

Discover India (15 days / 12 nights)

**** Based on 4-star hotels (Land & Int'l air)

Day 01	Depart Johannesburg
Day 02	Arrive Mumbai: On arrival you are met and transferred to hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure.
Day 03	Mumbai / Jaipur (B. L.): Morning sightseeing tour of Mumbai includes a visit to the Gateway of India, Mani Bhavan – a museum, dedicated to the father of our Nation Mahatma Gandhi, the Marine drive, the Prince of Wales museum, the Hanging gardens and Victoria rail station. Later, a transfer to Mumbai airport and flight for Jaipur.
Day 04	Jaipur (B. L.): Visit to the Amber Fort, the ancient capital of Jaipur state. The fort is a superb example of Rajput architecture. Later sightseeing tour of Jaipur includes a photo stop at the Hawa Mahal (Palace of Winds) with its façade of all pink windows and filigree screens, and visits to the City Palace and Museum, still the home of the former Royalty of Jaipur and now housing a Museum that has an extensive collection of art, carpets and old weapons. Finish the tour by visiting the Jantar Mantar (observatory) built in 1728.
Day 05	Jaipur / Agra (B. L.): By road 220 kms/04 hrs Drive to Agra, en route visit of Fatehpur Sikri, built in the 16th century. Upon arrival, check in at hotel. After lunch, a half day tour including visits to the Taj Mahal – perhaps the world's most extravagant monument of love, built as far back as the mid 1600's, by Shahjehan, in memory of his wife Mumtaz.
Day 06	Agra / Delhi (B. L.): A tour to the Agra Fort, the massive red sandstone Fort, set on the banks of the Yamuna River, built almost 500 years ago by the Mughal. Transfer to railway station and express train to Delhi. Met on arrival in Delhi and transfer to hotel.
Day 07	Delhi (B. L.): Full day sightseeing tour of Old and New Delhi which includes visits to the Red Fort; the Jama Masjid; Chandni Chowk (Silver Street) famed for its colorful bazaars in narrow lanes; Raj Ghat – the cremation site of Mahatma Gandhi; Birla Mandir – a large Hindu temple; India Gate – a 42 metre high, free standing arch built as a war memorial; Rashtrapati Bhawan, which is the official residence of the President of India; Humayun's Tomb; Qutub Minar; and finally, the Bahai Temple shaped like a lotus flower, a recent architectural marvel of the capital.
Day 08	Delhi / Cochin (B.): A flight to Kumarakom, a coconut palm enclosed lagoon resort. Remainder of the day at leisure.
Day 09	Kumarakom (B.): Spend a day at leisure, or, enjoy an Ayurvedic massage at the health spa...or go on a fishing expedition, bird watching or, on a sunset cruise.
Day 10	Kumarakom / Cochin (B.): Drive to Cochin (including ferry transfer). Upon arrival in Cochin check in at hotel.
Day 11	Cochin (B.L.): Enjoy a tour of Cochin including visits to the Dutch Palace; The Jewish synagogue, built in 1568; Cochin harbour terminus where the Chinese fishing nets present a wonderful sight; and St Francis Church which is the oldest church built by Europeans in India. This evening enjoy a Kathakali Dance show.
Day 12	Cochin / Bangalore (B.): A morning flight to Bangalore. Sightseeing introduces a visit to the Bangalore Fort which was built in the late 18th century, the Bull Temple where the 15 foot high idol has been carved from a single boulder, as well as, the Cubbon Park – a 300 acre park that contains the public library and museum; the Lal Bagh – a 240 acre garden containing the largest collection of rare tropical and sub tropical plants with many awesome century old trees. Finish at the Vidhana Soudha – Bangalore's most majestic looking landmark, built in a neo-Dravidian style, housing the Secretariat, the State legislature and several other Government offices.
Day 13	Excursion To Mysore (B. L.): By road 180 kms/04 hours Drive to Mysore. Visits to: The Mysore Palace, former residence of the Wodeyars, one of the largest palaces of India. The Jagannohan Palace, a converted art gallery that houses paintings dating back to the late 19th century. Chamundi Hill - perched atop a hill is a 12th century temple of Chamundershwari. St. Philomena's Church, a beautiful gothic style Cathedral, built in 1956. Also visit the famous Brindavan Gardens.
Day 14	Bangalore / Mumbai (B.): Transfer to Bangalore airport and flight for Mumbai to connect your homeward flight.
Day 15	Arrive Johannesburg

Cost: From USD 3,590 per person sharing

