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Maharajas Express: Indian Panorama Train Journey

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Overview

Imagine yourself stepping into a world where every moment is a brushstroke on the canvas of your soul. On the Maharajas Express: Indian Panorama Train Journey, you become more than a traveler; you become a seeker, an explorer of your own essence. As the luxury train carries you through the heart of India, you shed the layers of the everyday, revealing a version of yourself that resonates with the wisdom of ancient empires and the serenity of sacred spaces. The memories you create are not merely souvenirs but transformative echoes that linger long after the journey ends.

In Jaipur, the Pink City's vibrant hues mirror your newfound curiosity. As you navigate the wild beauty of Ranthambore, the elusive tigers symbolize the mysteries you've dared to uncover within. Standing before the timeless grace of the Taj Mahal in Agra, your heart swells with an understanding of love's enduring power. In Varanasi, as the River Ganges whispers its ancient secrets, you find peace in the eternal flow of time. Each destination infuses you with a distinct emotion, weaving a journey that is less about seeing and more about feeling. This is India as she reveals herself to the seeker within you.

DAY BY DAY

Your Itinerary

DAY 1

JAIPUR

As the sun rises over the majestic Pink City of Jaipur, you feel a sense of wonder wash over you, a gentle reminder that life is a tapestry of colors waiting to be explored.

The vibrant streets, alive with the spirit of history, invite you to connect with a world rich in culture and stories, igniting a spark of joy within your heart.Wandering through the opulent galleries of the City Palace, you discover not just the beauty of the past but also a deeper connection to your own journey.

DAY 2

JAIPUR

You awaken to the gentle sway of the Maharajas' Express, the aroma of freshly brewed chai filling the air, igniting a sense of wonder within you. As you step into the majestic Amber Fort, the warm sun bathes you in golden light, and with each breathtaking view, you feel a profound connection to the rich history and grandeur that surrounds you.

Your heart swells with joy as you return to the train, reminiscing about the stories whispered through time. Each moment spent discovering Jaipur's vibrant culture deepens your appreciation for life’s beauty, leaving you with cherished memories that will forever warm your soul.

DAY 3

SAWAI MADHOPUR

You awaken to the thrill of adventure as the sun rises over the wild expanse of Ranthambore National Park, your heart racing with the anticipation of witnessing nature's raw beauty. Each moment spent among the untamed wildlife stirs a sense of wonder within you, awakening a deep connection to the earth and its creatures.

As you wander through the magnificent ruins of Fatehpur Sikri, you are enveloped by the whispers of history and the grandeur of a bygone era. You feel a profound sense of tranquility and joy, knowing that these experiences will forever be etched in your memory, enriching your soul and expanding your horizons.

DAY 4

AGRA

You awaken in Agra, your heart racing with anticipation as you approach the Taj Mahal, a symbol of eternal love. The morning light dances on its marble surface, and as you stand in awe, you feel a profound connection to the stories of devotion and sacrifice that echo through time. This moment ignites a spark within you, a reminder that beauty and love exist in every facet of life.Your champagne breakfast at Taj Khema is not just a meal; it's a celebration of life's simple pleasures.

Surrounded by lush gardens and the gentle hum of nature, you savor each bite, feeling a deep sense of gratitude.

DAY 5

ORCHHA

As the sun rises over Orchha, you feel a profound sense of wonder envelop you, an awakening of your spirit that transcends time. Exploring the majestic Orchha Fort, you connect with the echoes of history and the stories of love and valor that linger in the air, igniting a passion for the rich tapestry of life around you.

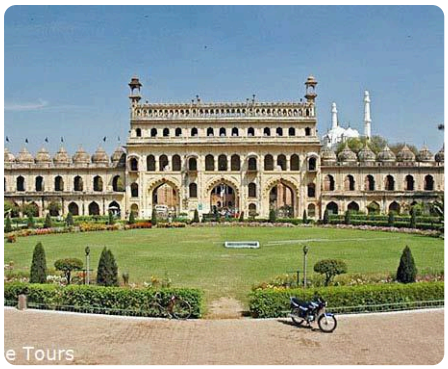
With each Tuk Tuk ride through the vibrant village, laughter and local warmth fill your heart, creating memories that will stay with you long after this journey ends. You savor the tranquility of the moment, realizing that this experience transforms not just your view of the world, but your very essence.

DAY 6

VARANASI

As you step into the sacred embrace of Varanasi, a wave of serenity washes over you.

The vibrant tapestry of life unfolds before your eyes, each moment rich with the whispers of ancient wisdom. You connect deeply with the essence of spirituality, feeling a profound sense of belonging as you explore the sacred Sarnath ruins, where peace and enlightenment linger in the air.The gentle ripples of the Ganges cradle your spirit as you glide along the water, witnessing the mesmerizing Evening Aarti.



DAY 7

NEW DELHI

As you sit back in the elegance of the Maharajas Express, the vibrant tapestry of New Delhi unfolds before you, filling your heart with wonder. Each moment spent here enhances your sense of discovery, awakening a deep appreciation for the rich culture and history that surrounds you.

You feel a profound connection to the past, the stories of ancient empires echoing in your mind as you savor the flavors of the local cuisine. The warmth of new friendships blossoms, and you realize that this journey is not just about destinations, but about the memories that will forever light up your life.

Tips & Travel Guide

General Information

What your journey price includes:

- Accommodations on board the Maharajas' Express; all meals while on board; complimentary mineral water, coffee, tea, and soft drinks while on board; all house brands of Indian beer, wine, and spirits; porter service at all stations and butler service on board; transportation to and from, and participation in, off-train excursions as described in the tour itinerary as well as the services of an English-speaking guide.

On-Board Facilities

- Unlike virtually any luxury train in the world, the Maharajas' Express features a total of 43 cabins in four different sizes--20 deluxe cabins, 18 junior suites, four express suites, and the one-and-only Presidential Suite--that can accommodate up to 88 passengers.
- The Maharajas' Express sports two luxury restaurant cars, the Mayur Mahal and the Rang Mahal, that serve the finest in Indian and international cuisine and seat up to 42 people each. All on-board meals are served in either of these two cars.
- Passengers can socialize in either the Rajah Club or Safari Club bar cars, featuring a choice selection of beer, wine, and spirits, complimentary snacks, and luxurious seating. And if these features alone don't make you feel pampered, the Maharajas' Express also houses a high-end boutique featuring exquisite and unique creations.

Staff Service

- The Maharajas' Express employs a world-class team of hospitality staff that is both attentive and unobtrusive. All staff members are fluent in English. Each carriage is manned by its own butler to ensure that your every wish is fulfilled while on board. Porter service is available at all stations for your convenience.

Electricity

- The Maharajas' Express is equipped with 110/230-volt sockets. International adapters are available for your convenience.

What your journey price DOES NOT include:

- Fees related to participation in any tours or events marked as "Optional" in the tour itinerary; arrival and departure transfers, such as transportation from the airport to the train station; film,

Indian beer, wine, and spirits; taxes; insurance; gratuities; telephone calls; laundry service fees.

- Unless specifically mentioned, any airfare, pre- or post-tour accommodations, or tour extensions are not included in the price of your journey.

Visa and Travel Documents

- As per international law, you must have a visa in order to enter India to begin your trip. While Palace Tours does not provide visas, we can help by providing you with all the necessary information you need to successfully obtain a visa to India.
- Travel documents, which are valid only for the passenger(s) named, will be issued after receipt of full payment for your reservation and not normally later than 14 days prior to departure. Please carry your confirmation of booking with you upon departure.

Insurance (Personal and Otherwise):

- Palace Tours strongly recommends the purchase of adequate travel insurance in your country of origin prior to arrival on the Maharajas' Express to cover injury, illness, death, loss of luggage or effects, or cancellation (For more information on the latter, refer to the Cancellation Policy in our Booking Terms and Conditions).
- The Maharajas' Express itself is comprehensively insured for fire, earthquake, theft, and terrorism. As such, all guests are covered for the above-mentioned situations under an umbrella policy.

Health Considerations

- While there are no specific vaccinations required to enter India, Palace Tours strongly recommends that you check for any health advisories at the Indian government's website, india.gov.in.
- Palace Tours also strongly recommends that you consult your physician for any personal health advice based on your travel itinerary. If you are taking prescription medication, we advise you carry enough supplies to last the duration of your trip.
- If traveling from a country with high rates of yellow fever, passengers should carry documentation, in conformity with international standards, of their yellow fever vaccination.
- Palace Tours recommends you carry sufficient amounts of insect repellent.
- Anti-malaria precautions should be taken.
- There is a paramedic on board the Maharajas' Express that can provide emergency medical facilitation if required.

Pre- and Post-Tour Hotel Accommodations

- Palace Tours strongly recommends all passengers reserve a hotel for at least one night prior and one night following their journey on the Maharajas' Express. Any hotel reservations are not included in the price of your journey, but we are happy to arrange them for you at an extra

Embarkation and Disembarkation

- Guests are required to check-in at least one hour prior to departure in either Mumbai or Delhi, depending on the itinerary, for pre-boarding formalities; check-in takes place at an assigned venue in your respective city. Final details of the meeting point will be provided in your travel documents and vouchers, which will be e-mailed or physically sent over to you approximately 14 days prior to departure. Following completion of boarding formalities, you will be escorted to your cabin and assisted with your luggage.
- On your final night on board, the train manager will assist with disembarkation formalities which include luggage and clearance of extras.

Off-Train Excursions

- As the tours require a fair amount of walking and you may encounter unpaved sidewalks, uneven surfaces, and difficulties getting on and off the train, a moderate degree of physical fitness is required to participate in off-train excursions.
- Travelers with walking difficulties or any such physical condition should inform us at the time of booking. We reserve the right to refuse participation on any of our excursions to anyone who would be incapable of completing the tour or would cause unacceptable delays to the rest of the group. In these circumstances, there would be no refund for any unused part of the tour.
- Professional, English-speaking guides are available for all off-train excursions listed as part of the tour itinerary. If you would prefer a guide who speaks a language other than English, such as French or Spanish, one can be provided at select destinations based on availability and at an extra cost. Please specify your preference at the time of booking.
- Most off-train excursions include a coach transfer for deluxe cabin and junior suite passengers and cars for suite and presidential suite passengers; however, certain excursions are also undertaken by jeeps. Please refer to your itinerary for specific details.
- An additional supplement will be levied on certain departures which offer special interest off-train excursions, signature events, and special guest lecturers.
- All itineraries are approximate and subject to change.

Minimum Passenger Requirement

- All of the Maharajas' Express' itineraries require a minimum number of passengers to operate. Should this number not be met, we will offer you an alternate date of departure, an alternate itinerary, or a refund. In the unlikely eventuality that this should occur, 30 days advance notice can be given.

Frequently Asked Questions

How can I safely store my valuables while on the Maharajas' Express?

- All cabins on board are equipped with electronic safes for your convenience; however, we cannot be held liable in the event of lost or stolen property.

- Storage is available under your bed and in the hold, but since space is limited, we recommend that passengers follow the same guidelines used for international air travel for first-class or business-class flights. Soft-topped luggage is also advised, as it is easier to store.

Is there a dress code on board?

- No, but while on-board, guests may choose to dress elegantly to recreate the splendor of a regal lifestyle; for this, lounge suits and blue blazers would be acceptable.
- For off-train excursions, we recommend walking shoes and comfortable casual clothing in natural, subdued colors (Which is essential for any trips to wildlife reserves). Warmer clothing is advised during winter departures.

Is smoking allowed on the Maharajas' Express?

- No. In accordance with Indian law, smoking is prohibited on board the train or in any public places (Train stations, restaurants, historic sites, etc.).

Will I be able to use my cell phone?

- The strength of cell phone reception can vary while the train is moving, but generally improves when stationary or near main roads or metropolitan areas.
- Out of consideration for your fellow passengers, cell phones should be used in the privacy of your cabin and should remain silent in public areas on board the train or when visiting certain monuments and sites during any off-train excursions.

Is there internet access on board?

- High speed wi-fi is available on The Maharajas' Express. Signal strength can vary while the train is moving, but generally improves when stationary or near roads or metropolitan areas. Contact the train manager for more details.
- Out of consideration for your fellow passengers, laptops, tablets, and any other internet-capable devices should be used in the privacy of your cabin and should remain silent in public areas on board the train or when visiting certain monuments and sites during any off-train excursions.

Can my children accompany me on the Maharajas' Express?

- The Maharajas' Express does allow children, but we ask parents to be mindful of the sophisticated adult atmosphere. Consult the Child Policy below for details.
- 1. Children below five years shall be allowed to travel for free, subject to sharing a double bed with their parents and the availability of double beds at the time of the booking (This option is not recommended).
- 2. A single child between the ages of five and 12 years must pay 50% of the adult fare, subject to the sharing of a double bed with his or her parents and the availability of double beds at the time of booking.
- 3. Two children, traveling with their parents, must be accommodated in a separate cabin

note that the Maharajas' Express does not have the facilities for interconnecting cabins, except in the Presidential Suite.

- Any applicable taxes arising from the presence of children will be charged extra.

I have a wheelchair and/or difficulty walking. Will this affect my tour in any way?

- We regret that the dimensions of the carriages and design of the train are not suitable for wheelchair-bound passengers. We also recommend that guests with limited mobility and other such constraints should be accompanied by an able-bodied passenger. Please specify any special requirements or physical handicaps at the time of booking.

I have dietary restrictions. Can the Maharajas' Express accommodate me?

- Every effort will be made to accommodate all culinary requests; however, we are unable to provide meals requiring strict religious observance in their preparation. Please specify any dietary requirements at the time of booking.

Will I be able to do any laundry?

- Limited laundry services are available at select destinations for a fee. Contact your carriage butler for more details.

Is the Maharajas' Express available for charter?

- The Maharajas' Express can be chartered to corporate companies, agencies, and individuals for incentives, conferences, weddings, or any other exclusive event.

Should I leave a tip? What is a fair amount?

- Providing gratuities for services is part of the culture in India. This is in addition to the tour package price and is completely at the discretion of the passenger. An envelope will be provided in each cabin on the last night of the journey towards gratuities for the entire staff. A suggested total amount would be $250 per guest.

DATES & PRICING

Departure Dates & Rates

DEPARTURE DATE	CLASS / CABIN	SINGLE	DOUBLE (PP)
Nov 1, 2026	Presidential Suite	**$50,000**	**$25,000**
	Junior Suite	**$19,000**	**$10,000**
	Deluxe Cabin	**$13,700**	**$7,800**
	Suite	**$29,000**	**$14,500**
Nov 29, 2026	Presidential Suite	**$50,000**	**$25,000**
	Junior Suite	**$19,000**	**$10,000**
	Deluxe Cabin	**$13,700**	**$7,800**
	Suite	**$29,000**	**$14,500**
Dec 27, 2026	Presidential Suite	**$50,000**	**$25,000**
	Junior Suite	**$19,000**	**$10,000**
	Deluxe Cabin	**$13,700**	**$7,800**
	Suite	**$29,000**	**$14,500**
Jan 24, 2027	Presidential Suite	**$50,000**	**$25,000**
	Junior Suite	**$19,000**	**$10,000**
	Deluxe Cabin	**$13,700**	**$7,800**
	Suite	**$29,000**	**$14,500**
Feb 21, 2027	Presidential Suite	**$50,000**	**$25,000**
	Junior Suite	**$19,000**	**$10,000**
	Deluxe Cabin	**$13,700**	**$7,800**
	Suite	**$29,000**	**$14,500**

DEPARTURE DATE	CLASS / CABIN	SINGLE	DOUBLE (PP)
	Junior Suite	**$19,000**	**$10,000**
	Deluxe Cabin	**$13,700**	**$7,800**
	Suite	**$29,000**	**$14,500**

Rates shown are per person. Single rate applies to single occupancy; Double rate applies per person in double occupancy.

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Visit https://www.palacetours.com/tour/maharajas-express-indian-panaroma for the latest information.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Terms & Conditions

Booking Conditions

- **Deposit:** 25% of total price required at booking
- **Final Payment:** Due 60 days before departure
- **Confirmation:** Booking confirmed upon deposit receipt

Cancellation Policy

Cancellations must be in writing. Charges apply:

- More than 60 days before departure: 25% charge
- 45-59 days before departure: 50% charge
- 0-44 days before departure: 100% charge

Important Terms

- Travel insurance: recommended
- Name change allowed before 45 days prior to departure with valid reason

Source: Maharajas Express official terms

COMMON QUESTIONS

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the route of the Maharajas Express Indian Panorama journey?

> This 7-day, 6-night journey starts and ends in Delhi, visiting Jaipur and Amber Fort, Ranthambore National Park, Fatehpur Sikri, Agra for the Taj Mahal, Orchha and the temples of Khajuraho, and Varanasi with Sarnath and the River Ganges.

Where does the Indian Panorama journey start?

> Check-in is at Delhi Safdarjung Railway Station at 07:30 on day 1, followed by breakfast on board at 08:00 as the train departs for Jaipur at about 08:30. The journey returns to Delhi on day 7, disembarking at around 15:00.

How much does the Indian Panorama journey cost?

> Fares start from USD 7,800 per person sharing a Deluxe Cabin, and single occupancy starts from USD 13,700. Junior Suites, Suites and the Presidential Suite cost more; the exact fare for each departure is shown on this page, with Indian government taxes added.

Which cabin categories can I book on Indian Panorama?

> You can book a Deluxe Cabin, Junior Suite, Suite or the Presidential Suite. The train has 43 cabins in total for up to 88 guests: 20 Deluxe Cabins, 18 Junior Suites, 4 Suites and a single Presidential Suite.

What is included in the Indian Panorama fare?

> Your fare includes the cabin, full catering (morning tea, breakfast, lunch, evening tea and dinner), house beverages, tea, coffee and bottled water, conducted sightseeing in deluxe coaches with an English-speaking guide, entrance and camera fees at listed monuments, cultural entertainment, porter service and butler service on board.

What is excluded from the Indian Panorama price?

> Airfare, travel insurance, visa fees, laundry, gratuities, souvenirs and personal items, and services not listed such as hotel stays or transfers are excluded. Optional activities such as a hotel spa, city tours or shows in Jaipur, Agra and Khajuraho are extra.

What happens on the first day in Jaipur?

> The train arrives in Jaipur at around 14:30 on day 1. You visit the City Palace galleries, followed by dinner at the Rambagh Palace Hotel, before returning to the train for the night in Jaipur.

What is the Amber Fort visit on day 2?

> On day 2 you visit Amber Fort in the morning, returning to the train for lunch. In the afternoon you may choose optional activities such as a spa at a hotel, a visit to the City Palace and Jantar Mantar observatory, or a local city

When is the Ranthambore game drive on Indian Panorama?

> The game drive starts early, at 06:00 on day 3, in Ranthambore National Park, famous for tigers in the wild. You return to the train for breakfast at 09:45 before it travels on to Fatehpur Sikri.

What is Fatehpur Sikri?

> Fatehpur Sikri is a deserted Mughal city near Agra with remarkably preserved palaces and courtyards. You visit it on the afternoon of day 3, and the train stays overnight there before the early arrival in Agra.

How is the Taj Mahal visit organised on Indian Panorama?

> On day 4 the train arrives in Agra at around 06:30 and you visit the Taj Mahal in the soft morning light, followed by a special breakfast at Taj Khema with a view of the monument. After lunch, optional activities include Agra Fort, Itmad-ud-Daula or a show.

What are Orchha and Khajuraho known for?

> On day 5 you leave the train at Jhansi to visit Orchha Fort and tour the village by tuk tuk. In the afternoon you reach Khajuraho to explore the famous Western Group of Temples, with an optional light and sound show or dance performance in the evening.

What is included on the Varanasi day?

> On day 6 you arrive in Varanasi, one of the oldest living cities in the world, for lunch at a riverside hotel, a visit to the Sarnath ruins and a silk weaving centre, and a boat ride on the Ganges to witness the evening Aarti. A vegetarian dinner with Kathak dance at a palace on the ghats follows.

What is Sarnath and why is it important?

> Sarnath, near Varanasi, is where the Buddha is believed to have given his first sermon after enlightenment, making it one of the most important Buddhist sites in the world. You visit its ruins on the afternoon of day 6.

What are the deposit and balance terms for Indian Panorama?

> A 25 percent deposit secures your cabin and the balance is due 65 days before departure. Indian government taxes are due 30 days before departure. The full tour must be purchased, and there is no refund for unused portions.

What is the child policy on the Maharajas Express Indian Panorama?

> Children aged 5 up to 12 at the time of travel pay 50 percent of the adult tariff, and children under 5 travel free. In both cases they must travel with an adult and share the adult's bed.

Do I need a visa for India for this journey?

> Most international visitors require an Indian visa before arrival, and the visa fee is not included in the fare. Check the rules for your nationality early; our team can advise on timing once you have booked.

Which departures are available for Indian Panorama?

> Departures are on sale from 4 October 2026 through 21 March 2027, during the cooler and drier touring months in northern India. The departure list on this page shows every date and fare by cabin.

How does Indian Panorama compare with other Maharajas Express journeys?

> Indian Panorama combines the classic Taj Mahal, Jaipur and Ranthambore highlights with a spiritual and historical side of India: Orchha, the Khajuraho temples, Sarnath and Varanasi on the Ganges. It suits travellers who want more than Rajasthan's forts and palaces.

How do I ask a question or book the Maharajas Express Indian Panorama?

> Every departure listed on this page is bookable directly, with the fare shown for each cabin type. For questions, email travel@palacetours.com, call 786-408-0610, or message us on WhatsApp at https://wa.me/17864080610, answered by a travel specialist or our AI assistant.

Do I need a Visa for India?

> All visitors to India need a Visa

Do you help with getting a Visa

> Unfortunately, we don't offer Visa assistance but we can provide you with all the information that you need for getting a visa to India

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