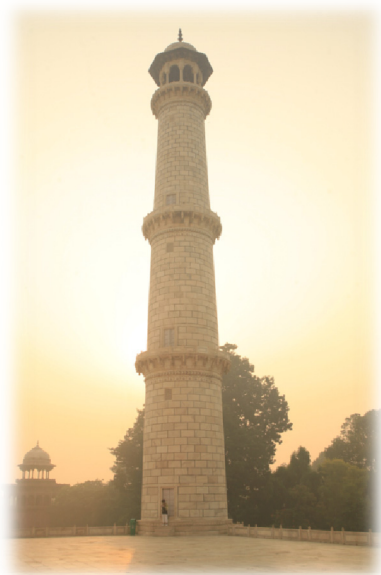




## The Golden Triangle Delhi, Agra and Jaipur

The “Golden” Triangle earns its name from both the extraordinary cultural and historical splendour of the three cities, as well as their appearance on the maps of India. Visit the Mughal and Imperial monuments of Delhi, marvel at the Taj Mahal and deserted city of Fatehpur Sikri in Agra followed by the pink city of Jaipur and the Amber Fort.



### DAY 1 • DEPART FROM UK

Depart from the UK on your overnight flight to Delhi.

### DAY 2 • ARRIVE DELHI

Morning arrival in Delhi, where you will stay at the Taj Palace for 2 nights on a bed and breakfast basis. The afternoon is at leisure.

### DAY 3 • OLD DELHI • NEW DELHI

In the morning take a sightseeing tour of Old Delhi, visiting Jama Mosque and the Red Fort, before taking a rickshaw ride in the by-lanes of the old city. In the afternoon take a tour of New Delhi, visiting Qutab Minar, Humyan’s Tomb and the Government Buildings.

### DAY 4 • TO AGRA • RED FORT

After breakfast drive to Agra, where you will stay at the Trident Hotel for 2 nights on a bed and breakfast basis. In the afternoon you will take a sightseeing tour of Agra, including a visit to the Red Fort. This 16th century monument is a powerful fortress of red sandstone, and encompasses within its walls the imperial city of the Mughal rulers. Return to your hotel in time for dinner.

### DAY 5 • TAJ MAHAL • FATEHPUR SIKRI

The Taj Mahal is one of the world’s most recognisable and evocative sights and a visit here does not disappoint. The Taj was built by Shah Jahan to enshrine the body of his favourite wife Mumtaz Mahal who died in child birth. Your day begins with a visit to see the Taj Mahal at sunrise, before returning to your hotel for breakfast. The rest of the morning is spent sightseeing around Agra, including a visit to the deserted city of Fatehpur Sikri. This was the capital of the Mughal Empire between 1570 and 1585, and was built under the personal supervision of the Emperor Akbar. However, 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. After lunch at your hotel, return to the Taj Mahal and watch the colours slowly change as the sun sets.

### DAY 6 • TO JAIPUR

After breakfast transfer to Jaipur, where you will stay at the Jai Mahal Palace for 2 nights on a bed and breakfast basis. The afternoon is at leisure for you to relax.

### DAY 7 • JAIPUR

In the morning you will visit the Amber Fort, arriving at the gates by elephant. In the afternoon you will explore the city, visiting the City Palace, Hawa Mahal (Palace of The Winds) and Jantar Mantar (Astronomical Observatory).

### DAY 8 • TO DELHI

After breakfast spend the morning at leisure. Take an early lunch before transfer by road to The Park Plaza Hotel, where you will stay for 1 night on a bed and breakfast basis. You will arrive late afternoon and relax before dinner.

### DAY 9 • DEPART TO UK

Transfer to airport for return flight to UK

### DATES

This tour is run on an individual basis, and can start any day between 1st October and 30th June except Saturday and Monday.

### COST

Please see our Price Guide at the front of the brochure.

### PRICE INCLUDES:

Accommodation and food as described; programme of events as described; all entry fees to monuments; services of English speaking guide as required; elephant ride at Amber Fort; use of jeep at Amber Fort; all transfers in air-conditioned cars; portage at airports; all local taxes.

### PRICE EXCLUDES:

Flights; visas; camera fees; personal items such as drinks; laundry; phone calls; insurance; tips.

### DEPOSITS

A Standard Deposit is required for this tour as detailed in our Booking Conditions.

### **i** OTHER INFORMATION

The flights listed in the itinerary are easily available from online agents. We will be happy to advise you about booking.

This tour can link with our other itineraries to create a tailor made itinerary for you.

It is possible to join the tour from any country of origin, so long as you arrive in Delhi during day two of the itinerary.