

Maldives & India Twin Escape

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Prices start from :	£ 3,315
Travel between :	25 Aug 24 and 25 Aug 24
Board Basis :	As per Itinerary
Duration :	13 nights
Book by :	30 Jun 24
Includes :	Return Flights from Heathrow with Emirates 7 nights stay at Adaaran Select Meedhuparu in a Beach Villa on premium All Inclusive Baggage allowance of 20kg pp on Maldives to Delhi with Air Vistara flight 2 nights stay at The Surya New Delhi in a Deluxe room with Bed & Breakfast Services of local English Speaking Guide Cycle Rickshaw ride in Old Delhi Chandni Chowk Market 1 night stay at Grand Mercure Agra in a Deluxe Taj View Room with Bed & Breakfast Sunrise visit to the Taj Mahal in Agra One Entrance fee for the monument in India 2 nights stay at Shahpura House in a Suite Room with Bed & Breakfast Jeep ride at Amber Fort in Jaipur 1 night stay at The Surya New Delhi in a Deluxe room with Bed & Breakfast All Transfers, sightseeing and excursions mentioned in the itinerary Return Transfers in Maldives by Domestic flight + Speed boat



Detailed Itinerary

<h2>Highlights: Maldives - Delhi - Agra - Jaipur</h2> <h3>Hotels Featured:</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>❑ Adaaran Select Meedhuparu 4*</li><li>❑ The Suryaa Hotel New Delhi 5*</li><li>❑ Grand Mercure 4*</li><li>❑ Shahpura House 4*</li></ul> <h3>Itinerary:</h3> <p><b>Sun 25 Aug 2024: Maldives</b> Flights from London via Dubai Intl Airport to Male Intl Airport Maldives</p> <p><b>Mon 26 Aug 2024: Maldives</b> Transfer from the Airport to the Hotel Stay at Adaaran Select Meedhuparu Premium All Inclusive for 7 nights</p> <p><b>Mon 02 Sep 2024: Delhi</b> Flights from Male Intl Airport to Delhi Indira Gandhi Airport India Stay at The Suryaa Hotel New Delhi 2 nights Breakfast at the hotel. Later check out from the Hotel and transfer to the airport to board a flight to Delhi. Meet upon arrival in Delhi and transfer to the Hotel for check-in. Overnight at the hotel. Delhi is the capital city of India and is regarded as the heart of the nation. The city is popular for its enriched culture and heritage. The city hosts some famous historical monuments and is developing with time. The influence of religious diversity can be seen in the city along with the cultural impact of the Mughals, the ancient Indians and the British. Many beautiful gardens in the city provide opportunities to walk leisurely amid greenery.</p> <p><b>Tue 03 Sep 2024: In Delhi.</b> After breakfast, proceed for a city tour of Delhi. Old Delhi visiting Raj Ghat which is located on the banks of the river Yamuna, This is the Mahatma Gandhi Memorial, where he was cremated following his assassination in January 1948. The memorial lies amid landscaped gardens and is made of a simple square platform of black marble inscribed with his last words Hey Ram. Drive past Red Fort, the 17th-century imposing fortress built in red sandstone is surrounded by a huge boundary wall 33m high. Inside are exquisite palaces and beautiful gardens. Board the 'Cycle Rickshaw' for a unique experience from the Red Fort, through "Chandni Chowk" or Silver Street, experiencing the sights and sounds of this very busy avenue heading west from the Fort. Also visit Delhis big Mosque, Jama Masjid and then continue to visit Humayuns Tomb. Humayuns Tomb Humayuns Tomb, Delhi is the first of the grand dynastic mausoleums that were to become synonyms of Mughal architecture with the architectural style reaching its zenith 80 years later at the Taj Mahal. Humayuns Tomb stands within a complex of 27.04 ha. that includes other contemporary, 16th century Mughal garden tombs such as Nila Gumbad, Isa Khan, Bu Halima, Afsarwala, Barbers Tomb and the complex where the craftsmen employed for the Building of Humayuns Tomb. The India Gate commemorates the 70,000 Indian soldiers who died in the 1st world war. 13516 names of British and Indian soldiers killed in the Afghan War of 1919 are engraved on the arch and foundations. Under the arch, glows the Amar Jawan Jyoti flame commemorating Indian armed forces' losses in the Indo-Pakistan war of 1971. Post visit you will be taken to a famous Sikh Temple, Shri Gurdwara Bangala Sahib and then return to the hotel for rest.</p> <p><b>Wed 04 Sep 2024: Agra</b> Stay at Grand Mercure Agra for 1 night After breakfast at your hotel, drive to Agra. The Journey will take approx. 4 hrs to reach Agra. Upon arrival check into your hotel. Enjoy your lunch at the hotel on your own cost. Post lunch proceed to visit Agras World famous monument to love Taj Mahal Overlooking the River Yamuna, the Taj</p>
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Mahal is a classic example of Mughal architecture, with the Taj itself built as a mausoleum at the northern end of an extensive formal walled garden designed in the charbagh style and structured on the Islamic theme of paradise. The whole site was built by Shah Jahan between ad 1632 and 1653 as the final resting place of his favourite wife Arjumand Bann Begum (also known as Mumtaz Mahal) who died in ad 1631 shortly after giving birth to their fourteenth child. Upon his death in ad 1666, Shah Jahan was buried alongside his wife in the Taj.  
Later visit the Agra Fort.  
Agra Fort Agra Fort was originally a brick fort and the Chauhan Rajputs held it. It was mentioned for the first time in 1080 AD when a Ghaznavide force captured it. Sikandar Lodi (1487-1517) was the first Sultan of Delhi who shifted to Agra and lived in the fort. He governed the country from here and Agra assumed the importance of the second capital. He died in the fort in 1517 and his son, Ibrahim Lodi, held it for nine years until he was defeated and killed at Panipat in 1526. He built several palaces, wells and a mosque in the fort during his period. Post visit return to the Hotel for rest & relax.

**Thu 05 Sep 2024: Jaipur (Drive: 235 km / 5-6 hrs approx)**

Stay at Shahpura House for 2 nights  
Breakfast at the Hotel. Later drive to Jaipur. Enroute stop to visit Fatehpur Sikri.  
Fatehpur Sikri is a beautiful and deserted medieval city, built by Mughal Emperor Akbar the Great in the 16th century to serve as the capital of his vast empire. It was mysteriously abandoned 13 years later. Today, it is perfectly preserved as a ghost city built at the height of the empire's splendour. The name of the city is derived from the village called Sikri which occupied the spot before. An Archaeological Survey of Indian excavation from 1999 to 2000 indicated that there was a habitation, temples and commercial centres here before Akbar built his capital. The region was settled by the Sungas following their expansion. Post-visit, continue to drive to Jaipur.  
Jaipur is known as the Pink City of India, due to the dominant colour scheme of its buildings. It is also known as the Paris of India It is located 268km from the national capital, New Delhi. Jaipur was founded in 1727 by the Rajput Ruler Jai Singh II, the ruler of Amer, after whom the city is named. It was one of the earliest planned cities of modern India, designed by Vidyadhar Bhattacharya during the British Colonial period, the city served as the capital of Jaipur State. After independence in 1947, Jaipur was made the capital of the newly formed state of Rajasthan. On arrival check into your hotel. The rest of the day is free for independent activities.

**Fri 06 Sep 2024: In Jaipur**

After breakfast, proceed to visit Amber Fort situated 130m high with the Aravalli hills around and 11 km north of Jaipur. Amber Fort is known for its artistic style elements. With its large ramparts series of gates and cobbled paths, the fort overlooks Maota Lake, which is the main source of water for the Amber Palace.  
Afternoon visit the Maharajahs City Palace A delightful blend of Mughal and traditional Rajasthani architecture, the City Palace sprawls over one-seventh of the area in the walled city. It houses the Shri Govind Dev Temple and the City Palace Museum. Jantar Mantar This is the largest and best preserved of the five Observatories built by Jai Singh II in different parts of the country.  
Hawa Mahal The ornamental facade of this Palace of Winds is a landmark in Jaipur. Its five-storey structure of pink sandstone encrusted with fine tellies work and balconies have 953 inches and windows. It was built in 1799 by Pratap Singh and was a royal grandstand for palace women. Post visit you can spend some time in the famous market of Jaipur as Jaipur is known for shopping Paradise where so many artesian/ Jewellers and Silversmith / Goldsmith are busy with their work making special things of Diamond stones, Jewellery and many more in this market and then come back to the Hotel. Overnight at the Hotel.

**Sat 07 Sep 2024: Delhi**

Leisurely Breakfast at the hotel. Post breakfast drive to Delhi.  
Upon arrival check into your Hotel to have relaxation. Overnight at the hotel.

**Sun 08 Sep 2024: Departure**

**Prices & Departures:**

- Deposit £380pp  
☑ Y23700 Heathrow from £3315pp  
☑ Y23622 Birmingham from £3365pp  
☑ Y23704 Manchester from £3335pp  
☑ Y23708 Glasgow from £3395pp  
☑ Y23716 Dublin from £3525pp  
☑ Y23712 Gatwick from £3165pp  
☑ Y23714 Stansted from £3229pp

**Terms & Conditions:**

Based on 2 adults sharing, Subject to availability

