

# Colorful Rajasthan

In this program, we have included one of the most sought after touristic circuit of India i.e. Golden Triangle which is Delhi, Agra and Jaipur. Apart from this, we have also included hidden gems of Rajasthan which are Suroth and Mandawa. In Suroth is a beautiful village where life and cultural of Rajasthani villagers can be seen first hand. Whereas Mandawa is a quaint little town in the Jhunjhunu district of Rajasthan, popularly known as the Open Art Gallery.

## Day - 3 Suroth

#### Agra - Suroth (B, D) After breakfast visit

**Taj Mahal or Crown of Palaces** is a white marble mausoleum, built by Mughal Emperor Shahjahan as a memorial to his beloved wife Mumtaz Mahal. A world-renowned wonder, Taj Mahal looks the same from all the four sides and is widely recognized as "the jewel of Muslim art in India and one of the universally admired masterpieces of the world's heritage". The Taj Mahal is phenomenal not in the beauty alone but in the deep planning and design that went into its making. This enchanting mausoleum started in 1631 and it took 22 years to complete with the help of an estimated 20000 workers. (It remains closed on Fridays).

### Agra Fort.

The great Mughal Emperor Akbar commissioned the construction of the Agra Fort in 1666, A.D. although additions were made till the time of his grandson Shahjahan. The forbidding exteriors of this fort hide an inner paradise. There are a number of exquisite buildings like Moti Masjid - a white marble mosque akin to a perfect pearl; Diwan-I-Am, Diwan-I-Khaas, Musamman Burj - where Shahjahan died in 1666 A.D. Jahangir's Palace; Khaas Mahal and Shish Mahal. The massive Agra fort is 2.5 km long and is considered as the predecessor of the Delhi Red fort.

After sightseeing continue drive to Suroth. The overnight will be at Suroth Mahal that was built as a royal residence 800 years ago by Maharaja Baldev Singh, when he was the ruler of Suroth – a part of Jaipur Riyasat. In the evening enjoy cooking demonstration followed by dinner at the hotel. Enjoy the Cooking Class along with the Dinner. Cuisine of Rajasthan has been greatly influenced by the climate of the state as well as the war conditions, which were quite frequent. Because of inadequate water, lack of green vegetables and other problems



associated with the climate, Rajasthani cuisine developed a style of its own, to suit the conditions. Long lasting food, not requiring any heating, evolved because of the frequent wars fought by the state. Today you will cook the food in traditional Indian style. The dishes cooked during the Cooking class will be served for the dinner. During the dinner also enjoy a traditional dance performance. **Overnight**: Suroth

Inclusions

- 6 nights accommodation in 3\* hotels and boutique hotels
- Meal as specified in itinerary (B = Breakfast, BR = Brunch, L = Lunch, D = Dinner)
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- Activities, Cycling and excursions according to itinerary

#### FOR EXAMPLE:

- Cooking demonstration followed by dinner at Suroth
- Traditional dance performance in Suroth
- Camel Cart ride in Suroth
- Morning yoga session in Suroth
- Rickshaw ride through the old part of the colourful city of Jaipur.
- Elephant /Jeep ride at Amber Fort in Jaipur (One way)
- Tours and excursions in mini buses/buses or with public transportation according to itinerary
- Services of English speaking local guides for sightseeing (different guides in each city)
- From 4 Pax onwards services of accompanying English speaking escort will be provided (escort will not stay in the same hotels).
- Admission fees according to itinerary

### Exclusions

- International flights
- · Meals other than mentioned in the itinerary
- · Tours and Excursions other than mentioned in the itinerary
- Early check-in and late check-out at hotels
- Personal travel insurance
- Personal expenses and tips for driver/guides
- Visa fees