

# Ride Through Rajasthan - A Majestic Circuit

📅 14 Nights / 15 Days

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## Overview

Experience the magic of Rajasthan, India's legendary desert state, on a journey that brings together timeless traditions, vibrant colors, and unforgettable landscapes. This 20-day adventure is a feast for the senses — a vivid exploration of ancient forts, golden deserts, sacred lakes, and cultural treasures unlike anywhere else in the world.

From the moment you arrive, you'll be immersed in a world of contrasts and enchantment. Wander through royal palaces and massive fortifications that echo with the stories of warrior kings and queens. Admire architectural marvels like the Palace of the Winds, explore ornately carved havelis, and discover the bustling bazaars of Rajasthan's iconic cities — each bursting with life, color, and character.

In Jaisalmer, a golden city rising from the sands of the Thar Desert, you'll experience the charm of a desert oasis. Here, camel rides over endless dunes and starlit evenings bring to life a dream from a Thousand and One Nights. The magic continues in Jodhpur, where the indigo-washed walls of the old city create a dramatic contrast to the vibrant saris of local women and the towering presence of Mehrangarh Fort.

Pushkar offers a spiritual pause with its tranquil lake, sacred ghats, and mesmerizing prayer ceremonies. In Udaipur, you'll drift across the serene waters of Lake Pichola, taking in palaces that shimmer in the sunlight and reflect the city's romantic soul. Along the way, you'll witness village life, enjoy local hospitality, and even take part in a live cooking demonstration with a royal family — a rare and intimate cultural experience.

Your journey ends with a powerful highlight: the Taj Mahal, one of the world's greatest monuments and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Standing before this marble masterpiece, you'll feel the depth of emotion and history that makes India truly unforgettable.

Throughout the tour, the flavors of exotic spices, the rhythms of folk

music, the chants of temple bells, and the fragrance of incense fill the air, creating an atmosphere that is immersive, emotional, and deeply sensory. This is not just a sightseeing trip — it is a deep dive into the spirit and soul of Rajasthan.<br>Whether you're drawn by its history, inspired by its beauty, or moved by its culture, this 20-day journey through Rajasthan promises memories that will stay with you for a lifetime.

## Highlights

- ☑ Stay in handpicked heritage-style palaces and charming havelis across Rajasthan
- ☑ Witness the magical golden hues of the Thar Desert at sunset
- ☑ Participate in a sacred aarti (prayer ritual) at the holy Pushkar Lake
- ☑ Enjoy an intimate live cooking session with a royal family in their ancestral home
- ☑ Glide through the serene waters of Lake Pichola during a sunset boat ride in Udaipur
- ☑♂ Learn the art of turban tying at the towering Mehrangarh Fort in Jodhpur

## Detailed Itinerary

### Day 1 - Arrival in Delhi - Historic Old Delhi Exploration

Namaste – welcome to India! Early check-in at the hotel followed by a full-day sightseeing tour of Delhi. Visit Jama Masjid (India's largest mosque), pay homage at Raj Ghat – Mahatma Gandhi's memorial, and take a thrilling cycle rickshaw ride through the narrow streets of Chandni Chowk. Enjoy aromatic masala tea at a tea stall before exploring the colorful spice market. Marvel at the Red Fort (UNESCO), the colonial government buildings, and India Gate. Evening welcome dinner at a traditional Indian restaurant. Overnight at Home@F37.

### Day 2 - Drive to Shekhawati - Nawalgarh's Painted Havelis

Travel to Nawalgarh (approx. 6 hrs / 270 km), a desert town renowned for its ornately painted havelis (merchant mansions) and palaces. Explore the town's architecture and learn about the history of these grand caravanserais. Overnight at The Grand Haveli and Resort.

### **Day 3 - Journey to Bikaner - Karni Mata Temple & Camel Breeding Farm**

En route to Bikaner (approx. 6 hrs / 280 km), visit Deshnok's Karni Mata Temple – famous for its sacred rats, believed to bring good fortune. Continue to India's only camel breeding farm to learn about their significance in desert life. Upon arrival, explore the magnificent Junagarh Fort, known for its beautiful courtyards and palatial rooms. Overnight at Raj Haveli.

### **Day 4 - Golden Jaisalmer - Desert Fort City**

Drive to Jaisalmer (approx. 6 hrs / 330 km), stopping at Khichan village, home to thousands of migrating Demoiselle Cranes (Nov-Mar). Witness the majestic Jaisalmer Fort rising like a golden mirage in the Thar Desert. Overnight at Hotel Golden Haveli.

### **Day 5 - Jaisalmer Fort & Thar Desert Experience**

Morning visit to Jaisalmer Fort and its intricate havelis carved by expert stonemasons. Later, head into the Thar Desert (35 km / 45 mins) for a sunset experience on the sand dunes. Optional short camel ride (€8). Stay overnight in a romantic desert camp with traditional cultural performances. Overnight at Winds Desert Camp.

### **Day 6 - Blue City of Jodhpur - Mehrangarh Fort**

Drive to Jodhpur (approx. 6 hrs / 300 km). Explore Mehrangarh Fort, perched high above the blue-painted old city. Learn the art of turban wrapping and the symbolism of colors. End the day strolling through the vibrant local bazaar. Overnight at Devi Bhawan.

### **Day 7 - Jain Temples of Ranakpur - Arrival in Udaipur**

En route to Udaipur (approx. 6.5 hrs / 280 km), stop at the 15th-century Ranakpur Jain Temple Complex. Admire its 1,444 intricately carved marble pillars, each unique, as a priest shares spiritual insights. Arrive in Udaipur and overnight at Karohi Haveli.

### **Day 8 - Udaipur - Palaces, Lakes & Local Markets**

Early morning visit to the lively vegetable and flower market. Explore the majestic City Palace, the Bharatiya Lok Kala Mandal Museum, and Saheliyon-ki-Bari gardens. In the evening, enjoy a boat ride on Lake Pichola to Jag Mandir Island and watch the sunset with tea or coffee. Overnight at Karohi Haveli.

### **Day 9 - Spiritual Pushkar - Brahma Temple & Sacred Lake**

Journey to Pushkar (approx. 6 hrs / 300 km), one of India's most revered Hindu pilgrimage towns. Visit the sacred Pushkar Lake and the Brahma Temple. Witness a traditional puja ceremony and learn about Hindu rituals from a local priest. Overnight at Hotel Pushkar Palace.

### **Day 10 - Pink City Jaipur - Food Walk & Tiger Fort Sunset**

Drive to Jaipur (approx. 3 hrs / 150 km). Enjoy a guided walking and food tour through Jaipur's bustling spice markets and street food stalls. In the evening, head to Nahargarh (Tiger) Fort for a panoramic sunset view over the city. Overnight at Dev Mahal.

### **Day 11 - Amber Fort & Jaipur's Architectural Wonders**

Morning excursion to Amber Fort, a masterpiece of Rajput architecture. Explore its Hall of Mirrors and royal courtyards. Back in Jaipur, visit the City Palace, the iconic Hawa Mahal (Palace of Winds), and the Jantar Mantar observatory. Overnight at Dev Mahal.

### **Day 12 - Royal Hospitality in Karauli**

Travel to Karauli (approx. 4 hrs / 180 km) and stay at the heritage Bhanwar Vilas Palace. Enjoy a tuk-tuk ride to the palace, attend an aarti ceremony, and later participate in an Indian cooking demo. Dine with the royal family or hear tales of aristocratic life from the palace staff.

### **Day 13 - Fatehpur Sikri - Journey to Agra**

Visit Fatehpur Sikri (UNESCO), a 16th-century Mughal ghost city with stunning red sandstone architecture. Continue to Agra (approx. 4 hrs / 182 km) and relax for the

evening. Overnight at Golden Tulip Agra.

### **Day 14 - Taj Mahal Sunrise & Return to Delhi**

Witness the Taj Mahal at sunrise – a breathtaking sight of love and symmetry. After breakfast, visit the mighty Agra Fort, another UNESCO site. Later, drive back to Delhi (approx. 5 hrs / 204 km) for a farewell dinner before your onward journey.

### **Day 15 - Departure from Delhi**

Transfer to Delhi Airport for your flight back home with cherished memories of India.

### **Accommodation Used**