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"A Royal Ride Across India – The Maharajas' Express Indian Splendour"

India Royal Train Journey – The Indian Splendours: Travel in Luxury on Board the Maharaja Express Indian Splendour Embark on an unforgettable **India royal train journey – the Indian Splendours**, where timeless elegance meets cultural grandeur. **Travel in luxury on board the Maharaja Express Indian Splendour**, a train that encapsulates the opulence of Indian royalty and showcases the finest experiences across Rajasthan.

- **Delhi**: Start your majestic passage in the historic and political heart of India.
- **Agra**: The timeless **Taj Mahal**, a marvel of love and one of the **Seven Wonders of the World**.
- **Ranthambore**: Venture into the wild at **Ranthambore National Park** for a thrilling tiger safari.
- **Jaipur**: Wander the majestic palaces and bustling bazaars of the iconic **Pink City**.
- **Bikaner**: Sip cocktails amid the **golden sand dunes**, as the desert glows under a sunset sky.
- **Jodhpur**: Visit the towering **Mehrangarh Fort**, a symbol of Rajput valor and architectural splendor.
- **Udaipur**: Discover the romantic **Lake City**, adorned with serene waters and grand palaces.
- **Mumbai**: Conclude your journey in India's vibrant financial capital, buzzing with culture and energy.

Whether you're exploring ancient forts, strolling through vibrant bazaars, or savoring royal delicacies, this journey offers more than sightseeing—it's a transformative experience. Discover the true spirit of India's regal past and craft timeless memories aboard the **Maharajas' Express – The Indian Splendours**.



MAHARAJAS' EXPRESS- THE INDIAN SPLENDOUR (6 Nights / 7 Days)

Sunday, Day 1 – Delhi to Agra

Welcome aboard the Maharajas' Express.

This morning, assemble at Delhi Safdarjung station at approximately 0615 hours and complete your check in formalities.

The Maharajas' Express departs Delhi at 0730 hours for Agra. Enjoy breakfast and lunch on-board as you arrive into Agra. Join us for a session on the train for a tour brief and meet your facilitators during this exciting journey.

As you reach the 'City of Mughal Splendour', visit the world-famous Taj Mahal (one of the Seven Wonders of the World), built by the Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan as the mausoleum for his favourite queen Mumtaz Mahal. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, this incomparable marvel is constructed entirely out of white marble and is an architectural masterpiece with beautiful inlay work and marble screens.

After your visit to the Taj Mahal, experience the captivating Mohabbat-e-Taj Show, a spectacular cultural presentation that brings alive the eternal love story of Shah Jahan and Mumtaz Mahal through music, dance, drama and stunning visual effects.

Return to the Maharajas' Express

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



Monday, Day 2 – Agra and Ranthambore

Early this morning, disembark to visit the exquisite Agra Fort, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of India's finest examples of Mughal architecture. Built primarily in red sandstone by Emperor Akbar in the 16th century, the fort features grand palaces, audience halls and ornate courtyards, offering a fascinating glimpse into the grandeur of the Mughal era.

Later, enjoy relaxed breakfast on-board as you travel to your next destination Ranthambore. Lunch shall be served on-board.

Arrive into Ranthambore and proceed for a game drive in the Ranthambore National Park. Originally, the private hunting ground of the Maharajas of Jaipur, Ranthambore was declared a National Park in 1973. The park is famous for its open sightings of tigers, sambar, chital, nilgai, chinkara, wild boar, sloth bear, hyena, jackal and leopard. The safari cannot be compared to that of Africa and you are indeed fortunate if you spot the elusive tiger or the shy leopard. The safari is carried out in open vehicles and the ride is quite bumpy and dusty. You must carry adequate warm clothes for winter months.

Return to the Maharajas' Express. Dinner on-board as the Maharajas' Express proceeds for Jaipur.

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



Tuesday, Day 3 – Jaipur

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.

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.

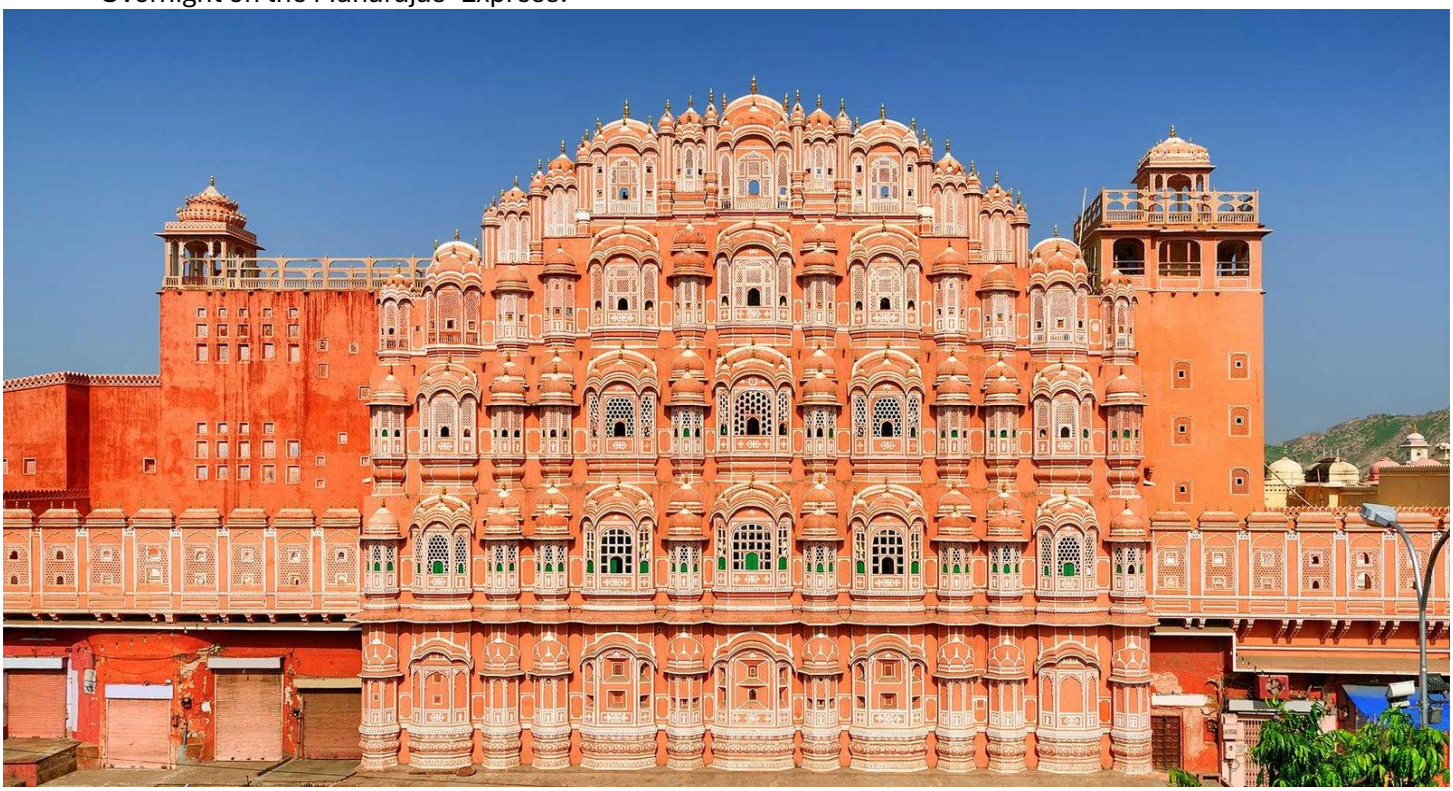
Next, visit the Albert Hall Museum, Jaipur's oldest museum and a striking example of Indo-Saracenic architecture. Its impressive collection includes exquisite sculptures, paintings, textiles, carpets and other historic artefacts, reflecting the rich cultural heritage of Rajasthan.

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.

Afterwards, return to the station by 2130 hours. Maharajas' Express proceeds for Bikaner.

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



Wednesday, Day 4- Bikaner

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

Arriving into the desert citadel of Bikaner, 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. Located appx.42 km away from Bikaner, 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.

After your tour, return to the train for lunch.

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 Jodhpur

- Breakfast and Lunch on-board.
- Evening barbeque dinner on dunes.
- Overnight on the Maharajas' Express.



Thursday, Day 5 – Jodhpur

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 picturesque Udaipur.

- Breakfast and Lunch on-board.
- Cocktail dinner at a heritage hotel in Khaas Bagh.
- Overnight on the Maharajas' Express.



Friday, Day 6 – Udaipur

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.

Enjoy an ‘Indian evening’ on-board, raising a toast to a memorable experience as train proceeds for Mumbai.

- Breakfast on-board.
- Lunch will be served in Satkar Hall of Fateh Prakash Palace.
- Dinner on-board.
- Overnight on the Maharajas’ Express.



Saturday, Day 7 – Mumbai

Enjoy relaxed morning on-board, you will disembark at around 1640 hrs at Chatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus railway station, the financial capital city of Mumbai. Bid farewell to the Maharajas' Express as your 'The Indian Splendour' journey comes to an end. The royal journey is over, but the memory of which, will live on forever!

- You'll have breakfast and Lunch on the Maharajas' Express.



Note:

- The optional tours are subject to availability and are chargeable. The cost and details of the available activities will be provided on board during the journey.
- Due to unforeseen circumstances beyond our control, such as unexpected events such as strikes, weather conditions, festivals, venue closures, railway disruptions, etc, the schedules and itineraries are subject to change.
- While the tour usually adheres to the outlined itinerary, we advise you to check for any updates during check-in and consult with the Train General Manager for any last-minute changes during the tour.

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