

## DIINBJEEP02

### 4X4 Self Drive Jeep Safari in Rajasthan An Ultimate Adventure in Rajasthan

**THE TOUR Overview** Location - Rajasthan, India Trip Length - 13 Days Best Time - Oct - March Activities - Desert Safari, Cultural Adventures

**Day 1: Delhi**

Met on arrival and transfer to Hotel Nikko or similar. Rest of day at leisure. O/N Delhi **Day 2 : Delhi - Jaipur**  
After breakfast drive to Jaipur (260 kms). Day at leisure. **OVERNIGHT AT THE HOTEL**  
**Day 3 : Jaipur - Samode**  
Arrive Jaipur Meeting and assistance at the airport/Railway Station upon arrival and proceed to Amer Fort 12 kms outside Jaipur. The original palace was built by Raja Mansingh the additions were made by Sawai Jai Singh. One of the finest example of Rajput architecture, it was the ancient capital of Kaishwah rulers. Enjoy the ascent to the palace on back of a brightly caparisoned elephant. We tour the chamber and hallways of the palace, which are famous for their design and decorations. This unique capital of the erstwhile warrior kings is a must on every tourist itinerary to the state. Later proceed for a for a sightseeing tour of the walled city of Jaipur a shopper's paradise famous for handicrafts, jewelry and the list goes on&hellip;&hellip;. We will also visit the unique Jantar Mantar magnificent stone observatory built by Raja Jai Singh in 1728. The Hawa Mahal, the intriguing &ldquo; Palace of Winds&rdquo; is really a facade built in 1799, to allow royal ladies to view the city from the windows. Visit the City Palace, former royal residence built in a blend of Rajasthani and Mughal style and its museums an excellent collection of miniature paintings, costumes and armory. After sightseeing tour drive to Samode (40-kms/1 hour). On arrival check-in at: **HOTEL SAMODE PALACE.**  
**Day 4 : Samode - Kuchaman**

Jeep safari starts from Samod in 4 x 4 jeeps passing through the Sambhar salt lake . Lunch en-route. Arrive Kuchaman and check in at Kuchaman Fort. Kuchaman &ndash; Located in Nagaur district, Kuchaman fort has had a strategic role to play in Rajasthan's history, which unravels as one moves around its 17th century battlements. Its picturesque village is idyllic for those who would like to discover the charm of walking through it. (Activities &ndash; gala evening at rampart, camel safari) Over Night at Kuchaman Fort. **Day 5 : Kuchaman - Khimsar**

Morning drive to Khimsar enroute visits to Ajmer & Pushkar. Ajmer &ndash; the celebrated capital of the Rajputs and the key to Rajasthan, Ajayameru or &ldquo;invisible hill&rdquo; became Ajmer. It lies at the foot of the Taragarh hill 870 m above sea level and about 367 kms west of Agra. First, visit the Ana Sagar Lake built between 1135 & 1150 AD. The embankment has a row of elegant, polished marble pavilions built by Shah Jehan and restored in 1899 by Lord Curzon. Also visit Taragarh Fort. It is a rectangular fortress with thick walls and large corner bastions. The path to the top is rough, but the views are worth the effort. Proceed towards the dargah of Khwaja Muin-ud-Din Chishti (1143-1235), the tomb of a Sufi Saint of the first rank, known as the &ldquo;Sun of the Realm of India&rdquo;, who came to Ajmer in 1192. Pushkar - visiting the temple of Lord Brahma, which is only one in India, followed by a visit to the sacred lake of Pushkar Continue your drive to Khimsar and upon arrival check-in at **KHIMSAR CASTLE**. Khimsar castle. a charming heritage hotel, the village around it settled at the base of sandunes where there are blackbuck can be seen. **OVERNIGHT AT THE CASTLE.** Activities: Gala Evening at Ruins, Village Safari **Day 6 : Khimsar - Sam**

Drive from Khimsar (280 kms/7-8 hour&rsquo;s) enroute visiting Osian. 67 kms from Jodhpur towards the north-west, Osian has 16 Jain and Vaishnava temples dating back from 8th to 11th centuries, representing the grandeur of Indian temple architecture. All the sixteen temples are within the outer limit of the village. Continue your drive to Sam and upon arrival check-in at: **CAMP. OVERNIGHT AT THE CAMP.** Activities: Special Gala dinner at Dunes, Villaga Safari, Camel safari, Sunrise / Sunset from the heart of Thar Desert. **Day 7 : Sam**

In the morning exploring the Thar Desert on camel back. After breakfast drive to Khaderon ki Dhani board on camels and proceed for Damodra village, after visit of Damodra village proceed for Knoi, lunch at Knoi , In the evening enjoy the Sunset **OVERNIGHT AT THE CAMP.** **Day 8 : Sam - Manwar**

Morning proceed for a sightseeing tour of Jaisalmer. It is in the heart of the Great Indian Desert. Its temples, forts and palaces are all built of yellow stone. The city is a mass of intricately carved buildings, facades and elaborate balconies. See the Patwon-Ki-Havelies, Salim-Singh-Ki-Haveli and Gadi Sagar Tank. Later drive from Jaisalmer to Manwar (205 kms/5 hours). This day the participants experience the life style of different communities like Hindus, Muslims, different tribe&rsquo;s artisans&rsquo; etc. The day also give them an opportunity pass by the desert national park where they encounter different endangered species like great Indian Bbustard, Chinkara, Hubara, Desert Fox, Desert Cat, Eagle, Falcon etc. The day shall also cover visit through sand dunes and dry riverbeds. Arrive Manwar and check-in at **DESERT RESORT.** (Activities &ndash; special gala dinner at dunes, village tour, camel safari) **OVERNIGHT AT THE RESORT.**

**Day 9 : Manwar - Daspan**

Drives from Manwar to Daspan enroute visit Jodhpur. We begin our tour from &ldquo; The Mehrangarh Fort &ldquo;; this

formidable hilltop fort is the one of the most impressive in Rajasthan . A series of gates lead into the Fort. Like &ldquo;Jayapol&rdquo;, built by Maharaja Man Singh in 1806, the &ldquo; Fatehpol&rdquo; or &ldquo;Victory Gate &ldquo;, erected by Maharaja Ajit Singh to celebrate his victory over the Mughals. The final gate is the &ldquo;Lahapol&rdquo;, a iron gate ,beside which the there are 15 hand prints ,the &ldquo;Sati Marks&rdquo; of Maharaja Man Singh&rsquo;s widows who threw themselves upon his funeral pyre in 1843. Inside the fort ,we also visit the palaces MotiMahal or &ldquo;Pearl Palace&rdquo;, the Sukh Mahal or &ldquo;Pleasure Palace&rdquo; and the Phool Mahal or &ldquo;Flower Palace&rdquo;. Also visit the &ldquo;Jaswant Thada&rdquo; , a marble cenotaph built in 1899 as a memorial to Maharaja Jaswant Singh II. Continue your drive to Daspan and upon arrival check-in at: DASPAN CASTLE. Daspan village where the fertile fields grow bountiful crops, and the village is known for its embroidered shoes, there are also some families that make bows and the arrows in the bhil style. OVERNIGHT AT THE CASTLE. Activities: Special gala dinner at castle, Villaga tour, Panther on shoot Day 10 : Daspan - Kumbalgarh Ranakpur Drive from Daspan to Kumbalgarh. On arrival check-in at: HOTEL AODHI. Kumbalgarh - built in the 15th century by Rana Kumbha of Chittaurgarh, Kumbalgarh is Rajasthan&rsquo;s highest fort, and its most formidable. If its air is rife with medieval tales of intrigue and treachery, it is because its history is Vharacterised by some of the Pivotal points that characterised the Sisdia Dynasty. (Activities &ndash; special gala dinner, horse safari, trekking) OVERNIGHT AT THE HOTEL. Day 11 : Kumbalgarh - Udaipur Drive from Kumbalgarh to Udaipur (105 kms/2.5 hours) enroute visiting Ranakpur, which has one of the biggest Jain temples in India. The Ranakpur complex lies in a remote and peaceful valley of the Aravalli ranges. Chaumukha (the four-faced temple), is dedicated to Adinath. Built in 1439, this huge, beautifully crafted and well-kept marble complex has 29 halls, supported by 1444 pillars, none of which are alike. Within the complex is two other Jain a temple. Continue your drive to Udaipur and upon arrival check-in at HOTEL LAKE PALACE. Afternoon, sightseeing tour of Udaipur. This is possibly the most romantic city in Rajasthan. There would be no doubt as to why it is called "The Venice of the East". Maharana Udai Singh founded the city in 1568. Udaipur is full of palaces, temples and havelis, ranging from the modest to the extravagant. Begin the tour with a visit to the City Palace. At this palace complex, you will marvel at the rooms with mirrored walls and ivory doors, colored glass windows, inlaid marble balconies and the peacock courtyard. Also visit the lovely Sahelion-ki-Bari gardens, the Jagdish temple. OVERNIGHT AT THE HOTEL. Day 12 : Udaipur - Delhi/Mumbai Udaipur Transfer to the airport to catch flight to Delhi/Mumbai. On arrival check into hotel for wash and change. In the evening transfer to the airport for international departure.

#### Accommodation and Food:

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