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## ROYAL INDIA

### Aboard the Luxury Maharajas' Express

A PRIVATE TRAIN JOURNEY WITH COX & KINGS  
Delhi • Agra • Ranthambore • Jaipur • Bikaner • Jodhpur • Udaipur •  
Vadodara • Bombay

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#### TRIP DETAILS

13 days / 11 nights

#### START/FINISH

Delhi/Bombay

#### 2011 Prices: January through April

\$ 10040.00 per person in a Deluxe cabin  
\$ 7055.00 single supplement

\$ 11720.00 per person in a Junior suite  
\$ 9555.00 single supplement

\$ 15005.00 per person in a Suite\*\*  
\$ 13825.00 single supplement

\$ 23210.00 per person in a Presidential Suite\*\*  
\$ 22030.00 single supplement

#### 2011 Prices: October through December

\$ 10425.00 per person in a Deluxe cabin  
\$ 7275.00 single supplement

\$ 12110.00 per person in a Junior suite  
\$ 9775.00 single supplement

\$ 15390.00 per person in a Suite\*\*  
\$ 14045.00 single supplement

\$ 23600.00 per person in a Presidential Suite\*\*  
\$ 22250.00 single supplement

*Prices are subject to change  
Holiday supplement may apply*

#### WHAT'S INCLUDED

All accommodation in Delhi & Bombay with daily breakfast;  
other meals as indicated

During the train journey open-seating dining, domestic beer &  
wine, bottled water & soft drinks are yours to enjoy  
complimentary

All international arrival and departure transfers by private a/c  
car and driver

Privately guided tours with entrance fees into the historical  
sights and museums as outlined

Services of Cox & Kings/Maharajas' Express staff throughout  
your travels.

#### WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

International Airfare; Visa fees; Travel insurance; items of a  
personal nature including laundry/valet services,  
telecommunication charges

During the train journey a selection of imported premium  
wines, champagne & spirits is available at an additional charge

All gratuities for local guides, porters, train staff, baggage  
handlers, drivers; gratuities for your on-board Tour Manager

**\*\* For passengers reserving the Suite &  
Presidential suite, cost includes private car  
& driver and guide for all sightseeing  
excursions during the train journey**



India is both complex and diverse with its intricate mosaic of luxurious palaces, sacred temples, ancient religions, customs, and dramatic landscapes. Relive India's days of 'romance and 'nostalgia' aboard the newly launched **Maharajas' Express** deluxe train, your home as you tour this fascinating country.

Your journey begins in the Imperial city of Delhi, home to the former British Viceroy, a fitting start for your travels aboard the **Maharajas' Express!** The first stop on your epic journey is Agra where you can gaze upon the romantic Taj Mahal, the ultimate monument to love. Your journey then takes you to one of the well-known hunting grounds of the erstwhile princes, Ranthambore, now a national park famous for its Bengal tiger preservation efforts. On to Jaipur, quintessential India, where forts and palaces, maharajas and snake charmers, history, color and pageantry combine to project Jaipur as the dream image of India. Bikaner is the next stop on your romantic journey through Rajasthan. This medieval city was once a major stop on the cross-desert caravan trade route. On to the desert region of Rajasthan and the principality of Jodhpur, home to some of the finest architectural wonders of the desert region. Your next stop is the magical city of Udaipur, an enchanting image of white marble palaces, placid lakes and green hills. Your rail journey continues to Vadodara, the princely capital formerly known as Baroda, ruled by the Gaekwads who were so rich at one time, they had a carpet woven of diamonds and pearls and cannons cast of gold. Your romantic journey ends in the cosmopolitan city of Bombay, where modern skyscrapers and gracious colonial buildings coexist!

**Day One - Depart USA**

Fly from your departure city in the USA to Delhi, India's capital city.

**Day Two - Arrival in Delhi**

Your international flight arrives this evening at Delhi's International Airport where you will be met and transferred by private car and driver to the **Imperial Hotel (Heritage room)**

**Day Three - Delhi****B**

This afternoon enjoy a sightseeing tour of India's capital city beginning at the Jama Masjid, India's largest mosque, then onto Raj Ghat, the sight where Gandhi was cremated following his assassination in 1948.

**Day Four - Delhi/Maharajas' Express****B, D**

As we drive through Delhi's 'imperial city' we see the city of the British Raj, with its grand Viceroy's Palace, now the home of the President of India as well as the nearby Secretariat and Parliament buildings, all designed by the famed architect, Lutyen. No visit of Delhi is complete without a visit to the impressive Qutab Minar complex with its tower, mosque and the Ali Darwaza entrance gate, all built by the first Muslim dynasty to rule India. End your sightseeing excursion at the stunning Humayun's Tomb, an important landmark in the history of Mughal architecture for it marks the advent of grand tombs set in gardens designed in the Persian manner.

This evening following dinner and checkin procedures for the train proceed to Delhi's Safardjung Railway station where you will be escorted aboard the **Maharajas' Express** as you begin your epic journey through this exotic land.

**Day Five - Agra****B, L, D**

Brunch is served on board. Your first stop is a visit to Agra, the jewel of India, and home to the famed Taj Mahal. Tour the Taj Mahal, described as the most extravagant monument ever built honouring love and India's most illustrious landmark. High tea and champagne is prepared at Taj Kheema as you experience glorious sunset views of the Taj Mahal. Reboard the **Maharajas' Express** for dinner on board this evening.

**Day Six - Ranthambore/Jaipur****B, L, D**

Breakfast is served before departing the train for your foray into Ranthambore Game Reserve, former private hunting ground of the Maharajas. Ranthambore was declared a National Park in 1973 and is famous for its sightings of tigers, sambar, chital, wild boar, sloth bear, and leopard. Reboard the **Maharajas' Express** and enjoy brunch before arriving in Jaipur. Proceed on a tour of this princely city, visiting first the Amber Fort, perched on a cliff overlooking Jaipur. Our afternoon is spent exploring this renowned 'Pink City' famous for its jewelry and handicrafts. Later in the day enjoy an exhibition Elephant Polo match, while champagne and

dinner is served. Return to Jaipur's railway station and board the **Maharajas' Express** to Bikaner.

**Day Seven - Bikaner****B, L, D**

We arrive in Bikaner after a leisurely breakfast. Bikaner is famed for its Bikaner Camel Corp, a colorful military mounted camel regiment that opens the Republic Day Parade in Delhi each year. While in Bikaner you can choose from various options for sightseeing in this colorful city. Lunch on board before you visit another of Rajasthan's forts, the Junagarh Fort built in 1593, a formidable structure encircled by a moat. Its interior palace rooms are a stunning example of artisanship unique to India. In the afternoon travel outside of Bikaner for a Sundowner in the Sand Dunes, where champagne toasts and a barbecue dinner are prepared, as the sunsets over the glowing desert. Reboard the **Maharajas' Express** this evening for dinner on board.

**Day Eight - Jodhpur****B, L, D**

Jodhpur is also known as the 'Blue City'. It is famous for its magnificent forts and palaces from the Rajput era, with spectacular architecture and style. Lunch is on board. On arrival, proceed on a walking tour of the Old Clock Tower market experiencing the hustle and bustle of the market as you walk through a section of the blue city, past some of the oldest houses and havelis. Continue to the magnificent Meherangarh Fort. Admire the intricate latticed windows, elaborately carved panels and elegantly curved porches. Tour the palaces and temples built by successive rulers, with priceless jewels and a dazzling collection of arms. The highlight of the day is a Royal cocktail evening with a wide array of sumptuous Marwar culinary delights served in the Royal courtyard of Meherangarh Fort as you admire the cityscape from atop. Reboard the **Maharajas' Express** and journey to Udaipur.

**Day Nine - Udaipur****B, L, D**

Today explore Udaipur, one of the most romantic cities in the entire world. Your visit will include the impressive City Palace, which stretches for more than 1km along the banks of Lake Pichola with its shimmering white marble palace in the distance. Your lunch is in the grand Durbar Hall, where a feast of local specialties has been prepared for you. Following lunch, enjoy an optional stroll through the Old Market with its shops of silks, carpets, miniature paintings, jewelry and printed fabrics. Reboard the **Maharajas' Express** and your journey continues.

**Day Ten - Vadodara****B,L,D**

Wake in Vadodara, once known as Baroda. Following breakfast on board disembark and drive through picturesque countryside to the quaint hamlet of Jambhughoda. Lunch will be at the ancient Jambhughoda Palace, hosted by the royal family who still reside here. Following return to Vadodara where you will visit the Maharaja Fateh Singh Museum with its exhibits from the royal collection. Among the most prized possessions are

paintings by the 19<sup>th</sup> century painter, Raja Ravi Verma, and European masters, such as Raphael, Titian and Murillo. Enjoy 'High Tea and Snacks' at the magnificent Laxmi Vilas Palace. Designed in Indo-Saracenic style of architecture, the palace built by Maharaja Sayajirao III in 1890 is the residence of the Royal family. Witness a lovely folk dance performance, typical to the Royal House, as you savor special delicacies from the Royal kitchens. Return to the station and board the **Maharajas' Express** as you travel to Mumbai.

**Day Eleven – Mumbai**

**B**

Your romantic journey comes to an end this morning as you disembark the **Maharajas' Express** train for the last time in the cosmopolitan city of Mumbai. You will transfer to the stately, **Taj Mahal Palace Hotel (Palace Wing, Luxury Grand Seaview)**, ideally located overlooking Bombay's India Gate and harbor.

**Day Twelve – Mumbai**

**B**

After breakfast in the hotel, the morning is spent touring Bombay, allowing you to sample its progressive, vibrant atmosphere. Visit the dhobi ghats, Bombay's unique outdoor laundry. Continue on your drive through Fort Bombay with its interesting blend of Indo-Saracenic architecture. The evening is at leisure.

**Day Thirteen – Mumbai**

Early this morning transfer to Mumbai's International Airport in time to board your homeward bound international flight.

**END OF TOUR ARRANGEMENTS**

*Please be aware that itineraries are subject to change due to rail and government restrictions that may apply at time of travel.*

*Indian visas are required for American & Canadian passport holders. Other Nationality passport holders are advised to contact the Indian Embassy in their country for Indian visa requirements.*

**2011 Departure Dates:**

<b>Depart USA</b>	<b>Depart Mumbai</b>
January 12	January 24
February 02	February 14
February 23	March 07
March 16	March 28
April 06	April 18
October 26	November 07
November 23	December 05
December 21	January 2, 2012*

*For certain departures a supplement may apply based on an accompanying special lecturer or special event during the journey. For more information please contact Cox & Kings, USA at 1-800-999-1758.*

**Journeys are based on a minimum of 30 passengers traveling.**

**The Maharajas' Express train details:**

A train that never falls short of promising you a royal experience, the Maharajas' Express train is comprised of 23 carriages carrying a maximum of 88 passengers in deluxe accommodations. The carriages are all fully air conditioned and include a lounge/bar car, an observation lounge with its own bar and game tables, and two dining carriages offering a fine array of Indian, Continental and International cuisine. There is an onboard boutique featuring exquisite and unique creations. The guest sleeping carriages are fully air-conditioned, well appointed and spacious having twin-bedded and queen bedded suites with modern en-suite facilities including private shower and toilet. Each suite has large panoramic windows, with individual temperature controls, LCD televisions, DVD players, in room safe deposit box, along with direct dial telephone and Internet service. Limited laundry service is available at select destinations.

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