

# TIGERS, TEMPLES & THE TAJ

16 days/15 nights

*India has a number of Wildlife Sanctuaries which are dedicated to 'TIGER', as a part of Project Tiger, to save this dying species. In this itinerary we have included two of these National Parks, where Safaris will be on elephant-back and by jeep.*

***Note:** These Parks are open from October to June.*

*Including wildlife parks and tigers, ancient temples, forts and palaces, and the breathtakingly beautiful Taj Mahal, this itinerary offers great variety. The World Heritage Site of Khajuraho shows you the best of the ancient North Indian style of sculptural temple architecture. Not too far away is the scenic town of Orcha, considered one of the most beautiful of the country's ancient settlements; once the capital of Bundela kings, the town of Orcha is today the site of some magnificent ruins and three outstanding temples.*

*The massive, almost three kilometre long fort at Gwalior is a formidable structure richly embellished with carvings. Within it shelter some outstanding temples and palaces.*

## ITINERARY

### Day 1

### Mumbai

Welcome at Mumbai Airport followed by transfer to the hotel.

### Day 2

### Mumbai-Kanha National Park

A very early start this morning to take a flight to Nagpur where you will be met and driven to Kanha Tiger Reserve. B

### Days 3 & 4

### Kanha National Park

Two more days to enjoy this Tiger Reserve, with morning and evening game drives by jeep or on elephant-back, with the hope of seeing a tiger. B

### Days 5

### Kanha – Bandhavgarh

A long drive today will get you to Bandhavgarh National Park. B

### Days 6 & 7

### Bandhavgarh National Park

Take some exciting game drives morning and evening by jeep, and/or on elephant-back. B

### Day 8

### Bandhavgarh National Park-Khajuraho (230kms)

After a morning of game viewing, drive on to Khajuraho. In the evening enjoy a Sound & Light performance of the magnificent temples. B

### Day 9

### Khajuraho

Visit Khajuraho this morning including the Temples, recognised for their sculptural beauty by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site. B

### Day 10

### Khajuraho-Orcha-Jhansi-Gwalior

Drive on to Jhansi this morning, visiting Orcha en route. Board the train to Gwalior at Jhansi this evening. B

### Day 11

### Gwalior

Visit Gwalior this morning; experience a spectacular Sound & Light performance of Gwalior Fort this evening. B

### Day 12

### Gwalior-Agra

Enjoy a day at leisure in Gwalior — a special treatment at the Jiva Spa will certainly be rewarding. Take the early evening Shatabdi Express train to Agra. B

**Day 13**

**Agra**

Visit the Taj and the numerous other attractions the city offers. Return to the Taj to see the setting sun touch it with gold. B

**Day 14**

**Agra-Delhi**

Drive back to Delhi where the afternoon is on your own to go shopping. B

**Day 15**

**Delhi**

A full-day tour of Delhi introduces you to New and Old Delhi. B

**Day 16**

**Delhi**

This morning you will be transferred to the airport for your flight home. B