

04 Nights / 05 Days

Desert Trails

Visit: 01N Jodhpur + 02N Jaisalmer + 01N Bikaner

Code: INDDES

Validity: 1 October 2020 - 31 March 2021*

OVERVIEW

Follow the Desert Trail, covering destinations such as Jodhpur, Jaisalmer, Bikaner

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DAY 01 – ARRIVE JODHPUR

Today arrive to the Blue City – Jodhpur and transfer to your hotel.

An oasis in the arid Thar Desert, Jodhpur is the second largest city in the state of Raja-sthan. Representing this colourful city with shades of blue, Jodhpur has a history that is rich and a present that beckons strongly to the discerning tourist. Forts and palaces, temples and havelis, culture and tradition, spices and fabrics, colour and texture, Jodhpur has them all and in plenty. Situated in Western Rajasthan, Jodhpur has long attracted both the domestic and outside tourist. It not only offers tangibles, in terms of what you can see and buy but also fills one with a sense of history and the splendours of an era gone by. The hospitality of the locals, the demure women, and the colourful turbans -all set against the beloved desert (Marwar) is something to feel, not just see. Every pore of Jodhpur tells its own tales of heroic deeds that made legends out of kings and soldiers, romances that continue to warm the heart and a time when epics were lived out on the streets by everyday man.

Later proceed for city tour of Jodhpur visit the Mehrangarh Fort, situated on a low sand-stone hill. The palace apartments like Sukh Mahal, Phool Mahal, and Sheesh Mahal etc are beautifully decorated and house Jewellery, costumes, armoury, palanquins, howdahs and other remnants of the past. See the Jaswant Thada, an imposing marble memorial to Maharaja Jaswant Singh II built in 1899. Later the royal crematorium and three other cenotaphs were also built here.

Overnight at Hotel

DAY 02 – JODHPUR – JAISALMER (300 KMS)

After breakfast drive to Jaisalmer; Arrive Jaisalmer and transfer to your hotel. Jaisalmer - a fairy-tale town in the Thar Desert founded about 800 years ago by Rawal Jaisal. Unlike any other city, this desert fortress is one of Rajasthan's most exotic and unusual towns. Jaisalmer, an important ancient trading centre because of its strategic location on the camel trade routes, is often described as the 'golden city'. The havelis, built by merchants of the 19th century, are exquisitely carved from golden-yellow sandstone and are still in a beautiful condition. The fort built by Rawal Jaisal in the 12th century, stands on the 80-meter-high Trikuta hill, with beautifully carved Jain temples. The annual desert festival takes place in January and February each



year and is a riot of colour and activity. Jaisalmer is also famous for its embroidery, Rajasthani mirror work, rugs, and blankets, antique, silver jewellery, and stonework and camel safaris.

Overnight at Hotel

DAY 03 – IN JAISALMER

After breakfast leave for the city tour of Jaisalmer. Visit the Gadsisar Lake a water con-servation tank made around 1400 A.D. by the then maharaja of Jaisalmer, Maharwal Gadsi Singh. This structure just outside the city walls once acted as a reservoir that con-trolled the entire supply of water to the arid city. There are whole varieties of temples and shrines surrounding the lake.

Visit the famous Havelis (mansions) known for their frescoes. Jaisalmer's strategic posi-tion on the camel terrain route bought it great wealth. The merchants grew prosperous and commissioned great havelis, or mansions, to flaunt their ever-growing status in socie-ty. Made of local golden-yellow sand stone and wood, some of the havelis are still in ex-cellent condition. The most elaborate and magnificent of all the Jaisalmer havelis is the Patwaon Ki Haveli. Five Jain brothers built the Haveli between 1800 and 1860. Salim Singh Ki Haveli and Nathmal Ki Haveli are the other two havelis that are opened to visitors.

Built in 1156 by the Bhatti ruler, Jaisal, THE FORT here stands atop the 80 m high Trikuta hill. Three walls and 99 bastions surround the fort. Over the centuries, the golden sand stone fortress witnessed many battles between the Bhatti Rajput's, the Mughals and the Rathore's of Jodhpur. Within the fort complex lie the beautifully carved Jain Temples built between the 12th and 15th centuries. The Maharawals (rulers) of Jaisalmer were devout Hindus but were tolerant of Jainism, and encouraged art and religion. There are 7 temples in the complex - Chandraprabhu, Parasnath, Shitalnath, Sambhavnath, Shantinath, Kun-thunath and Rikhabdev Temple. The temples are all connected by a series of corridors and walkways. Close by is the Gyan Bhandar, a library founded in 1500 A.D. This house is priceless ancient manuscripts and other exhibits like astrological charts, besides the Jain equivalent of the Christian Shroud of Turin.

In the evening, proceed for the excursion to Sam Sand dunes. Located at a distance of 42 kilometers from Jaisalmer, Sam Sand Dunes is the closest point to witness the total sandy desert. You can also see the patterns and motifs created by the shifting sands and air. Moreover, Sam Sand Dunes also provide you with an unforgettable experience of camel rides and a beautiful mesmerising sunset.

Overnight at Hotel

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DAY 04 - JAISALMER - BIKANER (350 KMS)

After the breakfast you will drive to Bikaner; Arrive Bikaner & transfer to your hotel.

This desert town in northern Rajasthan was founded in 1488 by Rao Bikaji. Like many others in Rajasthan, the old city is surrounded by a high crenellated wall. The old city with its exquisite merchant havelis, temples and bazaars retains a medieval air.

Later proceed for half day city tour of Bikaner visiting Junagarh Fort, one of the most interesting forts in Rajasthan, with its sumptuously decorated interiors. Built in 1588 by Raja Rai Singh it is unusual in the sense that it was one of the few major forts of Raja-sthan that was not built on a hilltop. Instead, it was built on the desert plains; its rugged sandstone bastions and graceful pavilions and balconies are silhouetted against the sky.

Overnight at Hotel

DAY 05 - BIKANER - DEPART JODHPUR (260 KMS)

After breakfast drive to Jodhpur; Arrive Jodhpur and in time transfer to Jodhpur Airport / Railway Station to board your flight / train for onward journey to your next destination.

END OF SERVICES



VALIDITY: 1 OCT 20 - 31 MAR 2021*

HOLIDAY PRICES

PRICES ARE PER PERSON IN INR

ROOMING	ECONOMY	Deluxe
	INR	INR
Adult in Twin (02 Pax)	15400	17150
Adult in Twin (04 Pax)	12850	14050
Extra Adult/CWB	5400	6000
Child No Bed	3200	3450

HOTELS USED:

CITY	NIGHTS	ECONOMY	DELUXE
Jodhpur	1	Rajwada Palace/Similar	Lords inn/Similar
Jaisalmer	2	Priya/Sohan Deep/Similar	Heritage inn/Mahadev Palace/Similar
Bikaner	1	Palace View/Desert Winds/Similar	Chirag/Raj Haveli/Similar

NOTE:

- The above price is based on minimum 2 adults travelling together.
- The above price is not valid for travel during peak period, super peak period, Christmas eve, new year eve, trade fair period and special events. Supplement applicable during this period.
- Rooms are subject to availability at the time of confirmation. Next best alternative will be provided if your first choice is not available. Supplement cost may apply.

HOLIDAY PRICE INCLUSIONS & EXCLUSIONS:



HOLIDAY PRICE INCLUDES:

Accommodation as per itinerary
Breakfast
Transfers & Sightseeing in AC vehicle
Toll/Driver Allowance/Permits

HOLIDAY PRICE EXCLUDES

- Personal expenses of any nature.
- Train/ Air Fare
- Guide, Entry Charges
- Heater Charges
- GST @5%
- Unforeseen Expenses because of the weather conditions.
- Any up gradation in Airline class or hotel room category.
- Cost of Insurance.

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- Hotel Check in 1400hrs and check out 1200hrs
- Package cost will not be valid from 20th December 2020 10th January 2021. Also on public
 holidays, festivals, exhibitions and long-weekends. A surcharge will be levied and will be advised at
 the time of bookingHotel might charge you a security deposit or credit card for a particular amount.
 This amount will not be charged to your card but will act as a guarantee to hotel for utilization of
 room service.
- The above price is not valid for travel during trade fair period and special events.
- Should the period of travel, or the number of participants, or the type of accommodation, or the type of transport or the duration of the trip, change the quote will be revised accordingly
- Request for early check-in or late check-out is to the discretion of the hotel unless pre-booked and pre-paid in advance.
- There is no refund for any non-utilization of any services.
- At this point of time no services are confirmed and the same is subject to availability.
- GST is applicable on the above cost.
 - *Terms and Conditions apply



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