



**Delhi** - The Eternal City, reinvented nine times, is India's First City. The vibrant capital of an emerging superpower nation, it is a cultural hub that excites and entices the travelers with its exotic bazaars. Its stunning legacy of ancient monuments and antique shrines, step wells and riverside vignettes, museums, recreational spaces and culinary traditions set your tastebuds clamoring for more.



enticing handicrafts await you in one of India's most riveting vacation vistas, rich in history and cultural offerings.

**Jaipur & Rajasthan** - The walled city of Jaipur is a study in contrasts as it straddles its past and present with charming ease, offers travelers a fabulous introduction to the extraordinary diversity of India's breathtaking royal grandeur. Fairytale palaces and forbidding fortresses, sumptuous banquets and folklore, regal wildlife sanctuaries and exciting desert safaris, antique temples and



It is the world of Bastar's vivid tribals and the glorious Biosphere Reserve stretches of Kanger National Park punctuated by deep caves and Niagara-like waterfalls.

**Central India – Madhya Pradesh & Chattisgarh** - The fascinating middle kingdom with its fabulous forts and glitzy palaces, its tribal culture and regal past, continues to engage the imagination of the discerning traveler. Buddhist stupas and monasteries, Hindu temples and Sikh shrines, tiger havens and speaking mynhas. This is the land of the sculpted erotic splendor of the Khajuraho temples, the stunning Gwalior Fort, the riverside Orchha palaces, the exciting Kanha and Bandhavgarh National Parks.



Ajanta and Ellora, historic seaside forts or a rail journey along the spectacular Konkan Coast overlooking the mighty Arabian Sea.

**Ahmedabad & Gujarat** - A land of legends and wild encounters, rural beauty and cultural diversity. Jeep safaris and village visits, city museums and nature walks open up a world of textile traditions, ancient tribal cultures and encounters with rare and endangered creatures at Gir National Park and the Little Rann of Kutch.



spotting and port exploring are just some of the other pleasures that await you here.

**Mumbai & Maharashtra** - The glitzy commercial hub of the country, Mumbai is home to the the world-renowned Bollywood movie production centre that's been spinning out action thrillers, family dramas and romantic potboilers, now enjoyed the world over. Set out for explorations into the Maharashtra countryside to explore the painted caves of



Take a leisurely journey to absorb every memorable moment on those backwaters, that tiny fishing village, the seascape lit by a mind-blowing sunset. Sun worshipping and snorkelling, fort

**The Himalayas** - Running from the west to the east on India's northern borderlands for 2,500 kms, the Himalayas are the world's youngest and highest mountain range. They act as a natural barrier separating India from the vast expanses of Central Asia and the Tibetan Plateau. At least 30 of the world's highest peaks, amongst them Mt Everest, are located in this stunning mountain range. The Himalayas continue to seduce visitors with a veritable treasure trove of holiday experiences with their high altitude deserts, glaciers, gushing rivers and waterfalls, orchid-filled forests, ancient mountain dwellings, remote shrines and monasteries and wildlife parks rich in flora and fauna. The diversity of its landscapes and its culture are an inspiration for mountaineers and trekkers, monks and pilgrims, artists and men of scientific leanings.



At the geographic heart of the lush northern plains of India, running from the northwest to the east and watered by the holy rivers Ganga and Yamuna, lies Agra, home of the Taj Mahal, and the holy seventh century city of Varanasi, contemporary of Babylon and Ninevah, with its bathing ghats and bazaars of deep antiquity selling rich brocades and embroideries dating to a 2000-year tradition, the Corbett National Park's forested tiger havens and the brooding Buddhist monasteries of Bodhgaya.



The obscure fishing village by the Hoogly River that rose to imperial heights as the capital of the British Raj, atmospheric Calcutta is suffused with a stunning architectural and cultural legacy of India's colonial period. Its cultural moorings continue to play an integral role in India's world of art and literature, cinema and culinary pleasures. Take off for exciting adventures of India's northern tea growing regions of Darjeeling, the Dooars and Assam. Savour the splendours of the flora and fauna and trekking vistas of the Eastern Himalayas in Sikkim, catch a cruise on the mighty Bramahaputra and the Hoogly to rediscover the rich nuances of Orissa, its pristine beaches and ancient temples and pilgrims, artists and men of scientific leanings.



An ancient region marked by black volcanic earth and crystalline rock of great antiquity. The historical region has been battled over for its mineral riches, chiefly gold and diamonds. It has been home of great empires such as that of Vijaynagara and Tipu Sultan. The region is renowned for its spectacular natural setting and verdant rural landscape.



Chennai may have played an integral role in the peripatetic fortunes of the East India Company and colonial role in India, but what comes to mind most strongly today is the lush coastal splendor, powered by two rich monsoons, and the delightful diversity of coastal villages, intriguing temples and cultural rituals, textile and craft traditions all of which astound us with their beauty and eye for detail.

