

ICONIC NORTH INDIA

14 Days / 13 Nights

Rajasthan: *The empire of the kings, reign of royal palaces, and glorious forts, all reverberating the saga of the victorious. Architectural wonders, exquisite handicrafts, colorful culture, and tempting cuisine are a few of the many highlights of this magnificent state. Set amidst a vast desert, the magical land of Rajasthan is synonymous with romance and chivalry. As one of the best luxury tour operators in London, we at Citibond Tours take immense pride in helping you explore royalty like never before with our North India tour package.*

Highlights: Qutub Minar • Taj Mahal • Fatehpur Sikri • Mehrangarh Fort
• Junagadh • Sheesh Mahal

Day 1: NEW DELHI (D)

Welcome to your Citibond Iconic North India tour! On arrival, an English representative will greet you after immigration and customs, where you will transfer comfortably to your hotel for check-in. The rest of the day is at leisure. Dinner and overnight stay at your hotel in Delhi.

Day 2: NEW DELHI (B/D)

After breakfast, you will start your day with combined sightseeing of New and Old Delhi. In New Delhi, visit the 12th-century Qutab Minar, and the Mausoleum of Emperor Humayun. Drive past India Gate, the president's residence - formerly the Viceroy's Palace, Parliament House, and the Secretariat Building - an interesting blend of Victorian and 20th-century architecture. Sightseeing in Old Delhi takes you to the Raj Ghat, and Jama Masjid, and drive past Chandni Chowk, once an imperial avenue of Mughal Royalty which today is the busiest commercial area of the city. Take a rickshaw ride through Chandni Chowk to savor the ambiance of an oriental bazaar. Dinner and overnight stay at a hotel in Delhi.

Day 3: NEW DELHI - AGRA (B/D)

After breakfast, we will drive from Delhi to Agra (approx. 4hrs). Upon arrival, check in at the hotel and proceed for the city tour visiting the Taj Mahal - the greatest love story ever told. Visit Agra Fort - behind its forbidding red sandstone battlements lie

palaces that tell the story of the Moghul Empire. Dinner and overnight stay at a hotel in Agra.

Day 4: AGRA - JAIPUR (B/D)

After breakfast, drive from Agra to Jaipur (approx. 4hrs) visiting Fatehpur Sikri en route. Located 40km from Agra, the deserted city of Fatehpur Sikri was built by Emperor Akbar in 1569, in honor of the great Saint Sheikh Salim Chisti who blessed Akbar and prophesied the birth of three sons to the heirless Emperor. The scarcity of water was the prime factor for the abandonment of this beautiful city. Visit the remarkably well-preserved, graceful buildings within the 'Ghost City' including the Jama Masjid, the tomb of Salim Chisti, Panch Mahal Palace, and other palaces that speak of the grandeur and splendor of the Mughal empire at the height of its power. After visiting Fatehpur Sikri, drive to Jaipur. On arrival, check into the hotel. Dinner and overnight stay at a hotel in Jaipur.

Day 5: JAIPUR (B/D)

After breakfast, proceed for an excursion to Amber Fort. En route to Amber Fort, you will have a brief photography stop at Hawa Mahal - the Palace of Winds. Also covered is a tour of Jaipur city, visiting Maharaja's City Palace, the former royal residence. Later visit the Jantar Mantar, which is the largest stone and marble-crafted observatory in the world. Take a rickshaw ride in the local market to feel the pulse of Rajasthan. Dinner and overnight stay at a hotel in Jaipur.



Day 6: JAIPUR - BIKANER (B/D)

After breakfast, drive to Bikaner from Jaipur (approx. 5hrs). On arrival, check-in at the hotel. Later in the afternoon, start a city sightseeing tour of Bikaner. The city is bolstered by imposing walls and has a 16th-century fort housing old palaces, temples, and a mosque. An enormous arched doorway leads to the Joramal temple. The royal chapel is Har Mandir where royal weddings and births were once celebrated. Also, cover Junagadh, Lal Garh, and Karni Mata. Dinner and overnight stay at a hotel in Bikaner.

Day 7: BIKANER - JAISALMER (B/D)

In the morning, post-breakfast, we will drive from Bikaner to Jaisalmer (approx. 5hrs). On arrival, check-in at the hotel. Rest of the day at leisure. Dinner and overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 8: JAISALMER (B/D)

Today, post-breakfast, start your day with sightseeing in Jaisalmer. See the Citadel, the fort built by Rawal Jaisal where a fourth of the population lives. Also visit Jain temples of the 12th to 15th centuries Patwon ki Haveli, a five-story mansion with carved pillars and murals; Salim Singh and Nathmalji ki Haveli. Sightseeing in

Jaisalmer - inc. Fort, havelis, Lodurva Jain temple, and Gadisar Lake. In the evening excursion to the Sam Sand Dunes, 40 km from Jaisalmer. It is known for its camel rides, shifting dunes, and beautiful sunsets. Enjoy a camel ride at Sand Dunes. Dinner at the camp. Overnight stay at a hotel in Jaisalmer.

Day 9: JAISALMER - JODHPUR (B/D)

In the morning, after breakfast, we drive to Jodhpur from Jaisalmer (approx. 5hrs). On arrival, check-in at the hotel. Post check-in, rest of the day at leisure. Dinner and overnight stay at a hotel in Jodhpur.

Day 10: JODHPUR (B/D)

Post Breakfast, start your day with sightseeing of Jodhpur, visiting the 5km long Mehrangarh Fort situated on a 125-mt high hill. The chambers of Moti Mahal, Phool Mahal, Sheesh Mahal, the Sileh Khana, and the Daulat Khana are noteworthy for the splendor and glamour of a bygone era. Later, visit the Jaswant Thada - a cluster of royal cenotaphs in white marble built in 1899 AD in memory of Maharaja Jaswant Singh-II. In the afternoon, enjoy a village Jeep safari in the Bishnoi villages. A Bishnoi village - steeped in history: this 450-year-old Bishnoi tribe has a distinctive way of life. The safari showcases the best of the land, it is a complete cultural experience, which encompasses all that this region has to offer. Dinner and overnight stay at hotel in Jodhpur.

Day 11: JODHPUR - UDAIPUR (B/D)

Post-breakfast, check out from your hotel and drive to Lake City Udaipur (approx. 5hrs). En route, visit the Jain temple of Ranakpur, an exceptionally beautiful

complex that is one of the largest and most important Jain temples in India. Later, continue the drive to Udaipur and on arrival check in at the hotel. Dinner and overnight stay at a hotel in Udaipur.

Day 12: UDAIPUR (B/D)

Today, start your day with a Udaipur city tour, visiting City Palace, built in 1725, which houses the Dilkhush Mahal, Sheesh Mahal - studded with glittering Belgian mirrors, Moti Mahal, and the Palace of Lord Krishna are all ornately decorated. Later visit the Jagdish Temple. This temple built in 1651 is dedicated to Lord Vishnu. Also, visit the Sahelion Ki Bari gardens and fountains. Later, drive around the Fatehsagar Lake. Late afternoon boat ride on Lake Pichola. The lake is 4km long and 3km broad, surrounded by splendid hills, palaces, temples, bathing Ghats, and embankments. Visit the island palace Jag Niwas which is beautifully set in the lake. Dinner and overnight stay at a hotel in Udaipur.

Day 13: UDAIPUR - NEW DELHI (B/D)

After breakfast, today is free at your leisure. Later, transfer to Udaipur airport to board the flight to Delhi (flights excluded). Upon arrival get transferred to the hotel for check-in. Dinner and overnight stay at a hotel in Delhi.

Day 14: DEPART TO LONDON (B)

This morning, post breakfast, good times never end! As you get ready for the airport and your flight back home, relive the high points of your 'Citibond Iconic North India tour. We are confident you will join us again, sometime soon...

Departure dates		
Departure	Number of days	Price per person
6-Nov-24	14 days / 13 nights	from £1999
28-Jan-25	14 days / 13 nights	from £1999

What's Included in Your Tour?

- International & domestic airfares (Economy Class)
- Accommodation as specified in the itinerary.
- Meals as mentioned in the itinerary.
- Sightseeing as mentioned in the itinerary.
- English-speaking tour manager throughout the tour.
- All transportation in an air-conditioned private vehicle.

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