

# INDIA (7) DAYS TOUR

Visit : Delhi, Agra, Jaipur, Taj Mahal

## Itinerary:

### DAY 01 MANILA / DELHI

Assemble at the airport for your departure flight to Delhi. Upon arrival at the **Delhi's Indira Gandhi International Airport**, Meet and greet by our local representative with flower garlands made of fresh Marigolds. Then depart for the hotel via deluxe air conditioned private vehicle for check in. Overnight at **Shangrila Hotel** or similar class.

### DAY 02 DELHI - AGRA

(B.L.D.)

Breakfast at the hotel. Then begin our long distance coach travel to **Agra** - the former capital of Hindusta. Upon arrival in Agra, check in at the hotel. Enjoy late lunch at hotel. After lunch proceed to **Agra Fort** for a tour. Visit the **Agra Fort** and the city. At the impressive Agra Fort you are taken through the chambers of this royal residence. As you drive through the city witness the local life and bazaars (markets) and the hustle of everyday India. Also enjoy shopping in Agra city. Return to the hotel for dinner. Overnight at **Radisson Hotel** or similar class.

### DAY 03 AGRA - JAIPUR

(B.L.D.)

Early this morning proceed for a sunrise visit of **Taj Mahal**. The magnificent monument of love - The Taj Mahal, built by an emperor in memory of his beloved queen. Construction of the Taj Mahal began in 1631 and is believed to have taken 22 years to complete with over 20,000 craftsmen working around the clock. The design and construction is said to be that of the legendary architect, Ustad Ahamad Lahori. Legend has it that once construction was completed, Shah Jehan had Lahori's hands cut-off and blinded, so he would never be able to duplicate the structure. What makes the Taj Mahal unique is its perfect proportion, distinct femininity, medium of construction and ornaments. Its marble exterior reflects rose and golden tints at sunrise and sunset, while it is dazzling white during the day. It is impossible to visualize the Taj Mahal in any surrounding others than its paradoxical garden. Paradise, in Islam is visualized as a lush garden where running streams flow. When the Mughals brought this concept to India they elevated it to heights of incomparable artistry. **(\*\*\* Taj Mahal is closed every Friday \*\*\*)**. After the tour, return to the hotel for breakfast. After breakfast, check out from the hotel and drive to **Jaipur** (approximately 6 hrs). En-route visiting **Fatehpur Sikri**, the deserted red sandstone city that was built by Emperor Akbar as his capital. It was a veritable fairy tale city and its 'ruins' are still in a pristine condition. It is not hard to imagine what the court life must have been like in the days of its grandeur. After visiting Fatehpur Sikri proceed for lunch at one of the hotel in Bharatpur city. After lunch, continue your drive to Jaipur. Upon arrival in Jaipur, check in at **Marriott Hotel or similar class**. Dinner and overnight at the hotel.

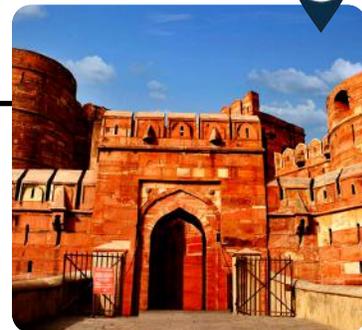
### DAY 04 JAIPUR

(B.L.D.)

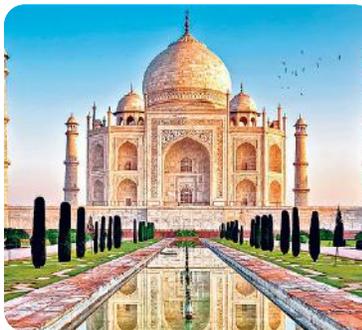
After breakfast at the hotel, proceed with our half day excursion of **Amber Fort** which is 11 kms from Jaipur, Amber Fort is a marvelous example of Rajput architecture with its terraces and ramparts reflected in the **Maota Lake** below. Go up the fort on the back of a gaily-caparisoned elephant true to the style of the **Maharajas** of the past. The interiors of the fort have various royal halls decorated with intricate ivory, mirror and glass work complemented by exquisite wall painting. As you move between the rooms of this magnificent structure feel the history and visualize the pomp and grandeur of a kingdom never conquered. **Elephant rides at Amber Fort** cannot be guaranteed in advance. This is due to the fact that the number of elephants and the trips each elephant can take is very limited. All guest have to reach the Amber Fort in time and stand in line to wait their turn to climb the elephant, these lines could sometimes be very long and some guest have had to be turned back.

**Note : While all the elephants at the Amber Fort are completely tame, docile and fully trained we would advice that you avoid standing too close to the animals while on the access ramps. Please also avoid patting / stroking the animals at all times and always avoid taking pictures next to the animals, even if suggested to do so by local guides \*\*.**

Enjoy lunch at hotel. After lunch at hotel venture back into the city, this time on a city tour of Jaipur. This afternoon you will visit the **City Palace Museum** where you can see an imposing blend of traditional **Rajasthani and Mughal Art**.



Agra Fort



The Taj Mahal



City Palace - Museum



Qutub Minar

The Museum is resplendent with its collection of robes or royal princes, carpets an armory of old weapons, miniature paintings portraying court scenes, battle scenes and processions, Also visit the awe inspiring **Jantar Mantar** (an accurate observatory built in 1726 AD). Also included is a photo visit at the **Hawa Mahal (Palace of Winds)** – a five storied wonder with a spectacular pyramid facade and overhanging windows with latticed screens, domes and spires. Dinner and overnight at **Marriott Hotel** or similar class.

#### DAY 05 JAIPUR – DELHI

(B.L.D.)

After breakfast at the hotel. Check out from the hotel and drive back to **Delhi** also known as the National Capital Territory of India. Upon arrival in Delhi straight proceed for buffet lunch at Crown Plaza Hotel. After lunch, continue to Delhi. Dinner at the hotel. Overnight at **Shangrila Hotel** or similar class.

#### DAY 06 DELHI

(B.L.D.)

Breakfast at the hotel. Then proceed for a half day combined tour of **Old & New Delhi**. **Old Delhi** was an ancient walled city. Mughal Emperor Shah Jehan in 1650 switched the Mughal capital from Agra to Delhi. Shah Jehan possessing an exquisite talent, especially in architecture created the seventh city and in the process brought about Delhi's glorious renaissance. Drive Pass the **Red Fort**, the most opulent Fort and Palace of the Mughal Empire. Also visit **Rajghat**, the memorial site of the Mahatma Gandhi; Jama Masjid, the largest mosque in India; and **Chandni Chowk**, the bustling and colourful market of the old city. Chandni Chowk was the commercial centre of Delhi in the old time and you will see it come alive in the morning as the trading day starts.

New Delhi was designed and built by the British in the 1920's-it's a city of wide boulevards impressive Government building, green parks and gardens, In 1911 King George V announced the transfer if the capital from Calcutta to Delhi. The King's architects, Lutyens and Baker, set in motion the Design and construction of Delhi's eight city – New Delhi. Lutyens designed an "Imperial City" having palatial-sized buildings set amid broad tree-lined avenues punctuated by Mughal style gardens, complete with fountains and shallow pools. It took 20 years to complete this immense undertaking only to have the British pack up and relinquish the subcontinent in 1947. Visit New Delhi's tower of victory, **Qutub Minar**. Your drive takes you along the ceremonial avenue, **Rajpath**, past the imposing **India Gate and Parliament House**. Then check out from the hotel and have lunch at city restaurant. Later this afternoon enjoy some shopping. In the evening, proceed for farewell dinner. Then transfer out to the airport for your departure flight back to Manila. Overnight on board.

#### DAY 07 ARRIVAL MANILA

Arrive Manila with fond memories of **INDIA**.

\*\*\* END OF TOUR\*\*\*

**Legend :** B – Breakfast L – Lunch D – Dinner

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