

RIDE INDIA 2018 – ITINERARY

Ride India is a 450km cycling challenge that will take you on a tour of the sights, sounds, colour and chaos of Rajasthan as you explore India's Golden Triangle. With a chance to explore Delhi, see the Taj Mahal and visit a tiger sanctuary you'll get a flavour of the country before travelling to Agra and embarking on six-days of cycling. Crossing a varied terrain of dramatic desert landscapes, bustling cities and idyllic rural regions you'll cover mainly tarmac roads with a few uphill sections before arriving in the 'Pink City' of Jaipur. Graded as 'challenging', Ride India involves between five and nine hours of cycling over six days with plenty of snack, water and photo stops along the way. The group is led by professional guides, with support from mechanics and cooks and kit transport included. It is not a race so there will be ample time to take in the scenery before getting to each accommodation stop, in a range of hotels, tents and even a Maharajah's palace, before sunset to enjoy a varied evening meal with a mix of Indian and western cuisine.

MARCH 2 – LONDON TO DELHI

Take an overnight flight with Jet Airways from London Heathrow to Delhi.

MARCH 3 – DELHI

Arrive in the city in the morning and have a chance to explore India's capital before a night in a hotel.

MARCH 4 – DELHI TO AGRA

Visit a Railway Children project first thing and meet some of the children your support is helping before catching the train to Agra. Visit the famous modern wonder of the world, the Taj Mahal before settling in to a hotel for the night.

MARCH 5 – TAJ MAHAL TO FATEPHUR SIKRI

The first day of cycling will cover 45km over dirt and tarmac roads with a chance to visit the fortified ghost city of Fatephur Sikri before arriving at your hotel for the night in the Keoladeo National Park.

MARCH 6 – KEOLADEO NATIONAL PARK TO KARALI

Cycling 113kms you'll pedal past camels and donkey carts while witnessing ancient forms of agriculture and trade that still exist before arriving for a decadent night at a Maharaja's Palace.

MARCH 7 – KARALI TO RANTHAMBORE NATIONAL PARK

Today's cycling will cover 112km on the journey to Ranthambore National Park, where you'll see one of the prime examples of Tiger conservation efforts in Rajasthan. Passing a rare region of verdant grassland and jungle you'll overnight in a luxury tented camp.

MARCH 8 – RANTHAMBORE NATIONAL PARK

After an early start for a sunrise safari in Ranthambore National Park you'll cycle 45km around the outskirts of the park, keeping your eyes peeled for wildlife, before your second night in the luxury tents.

MARCH 9 – RANTHAMBORE TO BHANDEREJ

Cycling 80kms you'll pass ancient Hindu settlements and temples on the way to your second night in a Maharaja's Palace at Bhanderej.

MARCH 10 – BHANDEREJ TO JAIPUR

Your final day of cycling will cover 56km and end in the 'Pink City' of Jaipur where camels, rickshaws, mopeds, pack the city streets. Your challenge complete, you'll enjoy a celebratory dinner and Rajasthani Party before spending the night in a hotel.

MARCH 11 – JAIPUR TO LONDON

Enjoy your final hours in India before heading to the airport for your return flight to Heathrow, arriving in London in the afternoon of the same day.

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