My Journey through INDIA

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"If there is a place on the face of Earth where all the dreams of living men have found a home from the very earliest days when man began the dream of existence, it is India!

Romaine Rolland

“This quote is my vision that encapsulates the essence of India: “Land of Dreams & Fantasy”.

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In my endeavor to provide you with the nothing less than the best travel experience, I have personally recruited my staff and arranged for their specialized training in programming of Luxurious & value based travel arrangements to help plan every aspect of your trip.

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Within the continent- of -a country are a world of possibilities, let’s help you discover them with me as part of a Time & Again traveler.

Wishing all “Happy travels”

Regards

Nisheesh Shivhare
Chairman & CEO
12 January 1981

Golden Triangle & Holy City of Varanasi

Suggestive Itinerary

**Day 01:** Arrive Delhi. Transfer to Hotel for overnight.

**Day 02:** Delhi-Jaipur: Morning leave for Jaipur. Upon arrival check into your Hotel. PM visit the City Palace & Jantar Mantar. Night at Hotel.

**Day 03:** Jaipur: AM excursion to Amber Fort, enroute photos stop at Hawa Mahal. At Amber Fort you shall embark on the Elephant back to the top of the Fortress. PM for leisure activities. Night at Hotel.

**Day 04:** Jaipur-Abhaneri-Fatehpur Sikri-Agra: Morning drive to Agra.

Enroute visit village of Abhaneri and later Fatehpur Sikri. Upon arrival at Agra, check into your Hotel. Night at Hotel.

**Day 05:** Agra: Early morning visit Taj Mahal by sunrise & later the fort.

PM for leisure activities. Night at Hotel.

**Day 06:** Agra-Jhansi-Orchha-Khajuraho: Morning train ride to Jhansi.

Upon arrival drive to Khajuraho via Orchha. Check into your Hotel. Night at Hotel.

**Day 07:** Khajuraho-Varanasi: Morning visit the Eastern & Western Group of Temples in this land of KAMASUTRA. Later transfer to Airport for flight to Varanasi. Upon arrival, check into your Hotel. Night at Hotel.

**Day 08:** Varanasi: Morning visit the Buddhist Sacred town of Sarnath. PM walk around the Ghats. Night at Hotel.

**Day 09:** Varanasi-Delhi: Early morning Boat Ride on the River Ganges.

Later Flight for Delhi. Upon arrival, transfer to your Hotel.

**Day 10:** Delhi: AM visit New Delhi, where you shall visit the Humayun’s tomb, The Parliament Buildings, India Gate and Qutab Minar. PM visit Old Delhi. Here you shall visit The Jama Masjid Mosque, The Red Fort, Streets of Chandni Chowk and Raj Ghat.

No Hotel accommodation for this Night.

**Day 11:** Transfer to Airport for Home Destination
Etched in Stone
Suggestive Itinerary

Day 01: Arrive Cochin: On arrival at Cochin, Transfer to Hotel. Night at Hotel.

Day 02: Cochin-Houseboat: AM visit the Palace, Jewish synagogue and the St. Francis Church. Drive to Jetty & board the Houseboat for a ride through the Backwaters. Night on the Houseboat.


Day 04: Kumarakam-Periyar: Morning drive to the Nilgiri mountain range to Cardamom Hills. PM boat ride at the Periyar NP. Night at Hotel.

Day 05: Periyar-Munnar: Morning drive to Munnar. Visit the Eravikulam NP and the sprawling Tea estates. Night at Hotel


Day 07: Cochin-Ooty: Morning drive to Ooty. Toy train ride to the summer residence of the British. Night at Hotel.
Day 08: Ooty-Madhumalai: Morning drive to Madhumalai. PM visit to the Game Park. Night at Hotel.

Day 09: Madhumalai-Mysore: Morning drive to Mysore. PM visit the Palace & The Vegetable & Flower market. Night at Hotel.

Day 10: Mysore-Somanathpur-Sravanbelagola-Hassan: Morning drive to Somanathpur, visit the Chinakeshava Temple. Continue drive to Sravanbelagola and later to Hassan. Night at Hotel.


Day 14: Badami-Goa: Morning drive to Goa. Night at Hotel.

Day 15: Goa: Day free for Leisure activities on the beach.

Day 16: Goa: Day free for Leisure activities on the beach


Day 18: Transfer to Airport for Home Destination.

Goa Festivals
1. Jatra (Jan)
2. Carnival (Feb)
Historical Saga
15 March 1981

Delhi, Sawai Madhopur, Jaipur & Agra

Suggestive Itinerary

Day 01: Arrive Delhi: Transfer to Hotel for overnight.

Day 02: Delhi: AM visit New Delhi, where you shall visit the Humayun’s tomb, The Parliament Buildings, India Gate and Qutab Minar. PM visit Old Delhi. Here you shall visit The Jama Masjid Mosque, The Red Fort, Streets of Chandni Chowk and Raj Ghat. Night at Hotel.

Day 03: Delhi-Sawai Madhopur: Morning leave for Sawai Madhopur by Train. Upon arrival check into Hotel. Afternoon Game Drive into the Ranthambore NP. Night at Hotel.

Day 04: Sawai Madhopur: Early morning leave for Game Drive into the Park. Afternoon leave again for Drive into the Park. Night at Hotel.


Day 06: Samode-Jaipur: Morning leave for Jaipur, Enroute visit the Amber Fort, where you shall embark on the Elephant back to the top of the Fortress for your visit. PM for leisure activities. Night at Hotel.

Day 07: Jaipur: AM photostop at Hawa Mahal and later visit the City Palace & Jantar Mantar. PM for leisure activities. Night at Hotel.


Day 09: Agra: Early morning visit Taj Mahal by sunrise & later the fort. PM for leisure activities. Night at Hotel.

Day 10: Agra-Delhi: Morning leave for Delhi. Enroute visit Sikandra. PM free to shop last minute souvenirs.

Day 11: Transfer to Airport for Home Destination.
12 April 1981
Tamil Nadu, Kerala & Karnataka

Suggestive Itinerary

Day 01: Arrive Chennai-Mahabalipuram: On arrival transfer from Chennai to Mahabalipuram. Check in and Night at your Hotel.

Day 02: Mahabalipuram: AM visit the Rock-cut Temple, Reliefs & Shore Temples. Afternoon for leisure activities on the beach. Night at Hotel.

Day 03: Mahabalipuram-Kanchipuram-Pondicherry: Morning drive to Kanchipuram. Visit the Kailash Temple & the Ekambeswarar Temple. Continue drive to Pondicherry, the French Colony. Experience the French Character of the city & visit the Aurobindo Ashram. Night at Hotel.

Day 04: Pondicherry-Darasuram-Gangaikondacholapuram-Chidambaram-Tanjore: Morning drive to Tanjore, enroute visit the beautiful sculptures at the Temples of Darasuram. At Gangaikondacholapuram, visit the Chola Temple. At Chidambaram, visit the famous Shiva (Nataraja) Temple. Continue drive to Tanjore. Night at Hotel.

Day 05: Tanjore-Trichy-Tanjore: Morning visit the Brihadeswarar Temple. Pm excursion to Trichy. Night at Hotel.

Day 06: Tanjore-Madurai: Morning drive to Madurai. Enroute visit the Chithinadion which is famous for its Wooden aces with extensive carving. In Madurai, witness the evening ti Ceremony at the Meenakshi Temple. Night at Hotel.
Day 07: Madurai: AM visit the Meenakshi Temple, a master piece of Dravidian Architecture & Tirumalai Nayak Palace. PM free for Leisure activities. Night at Hotel.

Day 08: Madurai-Periyar: Morning drive to the Nilgiri mountain range to Cardamom Hills. PM boat ride at the Periyar NP. Night at Hotel.


Day 11: Mararikulam: Day at leisure. Night at Hotel.

Day 13: Cochin-Doty: Morning drive to Doty. Toy train ride to the summer residence of the British. Night at Hotel.

Day 14: Doty-Nagarhole: Morning drive to Nagarhole. PM visit the Nagarhole National Park for Game viewing. Night at Resort.


Day 16: Nagarhole-Mysore: Morning drive to Mysore. PM visit the Palace. Night at Hotel.

Day 17: Mysore-Somnathpur-Mysore: AM excursion to Somnathpur, visit the Chinakeshava Temple. PM visit the Vegetable & Flower Market. Night at Hotel.


Day 20: Chikmagalur-Bangalore: Morning drive to Bangalore. PM visit the Palace.

Day 21: Transfer to Airport for Home Destination.

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**Festivals of Karnataka**

1. Hoysala Mahotsava (Mar.)
   A festival of dance and music

2. Royal Dasara (Sep./Oct.)
3. Hampi Festival (Nov.)

**Festivals of Tamil Nadu**

1. Pongal (Mid-Jan.)

**Festivals of Kerala**

1. Thrissur pooram (Apr./May)

2. Onam (Aug./Sep.)

The Nehru Trophy Boat Race is held during ONAM Festival.
Spiritual High
18 June 1981

Kinnaur, Spiti, Lahaul, Changthang & Ladakh

Suggestive Itinerary

Day 01: Arrive Delhi: On arrival transfer to Hotel. Overnight.

Day 02: Delhi-Kalka: Morning train to Kalka. Night at Hotel

Day 03: Kalka-Shimla (2200 Mts): Morning drive to Shimla. PM visit Viceregal Lodge and later walk through the Mall. Night at Hotel.

Day 04: Shimla-Rampur-Sarahan: Morning drive to Sarahan via Narkanda. Enroute visit the Sutlej Valley. At Rampur, visit the wooden Palace. At Sarahan, visit the Bhimakali Temple & witness the evening prayer ceremony. Night at Hotel.

Day 05: Sarahan-Kinnaur-Sangla (2700 Mts): Morning drive on the Hindustan-Tibet road through the Sutlej Valley to Kinnaur region through Baspa Valley to Sangla. Night at Camp.

Day 06: Sangla-Kalpa-Kinnaur: Morning drive Kalpa from where one can see the Kinnaur Kailash peak (6400 Mts). PM walk to the villages at Kinnaur & see the folk crafts. Night at Hotel.

Day 07: Kinnaur-Spiti-Tabo: Morning drive through the greener valleys to the drier regions of Trans Himalayas to Spiti region with its Gorges, Valleys, glaciers and snow topped peaks. Excursion to Lake Nako. Proceed to Tabo. Night at Camp.

Day 08: Tabo-Lhalun-Kaza: Morning visit the Tabo Monastery and later drive Dhankar Monastery and on to Kaza via Lhalun. Night at Camp.


Day 10: Ki-Lahaul: Morning drive to Lahaul viewing the towering Mountains & through Passes like Kunzum La (4590 Mts). Night at Chota Dara in the Chandra Valley. Overnight at Camp.

Festivals of Leh & ladakh

Ganesh Festival: July-Aug.

- Hemis Festival (Tune) - this spectacular dance-drama, with colourful masks and costumes, offers a wonderfully authentic experience of ladakhi culture.
- Ladakh Festival (1-15 Sep.) - This festival is held over two weeks in leh’s Polo Grounds. Apart from the traditional masked dances, the events include Polo matches and archery contests and handicrafts exhibition.
Day 11: Lahaul-Keylong:
Drive to the Lahaul Valley. Enroute visit Khardong Monastery.
On arrival at Keylong, Night at Hotel.

Day 12: Keylong-Sarchu: Morning drive to Sarchu through the
Baralacha Pass (4850 Mts). View the snow covered peaks
and the crystal clear lakes. Night at Camp.

Day 13: Sarchu-Tsokar: Morning drive to Tsokar which is close to Zanskar. Cross the Lachlung Pass
(5100 Mts) to Canyon Country. Through the region of Rupshu & Changthang, we reach the salt
water Tsokar Lake. Overnight at Camp.

Day 14: Tsokar-Tsomiriri Lake: Morning drive through Polo Pass (4450 Mts) to the valley of Tsomiriri
White Lake. Visit the Changpas Nomadic Tribes and one can also see the wild Donkeys (Kyang).
Visit the Kharzok Monastery. Night at Camp.

Day 15: Tsomiriri Lake-Leh: Morning full day drive to Leh. Night at Hotel.

Day 16: Leh-Spitok-Phyang-Leh: AM visit Shankar Gompa, Leh Gompa & Leh Palace. Excursion to
Spitok & Phyang Monastery. Night at Hotel.


Day 18: Leh/Delhi: Flight to Delhi. PM free to shop for souvenirs.

Day 19: Transfer to Airport for Home Destination.
Extension Kashmir:


Day 22: Srinagar-Delhi: Flight to Delhi. PM free to shop for souvenirs.

Day 23: Transfer to Airport for Home Destination.
Glimpses of ancient India
10 August 1981

Central India

Suggestive Itinerary

Day 01: Arrive Mumbai: Transfer to your Hotel. Night at your Hotel.

Day 02: Mumbai-Aurangabad: AM visit Gateway of India, Victoria Terminus, Queens Necklace, Prince of Wales Museum & Dhobi Ghat. Flight to Aurangabad. Night at your Hotel.

Day 02: Aurangabad-Ellora-Daulatabad-Aurangabad: AM visit Bibi Ka Maqbara and the Jama Masjid. PM excursion to Ellora where we shall visit the Ellora Caves and Kailasanatha Temple. Enroute visit at Daulatabad, the Chand Minar & the Fort. Night at your Hotel in Aurangabad.

Day 03: Aurangabad-Ajanta-Jalgaon: Morning drive to Jalgaon. Enroute visit the Ajanta Caves. Night at your Hotel in Jalgaon.

Day 04: Jalgaon-Omkarshwar-Maheshwar-Dhar: Drive to Dhar via Omkarshwar. Here you shall visit the Sri Omker Mandhata & The Siddhnath Temples at the banks of the river Narmada. Continue drive to Maheshwar visiting the Maheshwar Fort, Shrines & ghats. On arrival at Dhar check in & Night at your Hotel in Dhar.

Day 05: Dhar-Mandu-Dhar: Morning excursion to Mandu where you shall visit the deserted Citadel of Mandu. Night at your Hotel in Dhar.


Day 08: Orchha-Khajuraho: AM visit the Chattris & Palace in Orchha. Drive to Khajuraho. Night at your Hotel.

Day 09: Khajuraho: AM visit the Eastern & Western Group of Temples. PM free for Leisure activities. Night at the Hotel.
Day 10: Khajuraho-Bandhavgarh: Morning drive to Bandhavgarh NP. On arrival check in at your Hotel.
PM Jungle Safari through the National Park. Night at the Hotel.

Day 11: Bandhavgarh: AM Safari and PM Safari though the National Park. Night at the Hotel.

Day 12: Bandhavgarh-Kanha: Morning drive to Kanha NP. Check in at your Hotel. PM Jungle Safari through the Kanha NP. Night at the Hotel.


Day 14: Kanha-Raipur: Morning drive to Raipur. Check in at your Hotel. Night at the Hotel.


Day 16: Transfer to Airport for Home Destination.

Great Stupa at Sanchi

Festivals of Maharashtra
1. Janmashtami (Jul/Aug)
2. Ganesha Chaturthi (Aug/Sep)

Festivals of Orissa
1. Rath Yatra (Jun/Jul)
2. Konark Dance Festival (1-5 Dec)

Mandu

Sanchi-Life

Ellora entrance

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2. Konark Dance Festival (1-5 Dec)
Extension Orissa


Day 16: Puri-Konark-Puri: AM visit the Sun Temple at Konark & later visit the Jaganath Temple at Puri. PM Free for Leisure activities. Night at the Hotel.

Day 17: Puri-Pipili-Bhubaneshwar: Morning leave for Bhubaneshwar. Enroute visit Pipili where you shall visit a local Dance school. At Bhubaneshwar visit the Lingaraja, Mukteshwar, Parasurameshwar & Rajarani Temples. Night at your Hotel.

Day 18: Bhubaneshwar-Hyderabad: Flight to Hyderabad. Here you shall visit the Salarjung Museum, Charminar, Mecca Masjid. PM visit Golconda Fort with Light & sound show.

Day 19: Transfer to Airport for Home Destination
14 October 1981

Rajasthan & Gujarat

Suggestive Itinerary

Day 01: Arrive Delhi: Transfer to your Hotel. Night at the Hotel.

Day 02: Delhi: AM visit New Delhi, where you shall visit the Humayun’s tomb, The Parliament Buildings, India Gate and Qutab Minar. PM visit Old Delhi. Here you shall visit The Jama Masjid Mosque, The Red Fort, Streets of Chandni Chowk and Raj Ghat. Night at the Hotel.

Day 03: Delhi-Agra: Morning leave for Agra. Enroute visit Sikandra. Check into your Hotel. PM visit Agra Fort. Night at the Hotel.


Day 05: Jaipur: AM excursion to Amber Fort, enroute photostop at Hawa Mahal. At Amber Fort you shall embark on the Elephant back to the top of the Fortress. PM visit the City Palace & Jantar Mantar. Night at the Hotel.

Day 06: Jaipur-Jodhpur: Morning drive to Jodhpur. On arrival check into your Hotel. PM visit the Mehrangarh Fort and the City Center. Night at the Hotel.

Day 07: Jodhpur-Ranakpur-Udaipur: Morning leave for Udaipur. Enroute visit the Jain Temples at Ranakpur. Upon arrival, check into your Hotel. Night at the Hotel.

Day 08: Udaipur: AM visit the City Palace & Sahelion Ki Bari. PM Boat ride on the Lake Pichola. Night at the Hotel.

Day 09: Udaipur-Mt. Abu: Morning leave for Mt. Abu. On arrival check in at your Hotel PM visit the Diwara Temple & later witness the sunset on the lake. Night at the Hotel.

Day 11: Ahmedabad: AM visit the museum, the Jain temple & the Mosque. PM free at Leisure. Night at the Hotel.


Day 14: Diu: Day at Leisure to enjoy the Sea. Night at the Hotel.


Festivals of Rajasthan
1. Nagaur Cattle fair (Jan/Feb)
2. Gangaur festival (Mar/Apr)
3. Elephant festival (Mar)
4. Pushkar fair (Nov)

Festivals of Gujarat
1. Modhera dance festival (Jan)
2. Tranetar fair (Aug/Sep)
   Matchmaking mela.
3. Navratri (Sep/Oct)
   “Nine Nights” celebration of garba dance and dandia ras.
| Day 16: | Gondal-Halvad-Bhuj: AM visit the Naulakha Palace & Swaminarayan Temple. Drive to Bhuj. Enroute visit the Palace at Halvad. Night at your Hotel in Bhuj. |
| Day 17: | Bhuj: AM jeeps excursions through local villages witnessing the Arts & Crafts of the area and the Tribal community. Night at your Hotel. |
| Day 19: | Transfer to Airport for Home Destination. |
Land of Valour & Chivalry
03 November 1981

Intensive Rajasthan

Suggestive Itinerary

Day 01: Arrive Delhi: Transfer to Hotel for overnight.

Day 02: Delhi: AM visit New Delhi, where you shall visit the Humayun’s tomb, The Parliament Buildings, India Gate and Qutab Minar. PM visit Old Delhi. Here you shall visit The Jama Masjid Mosque, The Red Fort, Streets of Chandni Chowk and Raj Ghat. Night at Hotel.

Day 03: Delhi-Agra: Morning leave for Agra. Enroute visit Sikandra. Check into your Hotel. PM visit Agra Fort. Night at Hotel.


Day 05: Jaipur: AM excursion to Amber Fort, enroute photostop at Hawa Mahal. At Amber Fort you shall embark on the Elephant back to the top of the Fortress. PM visit the City Palace & Jantar Mantar. Night at Hotel.

Day 06: Jaipur-Pushkar: Morning drive to Pushkar. Check into your Hotel. PM a walk around the Lake. Night at Hotel.

Day 07: Pushkar-Sawai Madhopur: Morning leave for Sawai Madhopur. Upon arrival check into your Hotel. Afternoon Game Drive into the Ranthambore NP. Night at Hotel.

Day 08: Sawai Madhopur: Early morning leave for Game Drive into the Park. Afternoon leave again for Drive into the Park. Night at Hotel.

Festivals of Rajasthan
(Oct-Nov-Dec-Jan-Feb-Mar)

- Nagaur cattle fair (Jan-Feb): Camel races puppet shows folk music and dance mark this week long fair.
- Gangaur (Mar/Apr): This 16-day festival celebrates the marital bliss of Shiva & Parvati and is celebrated with special fervor in Udaipur.
- Pushkar (Nov): It is an annual fair at Pushkar where thousands of pilgrims, tourists and villagers with herds of cattle, horses and camels come here to participate in this spectacular event.
Day 09:  Sawai Madhopur-Kota: Morning leave for Kota, enroute visiting the Fortress at Bundi. Check into your Hotel at Kota. PM visit the City Palace & Museum. Night at Hotel.

Day 10:  Kota-Chittorgarh-Udaipur: Morning leave for Udaipur, enroute visit Chittorgarh Fort. Upon arrival at Udaipur, check into you Hotel. Night at Hotel.

Day 11:  Udaipur: Morning visit the City palace & Sahelion Ki Bari. PM boat ride on Lake Pichola. Night at Hotel.

Day 13: Jodhpur-Jaisalmer: AM visit the Mehrangarh Fort and the City Center. Later drive to Jaisalmer. Upon arrival, check into your Hotel. Night at Hotel.

Day 14: Jaisalmer: AM visit the Golden fort & the Havelis. PM drive to Sam to witness the Sunset. Night at Hotel.

Day 15: Jaisalmer-Bikaner: Morning leave for Bikaner. Upon arrival check into your Hotel. PM visit the Junagarh Fort & the Camel Breeding Farm. Night at the Hotel.

Day 16: Bikaner-Mandawa: Morning leave for Mandawa. Enroute visit the Havelis at Fethpur and later at Mandawa. Check into your Hotel. PM leisure walk through the town. Night at the Hotel.

Day 17: Mandawa- Delhi: Morning leave for Delhi. Evening free for last minute shopping for Souvenirs.

Day 18: Transfer to Airport for Home Destination.
15 December 1981

Arunachal Pradesh – Nagaland

Suggestive Itinerary

Day 01: Arrive Delhi: On arrival transfer to hotel. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 02: Delhi-Guwahati: Morning flight from Delhi to Guwahati. Visit Assam State Museum and Temple of Umananda. Overnight at the hotel.


Day 04: Kaziranga: Early in the morning leave for a Safari in the jungle which is spread over 423 kms in which you can see animals like Rhinoceros, Tigers, Elephants and many other species of wildlife. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 05: Kaziranga-Itanagar (Arunachal Pradesh): After breakfast drive to Itanagar the capital of Arunachal Pradesh. Visit the museum which consists Buddhist monasteries. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 06: Itanagar-Ziro: AM drive to Ziro which is a beautiful hill station situated just 160kms to North of Itanagar at an altitude of 1750m. Enroute visit the villages of the mountain warriors of Nishi tribe. PM visit to the evening market. Night at the Lodge.

Day 07: Ziro: Excursion to Apatani tribe and see their women with beautiful & astonishing Jewellery. Also visit to the museum and the local market. Overnight at the Lodge.

Day 08: Ziro-Daporijo: After breakfast drive to Daporijo which is 160 kms, however a full days drive. Enroute we visit the villages of the Miri Hill Tribes. On arrival visit the villages of Tagin Tribes. Overnight in the hotel.

Day 09: Daporijo-Along: AM drive to Along to see the Adigalong Tribe. We visit many villages of this tribe and the visit to the museum and the market. Overnight in the hotel.

Day 10: Along: Excursion to the Adigalong villages and the village of Kabul. Visit the local market and suspended bridges. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 11: Along-Passighat: Drive to Pasighat, enroute visiting Adiminyong and Pasi tribes. Afternoon visit to the province museum and a walk through the town. Overnight at the hotel.
Day 12: Passighat-Dibrugarh: Drive to Assam leaving Arunachal Pradesh and arrive at Dibrugarh in the northern corner of Assam. A walk through the city and visit the Tea Plantation. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 13: Dibrugarh-Mon (Nagaland): Drive to Nagaland which came into being in 1964. Enroute visit the Konyak tribes on our way to the northern part of Nagaland. On arrival explore the few villages known as Waiking villages where were until 40 years ago, hunters. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 14: Mon: Visit the villages to discover the different Naga tribes with different languages and cultures. If time allows a visit to the border of Burma. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 15: Mon-Jorhat: A drive to the ever changing landscape to Jorhat. Visit the temples and palaces in Sibsagar which was once the capital of Ahom kingdom. Overnight in Jorhat.

Day 16: Jorhat-Phek: We drive back to Nagaland and through Kohima on to Phek. This place is seldom visited with terrace farming. Overnight in a simple guest house in Potsero which is 1900m or in private houses in neighboring villages.

Arunachal Pradesh
1. Losar (Feb/Mar)

Nagaland
1. Hornbill festival (Nov/Dec)
Day 17: Phek: The place is known for its Chakesang Nagas who’s territory extends till Manipur. It is also known for its ever green forests. The rice terraces can be seen all around. Visit to the villages and interact with the local people. Overnight at a simple guest house.

Day 18: Phek-Kohima: After breakfast drive to Kohima. PM visit the museum and the villages. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 19: Kohima-Dimapur-Delhi: Drive to Dimapur for your flight to Delhi.

Day 20: Transfer to Airport for Home Destination

Entry formalities

All foreign tourists require a Restricted Area Permit. The permit allows a visitor to remain in Arunachal Pradesh for a maximum period of ten days. The permit can be obtained from an Indian mission abroad or office of the ministry of home affairs, govt. of India, New Delhi or foreigners’ regional registration officers at New Delhi, Mumbai and Kolkata.
02 December 1981

Sikkim, Bhutan & Nepal

Suggestive Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive Delhi: On arrival transfer to the hotel. Night at the hotel.


Day 3: Darjeeling: AM visit Tiger hill, Aloobari Monastery & Botanical garden. PM visit HMI and evening free to walk through the mall. Night at the hotel.

Day 4: Darjeeling-Pemayangtse: Morning depart for Pemayangtse (perfect sublime lotus) along a very scenic road. PM visit Sikkim’s second oldest monastery with an exceptional collection of religious artworks including an exquisite wooden sculpture on the top floor depicting the heavenly palace of Uru Rimppoche. Night at the Hotel.


Day 6: Gangtok: AM visit the Enchay monastery. Later visit Tashi Point with fine views of Mt. Kanchendzonga. In the afternoon visit to the Institute of Tibetology. In the evening walk through the beautiful gardens which are covered with more than 250 varieties of Orchids. Night at the hotel.

Day 7: Gangtok-Kalimpong: AM leave for Kalimpong driving through the hills which are full of Rhododendrons and Cardamoms. PM visit the traditional market. Night at the Hotel.

Day 8: Kalimpong-Phuentholling: Descend towards the plains before entering Bhutan. In the afternoon arrive at Phuentholling. Night at the Hotel.

Day 9: Phuentholling-Thimpu: Morning leave for Thimphu. Enroute visit the monastery of Kharbandi from where you can get a very beautiful view of the plains and the Phuentholling city. On arrival at Thimpu, night at the Hotel.
Day 10:  Thimpu: AM visit national library, the school of paintings, hospital of traditional medicines, the town of Changangkha and the temple of by the same name. In the afternoon visit the Chorten Memorial, known for its magnificent paintings and sculptures. Night at the Hotel.

Day 11:  Thimpu-Wangdue Phodrang: AM drive to Wangdue Phodrang. Arrive at Wangdiphodrang. PM discover the nearby city which is on the spur to the two rivers. Night at the Hotel.

Day 12:  Wangdiphodrang-Trongsa-Jakar: Morning drive to Jakar. Enroute visit Trongsa which is separated from both the East & the West by high mountain passes. Later continue drive to Jakar which is situated near the foot of the Choskar valley and is the major trading center of the region. Night at the Hotel.

Day 13:  Jakar: AM visit Jakar Dzong (Castle of the white bird), Lamey Goemba and the temple of Jampey Lhakhang. Night at the hotel.

Day 14:  Jakar-Punakha-Wangdue Phodrang: Drive back towards Wangdiphodrang, stop at the valley of Punakha. A staircase of wood leads to Dzong. It provides shelter to the statue of Avalokiteshvara. Night at the hotel.

Day 15:  Wangdue Phodrang-Paro: Enroute to Paro, visit some of the villages. Arrive. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 16:  Paro: Excursions in the bucolic valley of Paro. Visit the monastery of Taksang and Ta Dzong. Night at the hotel.

Day 17:  Paro-Delhi: In the morning drive to the airport for flight back to Delhi.

Day 18: Transfer to Airport for Home Destination.
Extension Kathmandu

Day 17: **Paro-Kathmandu:** Transfer to airport for flight to Kathmandu. Upon arrival at Kathmandu transfer to Hotel. Night at the hotel.

Day 18: **Kathmandu:** Morning visit Patan and the City. PM visit Swayambunath. Night at the hotel.

Day 19: **Kathmandu Nagarkot:** Morning drive to Nagarkot. Enroute visit the temple of Changunarayan and Bhaktapur which is really a city museum. Overnight at Nagarkot.

Day 20: **Nagarkot-Kathmandu:** AM Excursion to the temple of Chandesvari at Banepa and Panauti. Enroute visit Dhulikhel to discover the temples of Pashupatinath. Continue towards Bodhnath, a Buddhist sanctuary. On arrival at Kathmandu check-in at Hotel. Night at the hotel.

Day 21: Transfer to airport for Home destination.
Suggestive Itinerary

Day 01: Arrive Delhi: On arrival transfer to the hotel. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 02: New Delhi-Paro: Early transfer to the airport to catch the flight to Paro. Visit Dzong in Paro and the national museum. Walk through the market place. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 03: Paro: After breakfast have a short trek to Tiger Nest. Late afternoon visit to the Kyuchu Lakhang. The oldest Buddhist place in the Tibetan region. Overnight at Paro.
Day 04: Paro-Thimphu: Morning drive to Thimphu the capital of Bhutan. Later visit to the Tashichoe Dzong. The summer palace of the spiritual leader of the land also visit the Chorten temple. Evening free for shopping. Night at hotel.

Day 05: Thimphu-Punakha: Morning drive to Punakha through Rhododendron forest over Dochu La pass to the Punakha valley. On arrival excursion to Punakha Valley water fort the winter residence of Je Khenpo where Shabdrung Namgyal is buried. Night at the hotel.

Day 06: Punakha-Gangte Goemba-Trongsa: In the morning leave for Trongsa. Enroute visit Gangte Goemba and Wangdi through the Black Mountain National Park visiting Chorten Kora (A large Stupa of Baudnath) and the beautiful view of Trongsa Monastery. The 3300m high Pele La is the entrance to Central Bhutan. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 07: Trongsa-Bumthang: Trongsa Dzong is one of the most aesthetic & magnificent works of traditional Bhutanese architecture. Continue drive to Bumthang and visit Purchey Laktan monastery. Overnight in the Hotel.

Day 08: Bumthang: Bumthang is the holy land of Bhutan where Guru Padma Sambhava and Pema Lingpa established a temple. Jambey Lhakhang has a Buddha statue from the time of Tibetan ruler Songtsen Gampo. We visit Nyingma Monastery and the old temple of Konchogum. Visit the farm houses and a short walk through Tangbay monastery and Dzong Jakhar. Night at the hotel.

Day 09: Bumthang-Mongar: Early morning drive to Ura where one can see some interesting painting. Driving through the highest pass (3800 mt) is Thrumshing La the entrance to Eastern Bhutan. Drive through gorges and beautiful landscapes to Mongar. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 10: Mongar-Trashigang: Morning visit to Mongar Dzong and drive further to Trashigang, the heart of Eastern Bhutan & was once the centre of important trade with Tibet. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 11: Trashigang-Chorten Kora-Tashi Yangtse: An excursion lead us to Chorten Kora. If the road conditions allow we visit Trashi Yangtse valley the only one of its kind. Night at Trashigang.

Day 12: Tashigang-Guwahati: A long interesting drive through the forest over the serpentine roads through many passes leads us to Dooar plains to the Indian border and after the border formalities drive through the plains of Assam passing many tea plantations thereby reaching Guwahati in the evening. Overnight at Hotel.

Day 13: Guwahati-Delhi: Half day site seeing of Guwahati. Afternoon flight to Delhi.

Day 14: Transfer to Airport for Home Destination.
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