CLASSICAL INDIA 11 Nights / 12 Days

DAY 01: - ARRIVE DELHI

Arrival at Indra Gandhi International airport; meet and assist by our representative holding a plaque card at arrival lounge

Transfer to the hotel and check-in.

Delhi - the capital of India, is a fascinating city with complexities and contradictions, beauty and dynamism, where the past coexists with the present. Many dynasties ruled from here and the city s rich in the architecture of its monuments. Delhi is not only the present metropolis of India but also a Necropolis. Because of its location, being on the banks of the River Yamuna, many cities have risen and fallen over the last five millenniums.

Overnight in Delhi

DAY 02: - IN DELHI

Morning enjoy your breakfast at hotel After breakfast you will transfer to visit Old & New Delhi

Visit some of the interesting sites of Delhi such as, <u>Qutub Minar</u>, <u>Humanyun's Tomb</u>, Drive past <u>President's House</u>, <u>India Gate</u>, and <u>Red fort</u>. Later also visit <u>Jamma Masjid</u> & enjoy <u>Rickshaw ride</u> at Chandni Chowk, visit <u>Raj Ghat</u> - crimination site of Mahatma Gandhi, the father of the Nation, <u>Lotus Temple</u>, <u>Lakshmi Narayan Temple</u>.

Overnight at Hotel.

DAY 03: - DELHI / JAIPUR (255 Kms. / 05½ Hrs Approx)

Morning enjoy your breakfast at hotel. After Breakfast transfer to Jaipur

Arrival Jaipur and transfer to hotel

Jaipur - the capital of Rajasthan is colours washed pink - the colours associated with hospitality in Rajput culture. This Pink City of fairy tale palaces, rugged fortresses perched on barren hills and broad avenues is picturesque. The first planned city of its time, Jaipur is encircled by a formidable wall.

Rest of the day is free for own activities.

Overnight in Jaipur

DAY 04: - IN JAIPUR

Morning: enjoy your breakfast at the hotel

After breakfast you will proceed for the excursion to <u>Amber Fort</u>, here you will enjoy the <u>Elephant Ride</u> to reach atop of the palace. Continue your tour: with the city tour of Jaipur- visiting Maharaja's <u>City Palace</u>, the former Royal residence, part of it converted into a museum. Later visit the <u>Jantar Mantar</u>, which is the largest stone and marble crafted observatory in the world, having 17 large instruments, many of them still in working condition. During the tour you will also have a brief photography stop at <u>Hawa Mahal</u> - the <u>Palace</u> of <u>Winds</u>.

Overnight in Jaipur

DAY 05: - JAIPUR / AGRA (245 Kms / 05 ½ Hrs. Approx)

Today early morning transfer to Agra en-route visit of <u>Fatehpur Sikri</u>

It is 38 kms from Agra and often referred to as abandoned Mughul capital. This 16th century capital of Mughul emperor Akbar

is a complex of forts, palaces and mosques built in sandstone. The city had to be deserted because of lack of water. The white marble Tomb of Sheikh Salim Chisti, Akbar's spiritual adviser, is now observed as a Muslim pilgrimage spot here.

After visit continue drive to Agra

Arrival Agra and transfer to hotel. Later transfer to visit <u>Taj Mahal</u> – monument of Love, (TAJ MAHAL REMAIN CLOSED ON EVERY FRIDAY) which was built in the middle of the 17th century by the Mughul emperor Shah Jehan for his wife Mumtaz Mahal. Also visit <u>Itmad – UD- Daula</u> Tomb & <u>Agra Fort</u> which stands like a crescent on the banks of the Jamuna River enclosed by forbidding 20-meter high walls, with a 12- meter moat between them.

Overnight in Agra

DAY 06: - AGRA/ JHANSI / ORCHHA (18 Kms. / 30 Minutes)

Morning on time after breakfast departure transfer to Agra Railway Station to board train to Jhansi.

Train Details: -

Train Name / No: -Shatabdi Exp: - 2002

Depart from Agra: -0802 Hrs Arrival at Jhansi: -1043 Hrs Proposed Class: -AC Chair Car

Arrive Jhansi railway station and transfer to Orchha - Founded in the 16th century by the Bundela Rajput chieftain Rudra Pratap, Orchha grandeur has been captured in stone, the palaces and temples retain much of their pristine perfection.

Afternoon transfer for sightseeing. Visit *Jehangir Mahal* has built by Raja Bir Singh Ju Deo in the 17th century to commemorate the visit of Emperor Jehangir to Orchha. Its strong lines are counterbalanced by delicate chhatries and trellis work, the whole conveying an effect of extraordinary richness. Raj Mahal Palace with its plain exteriors, crowned by chhatris, give way to interiors with exquisite murals, boldly colourful, on a variety of religious themes. Ram Raj Temple - the palace-turned temple with its soaring spires and palatial architecture - is one of the most unusual in India; also are the Chaturbhuj temple and the Laxminarayan temple.

Overnight in Orchha

DAY 07: -ORCHA / KHAJURAHO (180 Kms / 4 Hrs)

Morning enjoy your breakfast at hotel. Later depart for Khajuraho.

Arrive Khajuraho and transfer to hotel. Khajuraho - Created by the Chandela kings around 925 AD, Khajuraho emerged when the west was still finding its place in the Sun. The temples are a spectacular feat of architectural excellence, carved with the roughest of tools, all within the span of a hundred years. 85 temples in all portrayed the civilisation of the times' zest for life, they potray spirituality, love, music, dance hunting and feasting. Today, 22 temples survive. Khajuraho has achieved fame for he sensual appeal of the erotic sculptures. But, these form only part of the wealth of the site which depicts everyday life of the people and the court in the 10th and 11th centuries.

Overnight in Khajuraho

DAY 08: - IN KHAJURAHO

After breakfast sightseeing of Khajuraho

Visit the Western Group of temples. The Kandariya Mahadeo temple of the Western group is the largest, dedicated to Shiva. The main shrine is exquisitely carved and features, in delicate detail, gods, goddesses, celestial maidens and lovers. Also visit the Chausath Yogini temple dedicated to Kali and Chitragupta temple dedicated to the sun-god Surya. See the Eastern & Southern group of temples. The Parsvanath temple of the Eastern group is the group's largest Jain temple. The themes depict, in charming detail, everyday activity. Also visit the *Duladeo temple* dedicated to Shiva and the Chaturbhuj temple of the Southern group.

Rest of the day is kept free for own activities.

Overnight in Khajuraho

DAY 09: - KHAJURAHO / VARANASI

Morning after breakfast day free for independent activities. Later transfer to airport to board the flight for Varanasi

Flight Details: -

Flight Name / No: - Air India / AI-405

Depart from Khajuraho: - 15:15 Hrs Arrival at Varanasi: - 16:10 Hrs Proposed Class: - Economy

Arrival Varanasi and transfer to hotel. Varanasi is one of India's most important pilgrimage sites and the holiest of holy cities for Hindus. Known also as Kashi and Benaras, Varanasi is one of the world's oldest living cities, and has been a centre of learning and culture for well over 2000 years.

In the evening transfer to Dashwamedh Ghat to attend the Aarti ceremony

Overnight in Varanasi

DAY 10: - IN VARANASI

Morning transfer for <u>Boat ride</u> at dawn down India's most sacred river, The Ganges. Sun rise at the holy river is a truly tranquil and breath taking sight with pilgrims standing waist-deep in water, praying to the rising Sun. Past these bathing ghats, see the "burning ghats" where the Hindus cremate their dead. This is done with great religious fervour which makes for a moving experience. The <u>Benaras Hindu University</u> founded in 1916 and its famous <u>Museum</u> - <u>Bharat Kala Bhavan</u> which houses one of the finest collection of Mughal miniature paintings and brocade textiles. The <u>Bharat Mata and Durga Temple</u> and see the famous <u>Vishwanath temple</u> with its spires covered with gold, dedicated to Shiva, the presiding deity of the city.

Later visit <u>Sarnath</u>. The place where the Buddha turned the Wheel of Law and delivered His First Sermon. See the Chowkandi and Dhamek Stupas, the ruins of 9th and 10th century monasteries and temples, the temple built by the Mahabodhi Society in 1931, and the Tibetan Temple. Visit the famous <u>Sarnath Museum</u> (closed on Fridays].

Overnight in Varanasi

DAY 11: - VARANASI / DELHI

Morning free for independent activities

Afternoon transfer to airport to board the flight for Delhi

Flight Details: -

Flight Name / No: - Air India/ AI-433

Depart from Varanasi: - 15:30 Hrs

Arrival at Delhi: - 17:05 Hrs

Proposed Class: - Economy

Arrival Delhi and transfer to hotel.

Overnight in Delhi

DAY 12: - DELHI DEPARTURE

Morning after breakfast departure transfer to International Airport to board flight for onward destination.

TOUR END

Sketch itinerary for ready reference: -

Day	Itinerary		Hotels or Similar			
		Economy	Standard	Superior	Deluxe	
Day 01	Arrival Delhi	Bonlon Inn	Sun Court Yatri	<u>Jivitesh</u>	Jaypee Siddharth	Flight

Day 02	Delhi	Bon Lon Inn	Sun Court Yatri	Jivitesh	Jaypee Siddharth	
Day 03	Delhi / Jaipur	Tara Niwas	Umaid Bhawan	Golden Tulip Essential	Crown Plaza	Surface
Day 04	Jaipur	Tara Niwas	Umaid Bhawan	Golden Tulip Essential	Crown Plaza	
Day 05	Jaipur /Agra	Amar Yatri	Royal Residency	Clark Shiraz	Jaypee Palace	Surface
Day 06	Agra / Jhansi / Orchha	Orchha Resort	Orchha Resort	Orchha Resort	Amar Mahal	Train + Surface
Day 07	Orchha / Khajuraho	<u>Harmony</u>	GW Green Wood	<u>Ramada</u>	Radisson	Surface
Day 08	Khajuraho	Harmony	GW Green Wood	Ramada	Radisson	
Day 09	Khajuraho / Varanasi	City Inn	<u>Diamond</u>	The Amayaa	Radisson	Flight
Day 10	Varanasi	City Inn	Diamond	The Amayaa	Radisson	
Day 11	Varanasi / Delhi	Bonlon Inn	Sun Court Yatri	Jivitesh	Jaypee Siddharth	Flight
Day 12	Delhi / Depart	No Hotel	No Hotel	No Hotel	No Hotel	Flight

Quotation Validity: 01st October'19 till 31st March'20 (Except 20th Dec'19 till 05th January'20) Note – Please note that these rates are not valid during any fair / festival / peak period.

Paying Pax	Amount in US Dollars Per Person					
	Economy	Standard	Superior	Deluxe		
02 Pax (Using AC Indigo Car)	761	836	995	1134		
03 Pax (Using AC Innova Car)	693	767	927	1065		
04 Pax (Using AC Innova Car)	635	710	869	1008		
05 Pax (Using AC Tempo Traveler)	661	736	895	1034		
06 Pax (Using AC Tempo Traveler)	632	707	866	1004		
07 Pax (Using AC Tempo Traveler)	608	682	841	980		
08 Pax (Using AC Tempo Traveler)	589	664	823	962		
09 Pax (Using AC Tempo Traveler)	575	650	809	948		
Single Room Supplement	412	475	659	832		
Supplement for monument entrance fees for Delhi, Jaipur, Fatehpur Sikri, Agra, Orchha, Khajuraho & Varanasi	US\$ 108 Per Person					

Cost Include:

- Accommodation on twin sharing basis in above mentioned or similar hotels in Air Conditioned Room
- Accommodation in the Standard category of rooms
- All hotels on Bed & Buffet Breakfast basis
- All Transfers, sightseeing's and excursions by Air Condition Transport
- All Toll, Taxes, Parking, State / Border Taxes, Driver allowance/Food
- Rickshaw Ride in Old Delhi
- Elephant ride at Amber Fort, Jaipur (Subject to availability)
- Train ticket from Agra / Jhansi in AC Chair Car
- Boat ride at Varanasi.
- Rickshaw Ride in Varanasi to see Evening Aarti at Ghats
- Services of English speaking local guide at Delhi, Jaipur, Agra, Khajuraho & Varanasi.
- Assistance on arrival by our Representative at Delhi
- All applicable taxes at the time of quoting

Cost Exclude:

- Any Air Fare (international or domestic), Visa Fee & Medical Insurance
- One time monument entrance fees.

- Items of personal nature like telecom charges, laundry, beverage, tips, camera fee and gratuities.
- Any other services not mentioned above.

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