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Trip Notes

HIGHLIGHTS OF NORTHERN INDIA

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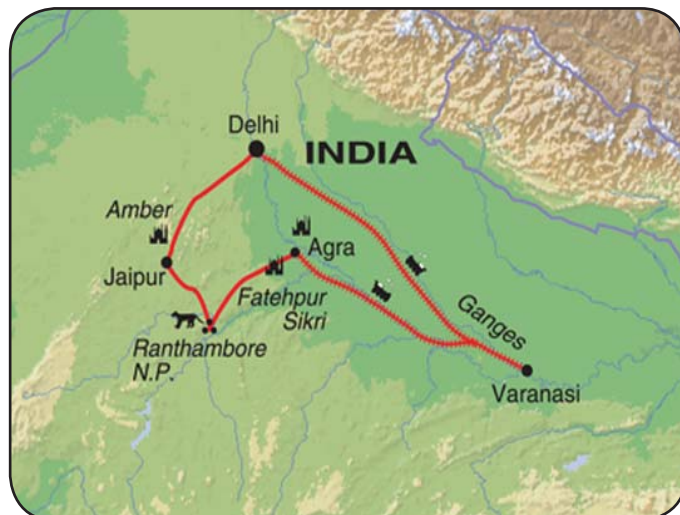
HIGHLIGHTS

- The unforgettable Taj Mahal at Agra
- Game drives in search of the elusive tiger in Ranthambore National Park
- The Ganges at Varanasi
- The spectacular 'Pink City' of Jaipur
- Solo Departures available, see Practical Information section below for details

SUMMARY

India conjures up immediate and familiar images: the Taj Mahal, the holy River Ganges, tigers, turbans, saris, great food and rickshaws. This short trip gives a comprehensive introduction to some of the main highlights in North India. There is the hustle and excitement of the cities of Delhi and Jaipur, the serene Taj Mahal in Agra, the tigers in Ranthambore National Park plus the most sacred of cities, Varanasi. The people are entertaining, the trains fun and the food a delight. This is a very full and very rewarding holiday.

Many of the sights in North India are a testament to the great Moghul Emperors of the 15th and 16th century who have left magnificent buildings including the Taj Mahal, the Palace of the Winds at Jaipur, the deserted city of Fatehpur Sikri and the Jamia Masjid in Delhi - the largest mosque in India. In addition, there are great buildings from



the British Raj; the seat of government in Delhi and the famous India Gate from where tree lined avenues radiate and are a reminder of how important Delhi was to the British.

The majority of Indians are Hindus, but there are still over 100 million Muslims, 22 million Christians, 6 million Buddhists, 20 million Sikhs and a multitude of lesser-known religions including Zoroastrianism and Jainism. All these have fascinating beliefs that are intertwined in every day life, with many religious monuments: ornate mosques and Hindu temples and small shrines in people's houses and on street corners.

IS THIS TRIP FOR YOU?

This holiday is designed so that you can see the best parts of Northern India in a short period of time. Therefore this is generally a fast-paced itinerary. There is a lot to see in the time you are there, but everything is scheduled so that it doesn't feel too rushed. You should come armed for an experience: India can be hard work and the heat and the bustle of some of the cities can be a little overwhelming. That said, there are places where you can find peace and there are few places in the world where you will return armed with great stories and memories to last a lifetime.

JOINING THE TRIP IN LONDON

10 days, normally depart London Thu, return Sat

Not all departures operate from Thursday to Saturday so please check individual departure dates.

Itinerary Start

The group flight from London is an overnight flight departing the day before Day 1 of the itinerary below

Flights from London

We normally use the scheduled services of Jet Airways (depending on availability). As flight timings and schedules change regularly we recommend you call one of our specialist sales staff or your agent to confirm up-to-date timings. Please note timings may change at a later date and cannot be confirmed until approximately two weeks before departure.

UK Regional Flights

Exodus can arrange flights from the majority of the UK's regional airports that are more flexible and convenient than if booked separately. Please contact our sales team for details.

If booking regional flights other than with Exodus, you must allow a minimum connecting time (in addition to the international check in time) of 1 hour at Gatwick, and 1.5 hours at Heathrow; this is



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longer than the official minimum, but baggage handling is known to be subject to delays.

Airport transfers

Airport transfers are included for those on the group flights. Please note that transfers are not included for clients arriving on any other flight, even if Exodus have booked it. Those arriving from London on non-group flights should read the airport transfer section below for information on reaching the start point. Please check with the Exodus office if you are unsure whether or not a transfer is included.



JOINING THE TRIP IN DELHI

9 Days, start Delhi Fri, end Delhi Sat (some departure days vary so please check individual dates)

Itinerary Start

Your trip normally starts at a hotel in Delhi on the morning of Day 1 of the itinerary listed below. Details of how to reach the start point are given in the Final Joining Instructions. PLEASE NOTE that if you are not travelling on the group flights you will need to be at the start hotel by 10am (or be at the airport when the group land); the group will leave Delhi on Day 1 of the itinerary below. If you are not booked on the group flights and you do not get to the start hotel (or airport) on time you will need to pay for an additional transfer, to Jaipur, locally in order that you can catch up with the group.

Airport Transfers

If you would like us to organise a private transfer in Delhi, this cost is £20 per vehicle (max 2 people) and is payable before departure. The cost of a taxi is likely to be around £8 should you decide to make your way independently.

Full joining instructions including local emergency numbers will be sent to you as part of your Final Joining Instructions. If you do not receive these at least a week before departure, or require them earlier, please contact our office or your travel agent.

LAND ONLY ITINERARY

The entries in bold at the end of each day indicate the type of accommodation normally used (if different standards of accommodation are used - see accommodation section below for key to codes), and meals included (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)

Day 1 (Day 2 Ex London) **Start Delhi, transfer to Jaipur.**

Those who are on the group flights will land in Delhi in the morning. Those not on the group flights will need to be at the start hotel by 10:00am (or at the airport when the group land). Once everyone has arrived we will then depart on the 5 hour drive to Jaipur. **SH (B)**

Day 2 (Day 3 Ex London) **Sightseeing in Jaipur.**

Built in the late 18th century, it is a planned city of broad avenues built of sandstone and painted pink at a later stage. In the centre of Jaipur is the City Palace, formerly the residence of the Maharaja

it is now a fine museum containing rare manuscripts, paintings, royal garments and weapons. Close to the palace is one of the most intriguing sights of India, the observatory of Jai Singh. This is an assembly of immense astronomical instruments made of marble and brass set in a pleasant garden. We will also see Jaipur's impressive landmark, the Hawa Mahal, or Palace of the Winds. A few miles from the main city is the impressive and splendid Amber Fort, rising above a lake where elephants bathe. Jaipur is a centre of many handicrafts, such as durries (woven rugs), carpets, printed cloth, semi-precious stones, leatherwear etc. It will be difficult to leave a workshop without buying anything! **SH (B)**

Day 3 (Day 4 Ex London) **Jaipur to Ranthambore.**

We wind our way through the villages of rural India to Ranthambore Tiger Reserve; we stay in a hotel not far from the park entrance and make two game drives into the park, one in the late afternoon and one in the morning tomorrow. Ranthambore is one of India's tiger reserves under Project Tiger. After initial success, poaching has drastically reduced the tiger population and the chance of spotting a tiger is small, however many Exodus groups have seen tiger over the last few years. There is other wildlife such as several species of deer, crocodiles and bird life including purple heron, kingfishers, cormorants, parakeets, jacanda, waders and partridges. **SH (B)**

Day 4 (Day 5 Ex London) **Ranthambore to Agra via Fatehpur Sikri.**

In the morning we take our second game drive, trying to find that elusive tiger, before we start our journey to Agra via Fatehpur Sikri. Fatehpur Sikri is the emperor Akbar's deserted royal city. This impressive and well-preserved citadel became his capital in 1571, after the blessing of a local Moslem holy man correctly predicted the birth of a longed-for son, his successor the Emperor Jehangir. The mosque, designed to hold ten thousand worshippers, the palaces, residences and halls of audience are all made of decorative red sandstone. But this magnificence only lasted 14 years, as in 1584 Akbar left Fatehpur Sikri to secure his outlying territories, leaving this city much as we see it today - in perfect condition. This is another very full but rewarding day. **CH (B)**

Day 5 (Day 6 Ex London) **Sightseeing in Agra, overnight train to Varanasi.**

Today we will rise early to visit the beautiful white marble Taj Mahal at sunrise; built by the Moghul Emperor Shah Jahan in memory of his beloved wife, Mumtaz Mahal, who died in 1631. The Taj is serenely beautiful and never fails to amaze a first time visitor; the white marble exterior changes colour according to the position of the sun during the day and is matched by the rich interior detail. Within striking distance is the imposing Red Fort of Akbar, third of the Moghul Emperors, whose mighty sandstone walls enclose the beautiful white marble Pearl Mosque and the palaces, halls, courtyards and fountains of his sons and successors, Jehangir and Shah Jahan. It is here that the latter spent his last years, imprisoned by his own son Aurangzeb. Later in the day we will transfer to Agra train station in order to catch the overnight sleeper train to Varanasi. Overnight Sleeper Train **(B)**



Day 6 (Day 7 Ex London) Arrive Varanasi, sightseeing.

We arrive in Varanasi during the morning and transfer to our hotel. Varanasi, located on the River Ganges, is one of the most holy cities in India and stands at the centre of the Hindu universe. As such, the city lives and breathes Hinduism: there are thousands of pilgrims, wandering holy men (Sadhus), religious elders and casual visitors. It is a city to get immersed in by exploring its maze of narrow lanes, the many temples and watch the Hindu ceremonies that occur around the clock. There is time to explore the emporiums specialising in silks and brocades or maybe take a massage by the banks of the Ganges. There are various optional sightseeing trips that your leader will organise for the group, during your two days in Varanasi, if you wish. **SH (B)**

Day 7 (Day 8 Ex London) Sightseeing in Varanasi, overnight train to Delhi.

Just before dawn, we take a boat out on the Ganges to witness the extraordinary spectacle on the ghats, the steps leading down to the river. Every day thousands of Hindu pilgrims come to these three miles of riverbank to immerse themselves in the waters. The rest of the day is free to continue exploring the city, relax at the hotel or go on optional sightseeing excursions. In the late afternoon we board the overnight train back to Delhi. **(B)**

Day 8 (Day 9 Ex London) Arrive Delhi, free day.

We arrive in Delhi during the morning where we will transfer to our hotel. Today you are free to relax, explore the sites of New and Old Delhi (an optional sightseeing trip will be organised if you wish) or you can do some last minute shopping! **CH (B)**

Day 9 (Day 10 Ex London) End Delhi.

Those on the flight inclusive package will depart for London this morning for the daytime flight back to London; Land Only arrangements will finish after check-out from the hotel. **(B)**

For those on group flights, these depart in the afternoon and will arrive in the UK the same day.

SUMMER DEPARTURES (JULY TO SEPTEMBER)

Ranthambore National Park is closed during the summer. These departures will operate on an alternative itinerary and will visit Sariska Tiger Reserve. This reserve was declared a sanctuary in 1955 and is home to nilgai, wild boar, jackals, hyenas and chowsingha (four-horned antelope). Although these departures operate during the rainy season the crowds are reduced and those with a passing interest in bird life will find an abundance in Sariska. We also visit Bharatpur, which is renowned for its World-heritage listed bird sanctuary, the Keoladeo Ghana National Park. This region was originally semi arid, only filling with water during the monsoon season. The Maharaja of Bharatpur diverted water from a nearby irrigation canal and it was converted into a bird Sanctuary in 1956. There are now over 360 species of birds to be found there.

The summer itinerary is as follows:

Day 1 (Day 2 ex-London) Start Delhi. Drive to Sariska Tiger Reserve, transfer to hotel (Land Only passengers will need to be at the start hotel by 10:00am). **SH**

Day 2 (Day 3 ex-London) Morning game drive in Sariska; drive to Jaipur and transfer to hotel. **SH (B)**

Day 3 (Day 4 ex-London) Jaipur sightseeing. **SH (B)**

Day 4 (Day 5 ex-London) Jaipur to Agra. Visit Fatehpur Sikri enroute then transfer to Hotel. **CH (B)**

Day 5 (Day 6 ex-London) Agra sightseeing and overnight train to Varanasi. Overnight sleeper train **(B)**

Day 6 (Day 7 ex-London) Arrive Varanasi; transfer to hotel. Free day. **SH (B)**

Day 7 (Day 8 ex-London) Varanasi sightseeing, overnight train to Delhi. Overnight sleeper train **(B)**

Day 8 (Day 9 ex-London) Arrive Delhi and transfer to hotel, free day to relax or optional sightseeing. **CH (B)**

Day 9 (Day 10 ex-London) Depart Delhi. **(B)**



ACCOMMODATION

Overnight Train Journeys - The overnight trains from Agra to Varanasi and Varanasi to Delhi will be booked in 2-Tier sleeper A/C. There are many excellent trains in India however the standard of seating and sleeping is not in line with European standards. All seats are pre-allocated at the time the tickets are issued, meaning that we are not able to guarantee the whole group are together on the train, your leader will manage this as best as possible and will always check on you during the journey. Indian trains are safe to travel on however we would recommend that you keep any valuables with you at all times. Snacks are often offered on board (at an additional cost) but you may wish to purchase your own food prior to the journey. Whilst some trains have western-style facilities, the majority of services are equipped with squat toilets.

Single Accommodation: Single rooms are available for a supplement of £130. This does not include the overnight sleeper train journeys.

Extra Accommodation: We can arrange additional accommodation for you prior to, or after your trip, in Delhi. The hotels we use in Delhi change for each departure, and the start hotel is only confirmed 4 weeks prior to departure, due to operational reasons. Therefore, if you would like us to book additional accommodation for you, please contact our sales department who will be able to give you further information.

KEY TO ACCOMMODATION: We indicate in the itinerary what type of accommodation is provided on each day. The descriptions are guidelines only and are used to give an idea of the accommodation offered, rather than an exact description.

CH Comfortable Hotel, Lodge or Gite - twin rooms with en suite facilities, reliable electricity and water supply, good service and some added amenities.

SH Standard Hotel, Lodge or Gite - no-frills hotel, usually with twin rooms and en suite facilities. Service and amenities are generally adequate.

FOOD & TRANSPORT

Food

Breakfast is included throughout the trip except on Day 1. You should allow at least £13-15 per day for lunch and dinner. You can eat out very cheaply in India, but if you go to the more expensive restaurants most of the time, you will spend more than the suggested amount. In most of the towns there is a good choice of restaurants and a choice between Indian and Western style food. If you are a vegetarian, India is probably one of the best destinations to travel to. Tea and soft drinks are very cheap. A (large!) bottle of beer is approximately £2. Mineral water is widely available. Please note that service in restaurants can be quite slow.

India is famous for its food and there is ample chance to try various curries such as the familiar tandoori, biriyani and rogan josh. But there are other specialities and Western dishes available too. In addition there are wonderful deserts and excellent beers, soft drinks and Indian specialities such as lassi, a refreshing yoghurt drink.

Transport

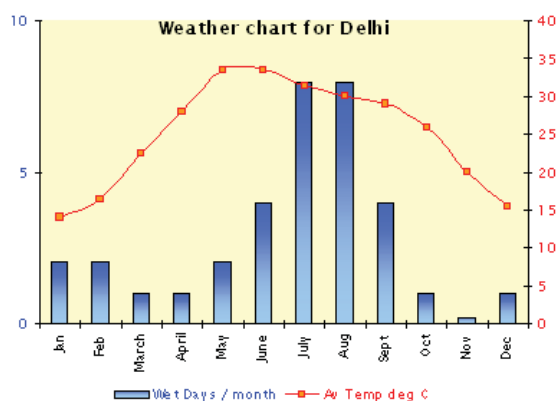
We use a combination of private minibus and trains for our journey.

Road journeys: private minibus - air-conditioned.

Train journeys: the overnight train from Agra to Varanasi and Varanasi to Delhi will be booked in second-class sleeper A/C (see accommodation section for further information).

Game drives: in Ranthambore National Park, due to local restrictions enforced to limit the amount of visitors to the Park, tiger spotting is from a large open truck called a 'canter' that seats a maximum of 22. On the summer itineraries in Sariska we will use jeeps.

WEATHER



During October/November and February/March/April the days are normally warm to hot and nights cool or mild. Humidity is very low and little or no rain can be expected. Evenings in Delhi can be surprisingly cool. It gets very cold in the early mornings and evenings in December and January and warm clothes are essential. Fog is also a real possibility during this period. Please note that night time temperatures in Delhi can be very cold and only a little above freezing in December and January.

The evenings and early mornings (particularly at Ranthambore Tiger Reserve) can be surprisingly cool, so come prepared for cold and hot temperatures.

RESPONSIBLE TOURISM

Tourism can be a real help to local communities, providing income, positive cultural exchanges and a financial incentive to protect their natural environment.

Ours is a 'total approach' to responsible tourism, covering everything from the way we plan and operate our trips to the practices of Exodus as a company. Exodus trips are designed to allow a high degree of economic benefit to the local communities; we buy local produce, eat local food and use local services, thus ensuring that as much money as possible is retained within the local economies and the host communities. With our responsible tourism policy we are continually reassessing our holidays, trying at all times to ensure that they are socially, economically and environmentally sound.

Awards for our work on Responsible Tourism

2006. British Travel Awards: Environmentally Responsible Tourism Company.

2004. Responsible Travel Awards: Best Tour Operator.

2002. BA Tourism for Tomorrow Awards: Highly Commended.

For full details of our Responsible Tourism Policy please visit:

www.exodus.co.uk/responsible-travel.



PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Passports and Visas

All nationalities require a full passport that must be valid for 6 months beyond the intended length of stay. It is your responsibility to have the correct personal documents and to obtain your own visa, if one is necessary, in accordance with the regulations of the country you are to visit. The information offered below is to help you with that process. We are not responsible for the actions of local immigration and customs officials, whether at points of entry or otherwise, and any subsequent effects.

Visas are required if you are British and for most other nationalities. To apply for the Indian visa yourself you will need to go through the Indian High commissions VF service (<http://in.vfsglobal.co.uk>). The current cost for an Indian visa is £30 (plus a service charge of £8.86), and if using Travcours there will be an additional £30 service charge.

For further information please refer to our India Visa Information sheet - <http://www.exodus.co.uk/assets/travelink/India.pdf>.

Visa regulations can and do change without notice and if you are not a British passport holder please check the current regulations in good time to obtain a visa if one is required.

For assistance with obtaining visas please call Travcours on 020 7223 5295 or visit their website: <http://www.travcours.com/exodus>

Vaccinations and Health

Travel health can often be something people forget about before going away, but a little preparation and knowledge can go a long way to help you stay fit and healthy while abroad.

There are no mandatory vaccination requirements for this trip.

Recommended vaccinations for this trip are: Polio, Tetanus, Diphtheria, Typhoid, Hepatitis A.

The risk of malaria on this trip is slight, but you may wish to consult your GP or travel health clinic for further advice.

The above information can change at short notice; as we are not qualified to answer all your questions about travel health we strongly recommend you contact your GP or a Travel Health Clinic at least 8 weeks prior to departure for up-to-date information.

Nomad Travel Clinics are experts in preparing people for travel, providing expert advice on vaccinations, anti-malarial and staying healthy whilst overseas. We have arranged a special 10% discount for Exodus passengers on any vaccinations that you may require. For information visit the community section of our website or click on this link www.nomadtravel.co.uk/exodus.

For additional information please visit: www.fitfortravel.scot.nhs.uk

Insurance - are you adequately covered?

Please ask for details of the Exodus insurance policy that has been tailored to provide specific cover for our trips. It is a condition of joining any of our holidays that you must be insured against medical and personal accident risks (to include repatriation costs and air ambulance or helicopter rescue services where appropriate). If taking an alternative policy you must be sure that you are covered for any activities that are part of this trip or optional activities that you intend

to take part in. For further information please see the insurance section of the Exodus Travel Advice guide or visit www.exodus.co.uk/about-exodus/travel-insurance

Local Time

GMT +5hours 30mins.

Electricity

230/240 volts AC, 50 Hz. There are recharging facilities at all the hotels and jungle cottages, the electricity supply is not 100% reliable but it is usually only off for short periods of time.

Group, Staff and Support

The group will generally be between 6 and 16 people. There will be a local leader and drivers and local guides where needed.

The minimum age of clients on this trip is 16 years. Please note that children aged 16 or 17 years of age must be accompanied by (and share accommodation with) a parent or legal guardian.

Solo Departures

For those clients who wish to travel with a group of other solo travellers, on certain trips we have set aside departure dates that are recommended for clients booking individually. Solo Departures are aimed at taking away the concern that you may be the only solo traveller when you joining the group.

Dates of Solo Departures can be found in our brochures or on our website. For further details please visit: www.exodus.co.uk/solodepartures.



MONEY MATTERS

Exodus and Local Payments

There is no local payment on this holiday. Exodus no longer uses local payments to cover part of the cost of the holiday.

If you are comparing prices with other operators, please check the total price paid, as we believe that Exodus continues to offer the best balance between value for money and operational quality.

Currency Information

The national currency of India is the Indian Rupee (INR), with an exchange rate of 70 to the UK£ and 45 to the US\$.

Exchange rates are correct at the time of publication.

It is illegal to import or export rupees. Do not accept torn or (very) dirty Indian banknotes from banks or in change as they will almost certainly not be accepted as legal tender in India. Please ask for low denomination notes of 100 Rupees, as 500 Rupee notes will be more difficult to use. You can change money back from Rupees into Pounds or Dollars at Delhi airport, but you must produce an exchange receipt showing that you changed money in India.

Money change facilities are available on arrival at Delhi's international airport.

You can change US\$ and £ in cash outside of Delhi (in Jaipur, Agra and Varanasi) but the exchange rate may be lower than in Delhi airport.

Commission Free Holiday Currency

For your commission free holiday currency, pre loaded cash cards and travellers cheques delivered directly to your door at very competitive rates, visit us on www.currency-express.com/exodus and receive free delivery on orders over £300.

ATM availability/Credit Card Acceptance/Travellers cheques

ATM machines are now widely available in the course of the trip and are generally reliable (Visa and MasterCard are best); you should not rely on these 100% of the time though so please take some cash with you as well. Please inform your bank before departure that you are travelling to India and carry the relevant telephone number with you in case they put a block on your card.

You can pay with credit cards in bigger shops all over India

Well known brands of travellers cheques can be exchanged but this can take time and banks are not always open when you need them. You can bring Sterling or US Dollars.

Extra Expenses and Spending Money

If you want to go up to The Amber Palace by elephant it costs approx 600 rupees (approx £8.50), and up to 2 people can be seated. Many sights now charge a small fee for cameras and you should allow another £5 for these. It is recommended that you allow at least £5 per day for personal expenditure such as stamps, postcards and soft drinks. Shopping opportunities throughout this tour are endless and we suggest that you take money for souvenirs - even if you are generally not a keen shopper we have found that most people succumb to some of the wide variety of handicrafts on offer.

Tipping (leader and local staff)

Our local staff are paid well and fairly for their work with Exodus. Tipping is of course entirely at your discretion, but is customary in India. The local staff will probably expect some gratuity at the end of the trip and we suggest you allow about £2 to £3 per day for the local staff.

In addition to this, with the permission of the group, your tour leader will collect a kitty of approximately 1500 rupees to cover tips for hotel staff, toilet attendants, porters etc.

India has very good opportunities for shopping, especially for locally made goods, and during your trip it is highly likely that your local guides will take you to emporiums as well as workshops where these goods are made. Many people find this a great opportunity to buy local handicrafts, silk, jewellery and carpets. Guides will often assume that visitors will want to go shopping, it is very much part of the culture, but if you do not wish to go please make this clear to your local guide at the time.

WHAT TO TAKE

Essential Equipment and Clothing

This should be read in conjunction with our 'What to Pack' section in your Travel Advice booklet (sent when you book).

You will need the following:

- Sunhat
- Sun cream
- Water bottle
- Light casual clothing
- Warm sweater/fleece
- Additional warm base layer (for Winter departures)
- Scare (for Winter departures)
- Gloves (for Winter departures)

Mens and womens clothing should cover shoulders and be on or below the knee. Women especially should always dress conservatively to avoid unwanted attention and not to cause offence; vests, tight fitting trousers, short skirts and shorts are not recommended.

It doesn't matter what type of bag or case you use on this trip although it is preferable to use a soft holdall (with wheels if necessary) or rucksack/travelsack as they tend to be easier to manage on the overnight trains. You should also bring a small day bag for your valuable items.

Optional items:

Light waterproof

Much of the equipment mentioned above is available at very competitive prices from Nomad: Exodus clients receive a 15% discount. Please visit www.nomadtravel.co.uk/exodus

Baggage and Baggage Allowance

Exodus kitbags are available for purchase at £25, which includes postage, packing and VAT. If, for any reason the kit bag is returned to Exodus, additional postage costs will be charged. Kit bags are available within the UK only.

At time of writing the standard weight limit for hold baggage on the recommended international carrier for this trip is 20kg. We recommend packing only one piece of checked baggage. As advice about luggage allowances for both hand and hold luggage is subject to change, we suggest you check www.baa.com and/or the airline's website for the latest information prior to your departure.

In the unlikely event of any of your luggage being misplaced or damaged, a Property Irregularity Report (PIR) must be filed with the appropriate airline if you subsequently wish to make a claim against the airline or on your travel insurance. This must be done at the airport where your baggage arrived, or should have arrived.

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Don't forget to visit the Community area on our website. You can view the range of Exodus videos and podcasts, read trip write-ups which have featured in the national media and take advantage of some special deals on travel gear and equipment.

In the Compass Café forum you'll find the Departure Lounge where you can discuss your trip with fellow travellers before you depart. When you get back from your holiday remember to upload your images to the relevant trip page on our website. This helps other people see what our holidays are really like and you'll be entered automatically into our monthly photo competition.

To make full use of the Compass Cafe you'll need to join My Exodus. It's free, registration is simple and easy... so what are you waiting for?

<http://www.exodus.co.uk/community>

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL CLIENTS

Exodus operates a 24 hour duty office for emergencies, which can be contacted on 0044 (0) 1582 644 100.

Every time that you travel abroad you should take the time to read the warnings in the essential information in the brochure or at www.exodus.co.uk/about-exodus/essential-information?

Full joining instructions including local emergency numbers, and details of how to reach the start point, will be sent to you approximately 2 to 3 weeks prior to departure. If you do not receive these at least a week before departure, or require them earlier please contact our office or your travel agent.

Occasionally, as stated in our brochure, it may not be possible to follow the itinerary as planned. This may be for a variety of reasons - climatic, political, physical or other. In these circumstances we will make the best alternative arrangements possible that maintain the integrity of the original itinerary.

The information in these Trip Notes is given in good faith, and covers the average range of conditions likely to be found on this trip. Where differences exist in the information between these Trip Notes and our current brochure, the Trip Notes are the correct version and supersede the brochure. Abnormal conditions or other events beyond our control can prevail at any time, particularly in remote or off the beaten track destinations, therefore all holidays can be subject to unexpected changes; in order to enjoy them you should be prepared to be flexible where necessary.

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HOW TO BOOK YOUR TRIP

- 1. Check availability** Go online to check availability, or contact us by phone or email.
- 2. Secure your place** You can provisionally hold a place on this trip, usually for between three and seven days.
- 3. Complete your booking and payment** When you're ready to book, go to www.exodus.co.uk for online booking, book over the phone or you can complete a booking form (available online or on request by calling us). We accept all major credit and debit cards, or you can pay by cheque.

Book with confidence Exodus is fully licensed and bonded as a tour operator. We hold Air Traffic Organisers Licence (ATOL) number 2582 issued and bonded with the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA). We are also bonded to the International Air Transport Association (IATA) and we are members of the Federation of Tour Operators (FTO) and ABTA - The Travel Association. This means you can book your Exodus holiday with confidence, as all monies paid to us for your trip are fully protected.



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