

Tour Name: Colonial Cities & Golden Triangle Tour of India

Tour Duration: 11 Nights/ 12 Days

Tour Map: <https://tinyurl.com/htsuhaaz>

Tour Overview

Embark on a captivating journey through India's Colonial Cities & Golden Triangle Tour of India. Begin in Mumbai, where the Gateway of India and bustling markets intertwine with colonial charm. Explore Chennai's Fort St. George and the serene San Thome Basilica, blending Dravidian and European influences. Kolkata beckons with the grand Victoria Memorial, vibrant Park Street, and sacred temples along the Hooghly River. Delhi, India's capital, dazzles with its Mughal splendor at the Qutub Minar and Humayun's Tomb, contrasted by the bustling Chandni Chowk and peaceful Lodi Gardens. This tour promises an enriching blend of history, culture, and architectural marvels across India's diverse landscapes.

Tour Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive Mumbai

- Arrive in Mumbai and transfer to your hotel. Rest and refresh after your journey.

Day 2: Mumbai

- After breakfast at the hotel, begin your exploration of Mumbai with a visit to the iconic Gateway of India, a historical monument overlooking the Arabian Sea, symbolizing the city's colonial past and maritime significance.
- Proceed to the Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya (formerly Prince of Wales Museum), housing a vast collection of artifacts, including sculptures, paintings, and decorative arts from India and around the world.
- Explore Kala Ghoda Art District, known for its galleries, cultural events, and vibrant street art, showcasing Mumbai's artistic side.
- Visit Colaba Causeway, a bustling street market known for its vibrant atmosphere, shopping opportunities, and eclectic mix of street food.
- Experience Dhobi Ghat, the world's largest outdoor laundry, where Mumbai's traditional washermen (Dhobis) hand-wash clothes in concrete troughs, offering a unique cultural insight into the city's daily life.

Day 3: Mumbai - Chennai (flight)

- After breakfast, fly to Chennai, the capital of Tamil Nadu, known for its Dravidian architecture and cultural heritage.
- Upon arrival, visit Fort St. George, the oldest English fortress in India, housing historical artifacts and a museum offering insights into Chennai's colonial past.
- Explore San Thome Basilica, a majestic Roman Catholic Basilica built over the tomb of St. Thomas, offering a blend of neo-Gothic and colonial architecture.

Day 4: Chennai - Pondicherry (Puducherry) (165kms)

- After breakfast, drive to Pondicherry (Puducherry), a charming town with French colonial influences blended with Tamil culture.
- En route, visit the Kanchipuram Temples, renowned for their Dravidian architecture and historical significance.
- Upon arrival in Pondicherry, check into your hotel.
- Visit Auroville, an international community dedicated to peace and sustainable living. Explore the Matrimandir, a golden meditation sphere known for its spiritual significance and architectural beauty.
- Explore the French Quarter (Ville Blanche) of Pondicherry, characterized by its tree-lined streets, colonial buildings, and quaint cafes offering a taste of French culture in India.

Day 5: Pondicherry - Chennai (165kms) / Kolkata (flight)

- After breakfast, drive back to Chennai and visit Mahabalipuram, a UNESCO World Heritage site known for its ancient rock-cut temples and sculptures.
- Fly to Kolkata in the evening.

Day 6: Kolkata

- Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before visiting Victoria Memorial, an architectural marvel built during the British Raj, housing a museum showcasing Kolkata's history and art. Explore the beautifully landscaped gardens surrounding the memorial.
- Explore Park Street, Kolkata's iconic thoroughfare lined with restaurants, shops, and historic landmarks, offering a glimpse into the city's vibrant nightlife and cultural scene.

- Visit Dakshineswar Kali Temple, dedicated to Goddess Kali, situated on the banks of the Hooghly River.
- Explore Kalighat Kali Temple, one of the oldest and most sacred temples dedicated to Goddess Kali in Kolkata.
- Visit Indian Museum, the oldest and largest museum in India, showcasing a vast collection of artifacts, fossils, and ancient sculptures.

Day 7: Kolkata - Delhi (flight)

- After breakfast, fly to Delhi, India's capital city known for its rich history, culture, and architectural landmarks.

Day 8: Delhi

- Start your day with breakfast at the hotel before visiting Jama Masjid, India's largest mosque, known for its grand architecture and expansive courtyard.
- Explore Chandni Chowk, one of Delhi's oldest and busiest markets, offering a vibrant mix of street food, spices, textiles, and more. Take a rickshaw ride through its narrow lanes.
- Visit Qutub Minar, a UNESCO World Heritage site and the tallest brick minaret in the world, known for its intricate carvings and historical significance.
- Explore Humayun's Tomb, another UNESCO site and a masterpiece of Mughal architecture surrounded by beautiful gardens.
- Drive past India Gate, a war memorial dedicated to Indian soldiers, and the President's House (Rashtrapati Bhavan), showcasing grand colonial architecture and Mughal-style gardens.
- Visit Gurudwara Bangla Sahib, one of the most prominent Sikh gurdwaras in Delhi known for its serene atmosphere and community kitchen serving free meals.
- Explore Lodi Gardens, a serene park dotted with 15th-century tombs and lush greenery, offering a peaceful retreat in the heart of Delhi.

Day 9: Delhi - Agra (204kms)

- Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before departing for Agra, home to the world-famous Taj Mahal and other Mughal-era monuments.
- Visit Taj Mahal, a UNESCO World Heritage site and one of the New Seven Wonders of the World, renowned for its white marble architecture and intricate inlay work.

- Explore Agra Fort, a UNESCO site and a former residence of Mughal emperors, featuring palaces, mosques, and gardens offering panoramic views of the Yamuna River.
- Visit Itmad-ud-Daulah's Tomb, often called the "Baby Taj," known for its exquisite marble inlay work and serene gardens.

Day 10: Agra - Jaipur (245kms)

- After breakfast, drive to Jaipur, the capital city of Rajasthan known as the "Pink City" for its terracotta-colored buildings and rich cultural heritage.
- En route, visit Fatehpur Sikri, a UNESCO World Heritage site known for its well-preserved Mughal architecture and historical significance.
- Visit Abhaneri, renowned for the Chand Baori, a spectacular stepwell featuring intricate carvings and a deep geometric design. Explore the ancient Harshat Mata Temple nearby.
- Continue your journey to Jaipur.
- Upon arrival, check into your hotel.
- In the evening, you may explore local markets for traditional handicrafts and textiles.

Day 11: Jaipur

- After breakfast, visit Amber Fort, a magnificent blend of Hindu and Mughal architecture located on a hilltop overlooking Maota Lake. Take an elephant ride or jeep ride to the fort entrance.
- Explore City Palace, a sprawling complex housing museums, courtyards, and gardens displaying royal artifacts and costumes.
- Visit Jantar Mantar, an astronomical observatory with impressive stone instruments used for measuring time, predicting eclipses, and tracking celestial bodies.
- Visit Birla Temple, a modern Hindu temple known for its intricate marble carvings and spiritual ambiance.
- Enjoy a shopping experience in Jaipur, renowned for its vibrant textiles, handicrafts, and jewelry.

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Day 12: Jaipur - Delhi (280kms)

- Drive back to Delhi.
- Depending on your flight schedule, you may have some free time for last-minute shopping or additional sightseeing in Delhi.
- Transfer to the airport for your onward journey or international departure, concluding your memorable tour of India's imperial metro cities and the Golden Triangle.

Package Price (USD Per Person Sharing Double/Twin Room)**Valid for Travel: 01 October 2026 – 15 April 2027**

Persons	Solo	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3★ Standard	3,620	1,994	1,799	1,791	1,611	1,549	1,455	1,385
4★ Deluxe	4,360	2,382	2,188	2,179	2,000	1,938	1,844	1,773
5★ Luxury	5,599	3,294	2,841	2,833	2,653	2,591	2,497	2,427

Valid for Travel: 16 April 2027 to 20 September 2027

Persons	Solo	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3★ Standard	3,508	1,911	1,717	1,709	1,529	1,467	1,373	1,303
4★ Deluxe	3,911	2,139	1,945	1,937	1,757	1,695	1,601	1,531
5★ Luxury	5,196	3,056	2,603	2,594	2,415	2,353	2,259	2,188

Single Room Supplement

3★ Standard: USD 526 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 877 | 5★ Luxury: USD 1,463

Triple Sharing Discount (Per Person)

3★ Standard: USD 47 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 105 | 5★ Luxury: USD 209

Price Includes:

- Assistance on arrival at airport.
- 11 Nights' accommodation in selected price category hotels.
- Daily breakfast at hotels.

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- Private AC car/van for airport transfers, sightseeing, and excursions as per the program.
- English speaking tour guide on sightseeing days (local guide in each city), as per program.
- Monument entrances and activities charges mentioned in the itinerary.
- Bottled drinking water in car.
- Government taxes.

Price Does Not Include:

- Mumbai - Chennai - Kolkata - Delhi & Jaipur - Mumbai flight fare approx INR 20, 500 per person in economy class.
- Camera charges at monuments if any.
- Meals other than mentioned in the inclusions.
- Expenses of personal nature like liquor, laundry, tips, telephone, fax, internet etc.
- Gratuities and optional activities.
- Anything not mentioned in inclusions.

Hotels used or similar for 11 nights' accommodation

3 Star Hotels

- Mumbai x 2 nights: Hotel Godwin, Colaba/ Hotel Suba Palace
- Chennai x 1 night: ZONE By the Park/ Raj Park
- Pondicherry x 1 night: Shenbaga Hotel/ Anandha Inn Convention Centre
- Kolkata x 2 nights: Golden Tulip/ Polo Floatel
- Delhi x 2 nights: Dee Marks Hotel & Resorts/ Emerald Hotel
- Agra x 1 night: Howard Plaza the Fern/ Hotel Atulyaa Taj
- Jaipur x 2 nights: ZONE By THE Park/ The Fern Residency

4 Star Hotels

- Mumbai x 2 nights: Fariyas Hotel/ The Gordon House
- Chennai x 1 night: Accord Metropolitan/ The Park Chennai
- Pondicherry x 1 night: Le Pondy/ Accord Puducherry
- Kolkata x 2 nights: The Elgin Fairlawn/ ZONE By the Park
- Delhi x 2 nights: The Hans/ The Royal Plaza
- Agra x 1 night: Radisson Hotel/ Holiday Inn
- Jaipur x 2 nights: Lemon Tree Premier/ The Fern An Ecotel Hotel

5 Star Hotels

- Mumbai x 2 nights: Trident Hotel/President, Mumbai - IHCL SeleQtions
- Chennai x 1 night: Radisson Blu Hotel GRT Chennai/ Hilton Chennai
- Pondicherry x 1 night: Palais De Mahe/ La Villa
- Kolkata x 2 nights: ITC Sonar, a Luxury Collection/ The Lalit Great Eastern
- Delhi x 2 nights: Le Meridien/ The Grand New Delhi
- Agra x 1 night: Courtyard by Marriott/ Trident Hotel
- Jaipur x 2 nights: Hilton Jaipur/ Radisson City Center

Payment Policy:

- Deposit of 25% of the package cost at the time of booking.
- Deposit of 50% of the package cost, 30 days prior to arrival date
- Deposit of 100% of the package cost, 10 days prior to arrival date

Cancellation policy:

- Note: Written cancellation will be accepted on all working days, except Sundays. Any cancellation sent on Sundays will be considered on the next working day (Monday).
- X-mas and New Year Period (20 Dec to 05 Jan): The payment is non-refundable during this period.

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- After Trip Commencement: If you cancel the trip after it has commenced, the refund will be limited to the amount we are able to recover from hoteliers/contractors. We are not responsible for refunds on unused hotel accommodations, chartered transportation, or missed meals.
- 61 days or more before the tour: No cancellation charges.
- Between 60 to 30 days before the tour: Cancellation charges equal to 20% of the full tour booking value.
- Between 30 to 15 days before the tour: Cancellation charges equal to 50% of the full tour booking value.
- Within 5 days before the tour or no show: Cancellation charges equal to 90% of the full tour booking value.

Our Liabilities & Limitations:

- Price Changes: After the finalization of the tour/service cost, if there are any hikes in entrance fees, taxes, fuel costs, or guide charges by the Government of India, these will be charged as extra.
- Role as Agent: Agora Voyages acts only as an agent for hotels, airlines, transporters, railways, and contractors providing services. All receipts, contracts, and tickets issued by us are subject to terms and conditions of the service providers.
- Itinerary Changes: All itineraries are sample itineraries intended to provide a general idea. We reserve the right to change the schedule based on factors such as weather, road conditions, or the physical ability of participants to ensure safety, comfort, and well-being.
- Rate Modifications: Our rates are based on negotiated rates with hotels and airlines. If the rates are modified by these service providers, we reserve the right to adjust the quoted rates accordingly. Hotel bookings are based on usual check-in and check-out times, unless otherwise indicated.
- Liability Disclaimer: We are not responsible for delays, alterations, or expenses incurred due to natural hazards, flight cancellations, accidents, weather, sickness, political closures, or any unforeseen incidents.
- Damage, Loss, or Injury: We are not responsible for any loss, injury, or damage to persons, property, or otherwise, caused by acts of God, fire, accidents, machinery breakdowns, political disturbances, theft, epidemics, or other factors beyond our control.

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- Insurance: We do not offer insurance for accidents, sickness, theft, or other unforeseen circumstances. We recommend travelers arrange for insurance in their home country. All personal property and baggage are at the client's risk at all times.
- Unforeseen Circumstances: We are not responsible for costs arising from landslides, roadblocks, bad weather, or similar unforeseen circumstances.

Tipping

- Tipping is not included in our price. It is optional but often expected in the travel industry. There is no limit on the amount you can tip, though the average guideline is around \$10-15 per day for guides, drivers, and other crew members.

Trip Comments

- After your trip, we would love to hear your experience. Any photos, suggestions, or feedback will be greatly appreciated. While we strive to make every trip perfect, we acknowledge that there is always room for improvement. Your comments, whether positive or constructive, are invaluable to us.