



Tour Name : **Across the Heart of India**

Duration ; 24 Nights / 25 Days

About the tour:

Travelling across central India from Mumbai on the Arabian Sea to Aurangabad a superb base to visit the breathtaking cave sculptures and carvings at Ellora and Ajanta. Hyderabad blessed with extraordinary wealth of historic monuments. Puri a low-key beach resort and an excellent place to recharge your batteries. In Kolkata admire the spectacular monuments of the British Empire and discover one of India's tastiest regional cuisines. Bodhgaya where Buddha achieved enlightenment while sitting under a bodhi tree. Varanasi the spiritual capital of India, and one of the oldest cities on earth, where you can see bathing and cremations by the sacred River Ganges Agra witness the immortal beauty of the Taj Mahal. Jaipur royal Rajput citadel with colorful bazaar. And Delhi blessed with many monuments of Mughal Era.

Outline Itinerary

Day 01; Arrive Mumbai (flight)

On arrival at Mumbai airport assistance and transfer to hotel rest time free and easy for personal activities relax. Dynamic & exhilarating, this vast megalopolis bombards the senses with the extremes of urban India, and is an excellent place to sample some of the country's finest dining. Overnight at hotel.

Day 02; Mumbai

Breakfast at hotel. Transfer to Gateway of India to board ferry for excursion visit to Elephanta caves. Later city tour of Mumbai visiting Nariman Point, Historical monuments of south Mumbai & Museum. Overnight at hotel.

Day 03; Mumbai - Aurangabad (flight)

Breakfast at hotel, transfer to airport to board flight for Aurangabad. On arrival assistance & transfer to hotel. Later sightseeing tour of Ellora Caves, Daulatabad Fort and Aurangabad city. Overnight at hotel.

Day 04; Aurangabad - Ajanta (100kms/ 2hrs approx one way)

Breakfast at hotel, full day excursion to visit Ajanta Caves. Evening back to hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 05; Aurangabad - Hyderabad (flight)

Breakfast at hotel, transfer to airport to board flight for Hyderabad. On arrival at Hyderabad airport, meet with our office representative, assistance and transfer to hotel, check in Overnight at hotel.

Day 06; Hyderabad

Breakfast at hotel, explore this wondrous capital, a 400 year-old metropolitan city teeming with bustling-bazaars and Muslim monuments. Visit to Golconda Fort, Qutub Shahi tombs, Charminar Grand Mecca Masjid. Overnight at hotel.

Day 07; Hyderabad – Bhubaneswar (flight) / Puri (65kms/ 2hrs approx)

Breakfast at hotel, transfer to airport to board flight for Bhubaneswar. On arrival at Bhubaneswar airport meet with your driver & guide and proceed for sightseeing. Visit Khandagiri and Udaygiri caves (first century BC) After sightseeing drive to Puri check in at beach resort for overnight stay.

Day 08; Puri

Breakfast at hotel, excursion to visit Chilika Lake (at Satpada), boat cruise inside the lake, get a chance to see the Dolphins. Chilika Lake is the largest wintering ground for migratory birds on the Indian sub-continent. The temple of Sun God was constructed in the 13th century. Rest time to relax on the beach. Overnight at hotel.

Day 09; Puri – Bhubaneswar (60kms/ 1.3hrs) / Kolkata (flight)

Breakfast at hotel, morning free. Afternoon transfer to Bhubaneswar airport to board flight for Kolkata. On arrival at Kolkata airport meet with our office representative, assistance and transfer to hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 10; Kolkata

Breakfast at hotel city tour of Kolkata visiting historical landmarks the magnificent Fort William, Victoria Memorial, Howrah Bridge & Zoological Gardens. Overnight at hotel.

Day 11; Kolkata – Patna (flight) / Nalanda – Rajgir – Bodhgaya (175kms/ 4hrs approx)

On arrival at Patna airport meet with your driver & proceed to Bodhgaya via visiting Nalanda a hot seat of knowledge and learning established in the 5th century Continue drive to Bodhgaya check in at hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 12; Bodhgaya

Breakfast at hotel visit Mahabodhi Temple an UNESCO World Heritage Site, this 54mts tall temple has been renovated over the years. It enshrines a large golden Buddha, and is encompassed by an ancient

railing, dating back to 100 BC. Bodhi Tree: where Buddha is said to have attained enlightenment, and the Vajrasana or throne, where Buddha sat. Tibetan Monastery, housing the Maitreya Buddha (future Buddha). Also see the Burmese Temple, Chinese Temple and Monastery, Buddhist Monastery of Bhutan, Thai Temple and Monastery, and many more. Rest time to relax, evening attend temple aarti. Overnight at hotel.

Day 13; Bodhgaya – Varanasi (250kms/ 5hrs approx)

Breakfast at hotel, drive to Varanasi check in at hotel. Evening walking tour of Ghats's temples & mosque on ghats. Also attend Holy Ganga Aarti in evening, a magical aarti is performed at Dasashwamedh Ghat. Halt your boat right at the steps for the best view. Overnight at hotel.

Day 14; Varanasi

Early morning boat ride and Ghat visit along the Ganges and catch the scene of devotees bathing and praying in the sacred water. Breakfast at hotel. City tour of Varanasi visit World famous Benaras Hindu University, The Ramnagar Fort Palace & Many Temples. Afternoon excursion to Sarnath one of the three holiest sites for Buddhists where the Buddha delivered his first sermon in 528 BC. There are many temples here, representing the many cultures where Buddhism is the dominant religious philosophy. Overnight at hotel.

Day 15; Varanasi – Lucknow (300kms/ 6hrs approx)

Breakfast at hotel drive to Lucknow check in at hotel. Evening Walking tour of Hazrat Ganj. Overnight at hotel.

Day 16; Lucknow

Breakfast at hotel, city tour visit Bara Imambara built in the year 1784 by the fourth Nawab of Awadh known as Asaf-ud-Daula. British Residency a famous historical landmark. Chattar Manzil one of the imposing structures built by the Nawabs of Lucknow. Jama Masjid built by Sultan Ahmed Shah in 1423AD entirely with yellow sandstone. Rumi Darwaza one of the most impressive architectural structures built in the year 1784 by Nawab Asaf-ud-daula. Overnight at hotel.

Day 17; Lucknow – Khajuraho (310kms/ 6hrs approx)

Breakfast at hotel drive to Lucknow check in at hotel. Rest time free and easy to relax in the hotel. Watch light & sound show or Kandariya Dance show live performance. Overnight at hotel.

Day 18; Khajuraho - Panna National Park (55kms/ 1hrs approx)

Breakfast at hotel, sightseeing in Khajuraho, visit eastern, western & southern group of temples. Khajuraho, home to most famous of India's temples on account of their remarkable erotic sculptures, lies in a rich, well watered plain. The temple of Khajuraho are india's unique gift to the world, representing, as they do, a paeon to life, to love, to joy ; perfect in execution and sublime in expression. Later drive to Panna National Park checks in at hotel. Rest time to relax and enjoy the facilities available at resort/ jungle lodge. Dinner & overnight at Lodge/ resort.

Day 19; Panna National Park

Breakfast at hotel morning & afternoon jeep safari the national park. The park is known worldwide for its wild cats, including tigers as well as deer and antelope. Tiger, the king of the jungle, roams freely in this secure, though a bit small habitat along with his fellow beings - leopard, wild dog, wolf, hyaena, caracal and other smaller cats. Sloth bear has his most favorite home in the rock escarpments and undisturbed vales. The wooded areas are dotted with sambar, the largest of Indian deers, chital and chowsingha. Lunch, dinner & overnight at Lodge/ resort.

Day 20; Panna National Park – Orchha (200kms/ 4hrs approx)

Breakfast at hotel drive to Orchha check in at hotel. Later visit Orchha Fort a wonderful example of a medieval fort palace. Overnight at hotel.

Day 21; Orchha – Gwalior – Agra (220kms/ 5hrs approx)

Breakfast at ahotel drive to Agra en route visit Gwalior Fort standing on a steep mass of sandstone. This imposing structure inspired Emperor Babar to describe it "the pearl amongst the fortresses of Hind." Continue drive to Agra check in at hotel.Later visit Agra Fort build by the famed Mughal Emperor Akbar in 1565AD, the fort is predominantly of red sandstone. Also visit Itmad-ud-daulah's Tomb built between 1622 and 1628 by Empress Nur Jahan for her father. Overnight at hotel.

Day 22; Agra – Fatehpur Sikri – Abhaneri – Jaipur (245kms/ 5hrs approx)

Breakfast at hotel. Sunrise visit Taj Mahal one of the Seven Wonder of the World was build by Shah Jahan in 1631 AD and was completed in 1651.

Late drive to Jaipur, En route visit to Fatehpur Sikri built by Emperor Akbar in 1569 and abandoned after 15yrs Due to scarcity of water. En route also visit Abhaneri is a small village popular for the amazing 'Baoris' (step wells) and Harshat Mata Temple.

Continue drive to Jaipur, on arrival check in at hotel. Evening free to scroll the market. Overnight at hotel.

Day 23; Jaipur

Breakfast at hotel. Visit the majestic Amer Fort and Jaigarh Fort. Enjoy Elephant ride at Amber Fort. Later city tour visiting City Palace, Observatory, Palace of Winds, Albert Hall Museum and Birla Temple. Overnight at hotel.

Day 24; Jaipur - Delhi (265kms/ 5hrs approx)

Breakfast at hotel drive to Delhi check in at hotel. Rest time free and easy to relax. Overnight at hotel.

Day 25; Delhi - Departure

Breakfast at hotel city tour of Delhi, visiting landmark of Old Delhi which include Red Fort, Jama Masjid, Chandni chowk & Khari Baoli Spice Market. Cycle Rickshaw ride in Chandni Chowk. Sightseeing of New Delhi which includes Qutab Minar, Humayun Tomb, Lotus Temple & VVIP areas President House, Parliament & India Gate.

Later as per flight schedule transfer to airport to board fligght for onward destination.

Price details:

Price using 3 star hotels valid from 1st October 2019 till 31st March 2020										
Particular	Per person price staying in SINGLE occupancy rooms			Per person price sharing DOUBLE/ TWIN occupancy rooms			Per person price sharing TRIPLE occupancy rooms (double room with extra bed)			
	Currency	INR	Euro	USD	INR	Euro	USD	INR	Euro	USD
1 person		₹535,735	€ 7,143	\$8,242	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2 person		₹373,309	€ 4,977	\$5,743	₹305,882	€ 4,078	\$4,706	N/A	N/A	N/A
3 person		₹333,480	€ 4,446	\$5,130	₹332,567	€ 4,434	\$5,116	₹255,569	€ 3,408	\$3,932
4 person		₹330,607	€ 4,408	\$5,086	₹328,975	€ 4,386	\$5,061	₹252,695	€ 3,369	\$3,888
5 person		₹306,662	€ 4,089	\$4,718	₹299,044	€ 3,987	\$4,601	₹228,750	€ 3,050	\$3,519
6 person		₹302,230	€ 4,030	\$4,650	₹293,505	€ 3,913	\$4,515	₹224,319	€ 2,991	\$3,451
7 person		₹289,181	€ 3,856	\$4,449	₹277,193	€ 3,696	\$4,265	₹211,269	€ 2,817	\$3,250
8 person		₹279,393	€ 3,725	\$4,298	₹264,959	€ 3,533	\$4,076	₹201,482	€ 2,686	\$3,100
Child 5-11yrs		₹58,029			€ 774			\$893		
Child below 5yrs		Free								
H B supplement		₹23,088			€ 308			\$355		
Additional night in Mumbai		₹9,559	€ 127	\$147	₹5,515	€ 74	\$85	₹4,657	€ 62	\$72

Price using 4 star hotels valid from 1st October 2019 till 31st March 2020										
Particular	Per person price staying in SINGLE occupancy rooms			Per person price sharing DOUBLE/ TWIN occupancy rooms			Per person price sharing TRIPLE occupancy rooms (double room with extra bed)			
	Currency	INR	Euro	USD	INR	Euro	USD	INR	Euro	USD
1 person	₹606,912	€ 8,092	\$9,337	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2 person	₹406,618	€ 5,422	\$6,256	₹305,882	€ 4,078	\$4,706	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
3 person	₹366,789	€ 4,891	\$5,643	₹332,567	€ 4,434	\$5,116	₹285,441	€ 3,806	\$4,391	
4 person	₹363,915	€ 4,852	\$5,599	₹328,975	€ 4,386	\$5,061	₹282,567	€ 3,768	\$4,347	
5 person	₹339,971	€ 4,533	\$5,230	₹299,044	€ 3,987	\$4,601	₹258,623	€ 3,448	\$3,979	
6 person	₹335,539	€ 4,474	\$5,162	₹293,505	€ 3,913	\$4,515	₹254,191	€ 3,389	\$3,911	
7 person	₹322,489	€ 4,300	\$4,961	₹277,193	€ 3,696	\$4,265	₹241,141	€ 3,215	\$3,710	
8 person	₹312,702	€ 4,169	\$4,811	₹264,959	€ 3,533	\$4,076	₹231,354	€ 3,085	\$3,559	
Child 5-11yrs	₹71,912			€ 959			\$1,106			
Child below 5yrs	Free									
H B supplement	₹29,706			€ 396			\$457			
Additional night in Mumbai	₹13,235	€ 176	\$204	₹7,353	€ 98	\$113	₹6,127	€ 82	\$94	

Price using 5 star hotels valid from 1st October 2019 till 31st March 2020										
Particular	Per person price staying in SINGLE occupancy rooms			Per person price sharing DOUBLE/ TWIN occupancy rooms			Per person price sharing TRIPLE occupancy rooms (double room with extra bed)			
	Currency	INR	Euro	USD	INR	Euro	USD	INR	Euro	USD
1 person	₹781,912	€ 10,425	\$12,029	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2 person	₹514,191	€ 6,856	\$7,911	₹327,353	€ 4,365	\$5,036	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
3 person	₹452,892	€ 6,039	\$6,968	₹332,567	€ 4,434	\$5,116	₹362,353	€ 4,831	\$5,575	
4 person	₹450,018	€ 6,000	\$6,923	₹328,975	€ 4,386	\$5,061	₹359,479	€ 4,793	\$5,530	
5 person	₹426,074	€ 5,681	\$6,555	₹299,044	€ 3,987	\$4,601	₹335,534	€ 4,474	\$5,162	
6 person	₹421,642	€ 5,622	\$6,487	₹293,505	€ 3,913	\$4,515	₹331,103	€ 4,415	\$5,094	
7 person	₹408,592	€ 5,448	\$6,286	₹277,193	€ 3,696	\$4,265	₹318,053	€ 4,241	\$4,893	
8 person	₹398,805	€ 5,317	\$6,135	₹264,959	€ 3,533	\$4,076	₹308,266	€ 4,110	\$4,743	
Child 5-11yrs	₹124,853			€ 1,665			\$1,921			
Child below 5yrs	Free									
H B supplement	₹56,985			€ 760			\$877			
Additional night in Mumbai	₹21,324	€ 284	\$328	₹11,765	€ 157	\$181	₹9,559	€ 127	\$147	



Note: Euro & USD prices are subject to change in case of any fluctuation in currency exchange rate. Please check the currency exchange rate of the day for exact price in your currency. In any case our INR price will remain unchanged and shall be treated as final price.

Included in price:

- Garland welcome and assistance of our office representative at airport
- 24 nights/ 25 days accommodation in below mentioned hotels or similar
- Daily breakfast at hotel.
- Full board accommodation in Panna National Park
- Bottled drinking water in car
- Private English speaking guide in each cities on sightseeing days.
- Private Chauffer driven air-conditioned deluxe car for airport transfers, sightseeing & excursion as per program.
- 01 Time monument entrance fees mentioned in the itinerary.
- 2 time gypsy safari in Panna National Park with permit and naturalist.
- Elephant ride at Amber Fort in Jaipur
- Applicable GST (Government taxes)

Not Included in price:

- Any air fare
- Monument entrances
- Main Meals, Lunch or dinner unless mentioned
- Expenses of personal nature like liquor, laundry, tips, telephone, fax, internet etc.
- Or anything not mentioned above.

Hotels used or similar in above price

Day	City	3* Hotels	4* Hotels	5* Hotels
1	Mumbai	Hotel Suba Palace/ BW Hotel Sahil	Sun-N-Sand Hotel/ Fariyas Hotel	Trident Hotel/ ITC Grand Central
2	Mumbai	Hotel Suba Palace/ BW Hotel Sahil	Sun-N-Sand Hotel/ Fariyas Hotel	Trident Hotel/ ITC Grand Central
3	Aurangabad	7 Apple Hotel Aurangabad / Ginger Aurangabad	Ambassador Ajanta/ VITS Hotel	WelcomHotel Rama International / Lemon Tree Hotel
4	Aurangabad	7 Apple Hotel Aurangabad / Ginger Aurangabad	Ambassador Ajanta/ VITS Hotel	WelcomHotel Rama International / Lemon Tree Hotel

5	Hyderabad	Aditya Park/ Lemon Tree Hotel	Lemon Tree Hotel/ Fortune Park Vallabha	ITC Kakatiya, a Luxury Collection/ Trident Hotel
6	Hyderabad	Aditya Park/ Lemon Tree Hotel	Lemon Tree Hotel/ Fortune Park Vallabha	ITC Kakatiya, a Luxury Collection/ Trident Hotel
7	Puri	Toshali Sands/ Blue Lily Beach Resort	The Hans Coco Palms/ The Chariot Resort & spa	Mayfair Waves
8	Puri	Toshali Sands/ Blue Lily Beach Resort	The Hans Coco Palms/ The Chariot Resort & spa	Mayfair Waves
9	Kolkata	Regenta Orko's/ The Fern Residency	The Peerless Inn/ The Fern Residency	ITC Sonar, a Luxury Collection/ The Lalit Great Eastern
10	Kolkata	Regenta Orko's/ The Fern Residency	The Peerless Inn/ The Fern Residency	ITC Sonar, a Luxury Collection/ The Lalit Great Eastern
11	Bodhgaya	Hotel Taj Darbar/ Hotel Mahamaya	The Royal Residency/ Lotus Nikko Hotel	The Royal Residency/ Lotus Nikko Hotel
12	Bodhgaya	Hotel Taj Darbar/ Hotel Mahamaya	The Royal Residency/ Lotus Nikko Hotel	The Royal Residency/ Lotus Nikko Hotel
13	Varanasi	Meraden Grand/ Amaya Hotel	Rivatas by Ideal/ Palace On Ganges	Ramada JHV/ Radisson Hotel
14	Varanasi	Meraden Grand/ Amaya Hotel	Rivatas by Ideal/ Palace On Ganges	Ramada JHV/ Radisson Hotel
15	Lucknow	Sapna Clarks Inn/	Lemon Tree Hotel/	Renaissance Hotel/

		Hotel Lineage	La Place Sarovar Portico	Hyatt Regency
16	Lucknow	Sapna Clarks Inn/ Hotel Lineage	Lemon Tree Hotel/ La Place Sarovar Portico	Renaissance Hotel/ Hyatt Regency
17	Khajuraho	Ramada/ Clarks Hotel	Radisson Hotel/ Hotel Chandela	The Lalit Temple View
18	Panna National Park	Greetoe Resorts	Tuli Tiger Corridor/ Pench Jungle Camp	Sarai at Toria/ Pugdundee Safaris Pench Tree Lodge
19	Panna National Park	Greetoe Resorts	Tuli Tiger Corridor/ Pench Jungle Camp	Sarai at Toria/ Pugdundee Safaris Pench Tree Lodge
20	Orchha	Orchha Resort/ Amar Mahal	Orchha Resort/ Amar Mahal	Orchha Palace and Convention Centre
21	Agra	Howard Plaza the Fern/ Atulyaa Taj	Radisson Hotel/ Crystal Sarovar Premier	Trident Hotel/ Courtyard by Marriott
22	Jaipur	Redfox Hotel/ Park Ocean	Fortune Select Metropolitan/ Holiday Inn City Centre	ITC Rajputana/ Hilton Jaipur
23	Jaipur	Redfox Hotel/ Park Ocean	Fortune Select Metropolitan/ Holiday Inn City Centre	ITC Rajputana/ Hilton Jaipur
24	Delhi	Madhuban Hotel/ Hotel Emerald	The Royal Plaza/ Country Inn & Suite Saket	Le Meridien/ The Claridges
25	Departure			

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, 7 days prior to arrival date

Cancellation policy:

Note: Written cancellation will accept on all working days, except Sunday, Any cancellation sent on Sunday's will be considered on next working day (Monday).

For the X-mas and New Year period from 20 Dec to 05 Jan the payment is non-refundable.

In case you cancel the trip after commencement, refund would be restricted to a limited amount only which too would depend on the amount that we would be able to recover from the hoteliers/ contractors we patronize. For unused hotel accommodation, chartered transportation & missed meals etc. we do not bear any responsibility to refund.

- Cancellation before 30 days – no cancellation fees only bank charges.
- Cancellation before 29 -15 days – 25% of the invoice plus bank charges.
- Cancellation before 14 –7 days - 50% of the invoice plus bank charges.
- Cancellation before 6 – 3 days - 75% of the invoice plus bank charges.
- Cancellation before 2 days – Now show 90% of the invoice.

Our Liabilities & Limitations:

Please note that after the finalization of the Tour/ service Cost, if there are any Hike in entrance fees of monuments / museums, Taxes, fuel cost or guide charges – by Govt of India, the same would be charged as extra.

Agora Voyages act only in the capacity of agent for the hotels, airlines, transporters, railways & contractors providing other services & all exchange orders, receipts, contracts & tickets issued by us are issued subject to terms & conditions under which these services are provided by them.

All itineraries are sample itineraries, intended to give you a general idea of the likely trip schedule. Numerous factors such as weather, road conditions, the physical ability of the participants etc. may dictate itinerary changes either before the tour or while on the trail. We reserve the right to change any schedule in the interest of the trip participants' safety, comfort & general well being.

Our rates are based on the prevailing rates as negotiated by us with the hotels, airlines etc. Hotels and Airlines retain the right to modify the rates without notice. In case of such changes the rates quoted before the modification, can be changed by us according to the modifications by hotels or airlines. All hotel bookings are based on usual check in and check out time of the hotels until unless indicated in the itinerary.

We shall not be responsible for any delays & alterations in the program or expenses incurred – directly or indirectly – due to natural hazards, flight cancellations, accident, breakdown of machinery or equipment's, breakdown of transport, weather, sickness, landslides, political closures or any untoward incidents.

We shall not be responsible for any loss, injury or damage to person, property, or otherwise in connection with any accommodation, transportation or other services, resulting – directly or indirectly – from any act of GOD, dangers, fire, accident, breakdown in machinery or equipment, breakdown of transport, wars, civil disturbances, strikes, riots, thefts, pilferages, epidemics, medical or custom department regulations, defaults, or any other causes beyond our control.

We do not have any insurance policy covering the expenses for accident, sickness, loss due to theft, or any other reasons. Visitors are advised to seek such insurance arrangements in their home country. All baggage's & personal property/s at all times are at the client's risk.

We will not be responsible for any costs arising out of unforeseen circumstances like landslides, road blocks, bad weather, etc.

Tipping

Tipping is not included in our price. Tipping is optional, and at times expected in travel trade. Obviously there is no limit to how much you can tip and some guests who enjoy and appreciate the services of Guides, driver and other crew will and have tipped much more than our average tipping guideline of about \$10-15 per day.

Trip Comments

When you return from your trip, please share your experience with us. Any photos, suggestions will be appreciated. Although we try our best, Tourism is a trade, which cannot be perfect and there will always remain a room for improvement. Your comments (both criticism and compliments) are invaluable to us and we look forward to hearing from you, upon your return.