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Sanyog Gupta Voyages

Luxury Destination Management Company

As we have evolved as a company, we have come to realise that our love lies not in booking tour packages, but in showcasing the unique experiences across the nations we serve. We realised that there are many secret corners of our world, rare moments, mysteries and stories.

Our company owned by a family, but run professionally. We have hierarchical systems which are driven by our core family values. We have come to understand we do not want to be the largest company globally. We have never tried to be the richest or the most influential. I say, we just want to be the bestest in what we do.

We are a family tradition for over three decades that have been highlighting this part of the planet. All over Indian sub-continent, we have grown to become a popular, valued and autonomous DMC providing the finest cultural experiences, personal immersions and natural wonders. We are here to build stories for our clients, tales of love, of wonderful excitement. We are proud of our past and its legacy.



President - Sales & Marketing

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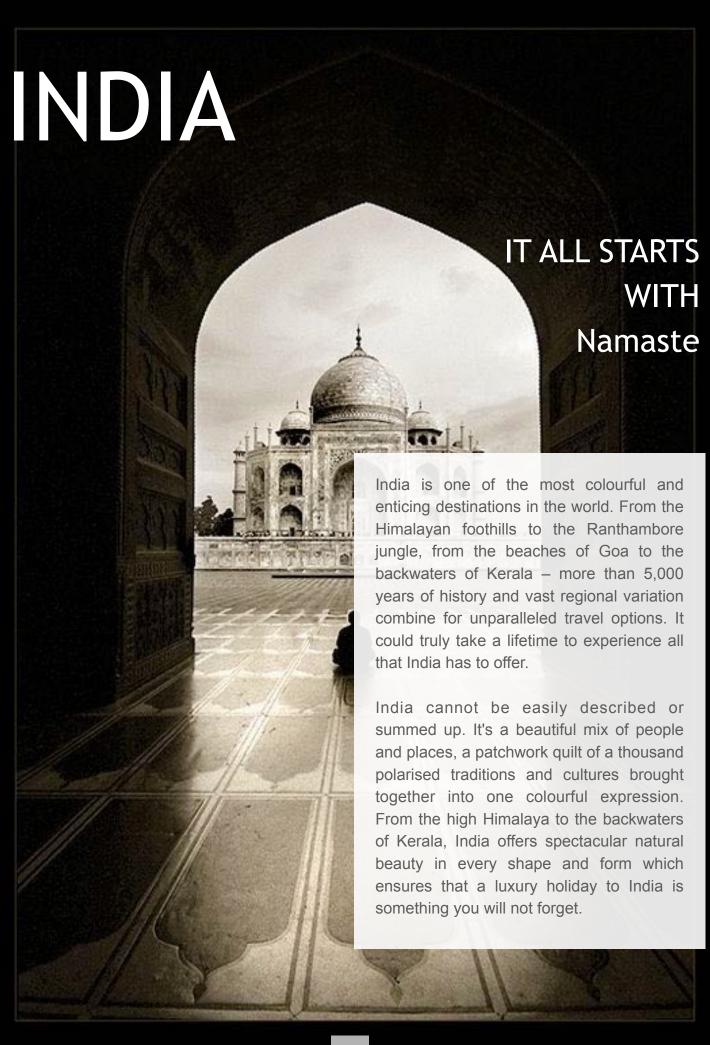
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Getting There

Air India, Emirates, Turkish Airlines, Lufthansa, British Airways and Qatar airways offer one-stop flights from all over the world to India. Those travelling from the USA, Europe, the Middle East, South East Asia and the Far East can catch a connecting flight to India from many of the main cities in Europe, the Middle East or South East Asia.

India don't mind Mondays

The Indian Week

India has adopted 8 hours a day 5 working day week in general. While the government institutions are closed in the weekends, some of the commercial enterprises including the banks are open on Saturdays too.

Getting Around

Barter for a 3-wheeler at around Rs.40 per km or take set price taxis for longer journeys. Soak in the spectacular scenery of a train journey. Buses are also cheap and regular. Roads seem chaotic chauffeur-driven cars run at similar cost to independent car hire, and are probably safer. Bicycle hire is only really suitable for the quieter roads.

When to go

India's tropical climate generally offers warmth and sunshine throughout the year. The south-west monsoon brings most rain during July & August.

The north-east monsoon brings rain between December and February. There are also inter-monsoon rains, usually in October & early November.

All about the money

Currency & Exchange

The domestic currency is Rupee (INR). Local and foreign money may be brought into Israel as cash, traveler's check, and credit cards.

Foreign currency of all kinds may be exchanged at the airport, banks, most hotels or licensed exchange agencies in large cities. Cash withdrawals can be easily made from the many widespread ATMs via International credit or debit cards.

Languages

Hindi and English are the official languages of India. Hindi is widely spoken in the country, while English is widely understood and business language of the country.



PLAN YOUR TRAVEL

Tailor Made

SGV provides expert advice, total flexibility, support when you need it, and the keenest prices. You may need a last minute booking or a full, guided India tour.

You may be seeking out India special offers, or the best deals on India flights. Whatever your needs, we offer efficient and caring service.

And, by the way, we have an impressive programme in the Nepal, Bhutan, Tibet, Bangladesh, Myanmar and Maldives too.

Route Planning

Planning your trip can be one of the most enjoyable parts of your holiday – and there is every chance to indulge yourself on SGV's comprehensive website. We guarantee that our advice is fiercely independent and up-to-date too, as we constantly strive to keep abreast of all the latest developments.

Many people prefer to gather information before they contact us. Some have definite proposals. Others happily leave everything to us. However you prefer to plan your holiday, we offer a free tailor-made service of unrivalled flexibility.

Short Break - One Week

A one week itinerary which involves the Golden Triangle, Taj Mahal, Jaipur and Capital city Delhi could leave you travelworn. If that is the holiday you need then expert advice and smooth ground-handling is vital. We advise you to decide which part of the India holds most appeal.

Possible one-week itineraries can include 6 nights of Golden Triangle, 3 nights in Delhi, 2 nights for Agra and 2 nights in Jaipur. Another popular option is 3 nights for Khajuraho & Varanasi and then 4 nights in the Mumbai & Aurangabad.

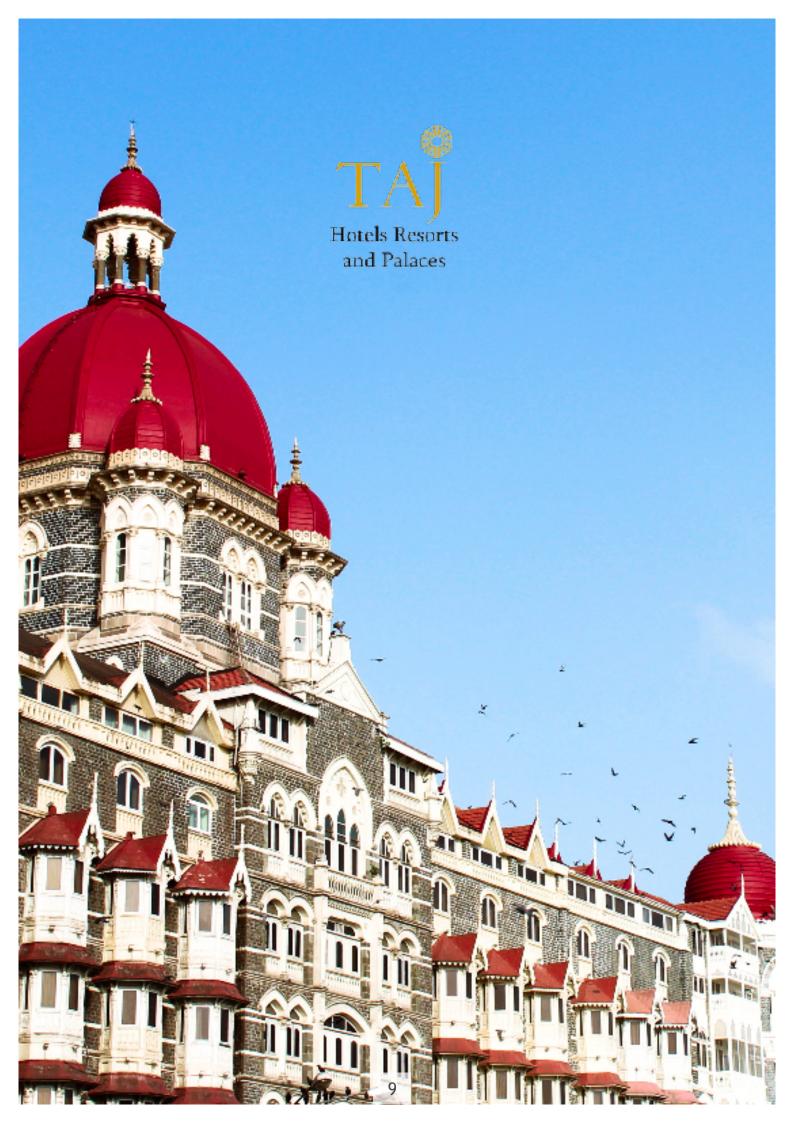
India Tour - Two Weeks

The majority of our India Tour itineraries are set over two weeks and strives to give you an instant insight into the many alternatives available. Identify your priorities: often a successful holiday is as much about what you leave out as what you put in.

A traditional two-week holiday starts from the Delhi and then on to the Golden Triangle in the North India, Jodhpur and Udaipur in the Rajasthan, and finishing with a few days on the beach in the south. Into this itinerary you can also insert one or two days at either Ranthambore, Panna or Corbett National Parks.

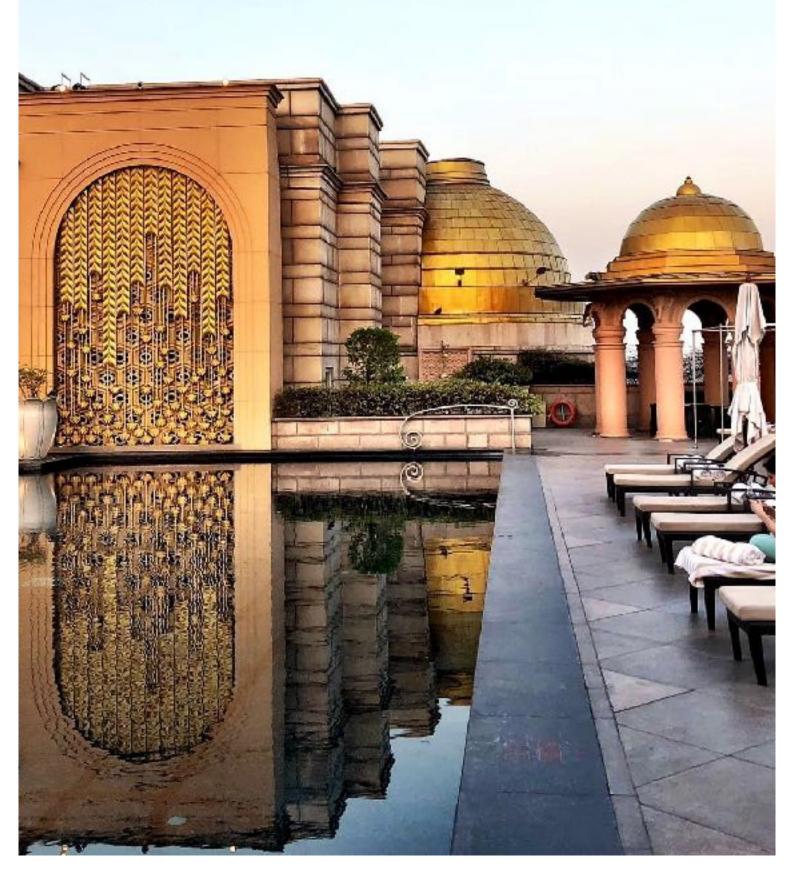


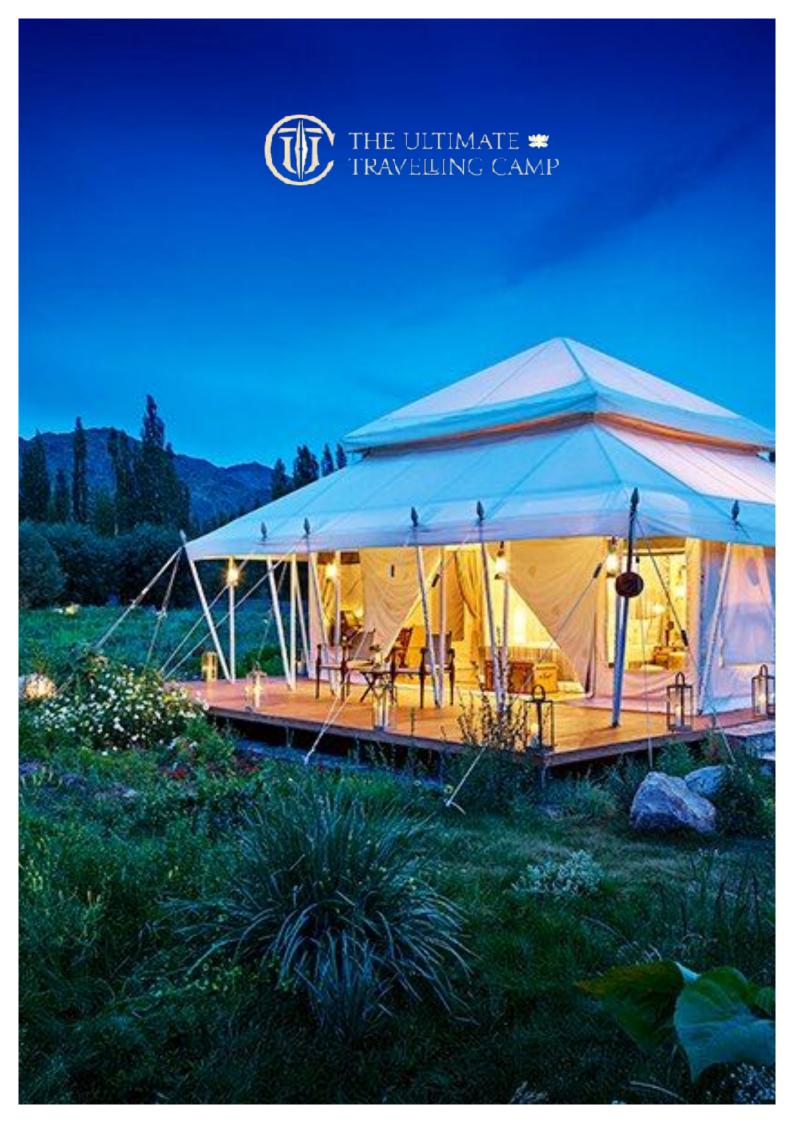


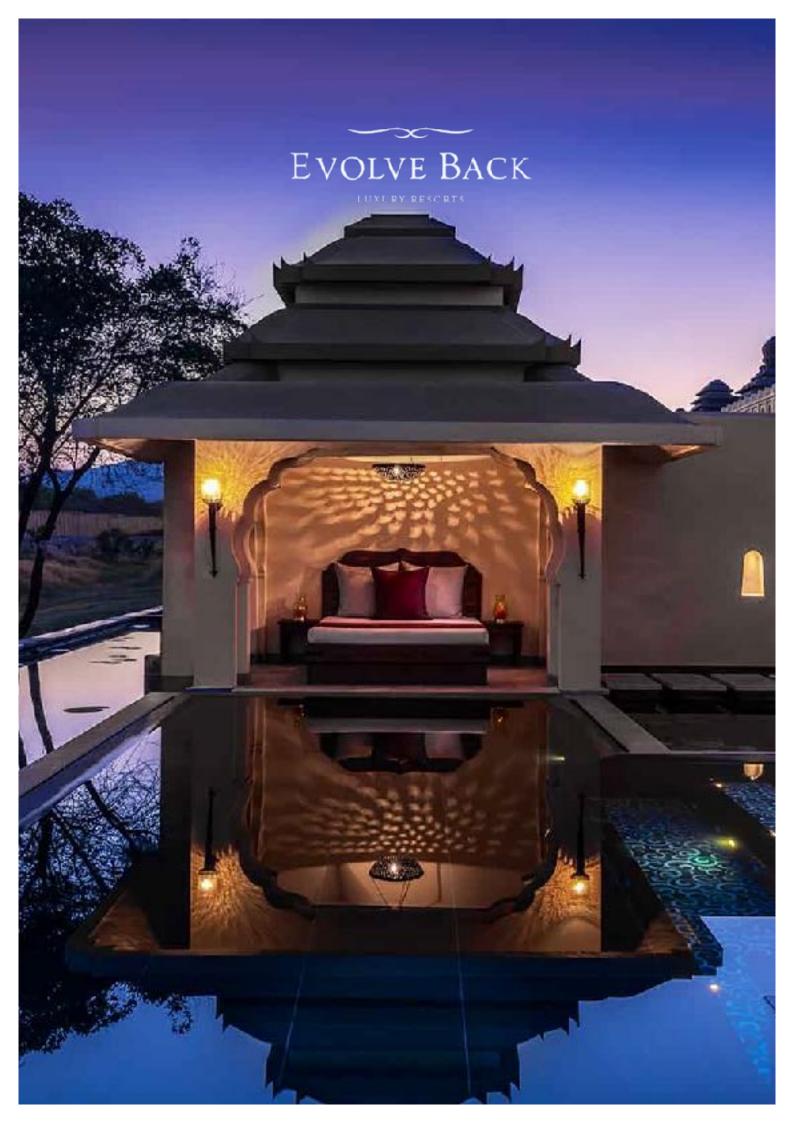




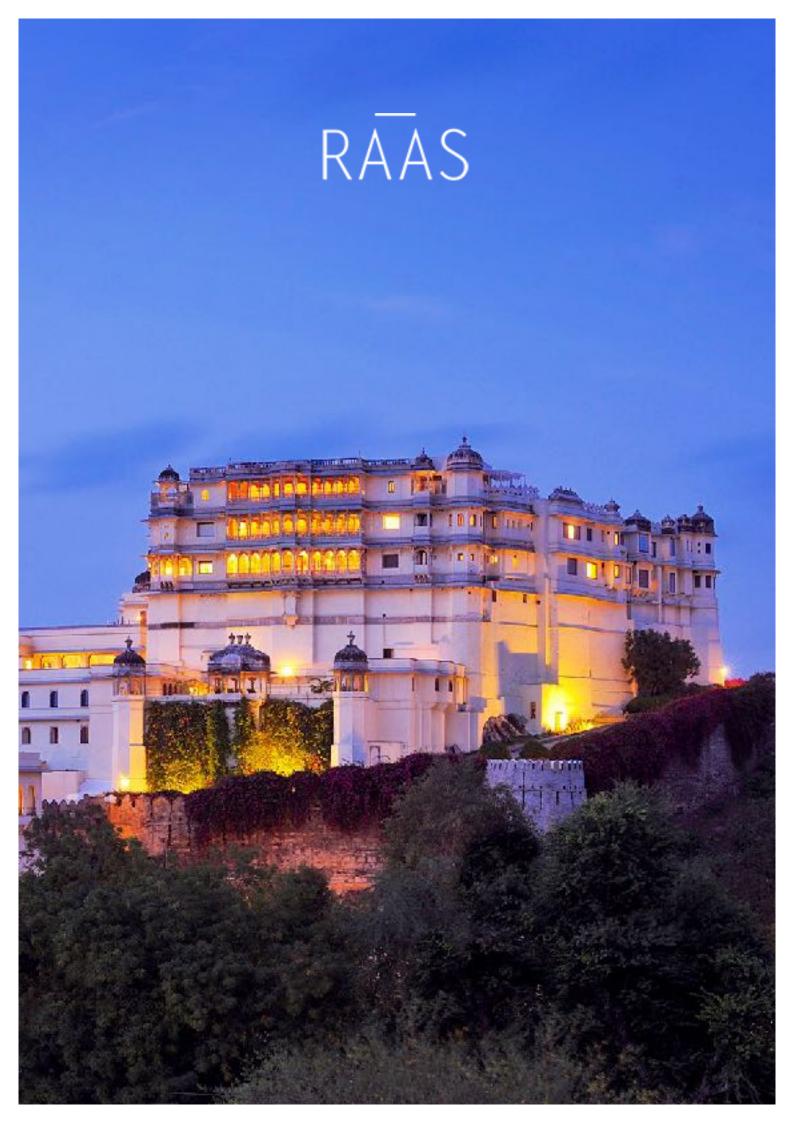






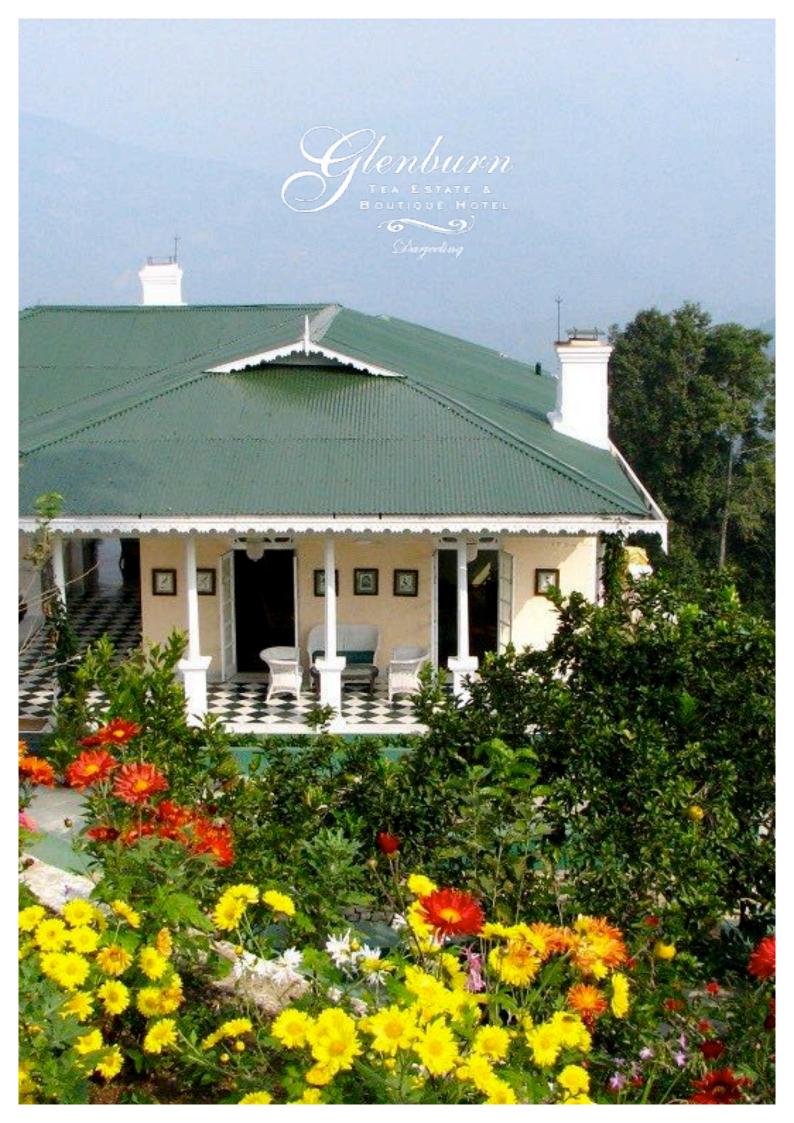


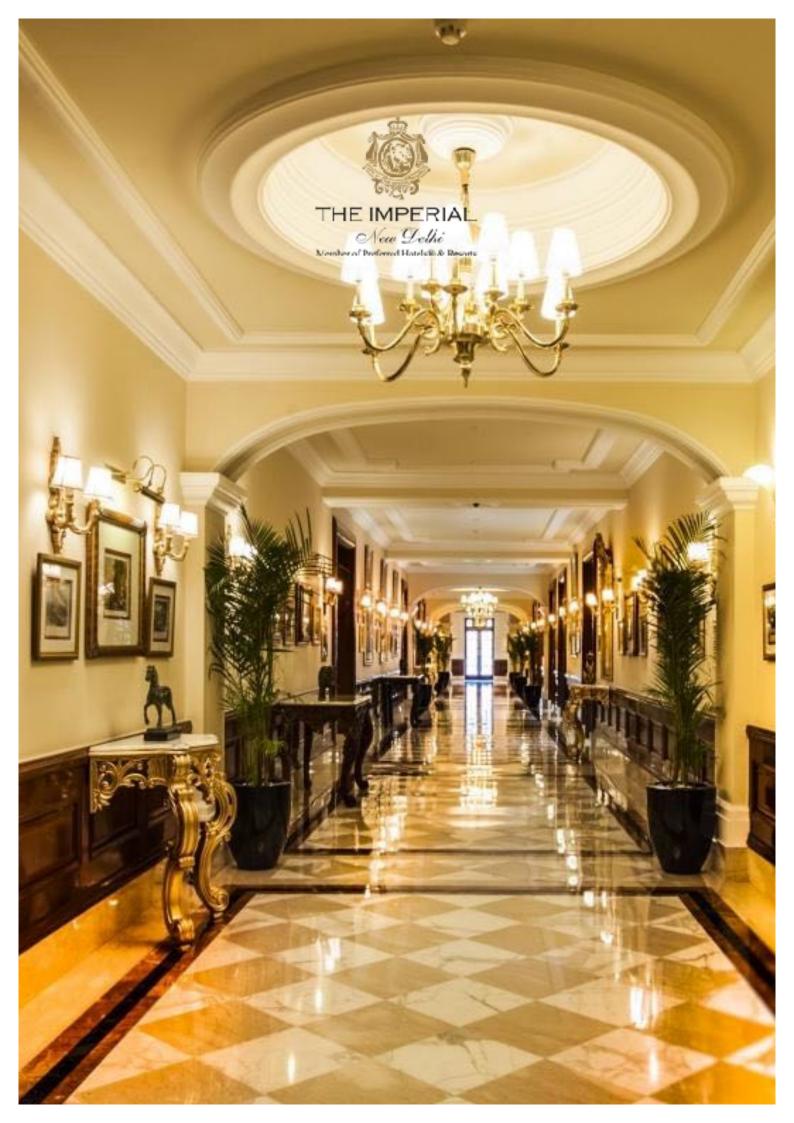


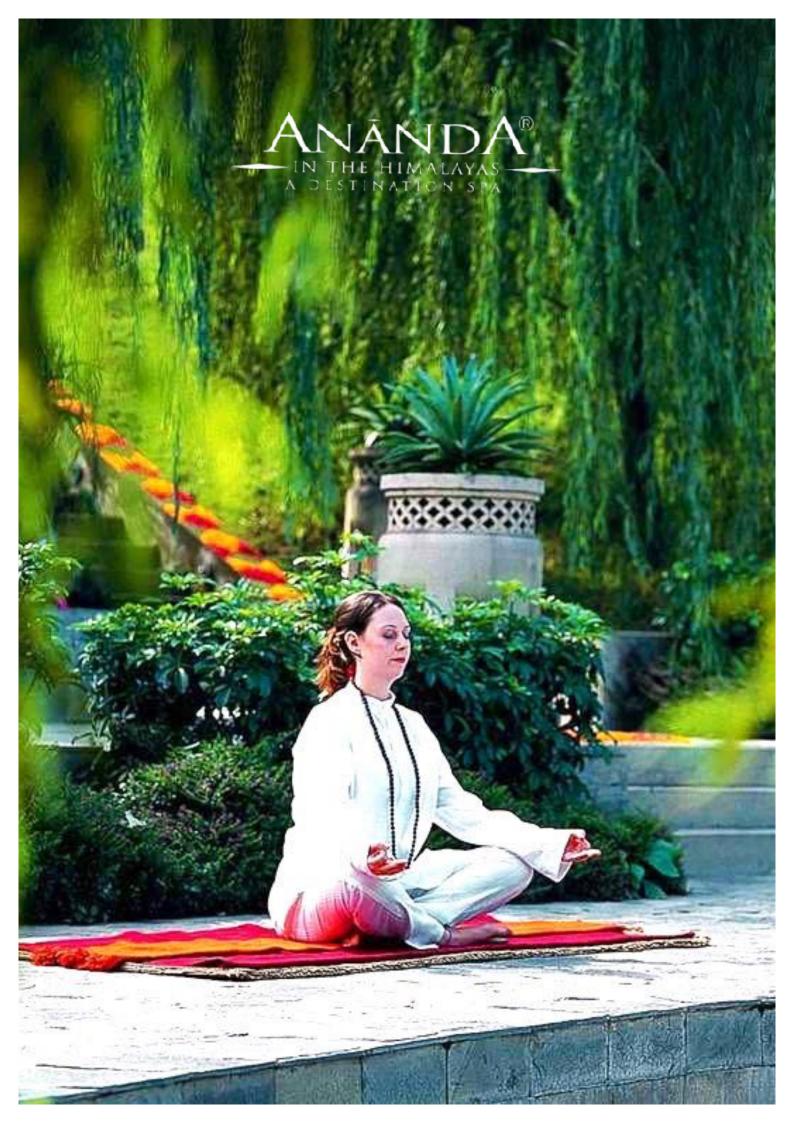


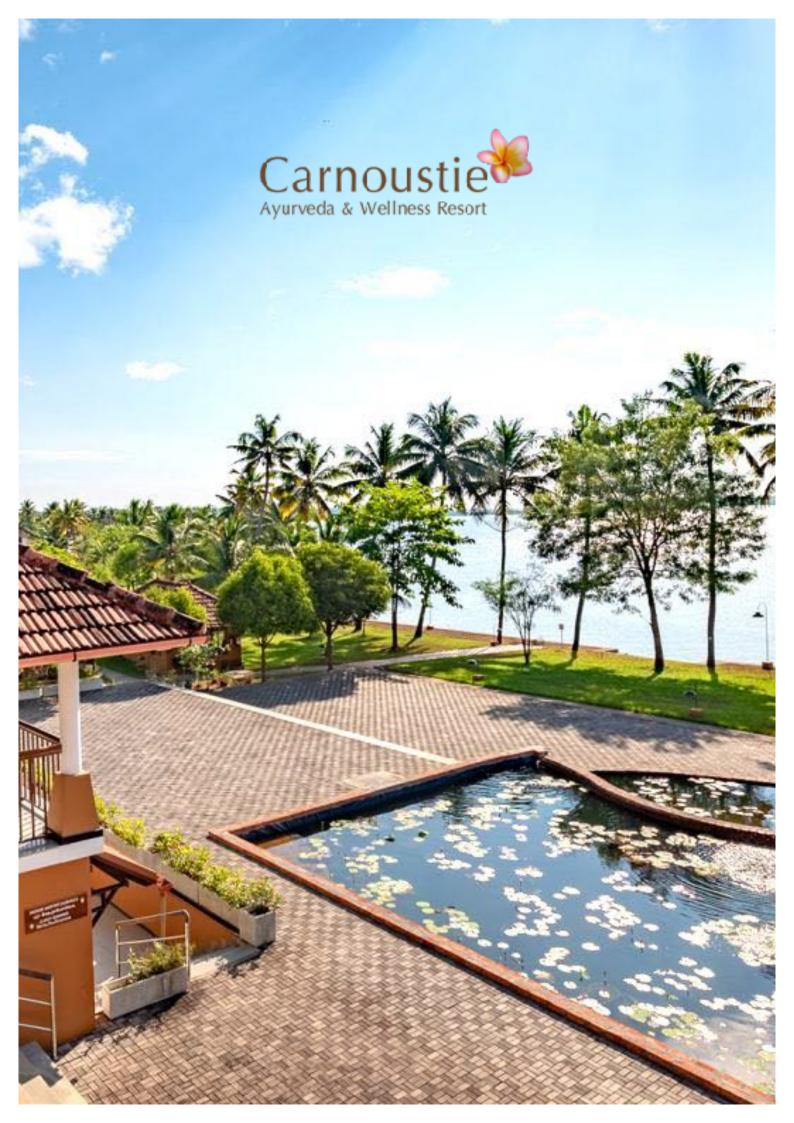
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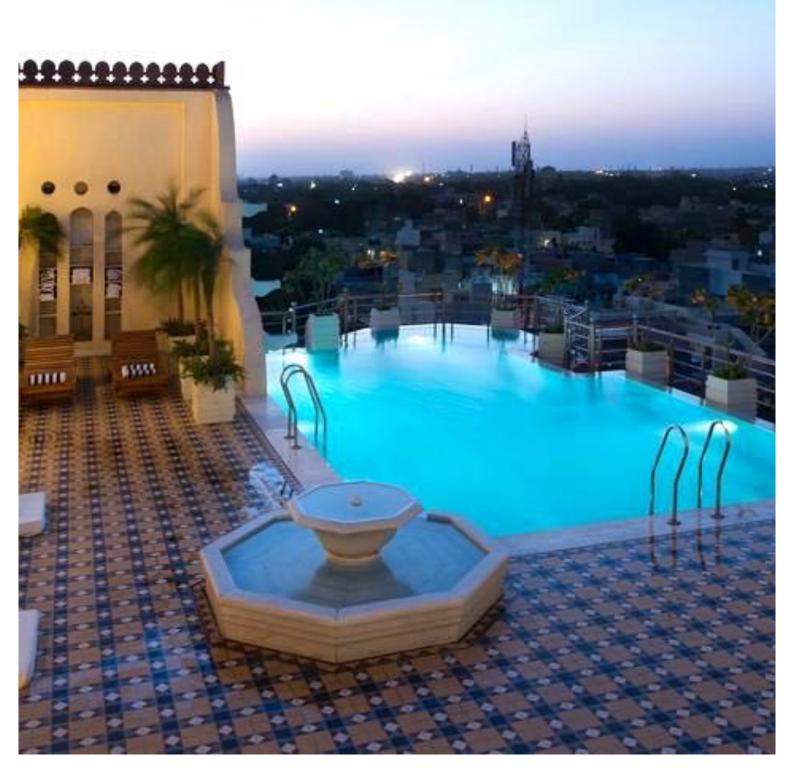


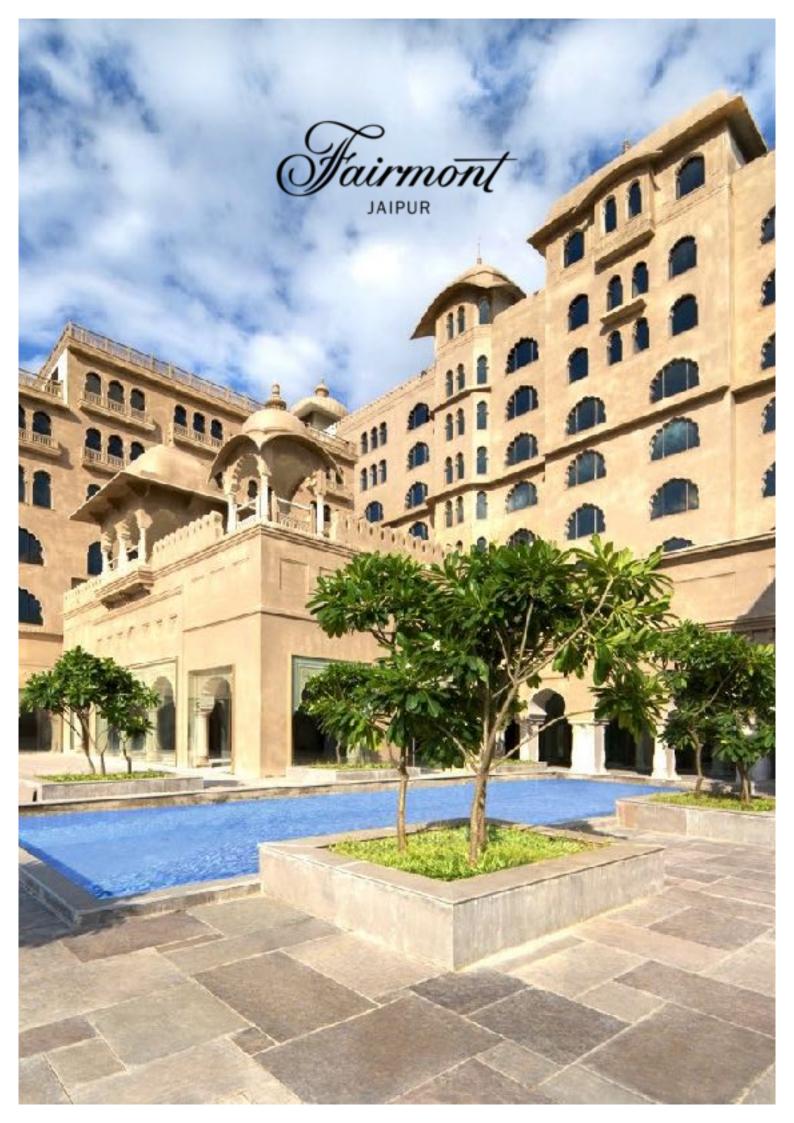




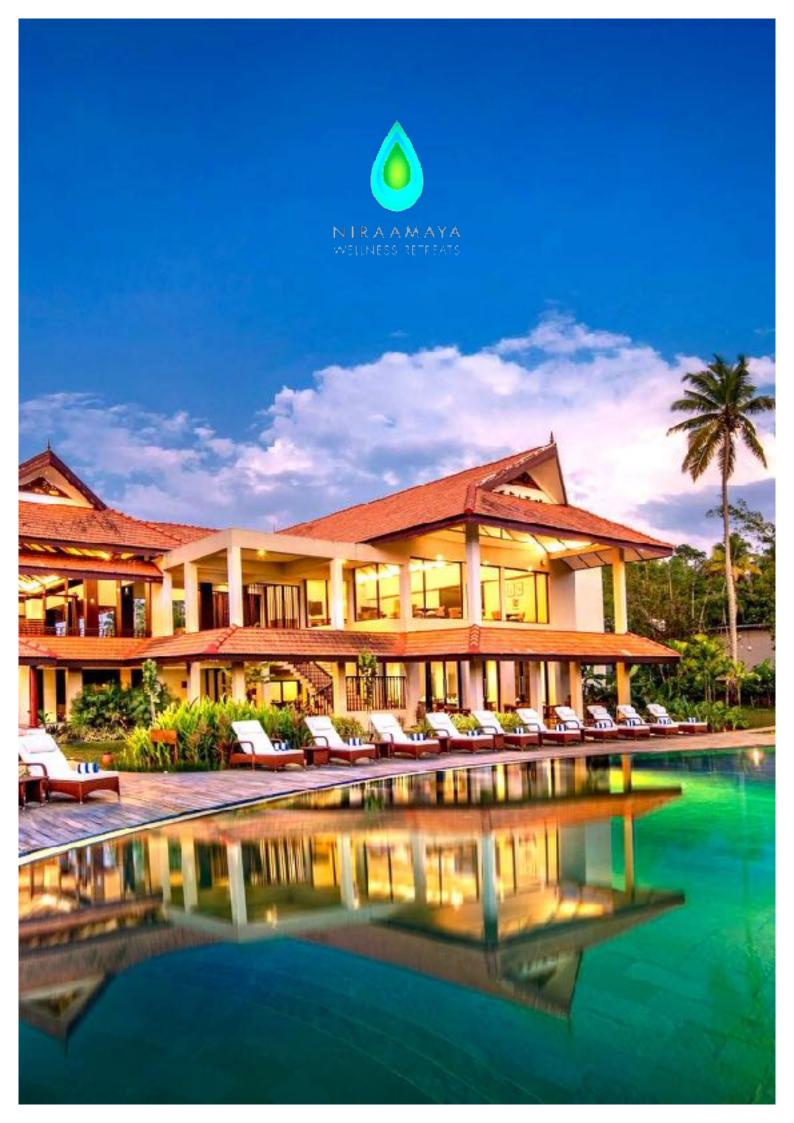


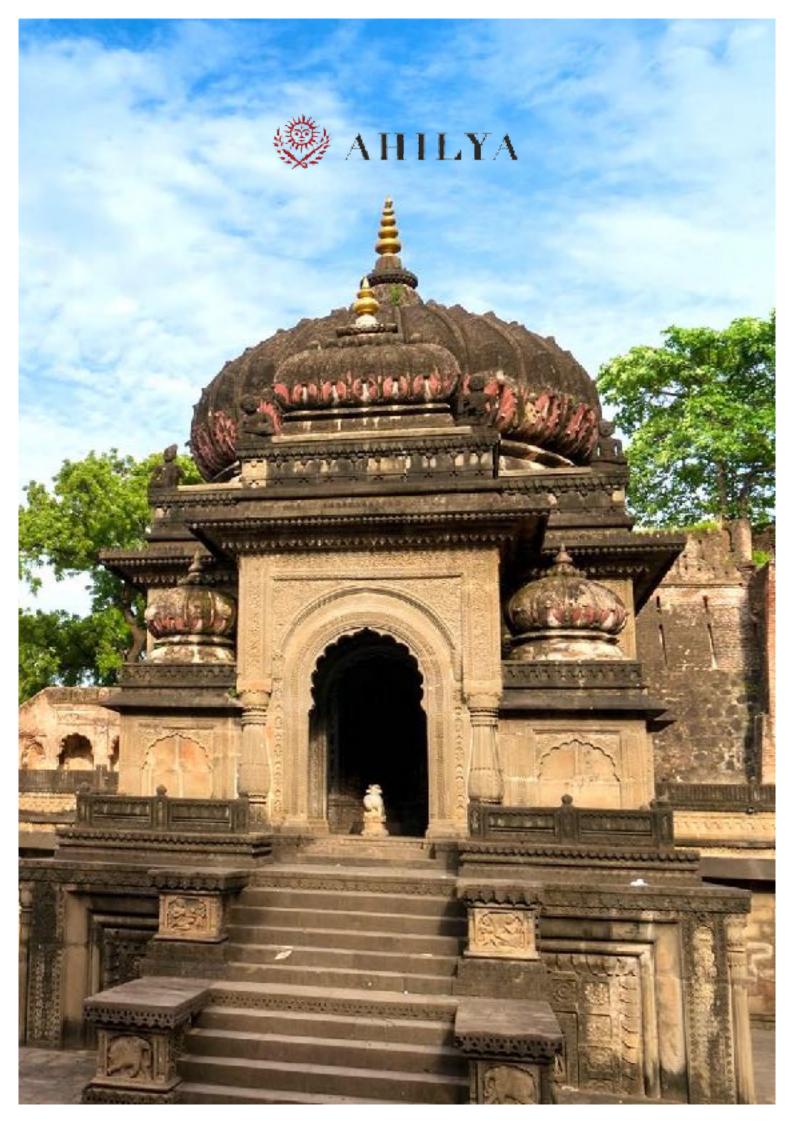




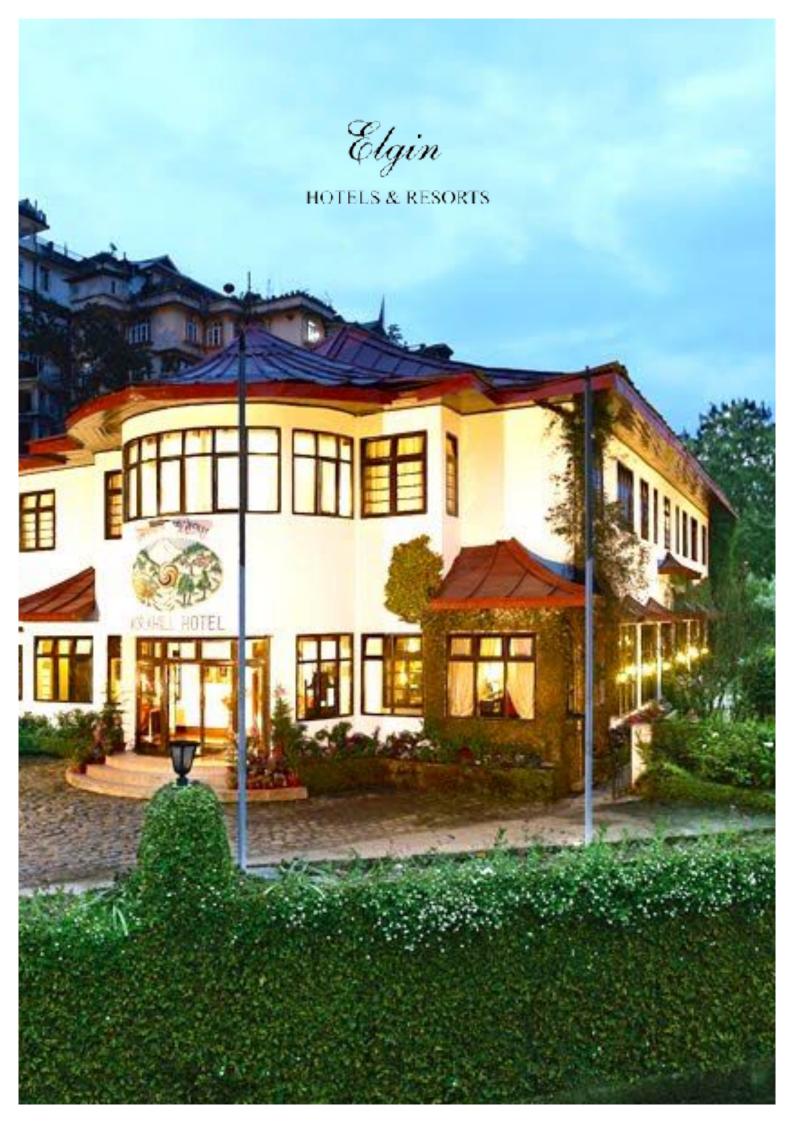


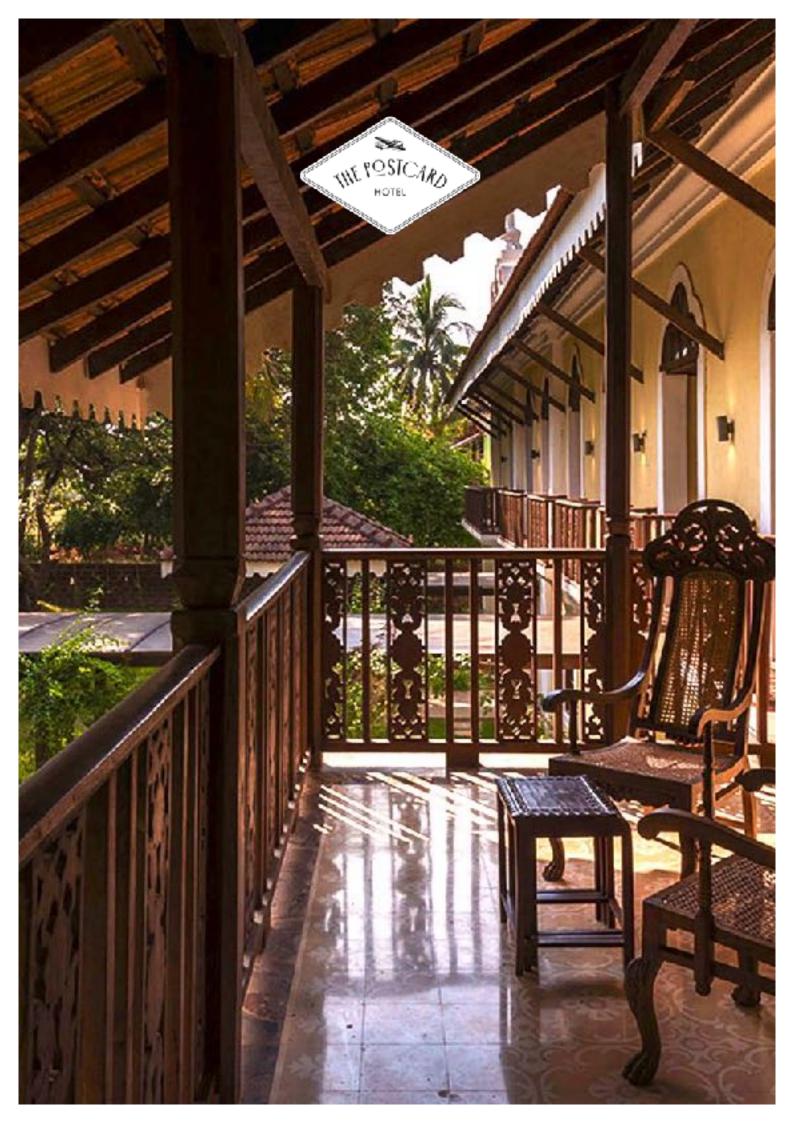


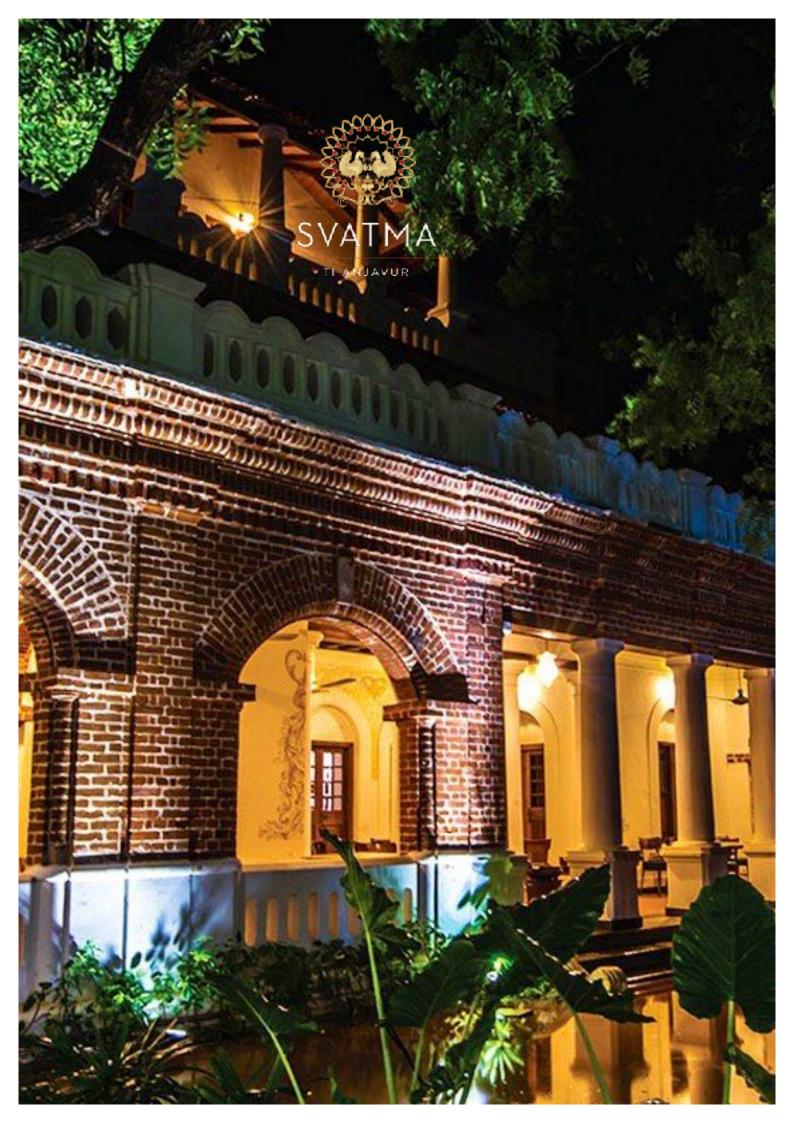


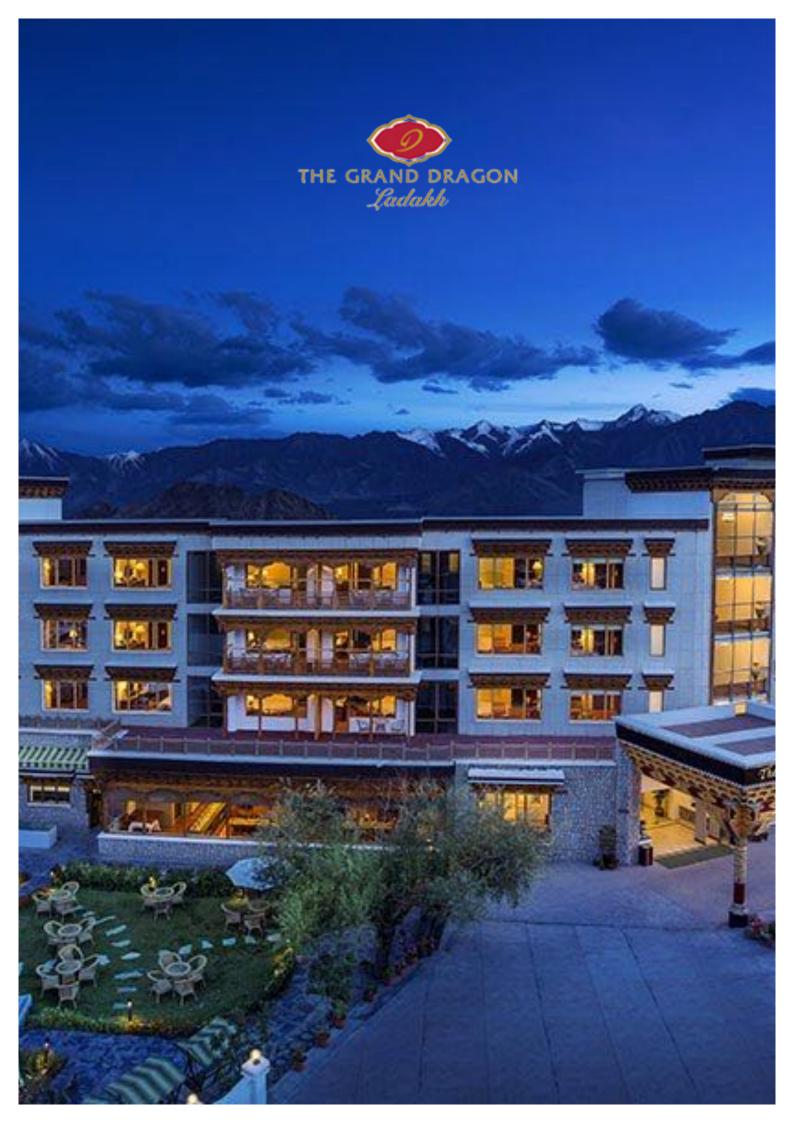


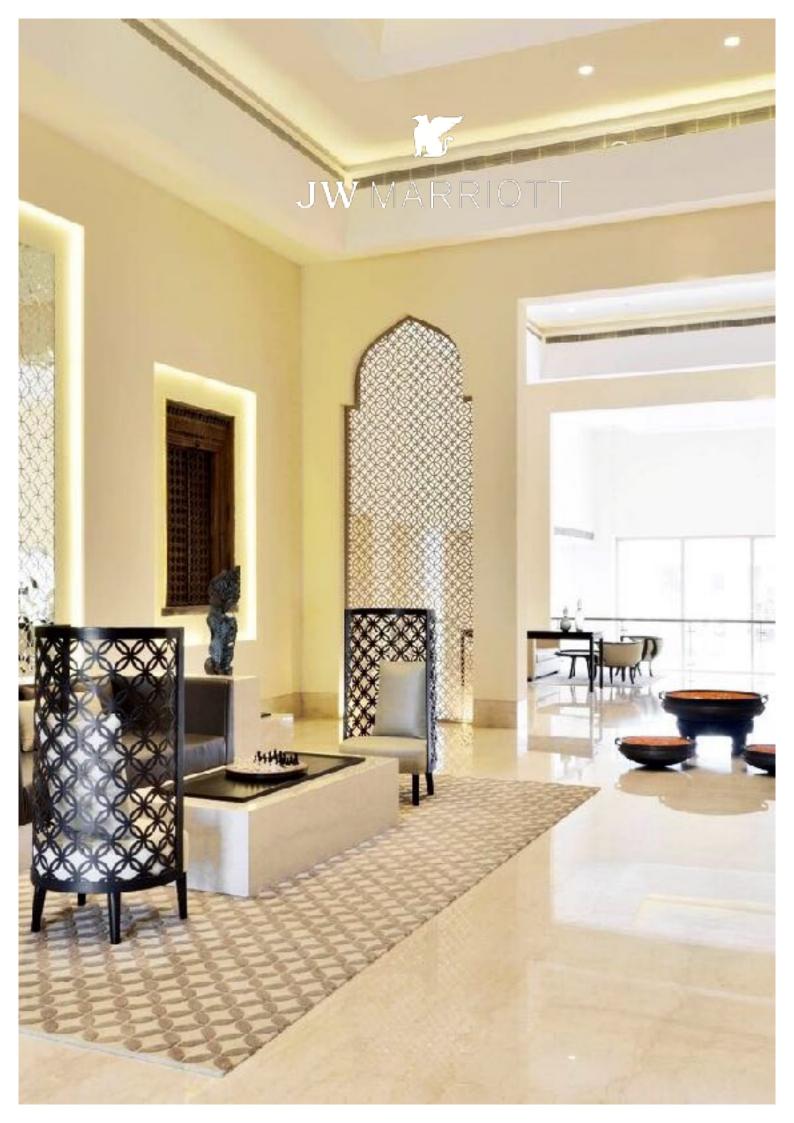




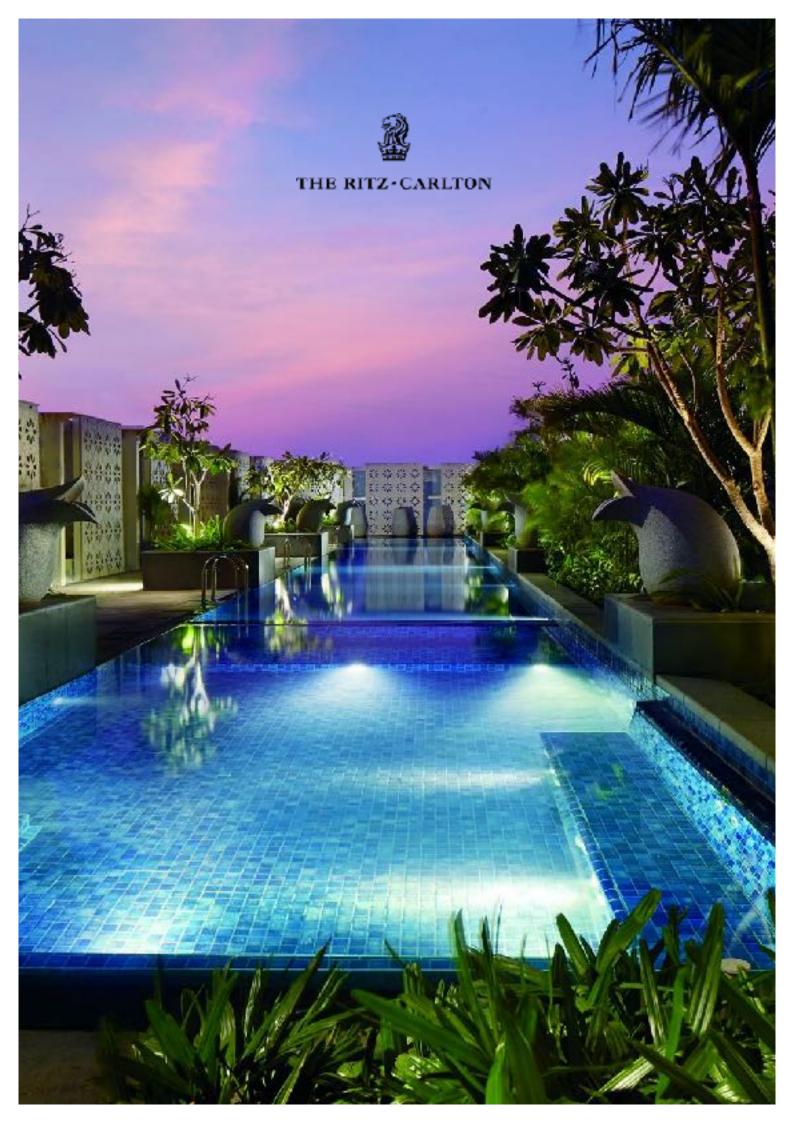


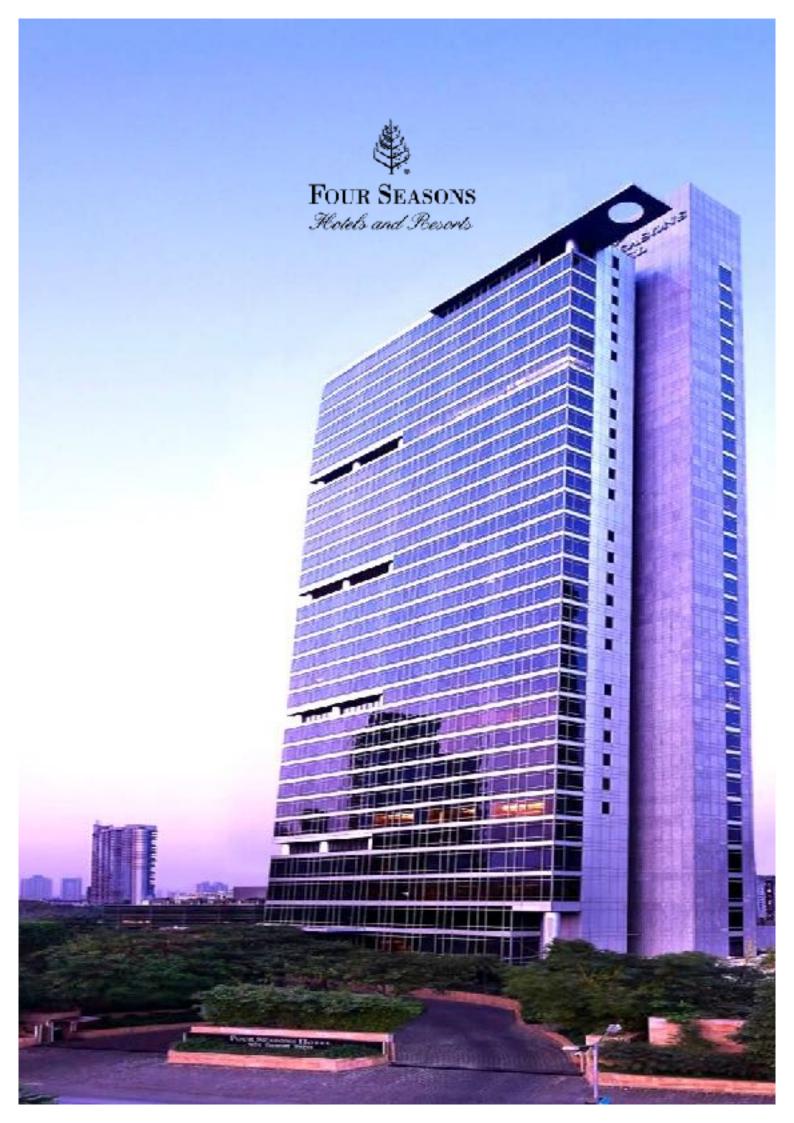




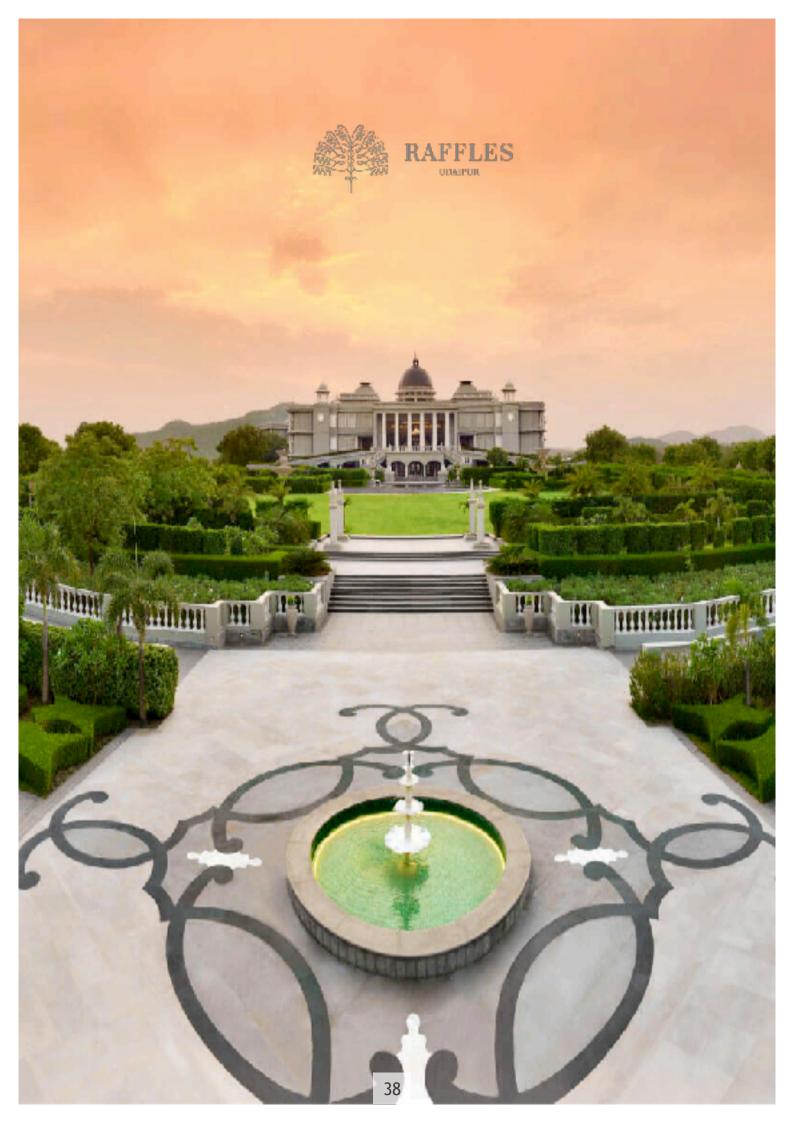
















NORTH INDIA

ENCOMPASSING REGAL MOUNTAIN RANGES, DESERT SANDS, FERTILE PLAINS, DENSE FORESTS AND ROARING RIVERS, NORTH INDIA IS CERTAINLY THE MOST VARIED AND VISITED REGION IN INDIA.

North India has rich history and has numerous ancient monuments that you can see during your Luxury North India journeys.

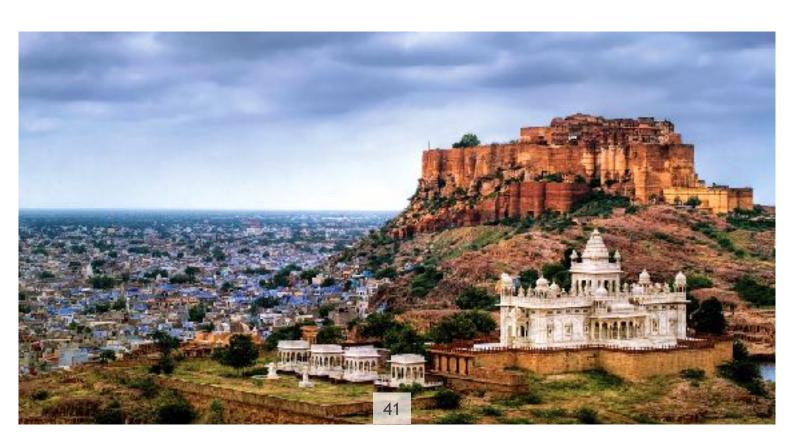
The region encompasses the states of Rajasthan, Punjab, Delhi, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Uttrakhand and Uttar Pradesh.

The place is rich in wildlife with numerous wildlife sanctuaries and national parks scattered across these states. These are home to exotic wild animals, migratory birds & plant species. Rajasthan, one of the most colourful and vibrant state is also located in this region. For adventure enthusiasts a visit to Leh/ Ladakh, Himachal and Uttarakhand will be a great experience. These states

provide trekking, rafting, motorbiking and para-gliding opportunities.

Encompassing regal mountain ranges, desert sands, fertile plains, dense forests and roaring rivers, North India is certainly the most varied and visited region in India. From the ancient Aravalli hill range that undulates through the western reaches, to the colossal snowy peaked Himalayas that dominate and frame the far reaches of the north, all add to the visual drama of this fascinating land.

Explore the majestic Himalayas, go on luxury spa therapies, explore Royal Rajasthan and Golden triangle of India on our special luxury north India tours.



EAST INDIA

THE STATES OF NORTHEAST INDIA OFFER AN INCREDIBLY DIVERSE HODGE PODGE OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL WONDER. VARIED CLIMATES AND LANDSCAPES ARE FOUND THROUGHOUT ITS REACHES, WHICH SPREAD ALONG THE BORDERS OF BHUTAN, TIBET, MYANMAR, AND BANGLADESH.

The region comprises the easternmost frontiers of India, consisting of the contiguous Seven Sister States: Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Sikkim, Tripura, Manipur and Nagaland.

Some 220 different ethnic groups and as many different dialects exist in this region, and the varying forms of art, dance, religion, & historic architecture unfold in an intriguing tapestry to reflect the diverse population. This land of heritage and ancient cities is very different from the rest of India, and visitors will experience some of the more typical Indian travel adventures with an extra dash of the raw and the rugged.

You will find the Seven Sister states home to the water-coloured, tea plantations of Assam, the ancient tribes of Nagaland and the magnolia clad mountain meadows of Sikkim peppered with monasteries wrapped in fluttering prayer flags, overlooked by the great Himalayas.

Nearby Darjeeling is set high up in cool, misty tea plantations where gentle walks and journeys on the celebrated Toy Train are a must. Drink in the tea scented countryside as the 'toy train', gently loops through the terraced tea plantations to the Victorian resort of Darjeeling.



WEST INDIA

BOUNDED BY THE SCORCHING THAR DESERT AND COOLED BY THE ARABIAN SEA, WEST INDIA IS RICH IN NATURAL RESOURCE, GOLDEN BEACHES, MIST SHROUDED JUNGLES, DESOLATE SALT PLAINS AND THE BRIGHT LIGHTS BIG CITY COMMERCIAL CAPITAL OF MUMBAI. THIS IS THE BIRTH PLACE OF GANDHI, AND MANY A DREAM.

Whether it is the desert locations of Gujarat or the exotic beaches of Goa, the fascinating hills of Maharashtra or the ancient caves of Ajanta and Ellora; west India journeys wait to leave you completely enthralled. Be it for a family vacation or a romantic holiday, the getaways of west India offer great options for all.

Located within easy accessibility, west India journeys and holidays are very comfortable alternatives, right from the very beginning.

Whether you are traveling from Delhi or any of the south Indian cities; west India can easily be reached at.

The topmost destinations in this circuit includes Mumbai, Aurangabad, Goa, Ahmedabad, Bhavnagar, and also Surat and Nashik.

Western India comprises three large states, one small state and two minuscule union territories. It is bounded by Pakistan and the Arabian Sea to its west and the Gangetic Plains to its east.

This is the most heterogeneous of India's regions, with the states differing dramatically from one another in language, culture and levels of economic development.



CENTRAL INDIA

THIS IS THE VERY HEART OF INDIA.

LANDLOCKED CENTRAL INDIA IS A LESS-VISITED REGION, CHALLENGING YET REWARDING TO EXPLORE. MUCH OF REMOTE AND UNINHABITED MADHYA PRADESH IS COVERED IN DENSE FOREST WHERE TIGERS RESIDE IN THE VERDANT NATIONAL PARKS, WHOSE GRASSLANDS, SAVANNAHS AND FORESTS INSPIRED KIPLING'S 'JUNGLE BOOK'.

Travel through the core of India; blessed with abundant natural beauty, peppered with a dose of medieval Hinduism, dotted with rugged wildness, and infused with rich tribal culture; Central India lures you for on an adventure of a lifetime.

This fascinating region takes you on a tour through the ancient cities, UNESCO-listed heritage monuments, spiritual stupas, and rip roaring tiger safari.

This region holds the largest wild population of the mighty Bengal Tiger and there are many wildlife parks to discover such as

Bandhavgarh National Park, Kanha National Park, Satpura National Park, Panna and Pench National Park. For a luxury holiday to Madhya Pradesh, you can choose from a wealth of wilderness dwellings from the Taj, to Samode, Jamtara and Sarai by Toria.

Central India is also home to the state of Chhattisgarh, a remote forested state known for its waterfalls and temples. The capital Raipur is home to the pretty Kawardha Palace, offering an authentic chance to go off the beaten track and discover rural and tribal central India.



SOUTH INDIA

THERE ARE MANY CULTURES, FAIRS, TEMPLES AND JUNGLES TO EXPERIENCE IN SOUTH INDIA. FROM GREEN PLANTATIONS OF TEA, SPICES, EXOTIC WILDLIFE, ANCIENT TEMPLES, BEAUTIFUL HILL STATIONS TO THE MOST EXOTIC VIRGIN SEA BEACHES

South India is a fascinating region with a wide range of experiences. Bordered by the Arabian Sea in the west, Bay of Bengal in the east and Indian Ocean in the South, the South Indian peninsula is the region encompassing the Indian states of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu as well as the union territories of Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep Islands and Pondicherry.

You can explore the wonders of backwaters at Kerala, see the abode of bygone ruins and fascinating landscape at Hampi, French colonies at Pondicherry, tea & coffee plantations at Ooty and Kodagu, historic temples at Madurai & Thanjavur and wildlife

at Nagarhole / Periyar National Park. The region is also known for its unique Authentic food and Classical dance forms. World renowned delicacies like Idli, Dosa, Sambar have their origins in this region.

For an alternative entrance to the south, start in Hyderabad. A Mughal city, once home to the richest man in the world, The Nizam of Hyderabad, the city is replete with many splendid palaces and luxury hotels.

For those seeking perfect journeys, this spot is worth visiting in tandem with the stunning natural backwaters. The trick with successful South India journeys is to do less, rather than more, and plan to go back!



INDIAN ISLANDS

INDIA HAS SOME OF THE MOST DIVERSE COASTLINE IN THE WORLD. WHETHER YOU LIKE POWDER-SOFT SANDY BEACHES, LAGOONS TEEMING WITH WILDLIFE, ROCKY AND RUGGED CLIFF TOPS OR REMOTE TROPICAL ISLANDS, INDIA CAN PROVIDE YOUR PERFECT SEASIDE ESCAPE.

What comes into your mind when you hear words like clear blue sky, azure verdant sea waters, serene ambiance and coconut palms swirling in the cool breeze?

Visualize yourself as soaking-in the sun, digging your feet in the sand and drinking your favorite spirit or exploring the colorful underwater world. You can do this and much more by visiting some of the most beautiful islands in India. These islands never fail to impress their visitors, while offering a rejuvenating vacation.

Visit to an island means different things to different people. While for some, it is just lazing around reading an interesting book,

but others it can be beach parties and water adventures. For even other people, an island visit would mean just admiring the tranquility and the stunning scenery. Some of the most beautiful islands in India are:

- Netrani Island A beautiful coral island.
- Grand Island.
- Great Nicobar Island.
- Barren Island.
- · Little Andaman Island.
- Lakshadweep Islands.
- St Mary's Islands.
- Island of Divar Close to the Goan Coast.
- Diu Island.
- Majuli Island Largest freshwater Island in the World.



THE SUNDERBANS

A UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE IS LOCATED AT THE SOUTH EASTERN TIP OF KOLKATA.

It got its name from one of the mangrove plants known as Sundari (Heritiera Minor). Sundarbans are a part of the world's largest delta, formed by the mighty rivers Ganga, Brahmaputra and Meghna.

Situated on the lower end of Gangetic West Bengal, the Sundarbans is criss-crossed by hundreds of creeks and tributaries. It is one of the most attractive and alluring places remaining on earth, a truly undiscovered paradise.

The Sundarbans is the largest single block of tidal, halophytic mangrove forests in the world. The name can be literally translated as beautiful jungle. it spans a vast area covering 4264 sq. km in India alone. It is the largest Tiger Reserve and National Park. Apart from being a unique largest mangrove eco-system of the world, the Sundarbans has

the world's largest deltaic mangrove forests and is also home to one of India's most iconic wildlife species - the Royal Bengal Tiger. It is also the world's largest estuarine forest crisscrossed by hundreds of creeks & tributaries, intersected by a network of tidal waterways, small islands of salt-tolerant mangrove forests and mudflats.

The interconnected network of waterways makes almost every nook and corner of the forest accessible by boats or rafts making it one of the most attractive and alluring places on earth and an undiscovered paradise.



DARJEELING

WHEN TEA MEETS TRAVEL AMAZING TEA TOURISM IN DARJEELING - THE QUEEN OF HILLS

India is the second largest manufacturer of tea and boosts atleast a dozen places, where tea plantations spread limitlessly. Picture perfect for wanderlust, here are our picks for the places that will guench your thirst for tea as well as travel.

Yes, the sun dawns and another day breaks.

But not for you. Your day breaks, when the first sip of tea pours down your throat, as you scroll through your phone and flip past morning papers to see a zillion exotic locales that entice you to join them on a holiday.

A feeling of bliss feels you up until your eyes notice six figures price tags that always ends with 'only' and your momentary travel fantasy is crushed. Not a nice image anymore?

A cup of tea has a perfect solution for you, in its origins.

Two leaves and a bud... yeah that's what teas are made up off. Enjoy the sheer pleasure of Tea Tourism. Visit to Tea Factory and enjoy the pleasure of watching tea being made; With acres of rolling tea bush and forest, Rivers and valley, Himalayan sunrise, Wildlife with diversified flora and Fauna, Home stay with tea planters, Tea Tasting sessions.

Experience and learn the fascinating process of tea making. The tea growers from this area developed distinctive hybrids of tea and fermenting techniques, with many blends considered among the world's finest.



KERALA BACKWATERS

EXPERIENCE THE TRANQUIL BACKWATERS OF ALLEPPEY & KUMARAKOM ON HOUSEBOAT / KETTUVALLAM VOYAGES AND ENJOY THE CHARM OF KERALA.

Wondering what are Kerala backwaters and why to witness them? The best way to know about them is to opt for one of them. With a long lasting list of backwater tours, this place is just one of its kind and extends a sense of freshness accompanied by picture-perfect backdrops of greens.

The backwaters of Kerala are a network of 1500 km-long canal both man-made and natural, 38 silent rivers and 5 big lakes extending from one end of Kerala to the other. The backwaters have a unique ecosystem - freshwater from the rivers meets the seawater from the Arabian Sea. In the middle of the waterways, there are many hidden islands, towns and cities.

The geographical condition of Kerala is so tremendous that there are maze-like waterways running almost across the state.

The lowest tide of the Arabian Sea, which has a high concentration of salt, enters these waterways and the backwater is formed.

Kerala's popularity as a tourist destination can be attributed to various factors – a wonderful tropical climate, Ayurveda, wildlife, forts, and most of all, backwaters.

Flanked by palm trees whose reflections form a perfect image on the clear waters, they present a spectacular sight.



GANGES - HOLY

THE GANGES RIVER – OR MOTHER GANGA AS 'SHE' IS BETTER KNOWN IN INDIA

– IS THE SPIRITUAL HEART OF THE COUNTRY, CONSIDERED BY HINDUS AS A

SACRED ENTITY AND THE PERSONIFIED FORM OF THE GODDESS GANGA.

The third largest river on Earth, the mighty Ganges is born in the glaciers of the Himalayas, flowing east through several states – Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal – before emptying into the Bay of Bengal.

The Ganges supports one of the highest density of human populations in the world. The vast delta fed by the Ganges is extremely fertile, producing crops such as wheat, potatoes, lentils, oil seeds, rice and sugarcane, which, along with its fishing industry, are all instrumental to India's agricultural economies.

For the living, a dip in this sacred river washes away previous negative karma.

Many Hindus also choose to make their final journey here so that their bodies may be cremated on the river's banks in order to attain Moksha or peace, at the time of death.

It is this very juxtaposition – the living pilgrims ritually bathing in the river a short way from the cremation ghats – that is both fascinating and somewhat perplexing.

Tourism is also important; for many a visit to the Ganges, and in particular to one of the many centres on the river — such as Varanasi, Allahabad or Haridwar — is the highlight of a tour to India and these cities also attract thousands of pilgrims to their waters.



GIR - THE LIONS

THE MAJESTIC HOME OF THE ROYAL JUNGLE KING

Gir National Park is a vitally important protected forest that is home to the last remaining wild population of the Asiatic lion in the world.

Besides Africa, Gir National Park in Gujarat is the only place in the world where you can spot lions roaming free in the wild.

Over beautiful beaches and old forts of Veraval and Junagadh lies the thick jungles of Sasan Gir which is believed to be the last refuge of magnificent Asiatic Lions - the sanctuary is spread in an area of 1412-sq-km and apart home to other varied species of animals, birds, plush flora.

Distinguishable from its African cousins by a fold of skin running along their bellies and slightly shorter manes on the males, they are muscular cats ambushing prey such as deer, nilgai and boar in the dry teak and acacia forests of the sanctuary. Prides are small, usually containing a couple of females and cubs, with males protecting small territories.

Sasan Gir is a place where wildlife is celebrated and preserved well enough to experience the lifestyle of jaw dropping beasts taking a leisure walk on their home land.

You can also spot leopard, striped hyena, honey badger, chinkara gazelle, porcupine, pangolin and jungle cat. Mugger crocodiles and monitor lizards can be found beside rivers, lakes and reservoirs within the park and birdlife is prolific with some 300-species recorded here.



BANDHAVGARH NP

HOME TO THE HIGHEST KNOWN DENSITY OF BENGAL TIGERS IN THE WORLD.

In the east of the vast Madhya Pradesh state, Bandhavgarh is one of India's most popular national parks and hosts what is thought to be the highest density of Bengal tiger in the country.

The national park was declared in 1968, but the human history here dates back many millennia. Cave paintings and the ancient ruined fort, from which the park takes its name, are thought to be 2000 years old and the forests were long maintained as a preserve for the Maharajas and their guests.

With a core area of 105 square km (41 square miles) and a buffer zone extending out to encompass over 446 square km (172 square miles), habitats here range from rugged hills to wide open valleys splitting grasslands flanked by Sal forests and bamboo thickets.

There is a rich biodiversity to be found and along with tigers, the park is home to leopards, sloth bears, dholes (Asian wild dogs), the four-horned chousingha, immense Indian bison, spotted deer, nilgai and even the occasional Indian wolf. There are also well over 150 bird species to spot, including pairs of graceful sarus cranes.

What to do

- · Morning & Evening game drives.
- Relax at your luxury safari lodge.
- Birdwatching.



KANHA NP

CENTRAL. INDIA'S LARGEST AND WILDEST NATIONAL PARK

Kanha Tiger Reserve is the largest national park in Madhya Pradesh. Right in the heart of central India, this sprawling protected area encompasses some 940km2 (360 square miles), double that when including the surrounding buffer zones, and is regarded as one of the best parks in the country for its safari.

With a wonderful diversity of forests and meadows, venture deep into the Kipling-inspiring jungle in search of tiger, of which there is a strong population here, as well as other enigmatic wildlife such as leopard, Indian wild dog, sloth bear, the enormous gaur and a species of barasingha swamp deer that is now only found in Kanha.

There is a plethora of deer and antelope species, from the nilgai to the diminutive mouse-deer, while lesser spotted creatures include the Indian wolf, pangolin, striped Hyena, jungle cat and honey badger. Typically for an Indian park, birding is prolific with some 300 species recorded.

Compared to other tiger parks, spotting apex predators here requires a little more exploration, meaning you get to really experience the forest as you roam.

Sightings a more private and rewarding affair, and for many, a more complete wildlife experience.



KAZIRANGA NP

Kaziranga, famous for its one-horned rhino, is one of the most remote national parks in India. It covers some 430 square kilometres of very varied terrain.

Sprawling over 430 square kilometres, Kaziranga National Park is the major attraction in Assam, a little-visited northeastern state which shares borders with Bangladesh and Bhutan, and is linked to the rest of India by a narrow corridor of land.

It is one of the last bastions of the endangered great Indian one-horned rhinoceros, whose population was believed to have dropped to just 12 in the 1950s but has since increased to more than 2,300.

Kaziranga's stunningly beautiful landscape comprises savannah grassland, the green and fertile plains of the Brahmaputra River, as well as evergreen, moist deciduous and swamp forests. It is a haven for over 300 species of birds, as well as wild elephants,

asiatic wild buffalos, tigers, leopards, sloth bears and many deer species.

Recognised as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Kaziranga National Park is one of the best parks in the country and it is a paradise for those who are passionate about wildlife and the environment. Kaziranga was created as a forest reserve in 1905 and it is now considered a huge conservation success story – however, poaching still remains a threat.

Aside from wildlife viewing, Kaziranga has a number of interesting activities for visitors. Go on a dolphin safari on the Brahmaputra to see the endangered and playful Gangetic Dolphin.



PANGONG LAKE -

Pangong Tso is a beautiful endorheic lake situated in the Himalayas and is 134 km long, extending from India to China. Pangong Lake is situated at a height of 4350 m and is one of the biggest tourist attractions of the country.

The beauty and allure of this lake has attracted people from all over the country and beyond. The lake is said to be in the process of being identified as a wetland with international significance under the Ramsar Convention & if everything goes as expected then the Pangong Lake will be the first in South Asia to be a trans-boundary wetland and that too under this convention.

The one factor that makes this Lake so popular is the fact that it keeps changing colors. Situated in the Himalayan range it is approximately 140 km from Leh in Ladakh.

The name of the lake Pangong was got from a Tibetan word Banggong Co that means a narrow and enchanted lake.

And now you know that the lake has got its name rightfully. You will know this when you visit the beautiful lake of Pangong.

You are sure to be enchanted by the charm. And because the lake is a long stretch, one third area of the lake lies within our country and the other two third portion lies with Tibet and is controlled by China.

Blessed with several breathtakingly beautiful lakes, Ladakh is no less than a paradise on the earth. The lakes of this gripping Northmost part of India are famous for their serenity and mesmerizing beauty. These lakes offer a fascinating landscape that spellbinds the travellers and make it hard for them to return.



DAL LAKE -

KNOWN AS THE JEWEL IN THE CROWN OF KASHMIR AND SRINAGAR'S JEWEL, DAL LAKE IS THE MOST IMPORTANT LANDMARK OF SRINAGAR.

Kashmir, known as the Venice of the East, is a paradise on earth, siting high in the Himalayas.

Reckoned to be the pride of Kashmir tourism, Dal Lake is the most popular attraction in Srinagar.

Enclosed by splendid Pir Panjal mountains and Mughal Gardens, this must-see place is ideal for family vacationers, honeymoon couples, and even for solo travellers seeking peace.

Dal Lake is also one of the best locations in Kashmir for film shooting as it offers some incredible vistas of lofty rolling hills, the distant snow-capped mountains, shikaras cruising quietly and the houseboat standing still with the perfect poise.

The canopied Shikaras sailing on the lake are one of the major attractions of Dal Lake. The houseboats on the lake are also the top attraction as the best accommodation option in Srinagar to the tourists.

Along with being a popular tourist attraction for nature lovers, Dal Lake even invites the fishing enthusiast with its plethora of fishes along with Carp. In addition to this, the floating vegetable and flower market is a major place to see.

Away from the lakes you can travel up into the hilly meadows and visit the world's highest cable car in the delightful hill station of Gulmarg.



DHARAMSHALA

SET IN INDIA'S HIMALAYAN FOOTHILLS OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, DHARAMSALA LITERALLY MEANS "A SPIRITUAL DWELLING" AND IT ATTRACTS MANY VISITORS FOR THIS REASON.

Dharamshala is one of the 80 hill stations established by the British between 1815 and 1847. It has a spectacular setting, close to the perennial snowline and built along a spur of the stunning Dhaula Dhar range. The town varies in height from 1,250 metres at the bazaar to 1,768 metres at McLeodganj.

Dharamsala is surrounded by deodar forests and provides a superb view of the great granite mountains that almost overhang the town and the dramatic monasteries dotted along the mountainside.

Thousands of Tibetans – refugees and pilgrims – have made McLeodganj their home and therefore the town has a strong Tibetan influence.

The town is separated into Upper and Lower Dharamsala. Lower Dharamsala is the busy bazaar town centre, which today is rather touristy.

Upper Dharamsala, or McLeodganj, is the headquarters of His Holiness Dalai Lama, who settled here following the Chinese invasion of Tibet in October 1959.

McLeodganj is named after the British Lieutenant-Governor of Punjab, Sir Donald Mcleod, and the area was developed as a potential summer capital, but this was not to be after the disastrous earthquake of 1905 destroyed much of the town.



GOLDEN TEMPLE

THE JEWEL OF THE PUNJAB AND CENTER OF THE SIKH FAITH

The largest city in Punjab and the centre of the Sikh faith, Amritsar is a fascinating and tangibly spiritual destination. It is both a bustling Indian city and a serene place of pilgrimage, and few fail to be moved by its splendour.

The Golden Temple in Amritsar, high in the Punjab near the border with Pakistan, is the most important site in the world for Sikhs. A two-storey marble structure with an imposing dome of pure gold, reflected in a surrounding sacred pool, it is a stunning sight. Founded in 1577 by Ram Das, it is always busy with thousands of pilgrims and tourists.

Pubjab is India's only Sikh-majority state, and it is best known for the Golden Temple, but it also has some interesting and little-visited princely palaces.

Originally founded in the 16th Century by the forth Sikh guru, Ram Das, the name Amritsar means "lake of nectar", referring to the water surrounding the Golden Temple. In the 17th and 18th Centuries, the city was repeatedly attacked over and pillaged as the Sikhs battled against Mughal and then Afghan forces.

In the 19th Century it was ruled over by Maharaja Ranjit Singh's Sikh Empire until it came under British rule in the 1840s. It became part of the Indian state of Punjab in 1947 during Partition.



AJANTA & ELLORA

A COMPARATIVE SECRET, THE UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE LISTED SITES OF AJANTA AND ELLORA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE MASTERPIECES OF RELIGIOUS ART AND ARE WELL WORTH THE EFFORT IT TAKES TO REACH THEM.

Unknown for 1,500 years except by wild animals and perhaps the local Bhil people, a spellbinding Ajanta Caves were rediscovered by accident in 1819 by John Smith, a young British cavalry officer on a tiger hunt.

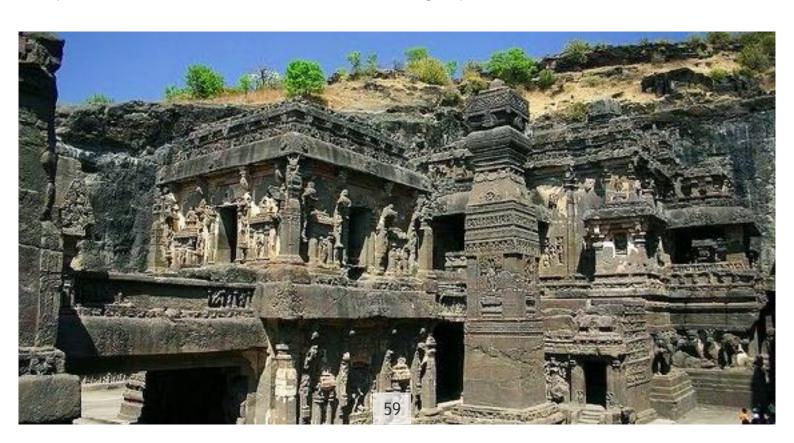
A two hour drive from Aurangabad in eastern Maharashtra, this magnificent work of art, architecture & contemplation was abandoned around AD 500 and comprises of 30 stunning Buddhist prayer halls and monasteries that are carved into a horseshoe-shaped rock face.

Ajanta's paintings and sculptures present a joyous vision of divine beauty and are magnificent examples of Graeco-Indian art. Later in date, the Ellora Caves represent the epitome of Indian rock-cut architecture and

were constructed between the 5th and 10th centuries AD. The 34 'caves' were hewn from the Charanandri hills by Hindu, Buddhist and Jain devotees and demonstrate the religious harmony prevalent during this period of Indian history.

Nearby, is the great 14th century fortress of Daulatabad, a site that was famously once the capital of the megalomaniac sultan Muhammed bin Tughluq who forcibly moved Delhi's entire population to this remote spot.

Named after the Mughal emperor Aurangzeb, the city of Aurangabad is the base for discovering Ajanta and Ellora. Founded in 1610, and known as the 'City of Gates', Aurangabad's reached its apogee in the late Mughal period.



GOKARNA

COAST INTO BALMY, PALMY GOKARNA FOR ANCIENT CULTURE WITH BEACHES TO SPARE.

The name Gokarna is made of two words, gau meaning cow and karna meaning ear, translating to cow's ear.

The reason for such a name is associated with its roots in mythology and also its geography. According to one story, the reason for naming this place Gokarna is because it is at the confluence of two rivers Gangavati and Aghanashini and this looks like a cow's ear.

On the shores of the Arabian Sea, Gokarna is a beach-buff favourite thanks to its array of palm-fringed options: the ever-popular Kudle and Om beaches are perfect for bar-hopping, but those in the know will seek sandy sanctuary in the seclusion of the quieter Half Moon and Paradise beaches.

Not just a pretty face, Gokarna is also a sacred Hindu pilgrimage spot – dive into the town's legend-laden past with a stroll through temple-clad streets; catch a glimpse of a deity, so the story goes, and you'll receive a blessing for your beach-side break.

Gokarna is a popular pilgrimage destination for Hindus, it's known for sacred sites like Mahabaleshwar Temple, which has a shrine dedicated to the deity Shiva.

The town is also home to beaches such as palm-lined Gokarna, in the center, plus Kudle and Om farther south.



TRIBAL EXPERIENCES

FOR LOVERS OF ALL THINGS TRIBAL IN NAGALAND, THERE IS A CERTAIN CELEBRATION THAT BLOWS AWAY OTHER TRIBAL GATHERINGS IN ASIA: THE HORNBILL FESTIVAL.

East India isn't visited as often as the subcontinent – despite having rhinos, the Himalayas, and a vibrant Buddhist culture in Arunachal Pradesh. But for lovers of all things tribal (photographers in particular), there is a certain celebration that blows away most other tribal gatherings in Asia: the Hornbill Festival.

Held in Nagaland in December, the Hornbill Festival, or "Festival of Festivals" as it is known, features the region's seventeen tribes in 10 days of cultural exhortation, competition and of course dancing.

Travelers will find Naga warriors, Angami dodgeball, and non-stop tribal experiences in

a celebration that has come to define Nagaland.

To get the best out of the experience, visitors would be well advised to use helicopters to get around. The roads to some of the most famous sights in Assam and East India are long, winding, and can often bumpy or dangerous.

So travelers wanting to see the Hornbill Festival should board their chopper to the rhinos of Kaziranga and the monks of Tawang Monastery before landing at Monand Kohima.



TOY TRAINS

Have you ever been on board a toy train and chugged up the heights? Experienced the breathtaking views of mountains or felt the fresh air of gold-green valleys stretching towards the horizon? If you haven't, we recommend you hop on these rails and embrace the journey.

India's toy trains are small trains that run on historic mountain railway lines, built by the British in the late 19th century and early 20th century to provide access to their hill settlements. Although these trains are slow and can take up to 8 hours to reach their destinations, the scenery is beautiful, making the journeys really worthwhile.

Three of the mountain railways -- the Kalka-Shimla Railway, Nilgiri Mountain Railway, and Darjeeling Himalayan Railway -- have been recognized as UNESCO World Heritage Sites as they are outstanding living examples of enterprising engineering solutions.

- Kalka-Shimla Railway, Himachal Pradesh.
- · Nilgiri Mountain Railway, Tamil Nadu.
- · Matheran Hill Railway, Maharashtra.
- Kangra Valley Railway, Himachal Pradesh.
- Darjeeling Himalayan Railway, West Bengal.

Some of them are still hauled by steam locomotive which is the main attraction for several tourists.

These trains have featured in many Indian movies. It is very difficult to say which one of these is the best train but all these trains have its own attraction.



LUXURY CRUISING

DISCOVER THE RICH CULTURE OF INDIA'S RIVERS.

India is a world of colour and culture. The country is diverse and offers so many experiences for those wishing to find out more. Embarking on a river cruise in India allows you to see this extraordinary country in a way like you'd never imagined.

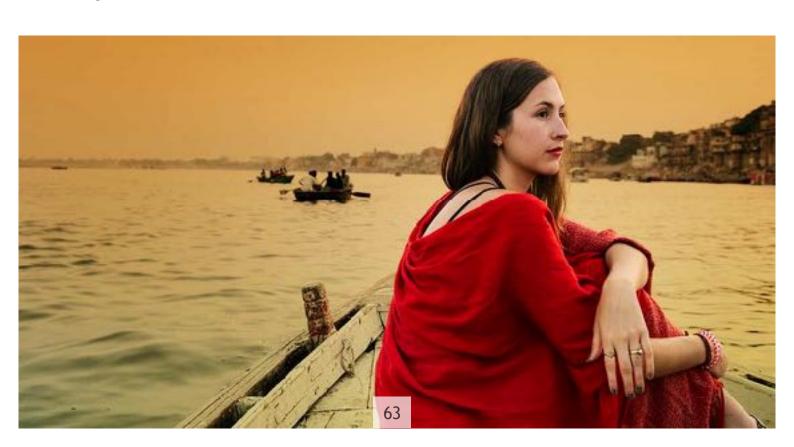
Our India cruises take place on not only the lower and upper River Ganges but soon also the Brahmaputra River Cruise.

Both of these rivers are of major importance to India, offering a place of worship as well as historically important towns and cities forming life on the banks.

The Ganges River winds 2,525km through India and across the border into Bangladesh. It begins its journey in the Himalayas in the Indian state of Uttarakhand and flows through the Gangetic Plain of India and into Bangladesh before it is released into the Bay of Bengal.

The Brahmaputra is also a trans-boundary river, flowing through China, India and Bangladesh. The River enters India in the state of Arunachal Pradesh, where it is called Siang. It continues across the plains where its name changes once again to Dihang. It enters the state of Assam and becomes as wide as 20 km in some parts. Below are the luxury Cruises in India.

- Pandaw Cruises
- Antara Cruises
- Vivada Cruises
- Jalesh Cruises
- · The Oberoi Motor Vessel Vrinda
- Costa neoClassica Cruise



CULINARY TOURS

INDIAN CUISINE HAS EVOLVED OVER A PERIOD OF 5000 YEARS, AND, SHAPED BY THE INFLUENCES OF RELIGIOUS BELIEFS, SOCIAL CUSTOMS AND FOREIGN INFILTRATIONS, OFFERS A VALUABLE INSIGHT INTO THE DIVERSE CULTURES OF THIS EXOTIC SUBCONTINENT.

Famed the world over for its cuisine, India can entice visitors for its gastronomic journeys alone.

Let your taste buds be tantalised with street food tours, traditional home cooking, gastronomic hot spots and regional culinary delicacies.

India's cuisine can be as varied as its culture and landscape. From the smoldering tandoors and slow cooked, meaty delights of Rajasthan and the Awadhi cuisine of Lucknow, – rich in mutton, paneer and deep spices, to the snack obsessed Gujarat, with its vegetarian delights.

In West Bengal enjoy the subtle Bekti fish curries and sweet plump, pastel hued mithai.

In the South, Hyderabad, the most southern stronghold of the Mughal Empire is renowned for its fragrant biryanis, as is Goa for its spiced seafood & delicate coconut curries.

Take a cooking class at the colonial Siolim House, a beautiful Portuguese manor house situated in North Goa. Both Kerala and Tamil Nadu offer distinctive cuisine, from the tantalising vegetarian thalis to idlis, delicious dosas and pungent, peppery Chettinad masalas.



WINE TOURS

LUSH GREEN VINEYARDS ARE WAITING FOR YOU...

Wine makes the world shine! Sipping on and clinking that sparkling glass of wine as you watch the golden sunset kissing acres of vineyard – This is something wine-lovers cannot help but picture.

Relaxing in an open meadow with a glass of your favourite wine sounds alluring. India has an age-old history with wines. Wine making in India started around 5,000 years ago. The tradition of making wine started during the Mughal rule. At present, India is home to some of the finest vineyards in the world.

Every year, thousands of wine lovers visit these vineyards to taste their favourite blend of wine and experience the art of wine manufacturing. These wine tours are gaining popularity with wine connoisseurs all over the world. To match the rising expectation of wine lovers, we organise special wine tours that will take explorers to beautiful orchards and

vineyards located in the country. Experience an ultimate wine tours and have a good time by surveying unique wineries and tasting some of the finest wines.

We bring you unique and best in class wine tours through different vineyards in India. Here is the list of some of the best vineyards in the country.

- · Sula Vineyards, Nashik.
- Four Seasons Vineyards, Pune.
- · Chateau D'Ori, Dindori.
- · Grover Vineyards, Bengaluru.
- York Winery.
- · Zampa Wines, Nashik.
- Fratelli Wines, Akluj.



ECO TOURISM

A REFRESHING JOURNEY THROUGH A HIGHLY DIVERSIFIED NATURE.

With more traveling comes bigger responsibility! The sooner we understand this, the better it is for us and nature around.

Stretching from the Himalaya to coast to coast legacy, India with its highly diversified nature is one of the popular eco-tourism destinations in the world.

Whether it is the backwaters of Kerala or shifting sand dunes of Thar Desert... the wetlands in the Himalayan region or natural caves in the Khasi and Garo hills, India throughout the decades has been a one stop eco-tourism hub housing a good population of flora and fauna.

Thenmala in Kerala is the first planned ecotourism destination in India created to cater to the Eco-tourists and nature lovers.

The country is just not about tracing the historical diorama BUT the pleasure treasure pours when you roam like a nomad to seek the natural panorama.

There are several ways to enjoy Mother Nature in most pristine way. Let's go for a refreshing journey through some of the best ecotourism destinations in India.

Ladakh | Himachal Pradesh | Delhi | Uttarakhand | Arunachal Pradesh | Meghalaya | Assam | Sikkim | Karnataka | Kerala



RURAL TOURISM

THE VILLAGE LIFE OF INDIA SHOWCASES A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT WORLD WHERE ONE CAN LOST IN THE AROMA OF SIMPLE YET INTERESTING VILLAGE LIFE AND LEAVE BEHIND THE CHAOS OF CITIES AND TOWN IN AND OUTSIDE INDIA

The growth in the India rural tourism market in recent years means that many Indian villages have now found a place on the tourist map.

Not only does it provide the villagers with a much needed additional source of income, visitors are able to interact with them and gain a rare insight into their way of life. They say the heart of India lies in her villages. Here are some top ways of experiencing them.

If you're concerned about having to sacrifice your comforts, don't be. There are luxury accommodation options too in some places!

Here are the list of poplar Rural tourism places in India.

- · Artisan villages in Great Rann of Kutch.
- Itmenaan Lodges Punjabiyat.
- Tora Eco Resort: Sundarbans.
- · Chhotaram Prajapat's: Jodhpur.
- · Goat Village: Uttarakhand.
- · Chandoori Sai: Pottery Village Odisha.
- The 4tables Project: Himachal Pradesh.
- Lakshman Sagar: Rajasthan.
- · Bhoramdeo Jungle Retreat: Chattisgarh.
- Kila Dalijoda: Odisha.
- · Dirang Cottages: Arunachal Pradesh.
- Grassroutes: Maharashtra.



SPORTS TOURISM

SPORTS TOURISM, WHICH IS FAST EMERGING AS THE MOST INFLUENTIAL SEGMENT WITHIN THE WORLD TRAVEL INDUSTRY, IS ALL TIME FAMOUS AND WELL KNOWN IN INDIA AS WELL.

Sports tourism is becoming very popular as more people choose to travel to engage in or watch matches and events like Football, Cricket, NBA, Tennis, Olympic, Asian games, Commonwealth games, Formula 1 races and much more.

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Palace on Wheels :: 07 Nights | 08 Days

Delhi | Jaipur | Jaisalmer | Jodhpur | Sawai Madhopur | Chittaurgarh | Udaipur | Bharatpur | Agra | Delhi

The Palace on Wheels is a royal luxury train of India. A collection of the royal coaches of the Maharajas of India, this majestic train offers you a heritage ride back to a royal time.

Indian Maharaja :: 07 Nights | 08 Days

Delhi | Agra | Jaipur | Sawai Madhopur | Udaipur | Aurangabad | Mumbai

As the wind whispers through the halo of legends crowning the land of the mighty Marathas, a lone majestic whistle blows its salutation of honor as it gracefully traverses this land of fantastic fantasy.

Royal Rajasthan on Wheels :: 07 Nights | 08 Days

Delhi | Jaipur | Jaisalmer | Jodhpur | Sawai Madhopur | Chittaurgarh | Udaipur | Bharatpur | Agra | Delhi

A lot has been expected of the Royal Rajasthan on Wheels even before it has started running. A lot of this hype surrounded the facilities that it was supposed to offer – never before had such good and varied benefits been available in the history of Indian luxury trains.

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Holi Festival Tour (Feb – Mar)

06 Nights | 07 Days Delhi | Agra | Jaipur | Delhi

The Holi festival commemorates the victory of good over evil, particularly the burning and destruction of a demoness named Holika. This was made possible with the help of Hindu god of preservation, Lord Vishnu.

Holi got its name as the "Festival of Colors" from the childhood antics of Lord Krishna, a reincarnation of Lord Vishnu, who liked to play pranks on the village girls by drenching them in water and colors.

In parts of India, Holi is also celebrated as a spring festival, to provide thanksgiving for an abundant harvest season.

Khajuraho Dance Festival (Feb – Mar)

12 Nights | 13 Days

Delhi | Mandawa | Jaipur | Ranthambore | Agra | Orchha | Khajuraho | Varanasi | Mumbai

Khajuraho Dance Festival is the celebration of the traditional dance forms against the backdrop of the UNESCO World Heritage Sites. The cultural presentation is an intriguing spectacle of art and traditions of India presented in the form of dance. The site stands as a testimony to Indian culture and traditions.

Thus, is considered ideal to present the classical forms of dance. As the winters pass to make for spring, the Dance Festival is organized. Spectators from all over the world attend the demonstration of art in the dance form.

Gangaur Festival Tour: Jaipur (March)

13 Nights | 14 Days Delhi | Mandawa | Bikaner | Jaisalmer | Jodhpur | Jojawar | Jaipur | Agra | Bharatpur | Delhi

The festival of Gangaur is the one of the most auspicious occasion that from a tourist point of view is the most charming event one should attend.

This festival is unique and celebrated with women centric theme where prayers are offered to Goddess Gangaur who is believed to be the incarnation of Goddess Durga, the deity who is a mark of power, love, forgiveness, motherly care and enlightenment from all sorrows.

Mewar Festival Tour– Udaipur (March)

14 Nights | 15 Days

Delhi | Agra | Jaipur | Pushkar | Udaipur | Mount Abu | Ranakpur | Jodhpur | Bikaner | Mandawa | Delhi

Mewar festival is observed to welcome the arrival of spring season with all zest and dedication in Udaipur, Rajasthan. The spirit of the festival can be seen throughout the state of Rajasthan, since Udaipur has been always the governing place of the Mewar rulers, you will find its exact flavor in the city of Udaipur.

Mewar Festival of Udaipur is a major festival of Rajasthan and is famous all over India for its liveliness.

Pushkar Festival Tour (November)

13 Nights | 14 Days

Delhi | Mandawa | Bikaner | Jaisalmer | Jodhpur | Udaipur | Pushkar | Jaipur | Agra | Delhi

Pushkar is a unique gem amongst the grandeur of Rajasthan. Pushkar is internationally known for its colorful cattle fair when thousands of devotees from all faiths assemble to take a dip in the holy lake.

"Rajasthani" Dance, "Rajasthani" music, gailyattired folks and various cultural events make the Pushkar so attractive for the tourists. Pushkar cattle and camel fair is a grand event in which around 200 000 people participate.

Ladakh Annual Festival Tour (September)

14 Nights | 15 Days

Delhi | Chandigarh | Kalka | Shimla | Manali | Keylong | Sarchu | Leh | Alchi | Lamayuru | Leh | Pangong | Leh | Delhi

This festival is celebrated in September in Leh town. The large scale festival showcases the cultural richness of different communities and tribes of Ladakh.

The event includes traditional folk dances and songs, vernacular sports like polo game and archery contests, exhibitions of thangkas and handicrafts, monastic dances, food fest and local Chang (liquor) testing sessions. During the festival, you can also savour organic vegetables and fruits as the harvest season sets in.

Kumbh Mela Tour (March)

15 Nights | 16 Days

Delhi | Amritsar | Dharamshala | Shimla | Haridwar | Delhi | Jaipur | Agra | Jhansi | Khajuraho | Varanasi | Mumbai

Kumbh Mela is the largest religious gathering in the world. Kumbh Mela is a sacred Hindu pilgrimage that occurs four times every twelve years and rotates among four locations of India: Allahabad, Haridwar, Ujjain, Nasik.

During Kumbh Mela spiritual gathering of thousands of sadhus and pilgrims come from all over the world. The most important features of this Mela are furious and exotic Naga Sadhus covered in ash, matted hairs and are known as preserver of faith.

Diwali, Festival of Lights (Oct - Nov)

14 Nights | 15 Days

Delhi | Udaipur | Jodhpur | Jaisalmer | Bikaner | Jaipur | Agra | Varanasi | Mumbai

The festival signifies the victory of brightness of over darkness when plenty of diyas and lights eradicate the darkness of the New Moon.

Diwali is a festival of twinkling lights, shopping gifts, wearing new dresses, gleaming diyas, beautiful rangolis, decorating homes, bursting crackers and savouring delicious cuisines. It is no doubt one of the most awaited and biggest festivals in India that comes loaded with unsurpassed enthusiasm, high spirits and endless joy.













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