featuring the Chaumukha Temple dedicated to Adinath with 29 halls, 1444 pillars, and two other notable Jain temples and a Sun Temple nearby.

As the journey continues towards Udaipur, let the beauty of the surroundings fill your senses. Upon arrival in this magical city, revel in a warm welcome and check-in to your hotel

#### Overnight: Taj Fateh Prakash, Udaipur

#### 12 December'24, Thursday

#### In Udaipur

After breakfast, Immerse yourself in the regal beauty of Udaipur as you embark on a Half-Day Sightseeing. Begin with a visit to the majestic City Palace, where history comes alive through intricate architecture and breathtaking views of the surrounding landscape.

At sunset, set sail on a boat ride across the serene waters of Lake Pichola, surrounded by the picturesque Aravalli Hills and dotted with palaces, including the iconic Lake Palace. Also explore the tranquil oasis of Jaswant Thada, a white marble mausoleum adorned with delicate carvings and serene gardens.

Overnight: Taj Fateh Prakash, Udaipur



# 13 December'24, Friday

# Udaipur - Delhi- Depart

### Enjoy a relaxed breakfast.

In time you will be driven to the airport to board a flight to New Delhi, from where you will connect a flight back home.

#### Inclusions: -

- 13 days / 12 nights' accomm with the meal plan indicated in the itinerary.
- o Lunch at Haveli Dharampura on fixed menu.
- o Hi Tea at Taj Rambagh Palace
- o Dinner at Khaas Bagh
- o Stepwell Dinner at Rawla Narlai
- Overland drive, sightseeing and airport transfers in air-conditioned coach.
- Wi-fi on the coach (subject to mobile network)
- Local guide for city tours and excursions plus Australian escort.
- Entrances for the monuments as per the itinerary.
- Eastbound representative for assistance on arrival and departure transfers.
- Mineral water, dry and wet tissue on coach.
- All presently applicable taxes and Domestic flights

#### **Exclusions:** -

- Any international airfares
- Personal Travel and medical insurance coverage.
- Expense of personal nature, alcoholic beverages
- Meals other than those specified in the itinerary.

## **Costings:**

**\$5800.00 per person Twin Share** (Single Supplement \$2650.00)

