

# Buddhist Circuit Tour

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## Day 1

### Day 1 || Arrival Delhi

Upon arrival at Delhi Airport you will be met with our representative after Traditional Welcome you will be transferred to your hotel. Overnight at hotel.

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## Day 2

### Day 2|| Delhi

After breakfast start the combined city tour of old Delhi start from Red Fort (from outside) built in red sandstone, Constructed by Mughal Emperor Shahjahan, Jama Masjid, India's largest mosque and visit famous bazaars of Chandni Chowk & Rajghat crination place of Mahatma Gandhi. Later enjoy the cycle rickshaw ride through the bustling street of Chandni Chowk. Later visit India Gate built in memory of the soldiers who laid down their lives in the 1st World War drive past the Rashtrapathi Bhawan, Parliament House, the other government buildings also visit Humayun's Tomb and Qutub Minar. Overnight at hotel.

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## Day 3

### Day 3 || Delhi – Jaipur || 275 Kms/05 Hrs

After breakfast check out from Hotel and drive to Jaipur. Upon arrival check in at Hotel. In the Evening visit Birla Temple to witness the evening Aarti. After Aarti return back to hotel & stay Overnight at hotel.

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## Day 4

### Day 4 || Jaipur

After breakfast full day tour to Jaipur covering Amer Fort (up-hill & down-hill by vehicle), stopover at Hawa Mahal (from outside only), picture stop at Jal Mahal. Then visit City Palace, Astronomical Observatory. After some rest, you will be taken by e-rickshaw to enjoy the colorful market area, where you will find spices, dry fruits, vegetables, books, and many other items that you won't see in a supermarket. Overnight at hotel.

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## Day 5

### Day 5 || Jaipur – Agra || 247 Kms/05 Hrs

After breakfast drive to Agra enroute visit Fatehpur Sikri, constructed by Akbar in 1569 to honor Sufi saint Salim Chisti. Akbar's court occupied this city till it was abandoned due to non-availability of water but still

in a state of perfect preservation. After sightseeing continue drive to Agra. Upon arrival check in at Hotel. Later Continue onto Agra Fort-built by Mughal emperor Akbar to commemorate his victory in war. Overnight at Hotel.

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## **Day 6**

### **Day 6 || Agra – Delhi || 230 Kms/04 Hrs|| Delhi – Varansi by flight**

On sunrise visit world famous Taj Mahal- (closed on Fridays) built by Mughal emperor Shahjahan in the memory of his beautiful wife Mumtaz. Return to hotel for breakfast. After breakfast check out and drive to Delhi airport to connect flight to Varansi. Upon arrival check in at hotel. Overnight at Hotel.

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## **Day 7**

### **Day 7 || Varanasi**

Early morning boat-ride on river Ganges to witness holy rituals on Ghats. Return back to hotel for wash & change and Breakfast. After breakfast, you will explore the spiritual and cultural landmarks of Varanasi, including the Tulsi Manas Temple, Bharat Mata Temple, Banaras Hindu University and Sarnath. Overnight at hotel.

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## **Day 8**

### **Day 8 || Varanasi – Bodhgaya || 255 Kms / 5 Hrs**

After breakfast check out from hotel and drive to Bodhgaya. Upon arrival check in at Hotel. Later proceed for sightseeing tour of Bodhgaya visiting Mahabodhi Temple, Bodhgaya Archaeological Museum, houses a small collection of Buddhist sculpture from the 1st century B.C, to the 11th century A.D, Visit monasteries, Thai Temple and Bodhi tree. Overnight at Hotel.

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## **Day 9**

### **Day 9 || Same Day Excursion to Rajgir & Nalanda || 86 Kms/02 Hrs**

After breakfast proceed with full day excursion tour to Rajgir and Nalanda. First, visit Rajgir, where Buddha spent 12 years after the attainment of Nirvana. Thereafter, proceed to Nalanda, one of India's greatest ancient universities. Later, return back to Bodhgaya. Overnight at Hotel.

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## **Day 10**

### **Day 10 || Bodhgaya – Vaishali – Kushinagar || 350 Kms / 7 Hrs**

After breakfast drive to Kushinagar enroute visit to Vaishali, an important Buddhist destination. It is the place where Lord Buddha delivered his final sermon and attained Parinirvana here. Later, set out to explore some important landmarks such as Chaumukhi, Ashok Pillar and Lotus Tank. Thereafter, drive to Kushinagar. On arrival check in at hotel for overnight stay.

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## **Day 11**

### **Day 11 || Kushinagar – Lumbini ||178 Kms / 4 Hrs**

After breakfast, embark on a sightseeing tour of Kushinagar which include the Mahaparinirwana Temple. Later, visit the Japanese and Sri Lankan Buddhist monasteries to get a deep insight into Buddhism. Later, Drive to Lumbini. On arrival check in at hotel for overnight stay.

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## **Day 12**

### **Day 12 || Lumbini – Kapilavastu – Sravasti – Balrampur || 264 Kms / 5.20 Hrs**

After breakfast, set off to explore the Ashoka Pillar, a commemorative monument built by King Ashoka in Lumbini, the birthplace of Buddha. Later, proceed to the Mayadevi Temple, an old Buddhist monastery. In the afternoon, drive to Balrampur. On the way, halt in Sravasti, an ancient deserted town surrounded by ruins. Make sure to visit the Jetavana Monastery. On arrival in Balrampur, proceed to the hotel for check in. Overnight at Hotel.

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## **Day 13**

### **Day 13 || Balrampur – Lucknow || 204 Kms / 4.5 Hrs**

After breakfast, embark on a sightseeing tour of Balrampur. Later, leave by road for Lucknow. On reaching Lucknow, get transferred to the hotel for check in. Overnight at Hotel.

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## **Day 14**

### **Day 14 || Lucknow – Delhi By Flight**

After breakfast, embark on a sightseeing tour of Lucknow visiting Residence, Visit Chota and Bada Imambara. In the evening, head straight to the airport to board flight to Delhi. On reaching Delhi, proceed to the hotel for check in. Overnight at Hotel.

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## **Day 15**

### **Day 15 || Delhi Departure**

After breakfast time free at leisure. In time transfer to the International airport to board on flight for onward destination.

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