

MAP FOR THE ITINERARY

Delhi (2) – Agra (2) – Samode (2) – Jaipur (2) – Khejarla (2) – Horse Safari (5) – Udaipur (2)



STATUS CHART AND ITINERARY

HOTELS

DATES	CITY	NITES	HOTEL	STATUS	CONTACT
Delhi	01 – 03 Mar	2	The Park / Vasant	OK	
Agra	03 – 05 Mar	2	JP Palace	OK	
Samode	05 – 07 Mar	2	Samode Bagh	OK	
Jaipur	07 – 09 Mar	2	Jai Mahal Palace	OK	
Khejarla	09 – 11 Mar	2	Fort Khejarla	OK	
Safari	11 – 16 Mar	5	Tents / Palaces	OK	
Udaipur	16 – 18 Mar	2	Lake Palace	WL	
	TOTAL=	17			

Day Time Itinerary

01 Mar Mon DEPART EUROPE

Departure from Zurich / Frankfurt

02 Mar Tue DELHI

AM Arrival Delhi and **Transfer** to the hotel

Breakfast at the hotel

1200 Tour of Old Delhi including Jami Masjid, Red Fort (**Monday closed**), Chandni Chowk, Rajghat, etc

Eve The **Classical & Folk Dance show**, followed by the **dinner** hosted by us at the restaurant called **Chore Bizarre** in Old Delhi

Overnight at the hotel [The Park / Vasant Continental](#)

03 Mar Wed DELHI – AGRA (203 km / 4 & half hrs)

Breakfast at the hotel

Visit of New Delhi with the Qutab Minar, Garden of Five Senses, Lotus temple, Humayun's Tomb, President House, Parliament Building, India Gate, etc

Lunch at a nice place called Park Balluchi (Deer Park)

Afternoon Transfer by road to Agra

Overnight at the hotel [The Park / Vasant Continental](#)

04 Mar Thu AGRA

Breakfast at the hotel

Visit of Taj Mahal (**closed on Fridays**) & the Red Fort

Afternoon free for shopping / relax

Dinner, Magic Show & overnight at the hotel [Jaypee Palace](#)

05 Mar Fri AGRA – FATEHPUR SIKRI - SAMODE (270 km / 7 hrs)

Breakfast at the hotel

Thence Transfer to Fatehpur Sikri (38 km / 1 hr) to see the deserted capital of Akbar – the big monuments complex is also a World Heritage Site

Carry on to Samode

Dinner & Overnight at the [Samode Bagh tents](#)

06 Mar Sat SAMODE

Breakfast at the tents

Take a jeep / camel safari for one hour in the morning to see the countryside

Brunch at the lawns of Samode Bagh

Late afternoon Transfer to the Chowgun Stadium in Jaipur (an hour drive) to enjoy the famous Elephant Festival (we shall see this only if the elephant polo is not being organized for our group)

EVENING: Get ready for a very special evening awaiting you. You would be putting on the Indian maharaja & maharani costumes and then transported to a place a kilometer from the Bagh to board the decorated camel carts. This is a night before the full moon and there is no electricity where you are brought. A local band would enthrall you and your body starts shaking. You ride the carts and then the village boys escort you with fire torches. You proceed towards the Samode Palace and as soon as you reach there, the fireworks start. Then the entire palace and its façade is lit up. You finally enter the palace where nice ladies in ethnic costumes shower flower petals on you and local musicians play wind instruments. If the maharaja of palace is available, he would be pleased to accompany you for the cocktail evening at the Durbar Hall. Finally you proceed to the terrace for a gala evening with bar b cue food and cultural programme. Once back to the Samode Bagh, we shall organize a live Kalbelia dance around the bonfire (serpent dance, you would be impressed to see the flexibility & agility)

Overnight at the [Samode Bagh Tents](#)

07 Mar Sun SAMODE – JAIPUR (50 km / 1 hr)

Wake call by bugles

Breakfast at the Tents

Today is Holi and we have already arranged for Indian plain clothes (Qurta & Pyjamas) for each one of you to play colours. The local musicians would keep you enthralled and you would automatically start shaking your body to their tunes.

Late Afternoon Transfer to Jaipur on a shopping tour, as Jaipur is very popular for colourful clothes, especially the tie and dye ones and for its semi precious stones & jewellery

OPTIONAL: We can arrange for an Elephant polo match at the hotel itself wherein every member could ride it and take part. Usually there would be 3 elephants on each side and one umpire elephant. The ball actually is of football size. Entire lawn is set up especially for this, with the decorated horses and camels. A band plays before the match could start and a referee cum commentator is also provided. When the evening falls, they light up the entire palace. Finally, a very special Rajasthani evening awaits you with various folk dances and a gala dinner (Not possible for a group of less than 25 people as too expensive)

Dinner & Overnight at the hotel

08 Mar Mon JAIPUR

Breakfast at the hotel

0830 Transfer by road to Amber (50 km / 1 hr)

Visit the Amber Fort, the City Palace, Wind Palace & the Observatory

Dinner at the famous restaurant of Rambagh Palace

Overnight at the hotel

09 Mar Tue JAIPUR – KHEJARLA (285 km / 7 hrs)

Breakfast at the hotel

Transfer by road to Khejarla. En route stop by at Pushkar to see the famous lake, the temples and the village. This place is transformed into a totally different world once the Cattle Fair takes place in November each year

After **Lunch** at Pushkar Palace, proceed to Khejarla (a deviation of 16 km from the main highway of Jaipur – Jodhpur, altogether 86 km before Jodhpur)

Arrive Khejarla and traditional welcome at the centuries old fort. This is more of a home stay as it is run by an old time Maharaja family and you are looked after as a family member. The food is also home cooked. A walk to the village temple is recommended

Dinner and overnight at the fort

10 Mar Wed KHEJARLA

Breakfast at the fort

Morning Transfer to Jodhpur (86 km, good road) to see its imposing Mehrangarh fort and Jaswant Thada. **Lunch** at Umaid Bhavan Palace and then drive back to Khejarla

Late afternoon, get set for the horse safari tour starting from the next day and already make friends with the horses

Dinner and overnight at the fort

11 Mar Thu KHEJARLA – CHANDELAO GARH

Breakfast at the fort

Ride from Khejarla, **Lunch** on the way

Dinner & Overnight at Chandelao Garh

12 Mar Fri CHANDELAO GARH – SARDAR SAMAND

Breakfast at the fort

Mount the Horses after breakfast. **Lunch** on the way

Dinner & Overnight at Sardarsamand Palace

13 Mar Sat SARDAR SAMAND – KHETAWAS

Breakfast at the hotel

Start the ride after and **lunch** on the way

Dinner & Overnight at Khetawas tented camp

14 Mar Sun KHETAWAS – DHAMLI FORT

Breakfast at the tents

Ride after breakfast from Khetawas. **Lunch** on the way

Dinner & Overnight at Dhamli fort

15 Mar Mon DHAMLI FORT - JOJAWAR

Breakfast at the fort

Mount the Horse after breakfast and **lunch** on the way
Safari ends at Jojavar

Dinner & Overnight at Rawla Jojavar

16 Mar Tue JOJAWAR – UDAIPUR (150 km / 3 hrs)

Breakfast at the hotel

Lunch at the hotel, thence Transfer by road to Udaipur
Rest of the day free **OPTIONAL:** Visit Lok Kala Mandal to see the folk dances

Overnight at the **Lake Palace**

17 Mar Wed UDAIPUR

Breakfast at the hotel

Morning visit the city palace, Sahelion Ki Bari, etc. Thence also visit Eklingji
Nagda Jain temples

Late afternoon free to relax

Evening take a **sunset cruise** at the lake Pichola followed by the **dinner**

Overnight at the **Lake Palace**

18 Mar Thu UDAIPUR – DELHI

Breakfast at the hotel

Tour Name: **Indian highlights with Horse Safari, Elephant & Holi festival**

- Transfer to the airport
- 1530 Departure by flight 9W – 708 Delhi
- 1640 Arrive Delhi Transfer to the Radisson hotel where we have reserved some wash & change rooms for you

Farewell Dinner at the famous Kebab Factory restaurant of Radisson hotel, later Transfer to the international airport

RETURN HOME WITH NICE MEMORIES



HORSE SAFARI: On an average we cover 32 to 38 km per day with a lunch and rest stop of 2 hours on the way. We ride for 4 to 5 per day. Hot lunch is served freshly cooked by our Chef. We provide trained Marwari Horses with grooms and English saddlary. The riders must carry riding and safety equipments. During horse safari, twin sharing accommodation at various Heritage hotel and tented camps is provided. Jeep with refreshments and first aid to meet at regular intervals along the ride. Horse with Groom, Baggage Jeep and English speaking escort.

Along the safari, you would come across Aravali hills, pass through the colourful villages and see charming *Servi* men and women working in the fields. At Jojawar, there is a big village with its market full of colorful fabric and beautifully embroidered leather shoes.

You would also pass through beautiful Rebari (Shepherds) hamlets, where one can see colourfully decked Rebari women working with the sheep and goat and men with there lovely red turban grazing their camels. . We stop over for lunch on a *Servi* community farm where one can closely look into the life of a farmer. At Khetawas, we reach the camping site before sunset and settle down in the tents. In the night under the open sky we enjoy a lovely barbeque dinner. You would also be passing through the small settlements of Brahmins and Bishnois (near Jodhpur) who very fiercely protect Chinkara and the Black Buck antelopes, which graze freely close to there settlements.

Our Offer

Our per person offer for the Horse Safari Programme on Twin Sharing Basis is as follows (considering a minimum of 10 pax):

Ground Arrangements:	Euro 1477
Single Room Supplement:	Euro 475
Flight Udaipur – Delhi:	Euro 91
Supplement for the Special Evening at Samode:	Euro 63 per person (minimum of 20 people)
Supplement for Elephant Polo:	Euro 86 per person (minimum of 20 people)

Above offer includes:

- 1) Rooms on twin sharing basis for a total of 17 nights on bed & breakfast at the specified hotels, forts or tents and on the last day in Delhi for wash & change room for few hours (to be shared by 4 people)
- 2) Stay is on Full Board basis from Khejarla until Jojawar (09 – 16 Mar'04), however, during the rest of days, it is on Half Board basis
- 3) A bottle of one litre mineral water per person per day
- 4) An accompanying German speaking tour guide from arrival in Delhi until the visit of Jodhpur. For horse safari, we have another tour escort (English speaking). In Udaipur, we have again a German speaking guide.
- 5) All the entrance fees to the monuments
- 6) All the transfers and sightseeing by Air Conditioned Mini or Large Coach as the case may be
- 7) Folk Dance programme in Delhi, Camel OR Jeep safari at Samode village, Kalbelia dance performance at the Samode Tents, colour & musicians for Holi day in Jaipur, Boat ride at Pichola lake in Udaipur, etc
- 8) For the horse safari, the Marwari breed horses, horse groom, saddle, baggage jeep, first-aid, refreshments, etc
- 9) Indian Maharaja & Maharani costume and also plain Qurta Pyjama for playing Holi
- 10) Elephant polo theme dinner and Gala Evening at Samode upon paying the supplement mentioned (possible for a minimum of 20 people)
- 11) Reconfirmation of air tickets, etc
- 12) A welcome kit containing cloth folder, colourful picture postcards pre-stamped for Europe, printed itinerary with all the contacts, maps and brochures, etc
- 13) A tour leader gratuity of 50% on every 10 paying pax and 100% on 15 paying pax
- 14) The hotel luxury tax and 8% service tax as being charged by the government

Above offer however does not include:

- 1) Any items of personal nature such as liquor, tips, telephone calls, internet, etc
- 2) Any video or still camera fees at the monuments
- 3) Any meals apart from the ones mentioned above
- 4) Any air fare to & fro India