



Earthbound Expeditions

Spirit Of India Diwali Festival Tour

10 days, from US\$1,487 per person

Duration

10 days

Group size

15 People

Country

India

INDIA TOUR DURING THE FESTIVAL OF Lights "DIWALI"

Day by day

Day 1

Arrival Delhi-India

Meet our representative at the airport, and then he'll transfer you to your hotel.

Altitude: 215 m On foot: None, arrival day Night: Hotel, Delhi Meals: None

Day 2

Delhi to Agra

Enjoy a delightful breakfast, and then travel to Agra which takes about 4 hours. The drive is scenic and provides beautiful scenery of the surrounding landscape. After your arrival in Agra, check in to the hotel. Be ready for some sightseeing as you will explore the immaculate Agra Fort. The most impressive landmark of Agra is the iconic Taj Mahal. This monument serves as a memento of love for lovers all around the world. Built by the Emperor Shah Jahan in the memory of his third wife Mumtaz Mahal, this lavish mausoleum proudly flaunts its white marble architecture. This landmark took about 20 years to complete, and the process included thousands of artisans and architects. Learn the true meaning of love as you explore this beautiful structure.

Altitude: 170 m On foot: None, 4 hr drive Night: Hotel, Agra Meals: Breakfast

Day 3

Agra to Jaipur

The scenic drive from Agra to Jaipur lasts approximately 5 hours. Go to Jaipur after having a hearty breakfast. On the route to Jaipur, we will take a slight detour and visit Fatehpur Sikri, which is a small city in Northern India, just west of Agra, and was founded by the 16th century Mughal Emperor. This city consists of numerous forts and monuments, that are built from red stones. Travel ahead, and then you'll reach the city of Jaipur.

Altitude: 430 m On foot: None, 5 hr drive Night: Hotel, Jaipur Meals: Breakfast

Day 4

Jaipur sightseeing Diwali celebration

Enjoy your delicious breakfast, and then we head towards the Amber Fort. Sit on the back of an elephant and enjoy the bumpy ride. Travel further to the interior of the Jaipur city and do some sightseeing of the prominent monuments. Our tour will display you the eccentric Hawa Mahal which was built in 1799 AD. Travelers are left spellbound by the fact that it comprises 953 walls, and it closely resembles the crown of Krishna. Admire the beauty of the Chandra Mahal and pay attention to its unique mixture of Mughal and Rajasthani architecture that is second to none. Feast your eyes on the Shri Gobind Deo Temple and the City Palace Museum. Acquire the knowledge regarding rugs and gems, as you visit the rug and gem factory, and learn from the workers about the intricate details of the job. At night, celebrate Diwali, 'The Festival of Lights.'

Altitude: 430 m On foot: Easy walking, 2-3 hrs Night: Hotel, Jaipur Meals: Breakfast

Day 5

Jaipur to Udaipur

Proceed to the lively city of Udaipur which takes about 7 hours.

Altitude: 600 m On foot: None, 7 hr drive Night: Hotel, Udaipur Meals: Breakfast

Day 6

Udaipur Sightseeing

Today, you'll explore this extravagant city of marbles which is mostly hailed for its lakes, mosques, gardens and the romantic backdrops. Bask in the glory of the City Palace of Udaipur as it sits atop a hill overlooking the serene Lake Pichola. The palace is a fusion of Rajasathani, and Mughal architectural style and history dictate that it was built about 400 years ago. We'll head towards the summit of the Pearl hill to observe the memorial of the applauded Rajput warrior, Maharana Pratap. The premises speak about its historical paintings and briefs you about the Indian history. Pay a visit to the Jagdish temple, which is devoted to Lord Vishnu and marvel at its Indo-Aryan style of architecture. Intricate pillar designs, Decorated ceilings are the major attractions of this temple. There is an option of boating in the Lake Pichola plus a cultural show at Bagore-Ki-Haveli.

Altitude: 600 m On foot: Easy walking, 2–3 hrs Night: Hotel, Udaipur Meals: Breakfast

Day 7

Udaipur–Pushkar drive

Head towards the magical city of Pushkar. It may take about 6 hours.

Altitude: 510 m On foot: None, 6 hr drive Night: Hotel, Pushkar Meals: Breakfast

Day 8

Pushkar sightseeing

The most charming city in the entire state of Rajasthan is the captivating city of Pushkar, which is mostly renowned for its sacred lake which as per religious beliefs, originated when Lord Brahma dropped a lotus flower. Our day begins by visiting some of the local temples and strolling around its lively markets, OR you have the option of enjoying a leisure time by participating in the cooking classes OR experience a shaky and bumpy ride on the back of a Camel.

Altitude: 510 m On foot: Easy walking, 2–3 hrs Night: Hotel, Pushkar Meals: Breakfast

Day 9

Pushkar to Delhi by train

Our morning starts by taking a quick walk in Pushkar. During the afternoon, we catch a train from Ajmer to Delhi.

Altitude: 215 m On foot: None, 6–7 hr train journey Night: Hotel, Delhi Meals: Breakfast

Day 10

Delhi sightseeing and departure

Today is your final day in India, and you'll spend it by observing some of the significant landmarks in Delhi. We visit the India Gate which is a war memorial that is dedicated to the 70000 soldiers of the British Indian Army who lost their lives from 1914 to 1921 in the First World War. We stop at Humayun's tomb which is the resting place of the Mughal Emperor Humayun. The monument was constructed by in 1569 and was made by Persian architects. Next is the enigmatic Rashtrapati Bhavan which is home to the President of the world's largest democracy. Sir Lutyens first conceptualized the structure, and it took the efforts of thousands of laborers to make his vision a reality. The British architect Edwin Lutyens designed the Sansad Bhavan, and it took six years to complete. Extensive gardens surround the building. Often called as the business hub of Delhi, this place proudly displays its Georgian-style buildings along with the global chain stores, old cinemas, and Indian restaurants. After the sightseeing, our representative will drop you at the International airport for departure.

Altitude: 215 m On foot: Easy walking, 2–3 hrs Night: No overnight Meals: Breakfast

What's included

- All accommodation on twin sharing basis
- All breakfasts during the trip
- All ground transportation throughout the trip
- An English speaking professional guide for the trip
- Transfers to and from airport in New Delhi upon your arrival and departure

Not included

- Any Flight
- India Visa
- All Entrance Fee (About USD 60 per person)
- All meals except breakfast (allow about US 150 – 200)
- Photo & Camera Fees
- Expenses of personal nature, mini bar, laundry, phone, etc.
- Tips and gratitude's for guide and driver
- Any other services not mentioned at 'includes'.