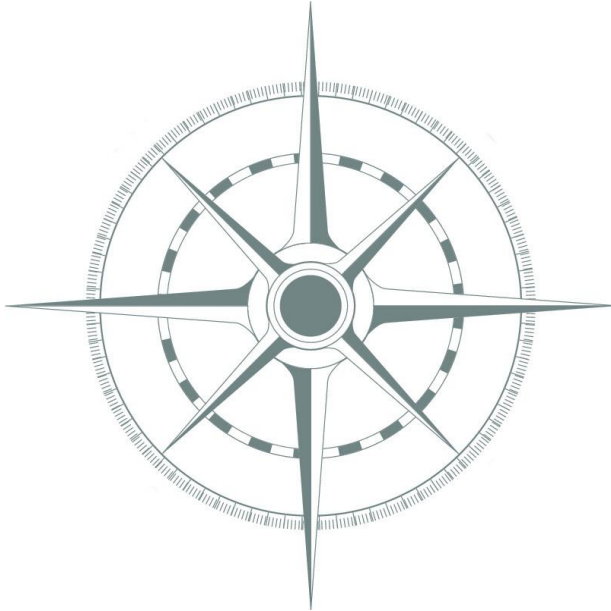


TAILOR-MADE ITINERARY TO INDIA



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Day 1 - Tuesday 8 November 2016

Flights not booked by Cox & Kings. Flight details advised to Cox & Kings are as follows:

Flight: Emirates Dublin to Dubai flight EK 164
This is a non-stop flight (journey time is 7 hours 25 minutes)

Departing from: Dublin, Terminal: 2
Reporting time: 17:50
Departure time: 20:50
Arrival date: 9 Nov 2016

Meals: None other than those served on your flight.

Day 2 - Wednesday 9 November 2016

Arrival time in Dubai, Terminal 3: 08:15

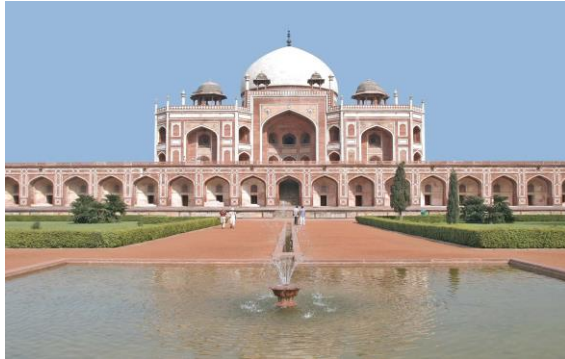
Flight: Emirates Dubai to Delhi flight EK 516
This is a non-stop flight (journey time is 3 hours 15 minutes)

Departing from: Dubai, Terminal: 3
Reporting time: On arrival
Departure time: 10:00
Arrival time in Delhi Indira Gandhi International Airport, Terminal 3: 14:45

Area Information: Delhi

There is perhaps no other capital city in the world so steeped in history and legend as the Indian capital, Delhi. It was the magnet that drew the Mongols, Turks, Persians, Afghans, Mughals and, more recently, the British, all of whom contributed to its glorious but turbulent history. The fascination with Delhi was such that even though it was abandoned many times, its rulers returned to it again and again, rebuilding it at least seven times. Today, the adjoining cities of Old and New Delhi are home to countless wonders. In the densely populated old city there is the mighty Mughal-built

Red Fort, the vast Jama Masjid Mosque and, between the two, the bustling lanes of Chandni Chowk where a bewildering array of wares are traded. In New Delhi, designated as the capital by the British in 1911, there are the grand Lutyens-designed government buildings, the majestic India Gate war memorial, the thriving hub of Connaught Circus, and broad leafy streets radiating outwards giving much of the city a park-like feel.

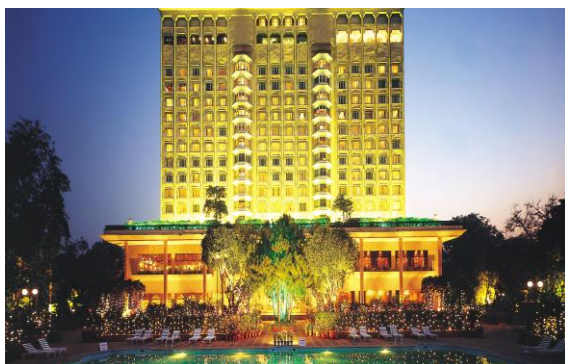


Humayun's Tomb, Delhi

Transfer: You will be met and taken to your hotel.

Accommodation: The Taj Mahal Hotel for 2 nights

Located in the lush greens of Lutyens' New Delhi and a member of Leading Hotels of the World, the Taj Mahal offers 294 rooms including 27 suites. Facilities at the hotel include a shopping arcade and swimming pool, while golf and tennis can be arranged on request. Meals can be taken at three of the hotel's restaurants; Machan, a 24-hour eatery; Varq, with modern Indian cuisine; or the House of Ming, Delhi's most celebrated Chinese restaurant serving authentic Sichuan and Cantonese fare.



The Taj Mahal Hotel, Delhi

Meals: None other than those served on your flight.

Day 3 - Thursday 10 November 2016

Excursion: Morning tour of Old Delhi

Shah Jahan founded the city of Shahjahanabad, now referred to as Old Delhi, in 1648. The famous Red Fort in the heart of Old Delhi was once the most opulent fort of the Mughal empire and it boasts the Diwan-i-Am, Hall of Public Audience; and the Diwan-i-Khas, Hall of Private Audience. A short drive from the fort is the Jama Masjid, one of the largest mosques in the world, built by Shah Jahan to dominate his city. The Raj Ghat is the location of Gandhi's cremation. Your tour will include visits to the Red Fort, the Jama Masjid mosque and Raj Ghat.

The Red Fort is closed on Mondays.

Afternoon at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast with lunch or dinner

Day 4 - Friday 11 November 2016

Excursion: Morning tour of New Delhi

When the British chose Delhi as their capital in 1911, they appointed two architects, Sir Edwin Lutyens and Sir Herbert Baker, to plan and build a new city to rival the fabled cities of the Mughals. New Delhi was thus built in true colonial style with tree-lined avenues, colonial bungalows, the Parliament House, the War Memorial Arch and the Viceregal Palace, now the official residence of the President of India. Alongside these British architectural gems are several monuments commemorating other occupants of Delhi including the Emperor Humayun and the Muslim saint, Nizamuddin Auliya. Indigenous Indian monuments include Jantar Mantar, the observatory built by Raja Jai Singh of Jaipur, and the Birla Mandir, a modern marble Hindu temple. During your tour you will drive past India Gate and the President's Palace and visit the tomb of the Mughal Emperor Humayun, and the pre-Mughal monuments including Iltutmish's tomb, Qutb Minar and the tomb of Isa Khan.

Road Journey: Drive from Delhi to Agra, a distance of 202km and journey time of approximately 4 hours.

Area Information: Agra

To the southeast of Delhi lies the relatively young city of Agra. The earliest reference to Agra can be found in the epic Mahabharata where it is referred to as the Agravana. It was from the 16th century onwards, however, that Agra rose to prominence as the capital of the Mughals when the city was beautified with gardens, waterfalls, bathhouses and canals. Today the bustling streets of Agra are home to a thriving carpet industry, leather workers and of course marble and sandstone sculptors, some of whom claim to be descendants of the craftsmen who helped build the great Taj Mahal.

The Taj Mahal is undergoing exterior refurbishment work and different parts of the building will have scaffolding erected during this process. The expected date of completion is Summer 2018.



Taj Mahal, Agra

Accommodation: The Gateway Hotel Fatehabad Road Agra for 2 nights

The Gateway Hotel Fatehabad Road Agra is a modern first-class hotel conveniently located only a short drive from the Taj Mahal. Some of the rooms on the higher floors offer views of the majestic marble mausoleum itself. Set within 3 hectares of landscaped gardens, the hotel has a restaurant serving traditional Indian and Chinese meals accompanied by live dancing or music performances. The rooftop terrace provides a small oasis from the buzz of the city of Agra below and offers views of both the Taj Mahal and the Red Fort.

Features: 100 rooms, Wi-Fi, swimming pool, spa, gym, tennis court, 2 restaurants, bar, rooftop terrace.

Room amenities: Television, writing desk, hairdryer, safe, minibar, tea & coffee facilities, en suite bathroom. Some of the rooms offer views of the Taj Mahal.



The Gateway Hotel Fatehabad Road Agra, Agra

Meals: Breakfast with lunch or dinner

Day 5 - Saturday 12 November 2016

Excursion: Sunrise visit to the Taj Mahal

Visit the Taj Mahal in the changing light of the rising sun, a truly magical time to gaze in wonder at this ode to eternal love, built by Shah Jahan on the death of his bride Mumtaz Mahal. Emperor Shah Jahan said on its creation that it made 'the sun and the moon shed tears from their eyes'. The Taj Mahal is widely recognised as the world's most beautiful monument. It was built over a period of 20 years, starting in 1632, by 20,000 labourers and craftsmen, and displays superb craftsmanship. The close up detail of the Taj Mahal is as exquisite as the overall architectural design, with semi-precious stones and beautiful patterns covering the marble surface. Not long after it was finished Shah Jahan was overthrown and imprisoned in Agra Fort where, for the rest of his days, he could only gaze out at the Taj Mahal through a window. Following his death in 1666, Shah Jahan was buried here alongside his treasured Mumtaz.

Excursion: Half-day tour of Agra Fort and the 'baby Taj'

Akbar began Agra Fort in 1565, with additions to the citadel being made through to the time of Akbar's grandson, Shah Jahan. The citadel consists of marble palaces, ornate alcoves and terrace pavilions. Continue to the tomb of Itmad-ud-Daulah. Often referred to as the 'baby Taj', the tomb was built by the Empress Noor Jahan in memory of her father, Itmad-ud-Daulah. An exquisite building, the 'baby Taj' is thought to be a forerunner of the Taj Mahal.

Excursion: Evening visit to Mehtab Bagh

Watch the sun set over the Taj Mahal from Mehtab Bagh, the moonlit garden and an extension of the Taj Mahal which lies on the opposite bank of the Yamuna river. In 1652, Aurangzeb wrote to his father telling of a visit to 'the blessed tomb' and commenting that 'the Mehtab Garden was completely inundated and has lost its charm, but soon it will regain its verdancy. The octagonal pool and the pavilion around it are in splendid condition'. Re-excavated in the 1990s, the site features a huge octagonal tank with fountains, which suggests that the garden complex was used in the cool of the night as a place from which to view the Taj Mahal.

Meals: Breakfast with lunch or dinner

Day 6 - Sunday 13 November 2016

Road Journey: Today you will drive from Agra to Jaipur, a distance of 235km and a journey time of approximately 8 hours including a stop for lunch (payable locally) and a visit to Fatehpur Sikri.

The magnificent deserted red sandstone city of Fatehpur Sikri with its forts, palaces and mosques is located 37km from Agra. The city, designed as a tribute to the Sufi saint, Sheikh Salim Chisti, who had predicted the birth of Akbar's son and heir, was begun in 1571 and was abandoned just 15 years later due to a shortage of water.

Area Information: Jaipur

Built in 1727, Jaipur, the capital of Rajasthan, was the dream of the brilliant Rajput ruler, Jai Singh. Known as the 'pink city' due to the pink stucco walls, the city is remarkable for the modern-style width and regularity of its ancient streets. Within the city the main focus is the huge palace complex, still home to the Maharaja, which includes the Hawa Mahal 'Palace of the Winds' façade, formal gardens, a fascinating museum of the Maharajas' lavish possessions and Sawai Jai Singh's Jantar Mantar observatory. Just outside Jaipur, on top of a hill, lies the magnificent fort palace of Amber. Jaipur is also a delight for those seeking traditional Indian crafts, including jewellery, silver and silk.



Amber Fort, Jaipur

Accommodation: The Gateway Hotel Ramgarh Lodge Jaipur for 3 nights

Built in the late 1930s, The Gateway Hotel Ramgarh Lodge Jaipur (previously Ramgarh Lodge) was once the favourite hunting retreat of the Maharaja of Jaipur. Located around 40km from Jaipur, this rustic lodge set in the forested Aravalli exudes an air of history. The lodge was converted into a hotel in the late 1980s and is now managed by the Taj group of hotels. All 13 rooms and suites are spacious, comfortably furnished, combine history with contemporary style and overlook either the rugged Aravalli Mountains or the landscaped gardens. Other facilities include a dining room with a colonial atmosphere, outdoor swimming pool and tennis court.



The Gateway Hotel Ramgarh Lodge, Jaipur



The Gateway Hotel Ramgarh Lodge

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 7 - Monday 14 November 2016

Excursion: Full-day tour of Jaipur and the Amber Fort

You will take a morning excursion to the ancient Rajput capital of Amber, located on a hill 11km north of Jaipur. Amber was the capital of the Kachhawa Rajputs from 1037 until the Maharaja Sawai Jai Singh founded Jaipur in 1727, but the majestic fort-palace was not begun until about 1600. The building was added to by successive Rajput rulers, however, the architecture displays many Mughal influences in addition to the traditional Rajput designs. Whilst visiting the palace you will be able to explore the intricate chambers and hallways, the maze of passages and courtyards and witness the wonderful views of the Jal Mahal water palace below.

Returning to Jaipur, you will visit the City Palace which is still inhabited by Jai Singh's descendants and is a superb fusion of Rajput and Mughal architecture. A city within a city, it includes the temple of Govindevji, the Jantar Mantar astronomical observatory and the Maharaja's museum with his personal collection of weaponry, miniature paintings, royal attire and jewellery. On the periphery of the Palace stands the Hawa Mahal, the Palace of Winds, an elaborate pink sandstone façade behind which the ladies of the court used to watch the daily goings on in the street below.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 8 - Tuesday 15 November 2016

Excursion: Full-day optional excursion to the ghost town of Bhangarh.

This morning, depart for the ruins of Bhangarh which lies to the north-west of Jaipur, approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes' drive away. The city of Bhangarh was founded around 1573 by the Mughal ruler Bhagwant Das as a residence for his son Madho Singh. With the decline of the empire, the city was attacked in 1720 by the army of Jai Singh II with many people fleeing the city. Coupled with this, a famine in 1783 struck, which eventually led to the abandonment of the city. Today, it is possible to see the original streets, featuring shops along the main road, havelis, a mosque and palace. The ruins are also believed to be the most haunted in India with admittance to the site banned before sunrise and after sunset. There is a signpost from the Architectural Survey of India to this affect. After your visit, return to Jaipur.

Meals: Breakfast, lunch and dinner

Day 9 - Wednesday 16 November 2016

Road Journey: Drive from Jaipur to Delhi, a journey of 258km and approximately 6 hours.

Accommodation: The Taj Mahal Hotel for 2 nights

Meals: Breakfast with lunch or dinner

Day 10 - Thursday 17 November 2016

Day at leisure

Meals: Breakfast with lunch or dinner

Day 11 - Friday 18 November 2016

Rail Journey: Take the Kalka Shatabadi train from Delhi to Kalka. Your train tickets will be given to you on arrival in India.

Departure time: 07:40am

Arrival time: 12:00pm

Area Information: Kalka

Set in the foothills of the Himalaya, Kalka, a small town, is a gateway for those wanting to travel to Shimla by train. Kalka train station serves as an important junction as it allows passengers to connect between the broad gauge line that serves Delhi and the narrow gauge line that serves Shimla.

Rail Journey: Take the Himalayan Queen train from Kalka to Shimla. Your train tickets will be given to you on arrival in India.

The narrow gauge railway between Kalka and Shimla, completed in 1903, is considered one of the finest engineering feats in India. A journey along this track on the 'toy train' is one of the best ways to experience the beautiful Himalayan scenery which the Shimla area is famous for.

Departure Time: 12:10

Arrival time: 17:20

Area Information: Shimla

A century ago the British selected Shimla as their summer capital, using it as a retreat from the blistering heat of the plains. Called the “abode of the high and mighty“, it is spectacularly set at 2,154 metres with the snow-capped Himalaya as a backdrop and with beautiful promenades, graceful colonial buildings, wooded ravines and evergreen forests.

Shimla

Accommodation: The Oberoi Cecil for 3 nights

The hill stations provided a cool retreat for the Raj during the heat of the Indian summer. This heritage is captured by the Oberoi Cecil, which provides a luxurious base from which to explore the surrounding town and countryside. A view of the hills and forests is offered from many of the hotel’s 71 rooms. The restaurant serves both Continental and Asian cuisine other facilities include a health club, which offers massage, herbal treatments, sauna and steam baths.



The Oberoi Cecil, Shimla



The Oberoi Cecil, Shimla

Meals: Breakfast with lunch or dinner

Day 12 - Saturday 19 November 2016

Excursion: At leisure

Meals: Breakfast with lunch or dinner

Day 13 - Sunday 20 November 2016

Excursion: At leisure.

Meals: Breakfast with lunch or dinner

Day 14 - Monday 21 November 2016

Road Journey: Drive from Shimla to Chandigarh, a distance of 120km and journey time of approximately 3.5 hours.

Area Information: Chandigarh

Chandigarh derives its name from a temple Chandi Mandir in the vicinity of the site selected for the city (deity Chandi, goddess of power), and a fort or 'garh" beyond the temple, called Chandigarh. It was conceived as the capital of Punjab, in lieu of the lost capital at Lahore, but Punjab was divided for a second time in 1966, and Chandigarh is today the capital of the States of both Punjab and Haryana. However, the city does not belong to either state being a Union Territory, administered by the Government of India.

Rail Journey: Take the Kalka Shatabdi train from Chandigarh to New Delhi Railway Station:

Depart: 18.23

Arrive: 21.55

Transfer: You will be met and taken to your hotel.

Accommodation: The Taj Mahal Hotel for 2 nights

Meals: Breakfast with lunch or dinner

Day 15 - Tuesday 22 November 2016

Day at leisure

Meals: Breakfast with lunch or dinner

Day 16 - Wednesday 23 November 2016

Transfer: You will be collected at your hotel and taken to the airport.

Flights not booked by Cox & Kings. Flight details advised to Cox & Kings are as follows:

Flight: Emirates Delhi to Dubai flight EK 511
This is a non-stop flight (journey time is 3 hours 55 minutes)

Departing from: Delhi Indira Gandhi International Airport, Terminal:	3
Reporting time:	07:35
Departure time:	10:35
Arrival time in Dubai, Terminal 3:	13:00

Flight: Emirates Dubai to Dublin flight EK 163
This is a non-stop flight (journey time is 8 hours 20 minutes)

Departing from: Dubai, Terminal:	3
Reporting time:	On arrival
Departure time:	14:35
Arrival time in Dublin, Terminal 2:	18:55

Meals: Breakfast

END OF ITINERARY

Please note the following:

Your holiday includes all flights, transfers, accommodation and excursions, as specified in your itinerary, and the services of our local representatives. The meal basis for your holiday is detailed at the end of each day. Accommodation is in standard rooms, unless otherwise specified on your itinerary.

The following are not included in your holiday price: Hotel extras, such as telephone calls, bar bills and laundry services; tipping; optional excursions unless detailed in your itinerary; and airport departure taxes where they must be paid locally. Air Passenger Duty is included.

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Reconfirmation is not necessary for the majority of international flights. Please check with your local representative who will advise you and take your ticket details should this be required.

Your domestic flight tickets will be issued locally and given to you on arrival by our representative.

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Please note that your transportation in India has been confirmed based on an air-conditioned Tata Indigo / Renault Logan / Toyota Qualis / Chevrolet Tavera / Toyota Innova / Tempo Traveller / Mahindra Scorpio or similar for the off the beaten track routes.

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All journey times are approximate and dependent on road and weather conditions.

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