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GOLDEN TRIANGLE TOUR WITH KERALA

Day	Date	Location	First Class Hotels	Standard Hotels	Schedule
01		Depart UK			
02		Arrive Delhi	The Manor Superior Room	Hotel Parkland	>Pick Up From New Delhi Airport >Sightseeing Tour Of Old Delhi With The Red Fort, Jama Masjid And Rickshaw Ride Through Bazaars Of Chandni Chowk
03		Delhi	The Manor Superior Room	Hotel Parkland	>Drive Through Lutyen's Imperial New Delhi With Rajpath, Parliament And India Gate >Sights Of Southern Delhi Including Humayun's Tomb And The Qutub Minar
04		Agra	The Agra Trident Deluxe Garden View Room	Howard Park Plaza	>Emperor Akbar's Tomb At Sikandra >The Palatial Walled City Of Agra Fort Delhi-Agra: 126 Miles Approx 4 Hours
05		Jaipur	The Jaipur Trident Deluxe Lake View Room	Umaid Mahal	>A Visit To See The Taj Mahal At Sunrise >Tomb Of Itmad Ud Daulah >Emperor Akbar's Deserted City Of Fatehpur Sikri Agra-Jaipur: 146 Miles Approx 5 Hours
06		Jaipur	The Jaipur Trident Deluxe Lake View Room	Umaid Mahal	>The Romantic Fort Of Amber On Elephant Back >The Pink City Of Jaipur Including The City Palace And The Palace Of Winds
07		Depart Delhi Arrive Kerala	1		>Drop Off At Jaipur Airport Or Delhi Airport INTERNAL FLIGHT FROM JAIPUR OR DELHI TO COCHIN OR TRIVANDRUM >Pick Up From Cochin Or Trivandrum Airport
08		Kerala	2		
09		Kerala	3		
10		Kerala	4		
11		Kerala	5		
12		Kerala	6		
13		Kerala	7		
14		Depart Kerala Arrive UK			>Transfer To Cochin Or Trivandrum Airport

Standard Rooms Unless Otherwise Specified



Day 02 – New Delhi



Akshardham Temple In New Delhi

Rickshaw Ride Through Old Delhi

Delhi is one of the world's great cities and contains something of interest for everyone. Lose yourself on a **Cycle Rickshaw Ride** through the teeming bazaars and markets of **Chandni Chowk** with outstanding opportunities for bargain-hunting and sampling fine authentic cuisine at superb local restaurants.

The Red Fort Of Delhi (Lal Qila) was the palace of **Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan** and dominates the old city. The **Jama Masjid** is a mosque of vast proportions with a courtyard that can easily accommodate 25 000 people.

Imperial New Delhi

From the labyrinthine streets of **Old Delhi**, emerge in to the wide open spaces of imperial **New Delhi**, with its ordered governmental vistas and generous leafy avenues. Those with an appreciation for colonial architecture will marvel at **Sir Edwin Lutyen's** buildings such as **Viceroy's House (Rashtrapati Bhavan)**, **Parliament House** and the **India Gate**, one of **Delhi's** most famous landmarks.

Rajghat, the cremation site of **Mahatma Gandhi** is also a popular place for visitors.



Delicious Delhi Cuisine



Day 03 – New Delhi

Old Delhi From The Domes Of The Jama Masjid

Delhi's Southern Landmarks

You can visit the capital's fascinating southern sites that cover **Emperor Humayun's Tomb** and the amazing **Qutub Minar**.

Humayun's Tomb is one of **Delhi's** three **UNESCO World Heritage Sites**. The tomb is located in large, immaculately maintained gardens. The **Qutub Minar** (1193 AD) is the tallest brick minaret in the world (238 ft) and an architectural wonder of **India**.



Qutub Minar And Interior Of The Red Fort Of Delhi



Day 04 – Agra



Dawn Over The Red Fort Of Agra

Private Guided Tour Of The Agra Red Fort

People sometimes forget that **Agra** contains more than the **Taj Mahal**. The 16th Century **Mughal** monument known as the **Red Fort Of Agra** was built by **Akbar the Great** (1556-1605) and was a walled palace that remained **India's** premier city for almost two centuries.

The powerful fortress of red sandstone encompasses within its 1.5 mile-long enclosure walls many fairytale palaces such as the **Jahangir Palace** and the **Khas Mahal**, audience halls such as the **Diwan-i-Khas**, and **Sheesh Mahal (The Glass Palace)** which is inlaid with thousands of mirrors and was once the harem's dressing room.



The Tomb Of Itmad Ud Daulah At Agra



Day 05 – Jaipur



Classic View Of The Taj Mahal

The Amazing Beauty Of The Taj Mahal

The **Taj Mahal** is the world's greatest monument to love. Set overlooking the **River Yamuna**, the **Taj** was built by **Emperor Shah Jahan** to enshrine the body of his favourite wife in 1631. To truly appreciate the wondrous **Taj Mahal** and its many moods, you should aim to visit it at dawn or dusk when the reflection of the sun changes the colour of the dome from white to shades of pink.

The Deserted City Of Fatehpur Sikri

The deserted city of **Fatehpur Sikri** was the capital of the **Emperor Akbar** between 1570 and 1585. Due to a severe shortage of water the city was abandoned after only fifteen years and the capital was relocated back to **Agra**. As a result **Fatehpur Sikri** stands untouched and perfectly preserved, a complete medieval fortress of red sandstone, with vast central squares, exquisitely carved multi-tiered pavilions, cool terraces and formal gardens.



Rural Life On The Way To Jaipur



Day 06 – Jaipur



Elephant Back Ride To Amber Fort

Private Guided Tour Of The Jaipur City Palace

The old **Pink City** of **Jaipur** has a stunning backdrop of ancient forts like **Amber** that stand as dramatic testimonials of a bygone era and a reminder of their lingering romance. The magnificent **City Palace** was built by **Maharaja Jai Singh** in 1728, enclosed by high walls and set amidst fine gardens and courtyards. It is now a vast museum with exhibits that have lost none of their splendour. The **Jantar Mantar Observatory** is a fascinating astronomical observatory with massive instruments used to predict the monsoon and identify the movements of the stars.

The Palace Of The Winds (Hawa Mahal) is **Jaipur's** most acclaimed attraction. Built in 1799, overlooking one of the city's main streets to offer the women of the court a vantage point, behind stone-carved screens, from which to watch the activity in the bazaars below.

The Fabulous Amber Fort And Palace

Amber is situated about 7 miles from **Jaipur** and was the ancient citadel of the ruling clan of **Amber**. The **Amber Fort** (1592) set in picturesque and rugged hills is a fascinating blend of **Hindu** and **Mughal** architecture. The forbidding exterior belies an inner paradise with a beautiful fusion of art and architecture. You have the added attraction of an **Elephant Back Ride** to ascend to the top.



The Beautiful Jal Mahal Palace At Jaipur

Day 07 – Kerala Beach Stay



Kovalam Beach At Dusk

Kovalam And Chowara Beaches

A group of three crescent shaped bays that are known to have some of the best beaches in **India**. **Kovalam** has sandy crescents with headlands to each end, the most popular being the **Lighthouse Beach**. Behind the beaches are shady coconut groves and a maze of alleyways linking local shops, guesthouses and restaurants beneath the coconut palms. **Chowara** is a more relaxed and laid back beach to the south of **Kovalam**.

Marari Beach

Marari is one of **India's** best-kept secrets and is the perfect retreat for those desiring a peaceful and relaxing holiday in a natural, exotic location. The locality has become a rather exclusive resort for those in the know.



Idyllic Marari Beach Resort

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