

JAIPUR & DELHI TOUR

3 nights / 4 days

Day 01 MUMBAI-JAIPUR

- Flight to Jaipur
- Hawa Mahal sightseeing
- Visit local bazaar / shopping (optional).
- Overnight at Jaipur

: Morning transfer to airport to connect flight for Jaipur

: Arrive Jaipur & Check-in at the hotel.

1600 hrs

: Proceed to view the Hawa Mahal- The **Hawa mahal** The Hawa Mahal, which adjoins the famous City Palace wall, was built in 1799 by Maharaja Sawai Pratap Singh and has now become one of the major landmarks of Jaipur. The palace is shaped like a pyramid and is a five-storied building, with number of small windows and screens, with arched roofs. As one looks at this building, one realizes that the rear side of the building is comparatively very plain and lacks much of ornamentation. One is rather surprised at the contrast, since in the front there is intricate carving and much attention has been paid to even minute details yet the backside is more a mass of pillars and passages.



Thereafter visit local bazaar / shopping (optional).

1930 hrs

: Return to Hotel.

: Overnight stay at Jaipur

Day 02 IN JAIPUR

- Visit the Amber Fort.
- Visit City Palace
- Overnight in Jaipur

0900 hrs : After breakfast (included), move to the magnificent Amber Fort. **The Amer Fort complex** stands amidst wooded hills. One of the finest examples of Rajput architecture, it was the ancient capital of Jaipur. The original palace was built by Raja Man Singh and additions were made later by Sawai Jai Singh. Within the palace are the Diwan-e-Aam or the "Hall of Public Audience", the Diwan-e-Khas or the "Hall of Private Audience" and the Sukh Niws, the private chambers of the queens with windows having latticed screens so that the ladies could watch the proceedings of the royal court in privacy. There is also the Jai Mandir or the "Temple of Victory", with its famed Sheesh Mahal, the scintillating "Hall of Mirrors". Ascend the hill on an elephant.



1230 hrs : Proceed to City Palace. The City Palace, now converted into a museum, except a small portion that is still used by the royal family of Jaipur. Built in the fortified campus style, the palace covers almost one-seventh part of the city. One of the major attractions in the museum is the portion that is devoted to the arms and ammunition used by the royal family. Other important attractions are the Textile and Costume Museum, Art Gallery, Chandra Mahal, Mubarak Mahal, and Diwan-i-Khas and Diwan-i-Am.



Rest of the day at leisure

: Overnight stay in Jaipur

Day 03 JAIPUR-DELHI

- Drive back to Delhi.
- Visit Akshardham temple
- Overnight at Delhi

0800 hrs : After breakfast check-out of the hotel & drive to Delhi.
1100 hrs : en-route break at midway motel for tea / coffee and snacks
1400 hrs : Arrive Delhi & check-in at the hotel.

1600 hrs : Visit **Akshardham temple**
Akshardham is not just a temple, but a place of education, entertainment and enlightenment. There are 73 richly patterned and 63 partially carved pillars. Spread across a 23-acres, this complex is flooded with shrines, sculptures, parks, lakes and rides. All these come together to create the most powerful experience of Indian culture ever to exist. Dedicated to Lord Swaminarayan and inspired by Pujya Pramukh Swami Maharaj, Akshardham is a miracle worked by the service and devotion of thousands of volunteers.



Day 04 DELHI-MUMBAI

- Time free to relax and pack-up for return journey.
- Visit Red fort & Raj Ghat.
- Visit Humayun's Tomb & Qutub Minar.
- Drive Past President's House, Parliament House & India Gate.
- Transfer to IGI International airport for departure.

1000 hrs : Check-out and leave for Half-day sightseeing of Old Delhi. In Old Delhi visit the historic **RED FORT** (closed on Mondays) - Shah Jehan's elegant citadel in red sandstone, which was built as an octagon measuring 900m by 550m and surrounded by a 9-meter deep moat which was at its inception fed by the waters of the Yamuna river. Very near the Fort is the **JAMA MASJID** (Friday Mosque), India's largest mosque, also built by Shah Jahan. Drive pass the famous bazaars of **CHANDNI CHOWK**, which is adjacent to both the Fort and the Mosque. Also visit **RAJ GHAT** - the memorial to Mahatma Gandhi.



The tour to New Delhi starts with a visit to the **Qutab Minar**, the tallest stone tower in India. Built in the early 13th century a few kilometres south of Delhi, the red sandstone tower of Qutub Minar is 72.5 m high, tapering from 2.75 m in diameter at its peak to 14.32 m at its base, and alternating angular and rounded flutings. The surrounding archaeological area contains funerary buildings, notably the magnificent Alai-Darwaza Gate, the masterpiece of Indo-Muslim art (built in 1311), and two mosques, including the Quwwatu'l-Islam, the oldest in northern India, built of materials reused from some 20 Brahman temples.



Then visit **Humayun's Tomb**, built by the widow of the second Mughal Emperor, Humayun, it is an outstanding monument in the Indo-Persian style. This tomb, built in 1570, is of particular cultural significance as it was the first garden-tomb on the Indian subcontinent. It inspired several major architectural innovations, culminating in the construction of the Taj Mahal.

The tour also includes a drive past the imposing India Gate, the Parliament building and the Rashtrapati Bhawan (the President's residence).

: In time transfer to airport .

: Board flight for Mumbai.

Tour Ends