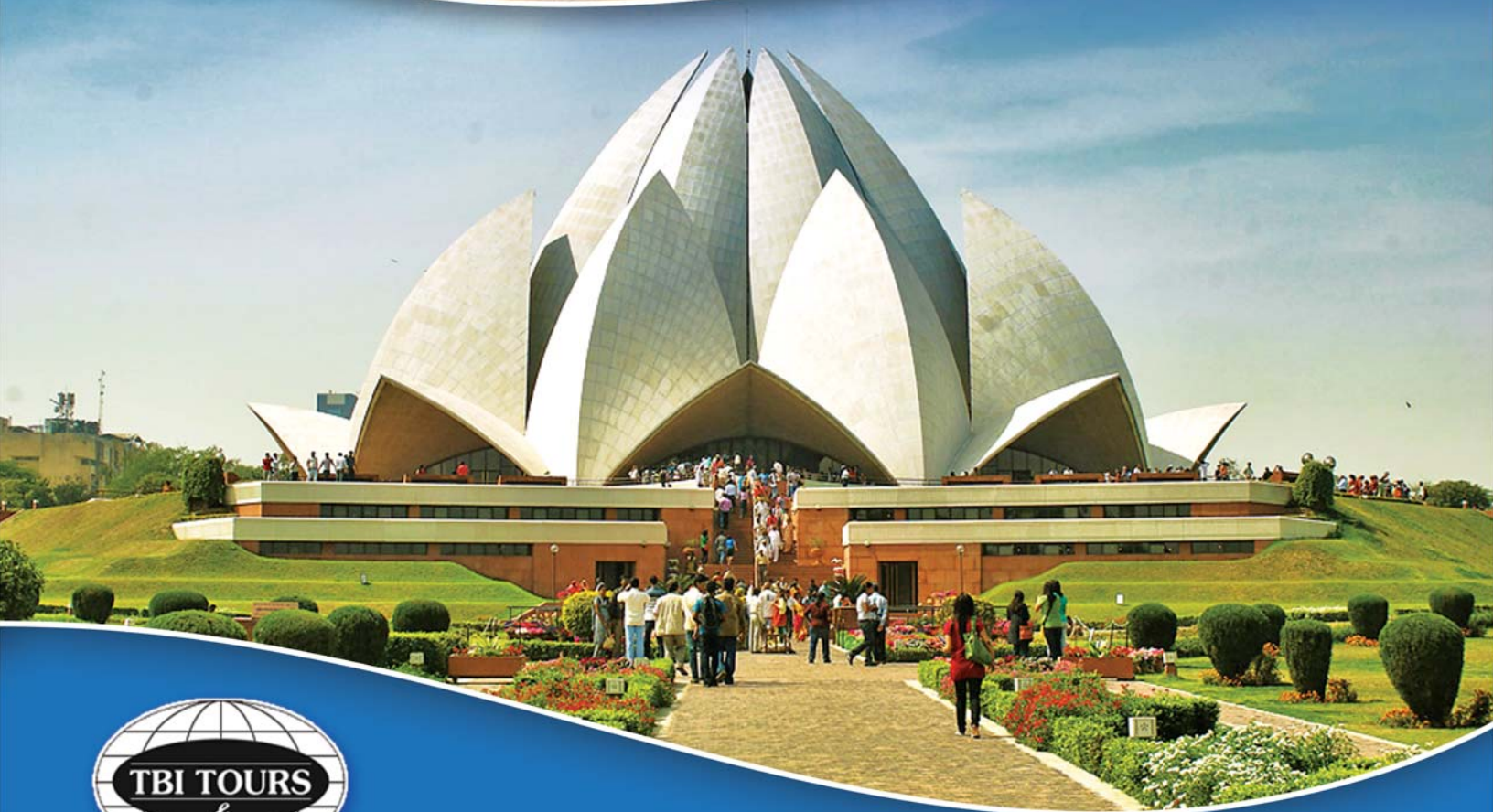


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Throughout this tour, discover an energetic mélange of culture, aroma and flavor. Experience India's rich culture firsthand as you explore amazing cities, including the oldest living city in the world, and get inspired at the Chennai Music and Dance Festival--all while enjoying your waterfront resort located on the Bay of Bengal. The kaleidoscope of sights and exhilarating landscapes, the filigreed splendors of world-famous cities and a unique spiritual heritage stretching back for millennia make India the perfect choice for an exotic, inspiring journey.

VACATION INCLUDES:

- Round-trip air transportation
- Domestic India flights as described throughout the brochure
- Daily breakfast at the hotels (10)
- Lunch in Orcha
- "Farewell Lunch" in Chennai
- A Rajasthani Cultural Show with dinner
- An exclusive horse drawn carriage ride to the Taj Mahal in Agra
- Applicable monument entrance fees as per the itinerary
- All music and dance performances listed in the itinerary
- All gratuities to tour directors, guides, chauffeurs and baggage handling staff at hotels
- All transfers and sightseeing by Luxury Coach
- Availability of an Easy Tours Travel Facilitator at all destinations
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- Representative for assistance on all arrival and departure transfers



CHENNAI DANCERS

ITINERARY

DAY 1: Gateway City - New Delhi, India

Board your plane and depart on an overnight international flight to New Delhi, India.

DAY 2: Arrive Delhi

Arrive at Delhi. You are greeted at the airport by our facilitator and ushered to a chauffeur-driven vehicle. You are then driven to your hotel where you are assisted with your check-in. Enjoy the remainder of the evening at your leisure.

DAY 3: Delhi

Start your exploration of India with a guided city tour of Old Delhi. You are introduced to your Tour Director prior to beginning this excursion. Drive, walk and ride through the ancient city's streets and alleys; explore crowded and colorful bazaars. Visit the Jama Masjid (1650 AD), the largest mosque in India and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Continue on to the amazing Red Fort. Experience a fascinating rickshaw ride in the ancient alleys of the crowded and colorful bazaar at Chandni Chowk, followed by a short drive to the cremation site of Mahatma Gandhi (Raj Ghat), a simple yet stirring memorial to the father of the nation.

Afternoon: Enjoy a city tour of New Delhi. This excursion begins with the awe-inspiring Qutab Minar (1193 A.D.). This 239-foot-tall medieval tower is a symbol of victory and a beautiful example of Persian architecture from that period. The Qutab Minar and its Monuments are also a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Time permitting, this drive includes photo opportunities at some of the following attractions: the awe-inspiring Rashtrapati Bhawan (Viceroy's House during

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the British era), Delhi's landmark structure India Gate, a golden domed Sikh Temple (Bangla Sahib Gurudwara) and the Birla Temple. The last part of this excursion is a drive through Connaught Place which is New Delhi's downtown.

Breakfast

DAY 4: Delhi - Varanasi

You are assisted with your check-out from your hotel and driven to the airport. You are assisted with boarding the mid-morning flight to Varanasi. Meet & greet at the Varanasi airport, then you're driven to your hotel where you are assisted with your check-in. **Afternoon:** Experience a city tour of Varanasi including visits to some of the ancient temples that lie along the banks of the holy river. Walk through the crowded bazaars which haven't changed much over the past few millenniums. Two of the highlights of your time in Varanasi are the sunset and sunrise cruises on the Ganga. You can float your own oil lamps while you watch the ancient prayer and oil lamp ceremony at sunset. Your boat enables you to enjoy a great view of the hundreds of lamps as they are sent floating on the holy river. **Breakfast**

DAY 5: Varanasi - Khajuraho

Start your day with an early morning boat cruise on the Ganga. Experience some of Hinduism's ancient and iconic rituals. The most famous Ghat is the Dasadwamedh Ghat, which is where you begin this tour. Witness ceremonies of recently deceased Hindu's ashes being immersed in the river while, nearby, another Brahmin priest orchestrates the naming ceremony of a newborn. Just like the previous evening, your boat offers an excellent view of all the activity on the Ghats. **Late Morning:** You are assisted with your check-out from your hotel and driven to the airport. You are assisted in boarding the flight to Khajuraho. Meet & greet at the Khajuraho airport; you are driven to your hotel where you are assisted with your check-in. Start your guided tour of the famed temples, which are UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

Breakfast

DAY 6: Khajuraho - Agra

You are assisted with your check-out from your hotel in the morning and then driven to Orcha. Break for a late lunch (included) upon arrival in Orcha. After lunch, enjoy an exploration of the magnificent ruins at Orcha. Afterwards you are driven to nearby Jhansi and assisted in boarding the express train to Agra. Meet & greet at the railway station in Agra; you are driven to your hotel. **Breakfast, Lunch**

DAY 7: Agra

As you exit your hotel, you are greeted with a short folk music and dance performance by a local artist troupe. The exploration of Agra includes a visit to the famous tomb of Iltmad-Ud-Daulah. After exploring the tomb, visit the first red sandstone fort of North India, the Agra Fort (1565). **Afternoon:** Visit one of the Seven Wonders of the World, the incomparable Taj Mahal-- a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Explore the amazing Taj and its surroundings until it is time to admire the sun's rays setting on the façade of the world's finest monument. **Breakfast**

DAY 8: Agra - Jaipur

You're assisted with your check-out from your hotel; proceed on the drive to Jaipur. Stop at Fatehpur Sikri. Enjoy a guided exploration of this beautiful uninhabited city. It was built by Emperor Akbar between 1570 and 1585. Visit the tallest

gateway in the world, the towering Bulund Darwaza (The Gate of Victory). In the northern part of the courtyard is the superb white marble tomb of Shaik Salim Chishti, built in 1570. After exploring Fatehpur Sikri, continue on the drive to Jaipur. Upon arrival at Jaipur you are assisted with your check-in at your hotel. **Late Afternoon:** Enjoy at leisure. **Evening:** Enjoy dinner and a Rajasthani cultural show featuring regional dance, music and acrobatic performances. **Breakfast, Dinner**

DAY 9: Jaipur

Start with an excursion to Amber Fort & Palace. Just like the Emperors of a few centuries ago, enjoy the ascent up to the ramparts of the fort on top of a colorfully caparisoned elephant (jeeps are available instead of the elephants, if you so desire). Explore the chambers and hallways which are famous for their exquisite designs and handcrafted embellishments. Return to the valley beneath the fort on your elephant or jeep and proceed back to the Pink City. **Afternoon:** Enjoy a city tour of the walled city of Jaipur, including the magnificent City Palace. Visit Jantar Mantar (UNESCO World Heritage Site). After the observatory comes a photo opportunity of the 'Hawa Mahal' (Palace of the Wind). Continue the tour with an exploration of the City Palace, the former royal residence (a part of it is still occupied by the Royal Family and is not accessible to the public). This immense complex also houses a number of museums that offer a large and impressive collection of miniature paintings, costumes, and armory. **Breakfast**

DAY 10: Jaipur - Mahabalipuram

You are assisted with your check-out from your hotel in the morning and driven to Delhi airport where you are assisted with boarding your afternoon flight to Chennai. Arrive at Chennai in the late afternoon; you're driven to your ocean-front resort at Mahabalipuram and assisted with your check-in. Enjoy leisure time for a short while so you can dine and enjoy the facilities at the resort. **Evening:** You are driven to a nearby open-air venue for a music and dance performance. **Breakfast**

DAY 11: Mahabalipuram

Start your day with a guided exploration of the ancient port of Mahabalipuram, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The massive rock sculptures carved into softly sloping hills, monolithic temples, ancient manmade caverns with incredible sculptures and the world's largest bas-relief in stone all combine to make Mahabalipuram a living museum. Vying with this splendor is a beach and the picturesque



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Bay of Bengal. **Late Afternoon:** You are at leisure to explore the ocean-front resort and surroundings. Photo opportunities abound, including the famed 8th century Shore Temple, from which you are only a stone's throw away. **Breakfast**

DAY 12: Mahabalipuram - Chennai - Mumbai

You are assisted with check-out from your hotel by noon and driven to Chennai to see performances that are part of the Chennai Dance and Music Festival. Your Tour Director is your host for a "Farewell Lunch."

Late Afternoon: You are driven to Chennai Airport where you are assisted with check-in for your international flight. Depart for the USA.

Breakfast, Lunch

DAY 13: Arrive Gateway City

Return home with many fond memories of this *Treasures of India* vacation.



TOUR FARE

\$ _____ per person based on double occupancy

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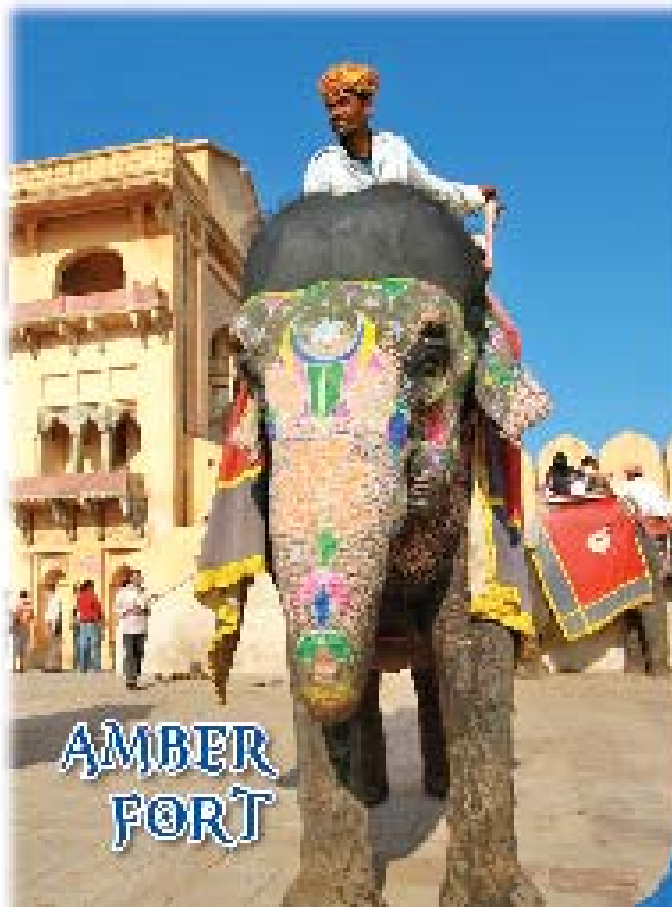
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