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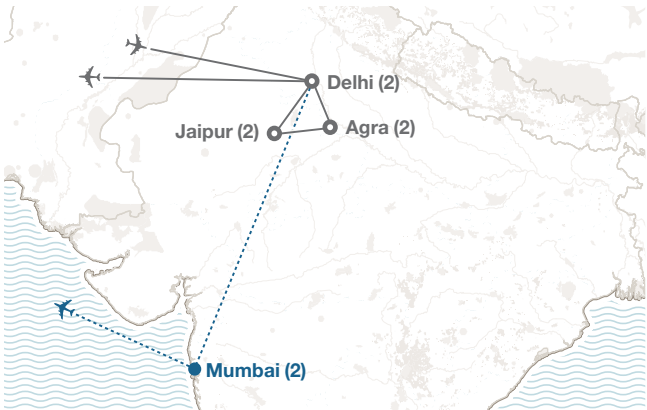
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Dive headfirst into the dense and sprawling metropolis of Delhi and discover what makes this region a commercial and cultural force. Get your feet wet by visiting the stunning Jama Masjid Mosque, and experience the awesome ingenuity of generations past. The city bazaars are full of colorful distractions, beautiful sights and enticing smells that have been a staple in central marketplaces since ancient times.

You'll also visit some of the industries in India that help to fuel a massive economy, such as carpet factories, handmade paper factories and marble shops. And of course, no trip to India would be complete without an exciting elephant ride and a visit to the illustrious Taj Mahal.



## Day 1: Fly to India

Meet your group and travel on an overnight flight to Delhi.

## Day 2: Delhi

**Arrive in Delhi:** Welcome to Delhi, home to over 1,000 monuments and an ever-growing commercial and industrial core. At the airport, meet your Tour Director who will remain with you throughout your stay, and then transfer to your hotel.

## Day 3: Old Delhi

**Sightseeing tour of Old Delhi:** Your guided sightseeing begins at Old Delhi's 16th-century Jama Masjid Mosque. The mosque is one of India's largest—allegedly, it took 5,000 masons about six years to complete. You'll also visit Chandni Chowk Bazaar, one of the oldest and busiest markets in the country. Here local vendors sell goods from near and far in the shadow of Old Delhi's largest monument: Lal Quila, or the Red Fort, so named for its red sandstone walls. Later, at Raj Ghat—the most famous of the ghats, where leaders and freedom fighters are cremated—see the site of Mahatma Gandhi's cremation after his 1948 assassination.

**Business visit:** See a local workplace in action when you visit a call center.

## Day 4: Delhi

**Sightseeing tour of New Delhi:** This afternoon, a local guide shows you New Delhi, the seat of India's government. Explore Humayun's Tomb, said to be the predecessor to the Taj Mahal. Then, visit Qutab Minar, the world's tallest brick minaret, and finish at Dilli Hat, a lively outdoor market filled with kiosks selling clothing, crafts and delicious traditional food.

**Travel to Jaipur:** Today, set course for Jaipur, the "Gem City." There is no better place to shop for jewelry than at its bazaars, so be sure to pick up a piece to take home.

## Day 5: Jaipur

**Palace of Amber:** This morning, experience a new form of transportation as you ride on the back of a painted elephant to the Palace of Amber. Parts of this walled palace have been called the finest examples of Rajput architecture.

**Sightseeing tour of Jaipur:** This afternoon, a local guide shows you the highlights of Jaipur. Explore the magnificently extravagant City Palace, the principal residence of the maharajas. Jantar Mantar Observatory, —UNESCO World Heritage Site containing 20 feats of astronomically engineered design—including the world's largest sundial.

**Palace of the Winds:** Stop at the Palace of the Winds, a stunning 5-story palace resembling a crown.

**Jaipur Bazaars:** Next, get a feel for how the locals travel as you venture through the streets on a cycle rickshaw. Wind up at the popular Jaipur bazaars and admire the distinctively-colored buildings of the "Pink City."

## Day 6: Agra

**Fatehpur Sikri:** Depart Jaipur for Fatehpur Sikri, a city that was capital under Emperor Akbar for a short time in the

late 1500s. Explore the red sandstone buildings, which include the Palace of Jodha Bai.

**Taj Majal:** This afternoon, behold one of the Seven Wonders of the World—the Taj Mahal. Built to hold the body of Shah Jahan's favorite wife, who died in childbirth, the structure stands today as a symbol of eternal love. On a guided tour, you'll admire its legendary shape from afar, and its elegant marble design from up-close.

## Day 7: Agra

**Agra Fort:** Start the day with a visit to the nearby Agra Fort, a half-moon-shaped citadel that once served as the seat of the Moghul empire. Enjoy a local dish for dinner.

## Day 8: Delhi airport

**Return to Delhi and departure:** Return to Delhi, where your Tour Director assists with the transfer to the airport. Check in to dayroom at Delhi airport with your group.

**Depart for home:** Check in for your return flight and depart late in the evening for home.

## 2-DAY TOUR EXTENSION

### Days 8-10: Mumbai

**Fly to Mumbai:** Formerly known as Bombay, Mumbai is home to the corporate headquarters of several top companies.

**Sightseeing tour of Mumbai:** Start your tour at the famed Gateway to India, the 85-foot-tall monument built to commemorate the visit of King George V and Queen Mary in 1911. Atop Malabar Hill, explore the beautiful Hanging Gardens and the excellent views of the Arabian Sea. The nearby Jain Temple, unknown to much of the West, will leave you speechless. At Dhobi Ghat, you'll witness the timeless tradition of the world's largest outdoor laundry service, and along Marine Drive, you'll see the backdrop for one of the most beautiful sunsets in the subcontinent. Finally, pay a visit to the Gandhi Memorial Museum at the site of the revolutionary leader's former home.


**Business visit:** The pharmaceutical industry in India is the second-largest in the world, and remains critical to the local economy. Gain insight into the interdependency between India's booming biotechnology field and pharmaceutical advances on a business visit.

**Jehangir Art Gallery:** India's most famous art gallery, the Jehangir Art Gallery boasts many of India's most significant artistic works.

### Day 11: Mumbai airport

**Depart for home:** Take an early morning flight from Mumbai and arrive home on day 12.


## INCLUDED ON TOUR:


 Round-trip flights on major carriers;  
*Internal flight with extension*


 Full-time Tour Director


 Land transportation

 Hotels with private bathrooms

 Light breakfast daily; 5 local dinners  
*or 8 with extension*

 **Sightseeing tours**  
Old Delhi; New Delhi; Jaipur; Agra;  
*With extension: Mumbai*

 **Entrances**  
Jama Mosque; Rajghat; Chandni Chowk Bazaar; Dilli Hat; Humayun's Tomb; Amber Fort; City Palace; Jantar Mantar observatory; Fatehpur Sikri; Agra Fort; Taj Mahal; *With extension: Gateway of India; Hanging Gardens; Gandhi Museum; Jain Temple; Jehangir Art Gallery*

 **Experiential Learning**  
1 business visit or 2 *with extension*

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