

# GLIMPSES OF MUGHAL ERA - AGRA - FATEHPUR - SIKANDRA

## DAY 01 - WED 8TH FEB 2017 : BHOPAL – AGRA

Pack your bags and get ready for the exciting tour to Agra. Assemble at the Habibganj Railway station to board the 12001 Shatabdi Train to Agra. Dinner onboard the train. Upon arrival at Agra, you would be transferred to the Hotel. Check in and retire for the night.

## Day 02: THU 9TH FEB 2017 AGRA

After Breakfast we proceed to the Taj Mahal to see the architectural modern day wonder of the world, the incomparable Taj Mahal. This monument is a fine example of the fusion of many architectural styles and is one of the wonders of the modern world. Built in 1652 by Emperor Shah Jahan. Agra the zenith of art and an enshrined romance. Taj Mahal a poem in white marble which took 22 years to build by 20,000 skilled artisans who inlaid the white marble edifice with precious and semi precious stones. Agra town lives mainly in the past. Once the seat of Mughal rulers. Their passion for building endowed it with some of the loveliest buildings in the world. After seeing the Taj Mahal, we'll go for lunch.



The tour continues with a visit to the Agra Fort from where one can get the most moving view of the Taj from the little octagonal tower in the Agra Fort which lies across the river Yamuna. It was here that Aurangzeb the third son of Shah Jahan kept his father under house arrest, from where the Emperor spent the last years of his life gazing at the tomb of his beloved. This is followed by a visit to the marble factory to witness the inlay work of precious and semi-precious stones into marble.

After this we'll visit the Itmad -ud-duallah which is the mini Taj, provided we have sufficient time and then return to the hotel. After Dinner we retire early.

## DAY 03: FRI 10TH FEB AGRA - FATEHPUR SIKRI - AGRA

After breakfast at the hotel we proceed for an excursion to the capital of the Mughals before Agra - Fatehpur Sikri built in red sandstone in honour of Saint Salim Chisti who foretold the birth of 3 sons to Emperor Akbar. It is an example of robust stability combined with originality. Each important edifice here represents a type by itself. Notable among them is the Diwane Khas, Panch Mahal, the Tomb of Salim Chisti, and the Buland Darwaza. Lunch would be provided at the Local Restaurant. In the afternoon return back to Agra for DJ night. After Dinner retire for the day.



DJ NIGHT



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**DAY 04: SAT 11TH FEB 2017 AGRA - SIKANDRA BEAR RESCUE CENTER - AGRA-BHOPAL**

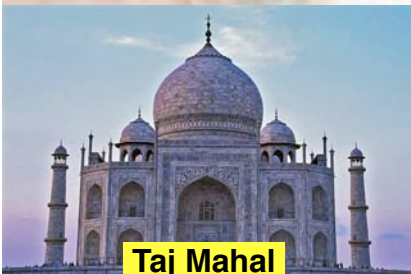


After Breakfast we check out of the hotel and proceed to Sikandra - Sur Sarovar Lake based Bear Rescue Centre which is run by Wildlife SOS. Here we will learn about the different types of bears, their habitation and how they have been rescued from the "Kalandar / Madari". We will also learn about the conservation of Bears and other animals that the organisation is doing in India. So far 480 bears have been saved and the Kalandars have been given new means of livelihood. After Lunch we will proceed to the UP Handicrafts and Handlooms centre for shopping and buying souvenirs and see Akbar's tomb enroute. We will return to the Hotel for freshening up and Dinner and then leave for the station to catch the 12156 Bhopal Express Train back to Bhopal.



**DAY 05: SUN 12TH FEB 2017 BHOPAL**

We reach Habibganj Station in morning and end tour with Happy Memories



**Taj Mahal**



**Red Fort Agra**



**Itmad-ud Dulah - Baby Taj**



**Fatehpur Sikri**



**Akbar's Tomb Sikandra**



**Bear Rescue Centre**