

Tour Name: Grand Monuments & Imperial Cities in India

Tour Duration: 11 Nights/ 12 Days

Tour Map: <https://tinyurl.com/ye2yfxa4>

Tour Overview

Embark on a captivating journey through India's most iconic cities and monumental wonders with the "Grand Monuments & Imperial Cities in India" tour. Start in the bustling metropolis of Mumbai, where you'll explore the Elephanta Caves and experience the city's vibrant culture. Fly to Chennai and delve into its rich historical tapestry before heading to Pondicherry's charming blend of French and Indian influences. After soaking in the cultural essence of Kolkata, discover Delhi's grand landmarks and the timeless beauty of the Taj Mahal in Agra. Conclude with a visit to Jaipur's royal heritage sites and bustling markets, offering a comprehensive glimpse into India's regal past and dynamic present. This journey offers an unparalleled exploration of India's grandeur, blending metropolitan sophistication with historic splendor.

Tour Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive Mumbai

- Upon arrival at Mumbai airport, you will be greeted by our representative and transferred to your hotel. Enjoy the rest of the day at your leisure, relaxing and engaging in personal activities.

Day 2: Mumbai

- Start your day with breakfast at the hotel before visiting the Elephanta Caves. These ancient rock-cut temples, located on Elephanta Island, are known for their impressive sculptures and intricate carvings dedicated to Hindu deities such as Shiva.
- Return to Mumbai for a comprehensive city tour. Explore the Gateway of India, an iconic archway overlooking the Arabian Sea, and visit the Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus, an architectural marvel reflecting Victorian Gothic Revival style.
- Stroll along Marine Drive, a picturesque promenade with stunning views of the Arabian Sea, and visit the historic Crawford Market, bustling with vibrant stalls selling everything from fresh produce to spices.
- Experience the cultural vibrancy of Mumbai by visiting the vibrant Colaba Causeway and explore the art deco buildings of the heritage precinct.

Day 3: Mumbai - Chennai (flight)

- After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight to Chennai.
- Upon arrival, start with a visit to Fort St. George, the first British fort in India, showcasing colonial architecture and housing the Fort Museum with exhibits on Chennai's history.
- Explore the Government Museum, known for its extensive collection of South Indian sculptures, ancient artifacts, and coins.
- Visit the stunning Kapaleeshwarar Temple in Mylapore, an ancient Hindu temple dedicated to Lord Shiva, renowned for its colorful gopurams (gateway towers).
- Conclude your day with a leisurely walk along Marina Beach, one of the longest urban beaches in the world, and enjoy the local street food.

Day 4: Chennai - Pondicherry (250kms)

- Start your day with breakfast at the hotel before driving to Pondicherry.
- En route, stop in Kanchipuram to visit the Kailasanathar Temple, renowned for its intricate carvings and ancient Dravidian architecture, and the Ekambareswarar Temple, celebrated for its massive temple complex and sacred mango tree.
- Upon reaching Pondicherry, embark on a city tour exploring the French Quarter, characterized by its charming colonial buildings and tree-lined streets.
- Visit the Aurobindo Ashram, founded by Sri Aurobindo, a spiritual retreat known for its peaceful ambiance and vibrant community.
- Explore the Basilica of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, a stunning Gothic Revival church with beautiful stained glass windows depicting biblical scenes.

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

- After breakfast, drive back to Chennai.
- Visit Mahabalipuram, a UNESCO World Heritage site known for its rock-cut temples, including the Shore Temple, and the Pancha Rathas, a collection of monolithic rock-cut temples in the shape of chariots.
- Continue your journey to the airport for your flight to Kolkata.
- Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel and relax for the evening.

Day 6: Kolkata

- Start your day with breakfast at the hotel before exploring Kolkata.

- Visit the Victoria Memorial, a grand white marble monument dedicated to Queen Victoria, surrounded by lush gardens and housing a museum with exhibits on Kolkata's colonial past.
- Explore the Indian Museum, India's oldest and largest museum, known for its diverse collections including ancient sculptures, fossils, and artifacts from various civilizations.
- Discover the Marble Palace, a 19th-century mansion famous for its neoclassical architecture, marble interiors, and extensive art collection.
- Wander through New Market and College Street, vibrant areas offering a mix of traditional and modern shopping experiences, including books, textiles, and local street food.

Day 7: Kolkata - Delhi (flight)

- Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before transferring to the airport for your flight to Delhi.
- Upon arrival, you will be assisted with your transfer to the hotel.
- Spend the rest of the day at your leisure, exploring Delhi's vibrant neighborhoods or relaxing at your hotel.

Day 8: Delhi

- Begin your day with breakfast at the hotel before exploring Old and New Delhi.
- Visit the Red Fort, a UNESCO World Heritage site known for its massive walls and historical significance as the former residence of Mughal emperors.
- Explore Jama Masjid, one of the largest mosques in India, known for its grand architecture and vast courtyards.
- Admire the Qutub Minar, a towering minaret renowned for its detailed carvings and historical importance.
- Drive past India Gate, an imposing war memorial, and the Parliament House, known for its impressive colonial architecture.
- Wander through the bustling markets of Chandni Chowk, experiencing the vibrant street life, local delicacies, and colorful bazaars.

Day 9: Delhi - Agra (204kms)

- Start with breakfast at the hotel before driving to Agra.

- Marvel at the Taj Mahal, a UNESCO World Heritage site celebrated for its stunning white marble architecture and intricate inlay work, built by Emperor Shah Jahan in memory of his wife Mumtaz Mahal.
- Explore Agra Fort, a grand red sandstone fortress with impressive ramparts and historical significance as the Mughal emperors' former residence.
- Visit the Baby Taj (Itmad-ud-Daula), known for its delicate marble carvings and elegant design, often considered a precursor to the Taj Mahal.

Day 10: Agra - Fatehpur Sikri - Abhaneri - Jaipur (245kms)

- Begin with breakfast at your hotel before driving to Jaipur.
- En route, visit Fatehpur Sikri, a UNESCO World Heritage site with well-preserved Mughal architecture, including the Buland Darwaza and the Diwan-i-Khas.
- Stop by Abhaneri to admire the Chand Baori, an impressive stepwell known for its depth and intricate carvings.
- Continue to Jaipur, the Pink City, and immerse yourself in its vibrant markets and local culture.

Day 11: Jaipur

- Start your day with breakfast at the hotel before exploring Jaipur.
- Visit Amber Fort, located on a hill with stunning views, and enjoy an elephant ride to the entrance, showcasing the grandeur of Rajasthani architecture.
- Explore the City Palace, a complex of palaces, courtyards, and gardens blending Rajasthani and Mughal architectural styles.
- Admire the unique facade of Hawa Mahal, a five-story palace with intricately designed windows allowing royal women to observe street life.
- Discover Jantar Mantar, an astronomical observatory with a collection of 19 architectural astronomical instruments.
- Visit the Birla Temple, a modern architectural marvel dedicated to Lakshmi Narayan, featuring intricately carved marble and serene surroundings.
- Enjoy a leisurely stroll through Jaipur Marketplaces, such as Johari Bazaar and Tripolia Bazaar, known for traditional Rajasthani jewelry, textiles, and handicrafts.

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Day 12: Jaipur - Mumbai/Delhi

- Depending on your departure arrangements, you will either be transferred to the airport for your flight to Mumbai or begin a drive to Delhi to catch your onward flight.

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	3,645	2,009	1,826	1,792	1,617	1,581	1,486	1,415
4★ Deluxe	4,355	2,386	2,203	2,169	1,994	1,958	1,863	1,792
5★ Luxury	5,630	3,347	2,893	2,859	2,684	2,648	2,553	2,482

Valid for Travel: 16 April 2027 to 20 September 2027

Persons	Solo	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3★ Standard	3,518	1,934	1,751	1,710	1,537	1,507	1,412	1,341
4★ Deluxe	3,929	2,158	1,975	1,934	1,761	1,731	1,636	1,565
5★ Luxury	5,117	3,031	2,577	2,536	2,362	2,332	2,237	2,166

Single Room Supplement

3★ Standard: USD 545 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 877 | 5★ Luxury: USD 1,463

Triple Sharing Discount (Per Person)

3★ Standard: USD 48 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 101 | 5★ Luxury: USD 230

Price Includes:

- Assistance on arrival at airport.
- 11 Nights' accommodation in selected price category hotels.
- Daily breakfast at hotels.
- Private AC car/van for airport transfers, sightseeing, and excursions as per the program.

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- 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

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- 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.
- 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.

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- 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.
- 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.

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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.