

## Nepal India tour

<b>Trip code</b>	
<b>Package name</b>	Nepal India tour
<b>Duration</b>	13
<b>Max. elevation</b>	1400 m
<b>Level</b>	MODERATE
<b>Transportation</b>	All grounded vehicals depending on groupn size.
<b>Accomodation</b>	3***hotel twin sharing bed basis during the Tour.
<b>Starts at</b>	Delhi
<b>Ends at</b>	Kathmandu
<b>Trip route</b>	Delhi - Jaipur - Agra - Jansi - Khajuraho - Vanarasi - Lumbini - Chitwan - Pokhara - kathmandu.
<b>Cost</b>	USD 1,450 per person

## Highlights

- Exploring Old Delhi by foot and cycle rickshaw, where ancient temples stand against extravagant billboards advertising Bollywood films.
- Visit to Taj Mahal -one of the most recognizable buildings in the world.
- Sunrise sail along the Ganges.
- Experiencing peace and harmony in birthplace of Lord Budhha- Lumbini.
- Chance to come face-to-face with rare black-horned rhinos in Chitwan National Park.

## Overview

Nepal and India are home to the beauty of nature. With unity in diversity, both the country offers an absolute paradise for the travelers.

In this Nepal India tour, we offer you the exploration of the “Naturally Nepal” and “Incredible India”. Starting from the capital of the incredible India, tour ends in the city of temples aka capital of naturally Nepal. This 13 days tour covers the major cities of both nations. There are many similarities between both nations in terms of culture, tradition, lifestyle and religions. A land of remarkable diversity – from ancient traditions and artistic heritage to magnificent landscapes and culinary creations – India will ignite your curiosity, shake your senses and warm your soul. Whereas a trekkers’ paradise, Nepal combines Himalayan views, golden temples, charming hill villages and jungle wildlife watching to offer one of the world’s great travel destinations. With these mesmerizing plains and terrain Nepal and India offers the best holiday fun and happiness.

## **Trip Itinerary**

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### **Day 1 : Arrive Delhi.**

Arrive in Delhi, meeting & assistance at the Airport and transfer to the hotel. After breakfast proceed for half day Sightseeing. Delhi has many different faces, from the chaos and color of old Delhi to colonial charm and greenery of New Delhi. Tackling the busy streets by rickshaw is a thrilling introduction to the city. Visit the regal Red fort, Jama Masjid, India Gate – The War Memorial, Qutub Minar, Lotus Temple (also known as Bahai Temple) and Humayun’s tomb before retiring to the opulence of one of the heritage hotels. Delhi is also fabulous place to eat in India. One can join in a local feast, or enjoy Moghul – inspired delights in lavish surrounding. Overnight stay at hotel.

### **Day 2 : Delhi – Jaipur (drive about 06hrs. /265KMS)**

After breakfast in the morning proceed to Jaipur by road, on arrival check-in at the hotel. In route visit Amber Fort. Later visit the City Palace, a blend of Mughal and Rajasthani architecture is now a museum, containing all the paraphernalia of Jaipur’s princely past. Jai Singh, notable astronomer, built himself the curious Jantar Mantar, an observatory of immense brick and mortar instruments of astonishing accuracy. Not far from Jantar Mantar, is the beautiful Hawa Mahal (palace of winds), tall and pink, faced with delicate pierced stone, it is not really a palace. The queens of Jaipur and the royal ladies once used this decorative facade to watch and observe, numerous festive processions winding through the streets of their city. After the sightseeing of the beautiful pink city relax in the hotel.

### **Day 3 : Jaipur – Agra (drive about 05hrs. / 245 KMS)**

After breakfast in the morning, drive to Agra. On the way visit FATEHPUR SIKRI and then continue drive to Agra. In the afternoon visit Agra Fort. In the evening observe the SUNSET view from the world famous Mausoleum – The Taj Mahal – An unique epitome of Love built by Mughal Emperor Shahjahan in 1630 for his queen Mumtaz Mahal to enshrine her mortal remains. Overnight stay at Hotel.

### **Day 4 : Agra – Jhansi by Train & Jhansi / Khajuraho (By Surface) :**

After breakfast transfer to railway station to board for Jhansi. After lunch in the beautiful city of Jhansi drive to Khajuraho. Afternoon, half day sightseeing of temples, the Khajuraho temples were built in the short span of a hundred years, from 950 – 1050 AD, in a truly inspired burst of creativity. Out of the 85 original temples, 22 have survived till today to constitute one of the world's great artistic wonders. Some of the famous ones are temples of Kandariya Mahadev, Chausath Yogini, Chitragupta, Vishwanath, Lakshamana. Overnight stay at hotel.

### **Day 5 : Khajuraho – Varanasi (By Flight)**

After breakfast in the morning visit to the Khajuraho group of monuments. The amazing arts and scripture of these monuments are the great works of the Chandal dynasty. In the afternoon, drive to Khajuraho airport for the flight to Varanasi. Upon arrival to Varanasi, check in to the hotel and visit to the Banaras Hindu University, and visit the Indian art museum Bharat Kala Bhawan and New Kashi Vishwnath Temple. Other important points to see in city include the Durga Temple (monkey temple), Tulasi Manas Temple, Bharat Mata Temple (Mother India Temple). In the evening, experience the Hindu ritual Aarti. Aartis also refer to the songs sung in praise of the deity, when offering of lamps is being offered. Hindus in India worship the river Ganges as goddess. Every evening in Varanasi, aarti is performed at the Dashashwamedh ghat. We can watch it from the Ghat or from the waterside in a boat. It is a beautiful, resonant, and majestic spectacle with a very precise choreography involving rituals performed by several priests with the sound of bells, drums, cymbals, and Sanskrit mantras. Overnight stay in the hotel.

### **Day 6 : Varanasi**

Start your day with a morning boat ride at the dawn. Boating in the Ganges at the sunrise in Varanasi is one of the main attractions. Observe Hindu's way of life on the bank of the river Ganges. There are number of temples on the bank of the Ganges River in Varanasi. It is at the Ganga Ghats [Banaras Ghat] where you can see life and death together. There are numbers of Ghat alongside Ganges river in Varanasi where you can see Hindu cremation as well. Some of the prominent and popular Ghats at Varanasi are the Dasaswamedh Ghat, Manikarnika Ghat, Harischandra Ghat, Assi Ghat, Shivala Ghat, Man Mandir Ghat, Darbhanga Ghat, Ahilyabai Ghat and Kedar Ghat. After the boat ride take a small walk in to the oldest part of Varanasi, famous for its narrow street. Visit Kashi Vishwnath temple area, also known as the Golden Temple. (The temple itself is open to Hindu only). After breakfast, drive to Sarnath, approximately 10km from Varanasi City. Sarnath is where the Buddha chose to deliver his first sermon in a Deer Park. It makes Sarnath one of the most venerated Buddhist places. Besides Buddhism, Sarnath is also connected with Jainism. There are many Buddhist monuments and edifices at Sarnath. The main attractions of Sarnath are Archaeological and Excavation Area (Sarnath, Deer park), Chaukhandi Stupa, Dhamek Stupa (Dhamekha Stupa), Dharmarajika Stupa, Mulagandhakuti Vihara, Ashoka Pillar (Ashokan Lion Pillar), Ashokan Lion-Capital (the national emblem of India) and the Archeological Museum. Overnight stay at hotel.

### **Day 7 : Varanasi –Lumbini (about 8 hrs. drive/ 313.4 KMS)**

Post breakfast drive towards the Lumbini. Lumbini being the birth place of Lord Buddha is one of the greatest pilgrimage sites of Buddhist. Upon reaching Lumbini, check-in at one of our listed hotels. Rest and relax for a while in the hotel room. Later in the day, visit the Myanmar temple. This shiny gold and white structure resembles the Shwe-dagon Pagoda of Yangon. The other major tourist attractions of Lumbini include the Maya Garden Buddha Stupa, Japanese temple and the Vietnam temple. Return to the hotel in the evening for dinner and overnight stay.

### **Day 8 : Lumbini – Chitwan (about 4 hrs. drive /85.1KMS)**

After breakfast in the morning drive to Chitwan. Upon arrival to Chitwan check in to hotel and have lunch and relax. Later in the afternoon, move out for an excursion to Chitwan National Park. Chitwan is one of Asia's best wildlife – viewing spots and the place to do your safari togs, clamber atop a lumbering elephant and head into the dawn mist in search of rhinos and tiger. 8% of the world bird species, rare mammals including one horned rhinoceros and the Bengal tiger makes it exclusive. Once reaching your destination, you will be briefed about the elephant activities and Jungle Safari. You can later enjoy the sunset in Rapti River, elephant back safari and stroll around the Tharu villages. Once the night falls down, we entertain you with cultural performances (Tharu stick dance, peacock dance) including bonfire before getting in bed.

### **Day 9 : Chitwan**

Today, we will have our breakfast at the hotel and then proceed for an elephant bath. This is so much fun. After bath, you will proceed for a jeep drive inside national park which takes about an hour. During jeep drive, you will be taken inside the jungle where you can witness lot of wild animals. If you are lucky, you will see many amazing creatures that you spend most time to looking for; rhinoceroses, Chitwan's royal Bengal tigers, leopards, monkeys, many types of deer and reptiles. Capturing many memories and amazing nature is absolute paradise here in Chitwan. At evening, you can walk through the bank of Rapti River to have a sunset view and spend some time in a nature. Chirping sounds of birds, water flowing smoothly on a river will create a peaceful environment at the place. Overnight stay in the hotel.

### **Day 10 : Chitwan – Pokhara (approx. 147 KMS/ about 4 hrs. drive)**

In the morning, we take breakfast and then drive to Pokhara, another beautiful town and a center of tourist attraction. Pokhara is a striking scenic lake town where nature is amplified with the views of majestic peaks, sparkling water lakes with boating and canoeing thrills will add on a greater value to your photographic tour. Witnessing some natural wonders of nature in waterfalls and gorges and magical dawns that light up the sky and the snowy Himalayan spires in hues of the rising sun and capturing these magical vistas and wonderful landscapes in your camera will obviously fulfill the expectations of an ideal Nature tour. Upon arrival, you will be transferred to the respective hotel where you get refreshed and proceed for an hour boat ride in Phewa Lake and visit Tal Barahi Temple, a famous temple dedicated to Goddess Kali. After that, we proceed for the sightseeing tour of some famous places of Pokhara; Davi's fall, Gupteswor cave, Mahendra Cave, Bats Cave, Bindhyabasini Temple, Barahi Temple and Seti George. Overnight stay in the hotel.

### **Day 11 : Pokhara – Kathmandu (about 6 hrs. drive/204 KMS)**

Early in the morning we will drive to Sarangkot hill for viewing sunrise and stunning snowcapped mountain ranges. There's a non-descript village just before the view point. The village is located on Sarangkot mountain at an altitude of 1600m and is renowned for its panoramic Himalayan view: Dhaulagiri, Annapurna and Manaslu as well as down on the city of Pokhara and Phewa lake. In recent years, Sarangkot has become a hotspot for Paragliding, Zip-flyer, Ultra-light, Bungee jump etc. While you are in Sarangkot, you can enjoy these activities. After the sunrise view, return to the hotel and have your breakfast. After breakfast, pack your bags and then drive to Kathmandu. Upon arrival to Kathmandu, check in to hotel and overnight stay in the hotel.

## **Day 12 : Kathmandu**

After breakfast, we start for a full day sightseeing tour. The distinctive cultural and historical identity of the Kathmandu Valley makes it an extraordinary place to explore. With your camera in hand, discover the enchanting cities of Kathmandu, Patan and Swayambhunath. Early morning, we visit Swayambhunath to witness the rituals of monks, pilgrims and worshippers.

Swayambhunath is known as "Monkey Temple" since you can see numbers of monkeys around the surrounding areas of the temple. Keeping in this mind, small swimming pool has been made for monkeys to cool themselves in the escorting heat of summer. After strolling around the area and clicking some pictures of Stupas, temples, monuments and of course monkeys, we drive towards Kathmandu Durbar Square. Kathmandu Durbar Square is listed as UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Further, we drive to another historical town of Patan. Patan Durbar Square is regarded as the culturally and historically richest Durbar Square among three Durbar Squares. It is also listed in UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Patan, the city of Artists, offers many visual treats for your camera.

## **Day 13 : Departure**

Today is the final day of your India Nepal tour. You can take a mountain flight in the morning for the mesmerizing view of the tallest peaks and mountains in the Himalayan regions of Nepal. You will be transferred to the Tribhuvan International Airport as per your flight schedule for the flight to onward destination.

## **Inclusions**

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### **What is included?**

Accommodation in Nepal twin sharing basis with breakfast

English-speaking, government-licensed local guide for sightseeing in Nepal and India.

All Transportation AC / Qulise, Innova / Xylo / Mini Tourist Bus

All monument fees, Permit arrangement, All taxes and VAT in Nepal and India.

Entry and permit fees during a Sightseeing tour

All accommodation in India twin sharing Bed With Breakfast.

### **What isn't included?**

Lunch and dinner in Nepal.

Entry Visa fees - at present \$25 for 15 day, US\$ 40 for 30 day, and US\$ 100 for three month visa on entry into Nepal.

Travel and medical insurance.

Personal expenses (laundry, bar bills, snacks, phone calls, internet.)

Tips for guide and driver (tipping is expected)

Loss, theft or damage to baggage and personal effects. (We strongly advise you to get personal travel insurance.)

### **Complimentary**