

ITINERARY

Destination Covered: - Delhi - Jaipur - Agra - Sarnath - Varanasi - Bodhgaya - Rajgir - Nalanda - Patna - Kushinagar - Vaishali - Lumbini - Sravasti - Lucknow - Delhi

Duration:- 14 Nights / 15 Days

Day 01 – Arrival Delhi

On arrival our representative meets at airport, welcome and transfer to hotel. Overnight stay at hotel.

Day 02 – Delhi

Morning after B-fast tour start with exploration of different important places in New Delhi like Qutub Minar, Laxmi Narayan Temple – the place of God, India Gate – Memorial of martyrs, Parliament House – The Government Headquarters etc. Lunch during city tour shall be arranged. In the afternoon take a city tour of old Delhi covering Jama Masjid – The Largest Mosque in Asia, Red fort – The Red stone magic, Gandhi Memorial – The memoir of father of Nation. Dinner in the hotel & overnight stay.

Day 03 – Delhi - Jaipur

Morning after B-fast drive to Jaipur in route visit country side. On arrival at Jaipur hotel welcome, direct proceed for hot Lunch & check in into hotel. Evening free for relax or shopping etc. Dinner in the hotel & overnight stay.

Day 04 – Jaipur Sight Seeing - Agra

Morning after B-fast proceeds for excursion to Amer fort with joy on an elephant ride, city tour covering City Palace – occupies a large area divided into a series of courtyards, gardens & buildings and a perfect blend of Rajasthani & Mughal architecture, Royal Observatory – an observatory with some rare qualities to its credit, Nawab Sahab Ki Haveli, Hawa Mahal and Local colour full market etc. Lunch shall be arranged while city tour. Proceeds to Agra in route visiting Fatehpur Sikri (Old Deserted town of Mughal Dynasty), Jama Masjid, The Buland Darwaza, Palace of Jodha Bai, and Birbal Bhawan & Panch Mahal. On arrival check in into hotel. Dinner & overnight stay.



Day 05 – Agra - Varanasi

Morning after B-fast proceed for city tour of Agra covering Taj Mahal – The symbol of Devotion in Love a poem written in white Marble, the most extravagant Monument ever built for Love, Red fort – a visit to the fort in AGRA is a must since so many of the events which lead to the construction of the Taj took place here, Itmad-ud-Daula's Tomb – The tomb is of particular interest since many of its design elephant overshadow the Taj and Sikandra-Mughal Emperor Akbar's Mausoleum etc. late evening transfer to station with packed Dinner to connect overnight train to Varanasi.

Day 06 – Arrival at Varanasi

On arrival our representative meet and transfer to hotel, check in into hotel. Later proceed Sarnath Tour – the holiest place for Buddhist peoples, Sarnath is the place where Lord Buddha preached first sermon after getting enlightenment. One can visit all about Buddhism like Buddhist temple, Ruins, Stupas and collection from Buddha period in archaeological Museum. Lunch in the hotel, evening free for own activities. Dinner & overnight stay at.

Day 07 – Varanasi - Bodhgaya

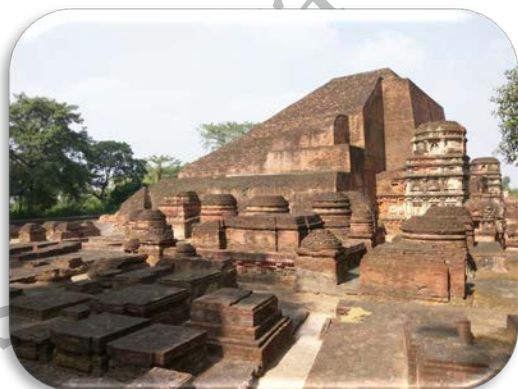
Early morning boat ride tour on River Ganges at the time of Sun rise, the morning of Varanasi is famous in the world. This is the time people come to have their bath and pray and many other religious activities can be seen during the Boat ride. These rituals remind one of the nature worship prevalent in India. Walking tour in oldest part of city in narrow lane, back to hotel for B-fast and drive to Bodhgaya with packed Lunch. On arrival check in into hotel, late evening visit Mahabodhi Temple and holy Bodhi tree where Lord Buddha got enlightenment. Dinner & overnight stay.

Day 08 – Bodhgaya – Rajgir – Nalanda

Morning after B-fast visit Bodhgaya -As the place of the Buddha's Enlightenment, Bodhgaya is the spiritual home of Buddhists. Bodhgaya situated near the river Niranjana is one of the holiest Buddhist pilgrimage centres. Since it was here that Buddha attained enlightenment under the Bodhi tree. Later visit Mahabodhi Temple & proceed to Nalanda & Rajgir. Lunch at Rajgir hotel.

NALANDA -Nalanda was the most renowned university in ancient India. It derived its name from Na-alam-da, meaning Insatiable in Giving, one of the names by which the Lord Buddha was known.

RAJGIR -The picturesque Rajgir, or Rajgriha as it was known in the past (literally, the abode of kings) is surrounded by the meandering river Banganga and 5 hills. During the lifetime of the Buddha this was the capital of the powerful Magadhan kingdom, ruled by the virtuous King Bimbisara. The hills and caves surrounding Rajgriha were home to spiritual teachers, ranging from the materialism of the early Charavaka School to the metaphysics of Upanishadic philosophers. Like many others in search of truth, Prince Siddhartha, after he renounced his royal heritage came to this city to seek the path of nation. Dinner & overnight stay at hotel.



Day 09 – Rajgir - Patna

Morning after breakfast drive to Patna, arrived by lunch and check - in into hotel. Post lunch city tour visiting Har Mandir Sahib - also known as Patna Sahib consecrates the place where the 10th Guru of the Sikhs Guru Gobind Singh was born in 1776, Golghar - is a large dome-like structure from where one can have a fine view of the Ganga and the surroundings of the city, Patna Museum - has a rich collection of Mauryan and Buddhist sculptures, terracotta and other interesting items of the items. Dinner & Overnight stay..

Day 10 – Patna - Vaishali

Morning after B-fast Proceed to Vaishali, a very special place to Buddhists as The Lord Buddha delivered his last sermon & announced his impending "Nirvana". See the majesty of Ashok Pillar - Lotus tank, Chaumukhi. Lunch at Vaishali hotel, evening free.

Dinner & overnight stay.

Day 11 – Vaishali - Kushinagar

Mornings after B-fast proceed to Kushinagar, visit Maha Parinirwana Temple where Buddha took his last breathe and Rambhar Stupa cremation site of Lord Buddha, Japan Temple, Sri Lanka Buddhist Centre & Monasteries etc. Lunch at Kushinagar hotel, evening free. Dinner & overnight stay at hotel.

Day 12 –Kushinagar - Lumbini

Morning after B-fast proceed to Lumbini with packed Lunch. While going to Lumbini, stop at India-Nepal border for Visa - Immigration formalities. Later check-in at Hotel. 15 Min. drive from the Nepal Border. Noon visit Lumbini, the Birth place of Lord Buddha. Dinner & overnight stay at hotel.

Day 13 – Lumbini - Sravasti

Morning after B-fast proceed to Sravasti, visit Buddhist temple, Ananda cave, Angulimal Cave & jetvan garden etc. Lunch at Sravasti hotel, evening free. Dinner & overnight stay.

Day 14 – Sravasti - Lucknow

Morning after B-fast proceed to Lucknow, arranged hot Lunch in the Restaurant at Lucknow, Later city tour of Lucknow to Visit some historical & Mughal period monuments and enjoy to city of Nawabs. Late evening transfer to station to connect train to New Delhi. Overnight at train.

Day 15 – Arrival New Delhi - Departure

On arrival meet with the representative & transfer to hotel, arranged some rooms for wash and change. Evening departure transfer to International airport connects flight back to home with sweet memories of "BUDDHIS PILGRIMAGE TOUR WITH JAIPUR & TAJ MAHAL" with "Ancient World Tour", Varanasi (India).

