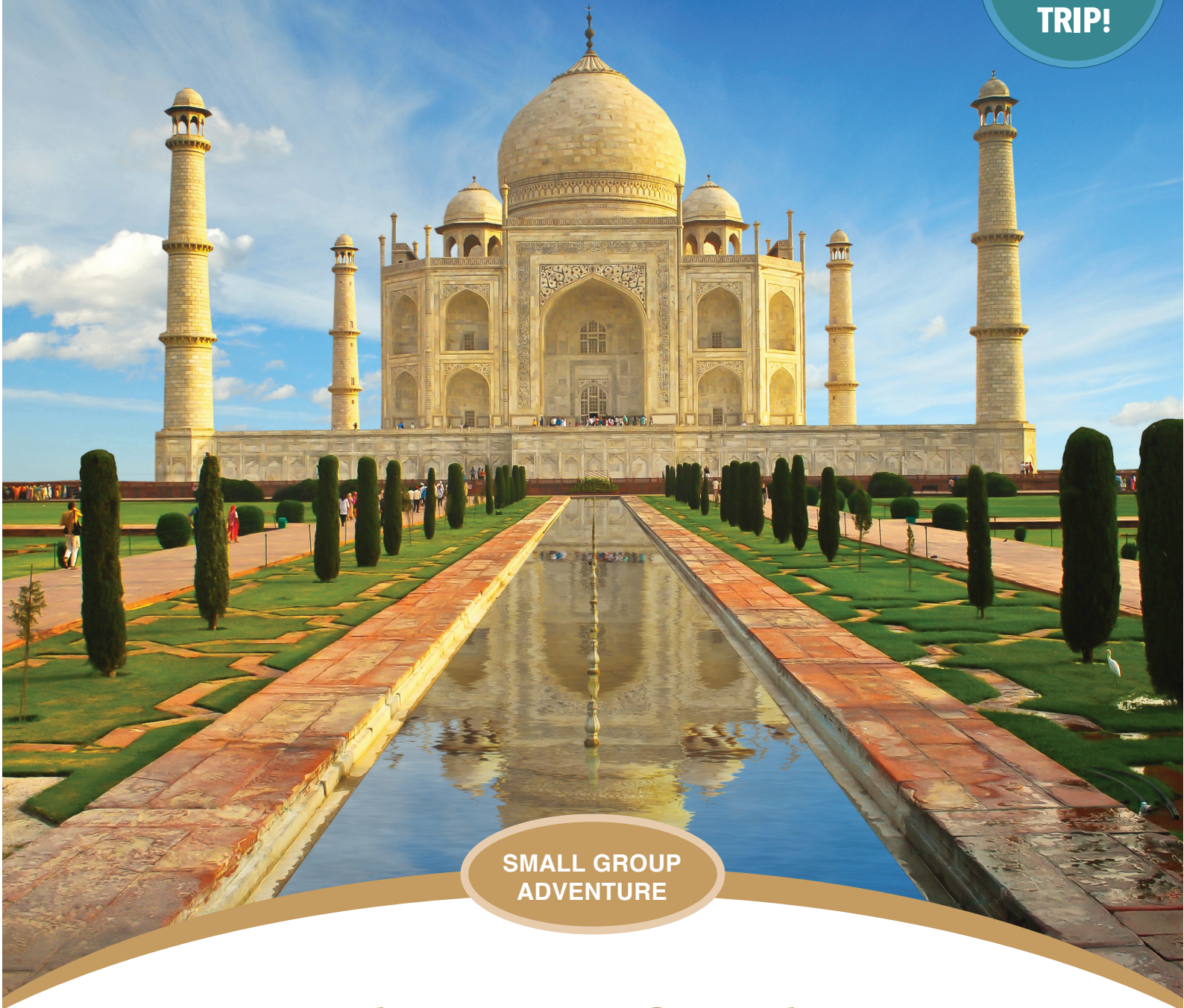


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Flavors of India

Tour Dates: October 11 - 22, 2025


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Discover the wildlife of India in Ranthambore National Park



Intricate artwork decorates the Amber Fort, Jaipur

DAY 1 Depart the USA : Depart the USA on an overnight flight to New Delhi, India, a city that bridges two different worlds.

DAY 2 New Delhi, India: Upon arrival in New Delhi, late evening, a representative of Mayflower Cruises & Tours will meet you and assist with the transfer to your hotel. Please note, some flights may not arrive until early morning on Day 3.

DAY 3 New Delhi: With its wide boulevards, impressive government buildings, green parks and gardens, the city is in complete contrast to Old Delhi. Your excursion travels along the ceremonial avenue, Rajpath, past the Parliament House and Rashtrapati Bhawan - official residence of India's President. See India's counterpart to France's Arc de Triomphe as a photo stop is made at India Gate – a commemoration to fallen soldiers. Visit two monuments from India's past – the magnificent garden tomb of the Mughal Emperor Humayun and Qutub Minar, the second tallest tower in India and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The remainder of the day is at leisure. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 4 Old Delhi: Begin the day with a tour of Old Delhi, a labyrinth of narrow lanes overflowing with major attractions and World Heritage Sites. Visit the Red Fort, the largest monument of the city and the most opulent fort and palace of the Mughal Empire. The memorial site of Mahatma Gandhi, Raj Ghat, sits serenely on the banks of the Yamuna River. Jama Masjid, another architectural treasure and the largest mosque in India, is also visited. Experience life like a local on a rickshaw cycle ride around Chandni Chowk, the bustling and colorful street market of the old city. An afternoon visit to Bangla Sahib showcases the most prominent Sikh house of worship in Delhi. This evening, a welcome dinner is included. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 5 Delhi – Agra: After breakfast, journey to Agra, home of the Taj Mahal. Built by Emperor Shah Jahan, it's considered one of the Wonders of the World and its beauty has never been

surpassed. This afternoon, enjoy a life enriching experience with a sunset visit to Mehtab Bagh, a recently excavated Mughal garden, with a breathtaking view of the Taj Mahal from across the River Yamuna. What a perfect end to the day as you see this magnificent monument, as the sun sets, gradually turning the white marble to a soft rosy pink. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 6 Agra: Sunsets aren't the only way to experience the beauty of the Taj Mahal. The day begins with yet another awe-inspiring experience with a return to the Taj Mahal for a sunrise and inside visit. The rays of the sun cast a golden sheen upon this architectural masterpiece and provide yet another unbelievably amazing sight. While visiting the Red Fort of Agra, discover the inner paradise hidden by its forbidding exteriors. Emperor Shah Jahan was imprisoned in this fortress and walled city, yet he could still see his exquisite Taj Mahal every day. The final afternoon in Agra is at leisure. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 7 Fatehpur Sikri – Bharatpur – Ranthambore: Departing Agra, journey by coach to Bharatpur. En route, visit a real-life ghost town: the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Fatehpur Sikri (City of Victory), built by Emperor Akbar as his capital. Dramatically abandoned a few years after it was built, its 'ruins' are still in pristine condition. After an included lunch in Bharatpur, board the train and enjoy a scenic rail journey to Sawai Madhopur. Gateway to Ranthambore, and one of the largest and most renowned national parks in Northern India, it's a blend of history and nature, supporting a diverse range of flora and fauna. **Meals: B, L, D**

DAY 8 Ranthambore National Park: Explore Ranthambore on morning and afternoon safari adventures. As you drive through the sanctuary, observe majestic predators in their natural habitat and set your sights on tigers, leopards, deer and other animals your naturalist guide helps you spot in the forest. Keep your camera ready to snap those once-in-a-lifetime photos! **Meals: B, L, D**

DAY 9 Ranthambore – Jaipur: Travel to the walled city of Jaipur, known as the “Pink City” due to the color of its buildings. Visit the City Palace and see some of the most imposing architecture of the city. Inside the palace is a resplendent collection of robes of royal princes, carpets, an armory of weapons, and miniature paintings portraying historic events. At the awe-inspiring Jantar Mantar, an observatory built in 1726 AD, see curiously shaped and oversized instruments that are still astonishingly accurate today. Tonight you are immersed in culture as you dine with a local family. From the traditional greeting upon arrival to conversation and dinner with the family, it’s truly a life enriching experience. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 10 Jaipur: Located on a hill high above the city, in a rugged and picturesque setting, the towers and domes of the Amber Fort are reminiscent of scenes from a fairytale. Discover the opulent palace complex as your guide takes you through the halls, gardens, pavilions and temples of this fascinating site made of red sandstone and marble. On the return, stop at the Hawa Mahal (Palace of Winds) – the most well-known landmark and icon of Jaipur. This five-story architectural wonder, has a spectacular pyramidal façade. Its 953 delicately honeycombed pink sandstone windows allowed the women of the palace to observe daily life without being seen. The remainder of the day is free of planned activities. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 11 Jaipur – Bishangarh: Following a relaxing morning in Jaipur, journey to the village of Bishangarh where the final night is spent in an authentic Indian fort. Perched high atop a hill, the views are outstanding, and the hotel is located in a gorgeous setting, in a small village filled with friendly locals. Enjoy the serenity of the fort before the included dinner. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 12 Bishangarh / Delhi / USA: Experience the local life, culture and craft traditions of Bishangarh on a guided tour. Stroll through the streets of the village as they bustle with the morning routines and activities of the local villagers. Stop and say hello, or visit some of the artisans as they proudly display their handcrafted jewelry, woven carpets or pottery. Later this morning, journey back to Delhi, with a late afternoon arrival. Enjoy an included dinner before transferring to the airport for the flight home. Due to the day’s logistics, flights should depart Delhi after 10:00pm. **Meals: B, D**

Itinerary is subject to change.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 2 through 4 – Leela Ambience Convention Hotel, Delhi, India

Days 5 and 6 – Taj View, Agra, India

Days 7 and 8 – Anuraga Palace, Ranthambore, India

Days 9 and 10 – Crowne Plaza or similar, Jaipur, India

Day 11 – Alila Fort Bishangarh, Bishangarh, India



Tour Highlights

- 22 Meals: 10 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 10 dinners
- Airport transfers on tour dates when air is provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours
- Included city tour of Old Delhi and visit to the Red Fort, with a local guide
- Enjoy a rickshaw cycle ride through Old Delhi’s Chandni Chowk
- Visit the sites of Raj Ghat, Jama Masjid, Humayun’s Tomb and Qutub Minar
- Enjoy sunset and sunrise visits to the Taj Mahal
- Visit Agra’s Red Fort
- Visit Fatehpur Sikri – a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Included scenic rail experience to Sawai Madhopur
- Enjoy two safari adventures in Ranthambore National Park with a chance to see the famed Bengal Tiger and other wildlife
- Included city tour in Jaipur to visit the City Palace, ‘Jantar Mantar’, and Hawa Mahal – Palace of the Winds
- Experience local culture as you dine with an Indian family during an included dinner
- Visit Jaipur’s Amber Fort with a local guide
- Live like royalty with luxurious accommodations during an overnight stay at an historic Indian fort

Extend your trip in Nepal

\$849 Per Person Twin / Single Supplement add \$359



Swayambhunath Stupa



Durbar Square

DAY 12 (end of main program) Bishangarh / Delhi: After the included dinner, overnight near the airport.

DAY 13 Delhi / Kathmandu: After the flight to Kathmandu, transfer to the hotel in the vibrant Patan district. Your guide will advise on everything from how to bargain to choosing a restaurant to learning a bit of the local language. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 14 Kathmandu: Early AM Optional Excursion - Everest Experience. Enjoy a flight-seeing tour providing a close-encounter with this majestic mountain. After breakfast, a guided tour showcases the main sights: Swayambhunath Stupa (Monkey Temple), one of the holiest Buddhist sites in Nepal; Durbar Square, a profusion of temples in various architectural styles; and the Royal Palace - all UNESCO World Heritage Sites. The square also houses a variety of Nepalese and Tibetan handicrafts and the Temple of the Living goddess. A short rickshaw ride to the Bohemian district of Thamel follows. An afternoon visit to Patan highlights the work of the areas finest craftsmen who preserved ancient techniques. Filled with old charm, narrow streets,

well-preserved Hindu temples, Buddhist monasteries and monuments it's a treasure of the Kathmandu Valley. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 15 Kathmandu: See three more UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Pashupatinath Temple, a 2-tiered pagoda, houses the sacred linga of Lord Shiva. Boudhanath Stupa is the largest Buddhist stupa in the world. Journey to Bhaktapur, considered a 'living museum', where the way of life dates back to medieval times and monumental masterpieces are innumerable. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 16 Kathmandu / Delhi / USA: Transfer to the airport for your flight to Delhi, connecting to your onward destination. **Meal: B**

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Day 12 – Radisson Dwarka, Delhi, India

Days 13 through 15 – Vivanta by Taj, Kathmandu, Nepal

Please add \$350 per person for intra-country air. Not included in the 2/1 offer. Visa needed.

Everest Excursion: \$395 per person. Minimum number of participants needed for the Nepal extension and optional excursion to operate

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Tour Departure	Per Person Twin	Single Room add
October 11, 2025	\$4,649	+ \$1,649

Pricing includes local Keokuk pickup, roundtrip St Louis airfare, land, hotel baggage handling, 22 meals, and professional tour manager.

Travelers Protection Plan (TPP) – \$399 per person OPTIONAL

This nonrefundable fee waives all cancellation fees when we are notified of cancellation one day before the tour departs. If you must leave the tour early due to personal illness, illness or death of a member of your immediate family, TPP guarantees full refund for any unused services after the departure of the tour. Other benefits include medical expenses for illness and injury, emergency transportation, 24 hour hot line, and lost or stolen baggage assistance. Return air transportation is included ONLY if your air tickets were provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours. If you purchase the optional Travelers Protection Plan (TPP), you will be refunded all payments, including deposit amount, less the TPP premium amount.

Cancellation Charges Without Traveler's Protection Plan (TPP)

- 91 days or more Deposit Amount
- 90 to 45 days prior 20% of tour cost
- 44 to 15 day prior 30% of tour cost
- 14 to 1 day prior 50% of tour cost
- Day 1 of departure 100% of tour cost or early departure from tour
- No refund on unused portions of the tour

Exclusions: Mayflower Cruises & Tours reserves the right to alter its refund and cancellation policy when a substantial amount of cancellation or postponement of travel is attributable to: conditions resulting from an act of God, natural or man-made disaster, fire, government action, civil disorder, war, hostilities between nations, or unavailability of transportation through no fault of Mayflower Cruises & Tours.

Special Diwali Departure: One of the most important and glamorous holidays in India, Diwali is the festival of lights. Spend time with a local family in Jaipur as they welcome you with a special prayer ceremony, followed by lighting of oil lamps, rangoli / floral decorations. Traditional sweets and snacks will also be shared by the family. Witness the beauty of this holiday during your stay in Jaipur.



Visa required on this program. (Visa approximately \$25 not included)

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