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Taj Mahal, Agra

### Delhi

The capital of India and gateway to the famed Golden Triangle, Delhi is divided into "old" where you can visit Gandhi's Memorial and the Red Fort, and "new", with its impressive government buildings and wide avenues.

### Agra

Home to probably the most famous vision of India, the Taj Mahal, whose white marble exterior changes colour according to the time of day, making it one of the most stunning and memorable buildings in the world. A visit to Agra would not be complete without stopping at the magnificent Red Fort, which dominates the centre of the city.

### Varanasi

One of India's holiest cities, which draws Hindu pilgrims from around the world to worship and to bathe in the sacred River Ganga. A visit to Varanasi is a true Indian experience and a highlight of any visit to the sub-continent.

### Khajuraho

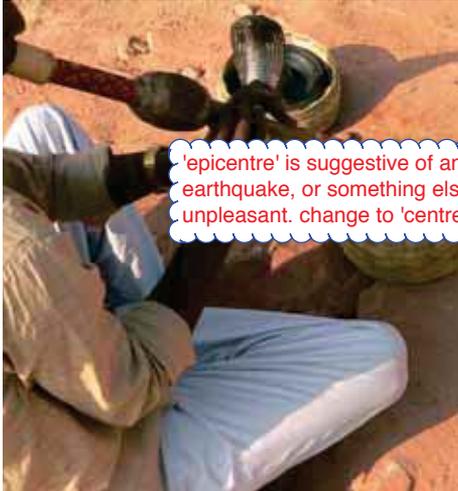
Although only a small town, Khajuraho is a world heritage site. Set miles from habitation with the Vindhyan Hills as a backdrop, it is famed for being home to some of India's most amazing temples, renowned for their remarkable erotic sculptures.

### Jaipur

Jaipur is also known as the pink city. It is the capital of the state of Rajasthan and part of the Golden Triangle. It is a bustling city that has a startling array of stunning palaces and museums with the City Palace at its epicentre. A visit to the Amber Palace on the outskirts of the city is not to be missed.

### Udaipur

In southern Rajasthan lies the beautiful lake city of Udaipur, regarded by many as one of the most romantic locations in India. High above the lake stands the imposing palace of the Maharanas and from its rooftop gardens, there are stunning views over Lake Pichola towards the Summer Palace at its centre. Dotted around the lake are the houses and temples of the city, backed by the green, lush hills which make this an oasis in the desert.



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### Samode

The small principality of Samode lies 26 miles north-west of Jaipur and dates back to the 16th century. The construction of the fort there began 400 years ago and each successive ruler added to the fort and the palace. Today the palace is full of architectural delights, and an evening at Samode is a magical experience of former princely India, and part of an ongoing tradition.

### Devigarh

Tucked away in the age-old Aravali hills of Rajasthan, the 18th century Devigarh Fort Palace, in the village of Delwara, commands one of the three main passes into the valley of Udaipur and is a peaceful location to relax after touring.

### Ranthambore

Established in 1959 as a sanctuary and now a National Park, it is hailed as one of India's finest wildlife destinations. Its name comes from the 11th century fort of Ranthambore, a vital citadel for the control of central India, which sits on a rocky outcrop in the forest. Once the scene of royal hunting parties, today the park is famous for its tigers and is one of the best places in the country to see these majestic predators in the wild.

### Jodhpur

The second largest city of Rajasthan sprawls around the awe-inspiring cliff-top Meherangarh Fort. And outside the city, the art deco Umaid Bhavan Palace is most definitely worth a visit.

### Goa

Our hotels in Goa are away from the main charter tourist hubbub. In Panaji, the capital of the state, there is a distinctive Portuguese influence, manifested most clearly in the profusion of Christian churches. Away from the city, the countryside is flat and views are of palm trees which stretch as far as the eye can see, fringing the long, golden sandy beach. Due to local law, all hotels are set back over 200 metres from the beach in their own private grounds.