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Off Beat Rajasthan Tour

Duration: 15N/16D

Key Sights: Delhi - Pushkar - Jojawar - Udaipur - Jodhpur - Dabdi - Osian - Sodakore - Jaisalmer - Sam - Bikaner - Mandawa - Jaipur

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Day 4	Pushkar – Jojawar	By Surface
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Day 8	Jodhpur – Dabdi	By Surface
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Day 1

Arrived Delhi

By Flight

Welcome to the political and Cultural Capital of India – Delhi. Traditional welcome at the airport by our representative and transfer to hotel. Overnight stay at hotel.

Day 2

Delhi – Pushkar

By Surface

After a early breakfast proceed half day sightseeing tour of Delhi where ornate buildings recall the days when India was the Jewel in the crown of the British Empire. Visit the India Gate and the grand Government buildings, the President's House, Mahatama Gandhi Memorial and also visit Laxmi Narayan temple popularly known as Birla Temple and the 11th century Qutab Minar. After lunch we leave for Pushkar. On arrival check in to the hotel and freshen up. An interesting dinner under the stars with the Rajasthani cultural folk music and dances awaits you. Overnight stay at Hotel.

Day 3

Pushkar

After breakfast, go for a full day sightseeing and visit the Brahma temple (said to be one of the few temples in the world dedicated to this deity) Pushkar Lake, Man Mahal and Savitri temple in Pushkar. Also visit the famous Dargah Sharif of Sufi Saint Khwaja Moin-u-ddin Chisti in Ajmer. Afterwards return to Pushkar and relax at hotel after a full day of sightseeing and shopping. Overnight at the resort in Pushkar.

Day 4

Pushkar – Jojawar

By Surface

After a leisurely breakfast, check out of the hotel and enjoy a beautiful drive to Jojawar. Check in to the hotel and lunch at the hotel. After lunch we proceed for an amazing insight into the village life and its surroundings on the back of the famous Marwari Horses. Return back well in time to enjoy the Rajasthani dinner, dance and music, a perfect end to a lovely day. Overnight stay at Hotel.

Day 5

Jojawar

A very exciting day awaits you; after breakfast we start the day with train Safari which is one of the major attractions at Jojawar. The train safari takes you through the beautiful & scenic Aravallis passing through tunnels and bridges overlooking the dazzling lake and the forest around it. This gives a good insight into the local tribal life. The train journey will be followed by the Jeep safari organized to the neighboring tribal and Rebari settlements where one could interact and peep into the rich rural culture of Rajasthan and later visit a famous tribal horse lord temple where high tea is served just around sunset. Enthusiasts could also opt for four wheel driving. A real exciting day comes to an end and we look forward to a beautiful dinner under the stars. Overnight stay at Hotel.



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Day 6

Jojawar – Udaipur

By Surface

After breakfast we drive to Udaipur, the city of lakes. The city was built in 1559 A.D. by Maharaja Udai Singh and has been described as the most romantic spot in the continent of India. Visit the City Palace museum, the Jagdish temple, Sahelion Ki Bari (Queen's resort for their friends) Bhartiya Lok Kala Mandir (Folk art museum) and the Pratap Memorial. We will also visit the Shilpgram, a tribute to the Rajasthani rural life and the craftsmen. PM - Boatride at Lake Pichola. Overnight stay at hotel.

Day 7

Udaipur – Jodhpur

By Surface

After breakfast proceed by road to Jodhpur. En-route visit the Ranakpur Jain Temples. Ranakpur is widely known for its marble Jain temple, and for a much older Sun Temple which lies opposite the former. In general, the Jain temples of Ranakpur present a distinct style of their own. The ceilings of the temples are adorned with foliate scrollwork and geometric patterns. The top and bottom part of the domes are joined by Brackets with figures of deities on them. Arrival in Jodhpur and visit the Umaid Bhavan Palace Museum. Evening at leisure. Overnight stay at hotel.

Day 8

Jodhpur – Dabdi

By Surface

Check out of the hotel after an early morning breakfast and start the day with the morning sightseeing of Jodhpur which includes the massive Mehrangarh fort (This massive Mehrangarh fort came first and around it grew the city of Jodhpur protected by a high stone wall with seven gates and countless bastions) en-route Osian. On arrival at the resort we begin our adventure of the camel safari. Packed lunch will be served in the afternoon arrival at village Bikamkor with a packed lunch. On arrival you will be met by our Safari staff and Camel riders. Then start your Camel Safari for village Dabdi, a two hour ride. Just before sunset, arrive at your exclusive mobile safari camp. Enjoy an evening under the stars followed by a candlelit dinner. Overnight stay at the Dabdi dunes. Distance covered-9 kms.

Day 9

Dabdi – Osian

By Surface

After breakfast we will start our safari through the Thar Desert. After a four hour ride we approach the oasis village 'Khetasar' where we visit the local weavers and the potters. Here lunch will be served by the oasis or at a village hut. After lunch resume the safari for the resort covering a total distance of 25 Km. Alternatively for those not wanting to proceed to the resort by camel, Jeeps will be waiting to take you to the resort and there the afternoon can be spent enjoying the swimming pool located on the highest sand-dune. Evening folk entertainment followed by dinner. Overnight at the resort in Osian.

Day 10

Osian – Sodakore

By Surface

After breakfast take a short tour of the famous Osian Temples and then proceed to Sodakore. Osian temple is a cluster of ruined Brahmanical and Jain temples dating from the



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8th to 11th centuries. The city was a major religious centre of the kingdom of Marwar during the Pratihara dynasty. Of the 18 shrines in the group, the Surya or Sun Temple and the later Kali temple, Sachiya Mata Temple and the main Jain temple dedicated to Lord Mahavira stands out in their grace and architecture. Arrival at the nature resort in Sodakore which offers Organic food, farm fresh dairy and poultry products. In the evening enjoy the village safaris interacting with the vibrant village community and a walk around the Amla Orchard. Overnight at the resort with cultural dinner.

Day 11

Sodakore – Jaisalmer – Sand Dunes

By Surface

Check out of the resort after breakfast and proceed for sightseeing of Jaisalmer which includes the golden-hued Jaisalmer fort, Nathmalji ki Haveli, Patwon ki Haveli, Salim Singh ki Haveli. After sightseeing of Jaisalmer proceed for the Sam Sand Dunes, the perfect place to enjoy & experience a desert life. Enjoy the sun set on the back of Camel in the dunes followed by dance, music, cocktails and dinner in the dunes under the stars. Overnight at the camp in Sam.

Day 12

Sand Dunes – Bikaner

By Surface

Breakfast and check-out. Drive to Bikaner enjoying the small villages and rural sights of Rajasthan with its sand dunes. Overnight stay in Bikaner.

Day 13

Bikaner – Mandawa

By Surface

After breakfast visit the Junagarh Fort, constructed between 1588-1593 by Raja Jai Singh, a general in the Mughal Emperor Akbar's army followed by the Karnimata Temple at Deshnok; famous as the rat temple. Also visit the prestigious camel breeding farm in the evening around 1530hrs and proceed to Mandawa, a small and bustling town in the Shekhawati region lying north of Jaipur. Its importance lies in the splendidly frescoed havelis or mansions - mostly constructed by the prosperous merchants, between the 18th and 20th centuries. Overnight stay at hotel.

Day 14

Mandawa – Jaipur

By Surface

After breakfast check out of the hotel and visit the beautiful Havelis of the Shekhawati region on the way to Delhi. Arrival in Jaipur by the evening and check in to the hotel.

Day 15

Jaipur

Breakfast at hotel, this morning take an excursion to Amber Fort, the former royal capital. On the way, take a photo-stop at Hawa Mahal or Palace of the Winds, a four-storied structure of pink sandstone with semi-octagonal and delicately honeycombed windows overlooking the main street of the old city. It was built in 1799 so that veiled royal women could see the royal processions, unseen by the world through its 593 stone screens.



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Visit Amber Fort, situated outside the city, it is perhaps the most beautiful example of Rajput forts, this complex stands amidst wooded hills, with its threatening battlements reflected in the motionless waters of the Maota Lake below. You can have the unique experience of riding on a decorated elephant to the top of the hill. One of the premium examples of Rajput architecture, it was the ancient capital of the Kachhawaha rulers. The original palace was built by Raja Man Singh and additions were made later by Sawai Jai Singh. Here are the personal chambers of the Queens with windows having latticed screens so that the ladies could look at the events of the Royal court in privacy. There is also the Jai Mandir or the "Temple of Victory", with its well-known Sheesh Mahal, the sparkling "Hall of Mirrors". Within the Palace are the Diwan-e-Aam or the "Hall of Public Audience", the Diwan-e-Khas or the "Hall of Private Audience" and the Sukh Niwas where a cool breeze blows across channels of water for the purpose of air-conditioning.

Return to city and visit City Palace complex, located in the heart of Jaipur known for its blend of Rajput and Mughal architecture, the museum houses the rare and rich collection of Ornaments, 15th century Arms & Weapons, Royal Costumes, Carpets, Sanganeri block prints, Kashmiri Pashmina Shawls, folk embroideries and Decorative Art objects of traditional Rajasthani and Mughal art and architecture. Complex has several palatial structures like the Chandra Mahal, Mubarak Mahal, Badal Mahal, Shri Govind Dev Ji Temple and the City Palace Museum and is divided into two parts- One part Sawai Man Singh Museum and other is still the Residential Palace of the former Maharaja.

Another monument near the City Palace is Jantar Mantar, the largest of the five astronomical observatories built by Sawai Jai Singh-I, the founder ruler of Jaipur. It is an astronomical treasure house, with solar device that give accurate predictions till date, it is classified as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. In the evening spend some time in the colourful bazaars in the city, for shopping or buy some souvenir. Return to hotel for overnight stay.

Day 16

Jaipur – Delhi

By Surface

After breakfast check out of the hotel and proceed to Delhi International Airport as per your further flight.