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Rajasthan Cycling

15 days, Delhi to Delhi

Trip code AHDA

What's included

- Your Welcome Moment: Meet Your CEO and Group
- Cycling across Rajasthan

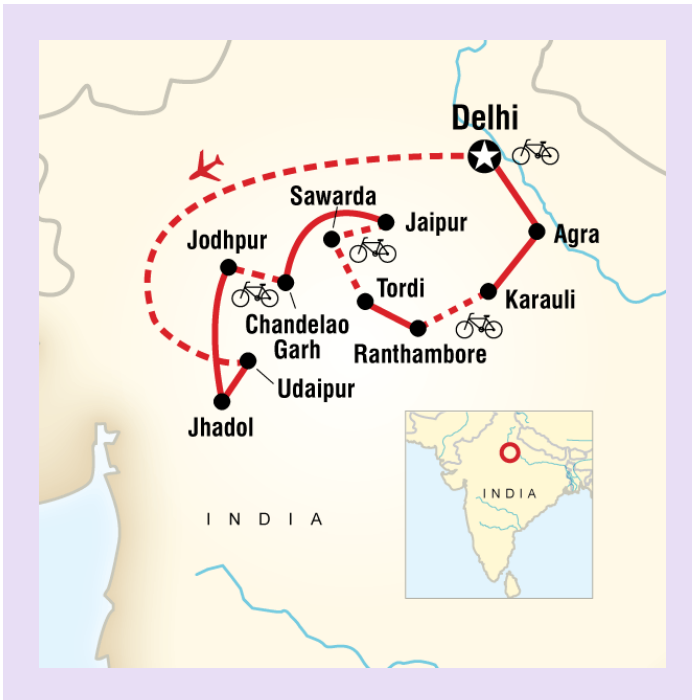
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VALIDITY: Valid for all trips departing January 1st, 2015 and onwards

Itinerary



Itinerary Notes

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NOTE: Accommodations vary per departure and are subject to change until tour start date; they are not final and should be used as examples only. Travellers may login to the G Adventures App to view accommodations specific to their departure.

Day 1

Delhi

Arrive at any time.

Arrive in Delhi at any time. There are no planned activities, so check into to the hotel and enjoy the city.



Today's Activities

ACTIVITY

Your opportunity to meet your CEO and fellow travellers, and learn more about your tour. Opt to join the group for a local meal afterwards. Don't forget to see the notice in the lobby (or ask reception) for the official time and place to meet up with the group.

Day 2

Delhi/Udaipur

Cycle in the southwest part of the city at Mehrauli, one of the seven ancient cities of the Delhi region. Fly to Udaipur in the afternoon.

In the morning, get on a bike and cycle out southwest of Delhi to the village of Mehrauli. The journey here is the ideal way for us to begin our cycling adventure.

In the afternoon, catch a flight across Rajasthan to the lakeside city of Udaipur. Upon arrival, enjoy free time in the afternoon to explore the city.

There are plenty of options for free time. Journey out to the hilltop Monsoon Palace, a summer resort of the Maharajas, or join in at a cooking demonstration.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Mehrauli Cycling

Delhi

1h-2h

10km

Take to two wheels and bike around the busy streets around Delhi. Mehrauli is an archaeological area to the south of Delhi, and is over 200 acres large. There are countless tombs and relics to discover here, weaving in and out of them by cycle.

Plane

Delhi - Udaipur

1h30m

Look! Up in the sky! It's a bird! It's a plane! It's... yup, it is a plane, actually.

Free Time

Udaipur

Your trip is just that - yours. Want to linger at the market or grab a table at that cozy café? Consider it done. We give your trip structure and direction, but you decide what you want to do with it on your free days.



Optional Activities - Day 2

Jagdish Temple Visit

Udaipur

Visit the intricately-carved Jagdish Temple, which pays homage to Vishnu, the Hindu god of preservation. Make sure to take a peek at the black stoned image of Vishnu that's housed inside the shrine.

Boat ride on Lake Pichola

Udaipur

500INR

Board a boat and cruise around Lake Pichola, taking in views of Udaipur from the water and getting a closer view of the spectacular Lake Palace, which was voted the most romantic hotel in India.

City Palace Visit

Udaipur

450INR

1h-2h

Visit Rajasthan's largest palace to get a sense of how royalty lived. Take in the view from one of its many intricately-decorated balconies, with one side facing the stunning Lake Palace.

Monsoon Palace Visit

Udaipur

505INR

Hop in an auto rickshaw and head outside of Udaipur to the stunning Monsoon Palace, perched high above town. Enjoy sweeping views of the city and surrounding lakes and countryside. Consider visiting at sunset for an unforgettable view.

Cooking Demonstration

Udaipur

1000INR

1h-2h

Calling all foodies! Get a taste of local food of Udaipur by visiting a local family for a cooking class. After the cooking demonstration sit down and enjoy the delicious dishes you have prepared.

Day 3

Udaipur

Spend the day cycling along the scenic route to Jhadol.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Jhadol Cycling Excursion

Udaipur

4h-5h

50km

Leave Udaipur and follow the road out to Jhadol. This is a royal country retreat and the greenery and verdant land is a marked contrast to the surrounding desert. The road is paved and, leaving Udaipur behind, the traffic decreases as Jhadol approaches. Spend some time exploring this oasis before heading back to Udaipur.

Day 4

Udaipur/Jodhpur

Transfer to Jodhpur with free time in the city this afternoon.

Drive to Jodhpur. It's quite a long journey from Udaipur, but, upon arrival, the rest of the day is free to see what Jodhpur has to offer.

Take a short climb to the top of a 125m (410 ft) high hill on the outskirts of the city and arrive at the magnificent Mehrangarh Fort, one of the largest forts in India. Experience the famed gentle nature of the Jodhpur people firsthand as we wander in and around the Old City with its Clock Tower and Sadar Bazaar, one of the oldest markets in India.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Udaipur - Jodhpur

5h-6h

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Free Time

Jodhpur

India is a gem of a country and there is a lot to explore. See more of each of the sites in closer detail. We give your trip structure and direction, but you decide what you want to do with it on your free days.



Optional Activities - Day 4

Sadar Bazaar

Jodhpur

Free

Wander through the market of Sadar Bazaar and pick up some of the wonderful handicrafts and gorgeous antiques Jodhpur is famous for. Glass bangles, cutlery, carpets, and products made of marble are some of the most popular items you can find here.

Mehrangarh Fort Visit

Jodhpur

600INR

Visit this breathtakingly beautiful fort located at the top of a cliff, which offers a stunning view of the Blue City of Jodhpur below. Learn about the many battles fought there and get a sense of what it was like to be Rajasthani royalty by visiting its well-stocked museum.

Day 5

Jodhpur/Chandelao

Cycle from Jodhpur out to the village of Chandelao Garh and visit Bishnoi communities.

In the morning cycle into the countryside, visiting tribal hamlets of Bishnois and Prajapats.

Later, head into our first rural stay of Chandelao Garh. Stroll in the village and its markets to get some local interaction.



Meals included

Breakfast | Dinner



Today's Activities

Cycling

Jodhpur - Chandelao

3h-4h

45km

Head out along country roads across to Chandelao. Paved roads and relatively flat terrain mark the route. While cycling, visit the tribal hamlets of Bishnois and Prajapats. Bishnois are a strong agrarian community who lives on 29 eco friendly comandments given by their founder. There have been stories where this community have made various sacrifices in saving the flora and fauna of the region. Prajapats are weavers who make small rugs out of cotton and also live on animal husbandry.

Day 6

Chandelao/Jaipur

Drive to Jaipur.

After breakfast, drive to the capital of the state of Rajasthan - Jaipur. Jaipur is the most colourful of the cities we visit. Known as the "Pink City" after the rusty colour that the walled city bears, Jaipur is a traveller's destination. With beautiful palaces, forts, gardens, temples, and unending market streets, it has a bit of everything that colourful Rajasthan has to offer.

In the afternoon, relax, walk, or cycle around the city. Opt to stop at the Hawa Mahal (Palace of Winds), the City Palace Museum, or Jantar Mantar Observatory in the walled city.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Chandelao - Jaipur

5h-7h

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Free Time

Jaipur

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Optional Activities - Day 6

Hawa Mahal (Palace of the Winds)

Jaipur

202INR

15m-30m

Enjoy a visit to the intricately-carved Hawa Mahal, or "Palace of the Winds," which is named for the cool breeze that comes through the structure and keeps it comfortable, even in the hot Jaipur summers.

Admire this architectural wonder and snap some photos.

City Palace Visit

Jaipur

1000INR

Explore the courtyards, gardens, and buildings that make up the City Palace. Located in the heart of the Old City, it is a striking blend of Mughal and Rajasthani architecture. Visit the palace's museum to look at ancient carriages and the former maharaja's gold-embroidered wedding outfit.

Jantar Mantar Visit

Jaipur

202INR

1h-2h

Visit the Jantar Mantar observatory for a guided tour and explore the collection of astronomical instruments housed there, some dating back to 1727.

Day 7

Jaipur

Cycle out to the Amber Fort from Jaipur.

In the morning, cycle out to the 15th century Amber Fort and Palace, which was once the capital of the region. Follow the main road, where we will come across all manner of traffic -- everything from cows to fully laden lorries may cross our path; best to be careful!



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Amber Fort Cycling Excursion

Jaipur

2h-3h

22km

Located outside of Jaipur, the Amber Fort rises above the road and the lake as an imposing site. Cycle along the main highway out from Jaipur, keeping an eye out for the traffic. Arrive at Amber Fort and explore this impressive site.

Amber Fort Guided Tour

Amber Fort

Explore this magnificent fort overlooking an artificial lake, famous for its unique mixture of Hindu and Muslim architecture. The Fort's sandstone walls are perched on a hill almost blending in with the terrain, besides perfectly reflecting in Maota Lake creating a mirage effect (and perfect photograph). Wander through the halls, courtyards, and palaces inside and admire the intricate details.

Day 8

Jaipur/Sāwarda

Cycle to Sawarda village.

Enjoy a second visit to the rural countryside of Rajasthan. It's a long day's ride, so make sure you have packed a lot of water. Ride out of Jaipur to the village of Sawarda.



Meals included

Breakfast | Dinner



Today's Activities

Cycling

Jaipur - Sāwarda

4h-5h

60km

Cycle along a road usually only accessible by smaller vehicles -- this means that the track can be looser under the wheels, so be careful with speed and braking. The journey ends at Sawarda, where a grand fort stands out in the desert.

Continue the village tour and cycle through Tordi Garh.

We continue on through the desert cycling between villages along our cycling journey. Heading northwards, ride to Tordi Garh, a small, remote village and stay in a 150-year-old residence of former nobles. The present family runs it as a heritage home.

After cycling here, walk around this small area, populated by just 2,000 people. In the evening, go to the dunes and watch the sun set over the wilderness.



Meals included

Breakfast | Dinner



Today's Activities

Cycling

Sāwarda - Tordi Garh

5h-6h

50km

Continue through the desert of Rajasthan towards Tordi Sagar. The road here is still rocky and broken up, so take care while cycling.

Tordi Sagar Local Village Tour

Tordi Sagar

1h

Take a tour of this tiny, tranquil village far from the maddening crowds and enjoy its pastoral settings and local hospitality. Also look at its magnificent red sand dunes.

Day 10

Tordi Garh/Ranthambore National Park

Cycle and drive along the highway to Ranthambore.

Travel on to Ranthambore National Park, one of the original Project Tiger Reserves. Travel through the park with its lakes, scrubland, and ruined palaces, as well as abundant wildlife including deer, birds, and monkeys. If we are lucky, we may even see one of the resident tigers.



Meals included

Breakfast | Dinner



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Tordi Garh - Tonk

1h-2h

50km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Cycling

Tonk - Ranthambore National Park

5h-6h

50km

Continue cycling through Rajasthan, as the landscape changes from arid desert to more verdant forest. The cycling is mainly along tracks off the road, although some of the terrain is along the main roads. Arrive into Ranthambore and relax for the rest of the day.

Day 11

Ranthambore National Park

Enjoy a wildlife safari drive and visit Ranthambore Fort by jeep.



Meals included

Breakfast | Dinner



Today's Activities

Ranthambore Safari

Ranthambore National Park

Jump in our private canter (open vehicle) and get ready to explore the jungle of Ranthambore National Park. Keep your eyes peeled for the abundant wildlife that makes its home here, including deer, monkeys, and birds. If you're lucky, you might get to see one of the resident tigers.

Ranthambore Fort walk and Ganesh Temple

Ranthambore National Park

1h-2h

5km

Ranthambore was once the private hunting grounds of the Maharaja of Jaipur, and its rich heritage manifests itself in its many chhatris, forts, and and hunting lodges that give the park its heritage status. Walk through the ruins of the old fort and visit the Ganesh Temple, a popular spot with locals for worship, dedicated to the elephant-headed Hindu god Ganesh.

Day 12

Ranthambore National Park/Karauli

Cycle to the holy city of Karauli.

Head back on the bike and cycle from Ranthambore to the city of Karauli. Upon arrival, will see the red stone ramparts surrounding the walled city, with bastions for security.



Meals included

Breakfast | Dinner



Today's Activities

Cycling

Ranthambore National Park – Karauli

4h-5h

50km

Cycle between Ranthambore National Park and Karauli, in the heart of rural Rajasthan.

Day 13

Karauli/Āgra

Transfer to Agra and visit the world famous Agra Fort.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Karauli – Āgra

5h-6h

150km

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Agra Fort Visit

Āgra

1h-3h

Enjoy a visit to this impressive Mughal fort made of red sandstone and white marble.

Day 14

Āgra/Delhi

Watch the sunrise at the Taj Mahal. Transfer to Delhi.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Taj Mahal Visit

Tāj Mahal

2h-3h

Cross one off your bucket list as you visit one of the Seven Wonders of the World. Explore the gorgeous white marble mausoleum, built by the Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan as a testament of his love for his favorite wife, Mumtaz Mahal.

Private Vehicle

Āgra - Delhi

5h-6h

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Day 15

Delhi

Depart at any time.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Departure Day

Not ready to leave? Your CEO can help with travel arrangements to extend your adventure.

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Is there a travel disclaimer for my itinerary I should review before booking this trip?

While it is our intention to adhere to the route described below, there is a certain amount of flexibility built into the itinerary and on occasion it may be necessary, or desirable to make alterations. The itinerary is brief, as we never know exactly where our journey will take us. Due to our style of travel and the regions we visit, travel can be unpredictable. The Trip Details document is a general guide to the tour and region and any mention of specific destinations or wildlife is by no means a guarantee that they will be visited or encountered. Aboard expedition trips visits to research stations depend on final permission.

Additionally, any travel times listed are approximations only and subject to vary due to local circumstances.

Are there Itinerary notes?

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What important notes should I be aware of before the trip?

Cycling Grading - Moderate

- Some degree of experience required
- Mixture of road cycling and off road
- Occasional long days in the saddle, multiple ascents and descents
- Good fitness and skill level recommended
- Cycle usually between 35-70 km per day

Equipment provided:

- Hard trail bikes
- Helmets

Bringing Your Own Bike

If you choose to bring your own bike, please be aware that you are responsible for the maintenance and support of the bike. It may be possible to hire some extra equipment as necessary for your cycle. Check with your airline about travelling with your bike, as some will charge you to take a bike on board. We would suggest that you pack your bike in a bike box or bag(usually available from your local bike shop). It's also advisable to make sure your bike has been serviced before you travel.

1. India is a country which is very different to anything you will have experienced before. Although this means it is not the easiest place to travel, this is also what makes it so special. Pollution, poverty and the crowds can result in initial culture shock but should be seen as an exciting new challenge. During our time here we have come to love this large and wonderfully different country but we know that we should always expect to encounter some difficulties along the way.

2. In India there are very different attitudes to time keeping, public cleanliness, privacy and service. Trains will sometimes be late, plumbing can sometimes be temperamental and power will often just vanish. Optimistic menus turn out to have only one dish available and everyone, just everyone, will want to know your name. If you are able to travel with a lot of patience and a healthy sense of humour, then we know that you - like all of us - will be captivated by what India has to offer. National Monuments may be closed with little or no notice, some stores and restaurants may be closed.

3. Please Note: Only 1 piece of luggage that weighs up to 15kgs will be permitted on our internal flights in India. For any extra weight the airline may charge an additional fee at the time of check-in.

What is the group leader like?

All G Adventures group trips are accompanied by one of our Chief Experience Officers (CEO). The aim of the CEO is to take the hassle out of your travels and to help you have the best trip possible. They will provide information on the places you are travelling through, offer suggestions for things to do and see, recommend great local eating venues and introduce you to our local friends. While not being guides in the traditional sense you can expect them to have a broad general knowledge of the countries visited on the trip, including historical, cultural, religious and social aspects. We also use local guides where we think more specific knowledge will add to the enjoyment of the places we are visiting - we think it's the best of both worlds.

How large will the group be?

Max 12, Avg 8

What meals are included in this trip?

14 breakfasts, 6 dinners

What are the meals like on this trip?

Eating is a big part of travelling. Travelling with G Adventures you experience the vast array of wonderful food that is available out in the world. Generally meals are not included in the trip price when there is a choice of eating options, to give you the maximum flexibility in deciding where, what and with whom to eat. It also gives you more budgeting flexibility, though generally food is cheap. Our groups tend to eat together to enable you to taste a larger variety of dishes and enjoy each other's company. There is no obligation to do this though. Your CEO will be able to suggest favourite restaurants during your trip. Vegetarians will be able to find a huge range of different foods - India is vegetarian heaven. For all trips please refer to the meals included and budget information for included meals and meal budgets.

What are the modes of transportation on my trip?

Bicycle, charter bus, walking

Are local flights included in the cost of the trip?

All local flights are included in the cost of your tour unless otherwise noted. It is important that we have your passport information at the time of booking in order to process these tickets. Internal flight tickets are issued locally and will be given to you prior to the flight departure.

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Is there an extra cost for travelling solo?

We believe single travellers should not have to pay more to travel so our group trips are designed for shared accommodation and do not involve a single supplement. Single travellers joining group trips are paired in twin or multi-share accommodation with someone of the same sex for the duration of the trip. Some of our Independent trips are designed differently and single travellers on these itineraries must pay the single trip price.

Where will we stay during the trip?

Hotels (10 nts), heritage hotels (4 nts)

Will I get my own room?

Please note that if you have booked the "My Own Room" option for this tour, you will receive your own single room for all night stops

What kind of accommodation can I expect on this trip?

A variety of styles of hotels/guest houses are used in India. These can vary in terms of service, efficiency and cleanliness. In many instances they might not be like what you are used to back home. Power cuts can and are a regular occurrence in many places, especially throughout North and Central India. Although a number of hotels have generators there may be times when these won't work. It is also recommended when you are in your room to lock the door, as staff will sometime enter without reason.

What is the joining hotel?

For details of your joining hotel please refer to your tour voucher, G Account, the G Adventures App or contact your travel agent.

What are the joining instructions?

If this is your first trip to India an arrival transfer is recommended. The arrival transfer will be provided by our G Adventures-supported project Women on Wheels. This program provides safe and reliable transport for travellers, while providing a dignified livelihood for a local woman from a resource poor community. You will be greeted by a trained driver from the project with a G Adventures sign with your name on it. Please check carefully once you exit the baggage hall as there seem to be hundreds of people waiting outside in the arrival area. If you have any questions, please feel free to call our transfer representatives in Delhi. Our airport representatives can be reached at the Sakha Call Centre at +91 92787-08888.

Taking a taxi from New Delhi airport is convenient, but taxi drivers are famous for tampering with their meters and overcharging. Use the prepaid taxi service offered at the airport. You can make the arrangements at designated counters outside the baggage-claim area of the domestic terminals and international terminal. Unfortunately scammers have set up similar services, so make sure the counter is operated by the Delhi Traffic Police. Your destination, the time of your arrival and the amount of luggage determine the rate, which you pay in advance at the counter, but should be between INR200-300. Take the receipt and locate your assigned taxi. Taxis are black with yellow tops and have yellow number plates. Once you get into the taxi, don't give the driver the payment slip until you reach your destination. If the driver demands more rupees, politely refuse, although if they have driven safely, you may like to tip INR10-20.

Be aware also, of touts at the airports, even at hotel-reservation counters. They may try to trick you into booking a hotel room by claiming that your prior reservation is invalid. Ignore them.

Please note that Day 1 is an arrival day and no activities have been planned for that day other than your welcome meeting in the evening, so you can arrive at any time. Similarly the last day is a departure day during which no activities have been planned.

Your CEO will organize a short meeting soon after arrival, during which you will meet other tour participants and receive information about general and specific aspects of the trip. A welcome note will be left for you in the hotel so you have all the necessary information regarding the meeting time. If you arrive late, s/he will leave you a message detailing what time and where you should meet the next morning.

Who should I contact in case of an emergency?

Should you need to contact us during a situation of dire need, it is best to first call either the G Adventures Local Representative (if one is listed below) or our G Adventures Local Office. If for any reason you do not receive an immediate answer, please leave a detailed message and contact information, so they may return your call and assist you as soon as possible.

AIRPORT TRANSFER

If you have purchased an arrival through G Adventures or if an arrival transfer is included in the cost of your tour, please note that:

Your arrival transfer has been arranged based on flight information provided to us. If you are advised of a flight schedule change within 48 hours of your scheduled arrival time, we will do our best to rearrange your arrival transfer however we cannot guarantee this. If your arrival transfer does not arrive within 30 minutes after you have exited the arrivals area please take a taxi to your start point hotel.

If your call is specifically concerning Airport Transfer complications please call our local G Adventures Transfer providers directly at:

New Delhi Airport:

Sakha Call Center

From outside India: +91 9278708888

From within Delhi: 9278708888

From outside Delhi: 09278708888

Airport Representative

From outside India: +919599193260 or +919599051397

From within Delhi: 9599193260 or 9599051397

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If you are unable for any reason to contact our local office, please call the numbers listed below which will connect you directly with our Sales team who will happily assist you. Hours of operation by region can be found [here](#).

Toll-free, North America only: 1 888 800 4100

Calls from UK: 0344 272 0000

Calls from Germany: 0800 365 1000

Calls from Australia: 1 300 796 618

Calls from New Zealand: 0800 333 307

Outside North America, Australia, New Zealand, Germany and the UK: +1 416 260 0999

What information should I be aware of as the itinerary draws to a close?

After arrival into Delhi early in the morning we transfer to our starting-point hotel where the trip finishes. We have a couple of rooms for you to use until midday. If you are departing India today its best to book your flight for later in the afternoon as train delays do occur. Please note that additional accommodation is also available at this hotel in Delhi.

G Adventures offers a Delhi City Extensions (3 days/2 nights) which gives you a option of a higher standard of accommodation. Please check with your agent at the time of booking.

Are there any additional packing suggestions I should consider?

What you need to bring depends on the trip you have chosen and the countries or regions you are planning to visit. We suggest that you pack as lightly as possible as your are expected to carry your own luggage. As a rule we try not to have to walk more than 15-20 mintues with your bags which is why we recommend keeping the weight of your bags between 10-15kg/22-30lb. Internal flights in India do not allow bags to be more than 15kg in weight.

While cycling, there is a support vehicle that will carry your main rucksack, so you can carry just a day pack for essentials while on your bike. This vehicle support will also double up as a maintenance team in case of any issues with your equipment.

Suitcases are not recommended for G Adventures trips! Most travellers carry a backpack or rolling bag of small to medium size (no XXL ones please!) as they need to fit under the beds when travelling on sleeper trains. You will also need a day pack/bag to carry water, cameras and other electronics like ipods and mobile phones. If your trip involves overnights in homestays, villages or camping then you usually have the opportunity to rent sleeping bags if need be instead of bringing them with you.

What should be on my packing list?

Health & Safety:

- Face masks (Clients will be only be required to wear a face mask where it is mandated by local regulations.)
- Hand sanitizer
- Pen (Please bring your own pen for filling out documents.)

When can I do my laundry on this trip?

Laundry facilities are offered by some of our hotels for a charge. There will be times when you may want to or have to do your own laundry so we suggest you bring non-polluting/biodegradable soap.

What are the visas and entry requirements for my trip?

All countries require a valid passport (with a minimum 6 months validity). Contact your local embassy or consulate for the most up-to-date visa requirements, or see your travel agent. It is your own responsibility to have the correct travel documentation. Visa requirements for your trip will vary depending on where you are from and where you are going. We keep the following information up to date as far as possible, but rules do change and sometimes without warning. While we provide the following information in good faith, it is vital that you check the information yourself and understand that you are fully responsible for your own visa requirements.

Visa information specific to your destination and nationality can be found in our Important Pre-Departure Information page [here](#)

All travellers must have a valid Indian visa prior to the start of their tour. Please note that visas for India are the responsibility of the individual traveller.

To obtain a visa for India, you may either apply for an e-Visa using the link below, or alternately visit the Indian embassy or consulate nearest you to apply for a physical visa on your passport.

India is now offering e-Visas for some nationalities. Please visit this link for further information, and to check if your nationality is eligible for an e-Visa: <https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/visa/tvoa.html>

As there are many fake websites, please only use the link above to apply for your e-Visa and for any additional information.

Please use the start hotel of your tour as a reference for your visa application. Contact us or your travel agent if you need further information.

Where can I read detailed notes about this trip?

In India English is widely spoken and transportation and infrastructure is good, but please remember that this is India- expect the unexpected! If you are able to bring with you a lot of patience, a great sense of humour and a willingness to try and interact with the local people, your travel experience will be greatly enhanced.

What should I consider when planning my personal expenses and discretionary spending for this itinerary?

Every traveller is different and therefore spending money requirements will vary. Some travellers may drink more than others while other travellers like to purchase more souvenirs than most. Please consider your own spending habits when it comes to allowing for drinks, shopping and tipping. Please also remember the following specific recommendations when planning your trip.

What should I know about currency, credit cards, and exchanging money while on this tour?

As currency exchange rates in Asia fluctuate often we ask that you refer to the following website for daily exchange rates: www.xe.com

As of Feb 2012 the exchange rate for INDIA was 1 USD = 49.00 INR (Indian Rupees). There are many ATM machines that accept both Visa and Mastercard but these are limited to major cities. Major credit cards are accepted in most shops but they may charge a 2-4% transaction fee.

How much emergency money should I bring on this trip?

Please also make sure you have access to at least an additional USD \$200 (or equivalent) as an 'emergency' fund, to be used when circumstances outside our control (ex. a natural disaster) require a change to our planned route. This is a rare occurrence!

Do I need to pay a departure tax?

All departure taxes should be included in your international flight ticket.

Should I be tipping on my trip?

It is customary in Asia to tip service providers such as waiters, at approximately 10%, depending on the service. Tipping is expected - though not compulsory - and shows an expression of satisfaction with the people who have assisted you on your tour. Although it may not be customary to you, it is of considerable significance to the people who will take care of you during your travels. There are several times during the trip where there is opportunity to tip the local guides or drivers we use. You may do this individually, or your CEO will offer to collect the money and tip as a group.

Recommendations for tipping drivers and local guides would range from USD1-2 per person per day depending on the quality and length of the service; ask your CEO for specific recommendations based on the circumstances and culture.

Also at the end of each trip if you felt your G Adventures CEO did an outstanding job, tipping is appreciated. The amount is entirely a personal preference, however as a guideline USD10-15 per person, per week can be used.

What activities are optional on this trip?

Udaipur

- Jagdish Temple Visit
- Boat ride on Lake Pichola (500INR per person)
- City Palace Visit (450INR per person)
- Monsoon Palace Visit (505INR per person)
- Cooking Demonstration (1000INR per person)

Jodhpur

- Sadar Bazaar (Free)
- Mehrangarh Fort Visit (600INR per person)

Jaipur

- Hawa Mahal (Palace of the Winds) (202INR per person)
- City Palace Visit (1000INR per person)
- Jantar Mantar Visit (202INR per person)

Are there any health considerations I should know before travelling?

Please note inoculations may be required for the country visited. It is your responsibility to consult with your travel doctor for up to date medical travel information well before departure.

You should consult your doctor for up-to-date medical travel information well before departure. We recommend that you carry a First Aid kit and hand sanitizers / antibacterial wipes as well as any personal medical requirements. Please be aware that sometimes we are in remote areas and away from medical facilities, and for legal reasons our leaders are prohibited from administering any type of drug including headache tablets, antibiotics, etc. In Asia pharmacies tend to stock the same western drugs as you get at home but they are usually produced locally so please bring the full drug name with you when trying to purchase a prescription drug. When selecting your trip please carefully read the brochure and itinerary and assess your ability to cope with our style of travel. Please refer to the Physical and Culture Shock ratings for trip specific information. G Adventures reserves the right to exclude any traveller from all or part of a trip without refund if in the reasonable opinion of our CEO they are unable to complete the itinerary without undue risk to themselves and/or the rest of the group.

What do I need to know to about safety and security on my trip?

Many national governments provide a regularly updated advice service on safety issues involved with international travel. We recommend that you check your government's advice for their latest travel information before departure. We strongly recommend the use of a neck wallet or money belt while travelling, for the safe keeping of your passport, air tickets, travellers' cheques, cash and other valuable items. Leave your valuable jewellery at home - you won't need it while travelling. Many of the hotels we use have safety deposit boxes, which is the most secure way of storing your valuables. A lock is recommended for securing your luggage. When travelling on a group trip, please note that your CEO has the authority to amend or cancel any part of the trip itinerary if it is deemed necessary due to safety concerns. Your CEO will accompany you on all included activities. During your trip you will have some free time to pursue your own interests, relax and take it easy or explore at your leisure. While your CEO will assist you with options available in a given location please note that any optional activities you undertake are not part of your itinerary, and we offer no representations about the safety of the activity or the standard of the operators running them. Please use your own good judgment when selecting an activity in your free time. Although the cities visited on tour are generally safe during the day, there can be risks to wandering throughout any major city at night. It is our recommendation to stay in small groups and to take taxis to and from restaurants, or during night time excursions.

Protests and Demonstrations- Protests and demonstrations, even those that are well intended, have the potential to turn violent with no warning. Counter protests can also turn violent. Action by security forces to disperse demonstrators and protesters may occur at any time. If you are in an area where demonstrators or protesters are gathering, avoid the temptation of staying for a good photo opportunity and leave the area immediately.

Water based activities have an element of danger and excitement built into them. We recommend only participating in water based activities when accompanied by a guide(s). We make every reasonable effort to ensure the fun and adventurous element of any water based activities (in countries with varying degrees of operating standards) have a balanced approach to safety. It is our policy not to allow our CEOs to make arrangements on your behalf for water based activities that are not accompanied by guide(s).

Swimming, including snorkeling, is always at your own risk.

We take all prudent measures in relation to your safety. For ways to further enhance your personal safety while traveling, please visit:

www.gadventures.com/travel-resources/safety/

What are the trip specific safety considerations?

We strongly recommend the use of a neck wallet or money belt while travelling, for the safe keeping of your passport, air tickets, travellers' cheques, cash and other valuable items. Leave your valuable jewellery at home - you won't need it while travelling. Many of the hotels we use have safety deposit boxes which is the most secure way of storing your valuables. A lock is recommended for securing your luggage.

What rules should I know before joining this trip?

Illegal drugs will not be tolerated on any trips. Possessing or using drugs not only contravenes the laws of the land but also puts the rest of the group at risk. Smoking marijuana and opium is a part of local culture in some parts of the world but is not acceptable for our travellers. Our philosophy of travel is one of respect towards everyone we encounter, and in particular the local people who make the world the special place it is. The exploitation of prostitutes is completely contrary to this philosophy. Our CEO has the right to expel any member of the group if drugs are found in their possession or if they use prostitutes.

Is travel insurance required for my trip?

Travel Insurance: Travel insurance is compulsory in order to participate on any of our trips. When travelling on a group trip, you will not be permitted to join the group until evidence of travel insurance has been sighted by your CEO, who will take note of your insurance details. When selecting a travel insurance policy please bear in mind that all clients must have medical coverage and that we require a minimum coverage of USD 200,000 for repatriation and emergency rescue. We strongly recommend that the policy also covers personal liability, cancellation, curtailment and loss of luggage and personal effects. If you have credit card insurance we require proof of purchase of the trip (a receipt of credit card statement) with a credit card in your name. Contact your bank for details of their participating insurer, the level of coverage and emergency contact telephone number.

What is Planeterra?

Planeterra International Foundation is a non-profit organization committed to turning travel into impact by helping local communities earn an income from tourism. Planeterra connects underserved local communities to the benefits of tourism by developing and supporting small community-owned businesses. These businesses support Indigenous people, empower women, grant youth access to employment opportunities, and protect the environment. Planeterra also works to ensure these businesses have a thriving customer base by integrating their projects into G Adventures' itineraries globally.

G Adventures is Planeterra's largest corporate donor, covering all operating costs, so 100% of your donation will bring opportunity to people in need.

G Adventures Dollar-a-day Program - Make Every Day Count - Turn your travel into impact with [Planeterra Foundation](#).

Did you know? Most communities around the world do not benefit from tourism. Give back to the places you visit on your travels by creating opportunities for local people to earn an income, and protect the environment.

Make every day count by donating \$1/day for the length of your trip, and join us in empowering the communities you will visit when you travel. 100% of your donation goes directly to Planeterra projects.

How should I dress to respect local customs during the tour?

In Asia the dress standard is more conservative than it is back home. When packing try to pick loose, lightweight, long clothing that will keep you cool in the usually hot and humid climate of Asian summers. In predominately Buddhist, Hindu and Muslim countries we ask that you dress respectfully and avoid very short shorts/skirts and singlets/tanktops when visiting small rural communities or visiting temples or mosques or other holy sites as this may restrict your entry. In Pakistan we recommend a head scarf for women while walking around. In northern India between middle of December to end of February, night time temperatures can be low, so bring a set of warmer clothes. Thermal underclothes, being small and light, can be very useful.

How can I share feedback about my trip experience?

Earn 5% off your next G Adventures Tour (up to \$100 USD)*

After your travels, we want to hear from you! Your feedback information is so important to us and to thank you for your time, we are pleased to offer a 5% discount (up to a maximum of \$100 USD) off your next G Adventures holiday. All you need to do is submit the form within 4 weeks of the completion of your tour, and you'll be able to join the thousands of travellers who have taken 2, 3, 4 or even 10 or more tours with us!

Discount cannot be combined with other offers or applied to 'Independent' style trips. Maximum discount value is \$100 USD (or equivalent currency). Valid for new bookings only. G Adventures reserves the right to withdraw or modify this offer at any time without notice. Limited to one discount per person.

Does G Adventures have an email newsletter I can subscribe to?

Our adventure travel e-newsletter is full of travel news, trip information, interesting stories and contests. To avoid missing out on special offers and updates from G Adventures, subscribe at www.gadventures.com/newsletters/

Stay current on how our company invests in our global community through our foundation – Planeterra. Sign up for [Planeterra's monthly news](#) to learn more about how to give back and support the people and places we love to visit.

How old must I be to join this trip?

You must be 18 to travel unaccompanied on a G Adventures tour. For minors travelling with a guardian over 21 years old, the minimum age is 12.

Are international flights included in this trip?

No, international flights are generally not included in the price of your tour.

However, on some combo tours travelling between two different countries, international flights are included as part of the itinerary and price of the tour. Please speak to your GCO or booking agent for further details.

In addition, check-in times and baggage allowances/restrictions vary by airline and can change at any time. For the most up-to-date information for your flight, please contact your airline. We recommend checking in online in advance to avoid potential delays at the airport.

What should LGBTQ+ travellers know about safety and travel considerations on this trip?

The safety and well-being of all of our travelers is a priority at G Adventures and that includes our travelers who identify as part of the LGBTQ+ community. We recognize that there are specific concerns and questions you may have about your adventure in terms of safety and security. We encourage you to visit our [LGBTQ+ page](#) for useful resources to ensure you feel safe and comfortable throughout the duration of your trip. The Equaldex tool linked on this page can be of particular help when deciding where you may want to visit next.

Dossier Disclaimer

The information in this trip details document has been compiled with care and is provided in good faith. However it is subject to change, and does not form part of the contract between the client and the operator. The itinerary featured is correct at time of printing. It may differ slightly to the one in the brochure. Occasionally our itineraries change as we make improvements that stem from past travellers, comments and our own research. Sometimes it can be a small change like adding an extra meal along the itinerary. Sometimes the change may result in us altering the tour for the coming year. Ultimately, our goal is to provide you with the most rewarding experience. Please note that our brochure is usually released in November each year. If you have booked from the previous brochure you may find there have been some changes to the itinerary.

VERY IMPORTANT: Please ensure that you print a final copy of your Trip Details to review a couple of days prior to travel, in case there have been changes that affect your plans.

Itinerary Disclaimer

While it is our intention to adhere to the route described below, there is a certain amount of flexibility built into the itinerary and on occasion it may be necessary, or desirable to make alterations. The itinerary is brief, as we never know exactly where our journey will take us. Due to our style of travel and the regions we visit, travel can be unpredictable. The Trip Details document is a general guide to the tour and region and any mention of specific destinations or wildlife is by no means a guarantee that they will be visited or encountered. Aboard expedition trips visits to research stations depend on final permission.

Additionally, any travel times listed are approximations only and subject to vary due to local circumstances.