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The Royal Journey on Maharajas Express – Heritage of India: A Journey into History and Grandeur Embark on **the royal journey on Maharajas Express – Heritage of India**, where timeless elegance meets majestic heritage. This luxurious itinerary transports you through India’s glorious past, combining regal experiences with world-class comfort.

- **Mumbai**: Begin your journey in India's vibrant financial capital, buzzing with culture and energy.
- **Udaipur**: Discover the romantic **Lake City**, adorned with serene waters and grand palaces.
- **Jodhpur**: Visit the towering **Mehrangarh Fort**, a symbol of Rajput valor and architectural splendor.
- **Bikaner**: Sip cocktails amid the **golden sand dunes**, as the desert glows under a sunset sky.
- **Jaipur**: Wander the majestic palaces and bustling bazaars of the iconic **Pink City**.
- **Ranthambore**: Venture into the wild at **Ranthambore National Park** for a thrilling tiger safari.
- **Agra**: Conclude with the timeless **Taj Mahal**, a marvel of love and one of the **Seven Wonders of the World**.
- **Delhi**: End your majestic passage in the historic and political heart of India.
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Throughout this elite voyage, enjoy **royal hospitality**, guided tours, fine dining, and immersive cultural experiences—all aboard **India's most regal train**. The **Heritage of India** is more than a tour; it's a celebration of India’s royal legacy.

MAHARAJAS' EXPRESS- THE HERITAGE OF INDIA (6 Nights / 7 Days)

Sunday, Day 1 – Mumbai Board Maharaja Express

Ride the Maharajas Express Heritage of India: A Journey into Royal Past

Welcome aboard the Maharajas' Express.

This morning, assemble at 0830 hours at The Taj Mahal Palace and Tower hotel, Mumbai and complete your registration and check in formalities. Join us for a tour brief and meet your facilitators during this exciting journey.

Proceed to Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaja Terminus railway station where upon arrival, you will be greeted with a welcome drink and the Local Band playing as you board the Maharajas' Express.

The Maharajas' Express departs Mumbai at 1050 hours approximately and travels through the land of the Marathas to Udaipur.

- Lunch and Dinner on board.
- Overnight on the Maharajas' Express.

Monday, Day 2 – Udaipur, Rajasthan

A Royal Day in Udaipur Aboard the Maharajas' Express

This morning you will wake up in the picturesque region of Mewar, one of the most popular and royal states of the Rajputana. Admire the magnificent landscape of the Aravali Hills over a leisurely breakfast as you arrive into Udaipur - the City of Lakes.

Disembark the train as you begin your excursion with a boat ride on Lake Pichola. Following the boat ride, visit the City Palace, the largest palace complex in Rajasthan, with its scalloped arches, fretted balconies, and cupolas. Visit Mor Chowk and see its lavish mosaics of peacocks; Moti Mahal with beautiful mirror work; Chini Mahal covered in ornamental tiles and the spectacular Zenana Mahal. Visit The Crystal Gallery and the Darbar Hall with an audio guide.

Post excursion, proceed for lunch at the Satkar Hall of Fateh Prakash Palace hotel and experience the hospitality reminiscent of the ancient Mewar glory. Feast your taste buds over a spread of International and Indian cuisine.

Post lunch, begin your exploration from the magnificent City Palace with a leisurely walking tour through the historic Old City. Discover its narrow lanes, vibrant markets and traditional architecture, offering a glimpse into the timeless charm of Udaipur. Continue the experience with a delightful Tuk-Tuk ride through the bustling streets of the old city, soaking in its colourful sights and local character.

Return to the train and have a relaxed evening on-board.

- Breakfast and Dinner on board; Lunch at Satkar Hall of Fateh Prakash Palace.
- Overnight on the Maharajas' Express.

Tuesday, Day 3- Jodhpur, Rajasthan

Royal Jodhpur – The Blue City of Rajasthan: Experience Grandeur with the Maharajas Express

This morning, the Maharajas' Express, continues her journey into the stronghold of the Marwar region. Enjoy a leisurely breakfast on-board. Visit Mandore Garden, the historic former capital of Marwar, renowned for its beautiful cenotaphs, temples and lush gardens, offering a glimpse into the rich heritage of Rajasthan.

Continue to the Umaid Bhawan Palace Museum, housed within the magnificent royal palace. Explore its fascinating collection of royal memorabilia, photographs, vintage artefacts and other treasures that showcase the grandeur and legacy of the Jodhpur royal family.
Return to the train for lunch on-board.

After lunch visit the magnificent Mehrangarh Fort. Admire the intricate latticed windows, elaborately carved panels and elegantly carved arches followed by an exclusive cocktail evening with a wide array of sumptuous Marwar culinary delights served at Khaas Bagh hotel.

Return to the train and continue your journey to Bikaner.

- Breakfast and Lunch will be served on the train.
- Cocktail dinner at Khaas Bagh, a heritage hotel.
- Overnight on the Maharajas' Express.

Wednesday, Day 4- Bikaner, Rajasthan

Enjoy your journey through the countryside with breakfast on-board.

Arriving into Deshnok, the Guests on board the Maharajas' Express have the unique opportunity to visit the famed Karni Mata Temple in Deshnok, also known as the Rat Temple. This extraordinary shrine is home to thousands of revered rats, considered sacred and protected by the temple's devotees.

The temple is dedicated to Karni Mata, a 14th-century mystic believed to be an incarnation of the Goddess Durga. This visit offers a fascinating insight into one of India's most unusual spiritual practices and local folklore. This activity involves walking through temple premises where rats freely roam. Visiting is purely subject to individual comfort levels.
Please contact the Guest Relations Executive for more information.

Arrive into desert citadel of Bikaner, and visit the magnificent Lalgarh Palace, an architectural gem built in red sandstone, blending Rajput, Mughal and European styles. Explore its grand interiors and glimpse the royal heritage of the erstwhile princely state.

Later, enjoy a walking tour of Bikaner's historic havelis, admiring their intricately carved façades, ornate balconies and beautifully preserved architecture that reflects the city's rich merchant heritage.

Following lunch, disembark and proceed to the Junagarh Fort, an unassailable fortress built in 1593 AD by Raja Rai Singh. While the fort is a formidable structure encircled by a moat, its real beauty lies inside. Be overwhelmed by the Diwan-i-Khas, Phool Mahal (Flower Palace), Hawa Mahal, Badal Mahal and Anup Mahal.

Later experience the royal pageantry as a convoy of camel carts accompanied by musicians takes you for a Sundowner on the Sand Dunes. Enjoy cocktails, savour traditional mouth-watering barbecue delicacies as you enjoy traditional folk arts like the Langaas and Kalbeliyas.

Return to the comforts of your train by 2030 hours and embark on your onward journey to Jaipur.

- Breakfast and Lunch on the train & Evening barbeque on dunes.
- Overnight on the Maharajas' Express.

Thursday, Day 5- Jaipur, Rajasthan

Royal Tour of Jaipur – Pink City of Rajasthan: Explore Jaipur with the Maharajas' Express

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast on-board.

Following disembarkation and a grand traditional welcome, begin your exciting tour of the pink city with a visit to Amber Fort. The Amber Fort, set in picturesque and rugged hills, is a fascinating blend of Hindu and Mughal architecture. Constructed by Raja Man Singh I in 1592 and completed by Mirja Raja Jai Singh, the fort was made in red sand stone and white marble. The rugged forbidding exterior belies an inner paradise with a beautiful fusion of art and architecture. Amber is the classic and romantic fort-palace with a magnificent aura.

A short jeep ride takes you up to the fort where you will enjoy a tour of the royal apartments, with striking views of the gorge. Step back into the Mughal era as you enter the Chamber of Mirrors (Sheesh Mahal), and the Hall of Victory. Return to the train for a leisurely lunch on-board.

Continue your exploration of Jaipur with a visit to the magnificent City Palace, the former royal residence of the Maharajas of Jaipur. A splendid blend of Rajasthani and Mughal architecture, the palace complex features ornate courtyards, grand gateways, royal chambers and a remarkable collection of art, textiles and royal artefacts, offering a glimpse into the grandeur of Jaipur's royal heritage.
Next, visit the Albert Hall Museum, Jaipur's oldest museum and a striking example of Indo-Saracenic architecture. Its impressive collection includes exquisite sculptures, paintings, textiles, carpets and other historic artefacts, reflecting the rich cultural heritage of Rajasthan.

Return to the train for a leisurely lunch on-board.
Post lunch, you may relax onboard.

Later in evening, proceed for an exclusive dinner at the Rambagh Palace Hotel. The Rambagh Palace built in 1835 AD was the residence of the Maharaja of Jaipur from 1925 to 1957, when it was converted into a luxury hotel. The palace retains its royal splendor with hand-carved marble latticework and elaborate gardens.

Return to the comforts of Maharajas' Express as it leaves for Sawai Madhopur (Ranthambore).

- Breakfast and Lunch on-board and Dinner at Hotel Ram Bagh Palace
- Overnight on the Maharajas' Express.

Friday, Day 6- Sawai Madhopur- Fatehpur Sikri

Wild Wonders and Imperial Grandeur: From Ranthambore to Fatehpur Sikri with the Maharajas' Express

On arrival into Sawai Madhopur, early in the morning, get ready for a safari to the Ranthambore National Park. Originally, the private hunting ground of the Maharajas, Ranthambore was declared a National Park in 1973. It is famous for its open sightings of tigers, sambar, chital, nilgai, chinkara, wild boar, sloth bear and leopard. Wildlife cannot be compared to that of Africa and you are indeed fortunate if you spot the elusive tiger or the shy leopard.

Proceed for an early morning exciting game drive. The safari is carried out in open vehicles and the ride is quite bumpy and dusty. One must carry adequate warm clothes for winter months.

Return to the train. Enjoy breakfast as you continue your journey to the fabled deserted Mughal city of Fatehpur Sikri. Admire the changing landscape as you savour lunch on-board.

On arrival at the quaint station of Fatehpur Sikri, disembark and proceed on a tour of the fascinating sights comprising of imposing gateways, halls of private and public audience, beautifully sculptured palaces with unique water bodies, reflecting a perfect blend of Hindu and Muslim architectural styles. This deserted red sandstone city was built by the great Mughal Emperor Akbar as his capital in the late 16th century. It is now a famous UNESCO World Heritage Site. Then return to the train to enjoy an 'Indian Evening'.

Dinner onboard and train proceeds to Agra.

- Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner will be served on-board.
- Overnight on the Maharajas' Express.

Saturday, Day-7- Agra – Delhi

Today, the train continues on her last leg of the journey towards the magical city of Agra. The jewel of India, home to one of the world's great architectural wonders - the Taj Mahal. With its spectacular monumental masterpieces and picturesque natural setting, Agra is a legendary city glorified by time.

Early morning, disembark and proceed to the world-famous Taj Mahal (one of the Seven Wonders of the World). Also, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, it was built by Shah Jahan as a mausoleum for his favourite queen Mumtaz. This incomparable marvel is constructed entirely out of white marble and is an architectural masterpiece with beautiful inlay work and marble screens. Approximately 20,000 of India's most revered craftsmen were recruited to give shape to this poetry in marble.

Later, enjoy breakfast from atop the Taj Khema, a tabletop lawn, gazing at the Taj Mahal.

Return to the train as it proceeds to Delhi.

Enjoy lunch on-board.

Bid farewell to the Maharajas' Express as your 'The Heritage of India' journey comes to an end at approximately 1630 hours on arrival at Delhi Safdarjung Station.

The royal journey is over, but the memory of which will live on forever!

Breakfast at Taj Khema & Lunch on-board

Note:

- All 'Optionals' / 'Optional Tours' are chargeable and subject to availability. Details and pricing will be provided onboard during the journey.
- The itineraries and timings are subject to change due to factors beyond our control, such as 'force majeure' events, strikes, fairs, festivals, sports events, weather conditions, non-availability of venues, disruptions/diversions of rail services, closure of / restricted entry at a place of sightseeing, re-routing of railway, etc.
- The tour will generally be organised as per the details given above. However, it is recommended to check for any changes in the schedule/timings in the travel document during check-in formalities and consult with the Train General Manager during the tour for any last-minute changes/updates.

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