



# 9D Tulips & Taj Discovery Tour

Delhi - Srinagar - Jaipur - Agra - Delhi



**05APR DAY 1: SINGAPORE – DELHI (NO MEAL)**

Arrive in India's bustling capital city of Delhi and let the experience begin! A traditional Indian welcome marks the start of your magnificent journey before escorted to your hotel, upon arrival embark on a tour of New Delhi, where ornate buildings recall the days when India was the gem in the crown of the British Empire. Drive along Rajpath, the capital's broadest avenue, for a view of the Parliament House, the President's House and India Gate (War Memorial Arch). Visit the Humayun's Tomb and Qutab Minar built by Qutub-ud-Din Aibek in 1199 from sandstone and marble.

**06APR DAY 2: DELHI TO SRINAGAR (B L D)**

Fly to Srinagar, Kashmir famously known as Paradise on Earth a multi-faceted diamond, changing its hues with the seasons. It tells the story of love that Mughal Emperors had for this paradise like vale with deep green rice fields, rivers, gardens in bloom and lakes rimmed by houseboats  
Afternoon enjoy one of the most soothing & relaxing Shikara ride on the lake visiting floating gardens and market. Overnight stay at the houseboats

**07APR DAY 3: SRINAGAR SIGHTSEEING (B L D)**

Today's tour of Srinagar includes the Mughal Gardens, created by the famous Mughal Emperors, situated on the banks Dal-Lake in the backdrop of Zabarwan hills encircles the Lake.

Visit Tulip Garden of Srinagar which has been recently opened to public by Mrs. Sonia Gandhi. The garden has rows of Tulips of different colors and shades & Asia's Largest Tulips Garden which grows 1.5 millions tulips with over 70 different colors in 2011 **(Tulip Festival 5 April to 15 April)**

After Lunch Visit Hazratbal Mosque across the Dal from Shalimar is the mosque of Hazratbal, the only one of its kind architecturally in Kashmir. Made of white marble with adome and a minaret, Hazratbal is the repository of a single hair of the Prophet Mohammed, exhibited to the public on certain days of the year. & Jamia Masjid It is one of the oldest and the most spacious of all the mosques in Kashmir situated in the heart of the city. The foundation of the mosque is an architectural wonder. This impressive wooden mosque is notable for the 300 plus pillars supporting the roof, each made of a single Deodar tree trunk. The present mosque, with its green and peaceful inner courtyard, was rebuilt to the original design after a fire in 1674. The Mosque has had a chequered history: first built by Sultan Sikander in 1385, it was enlarged by Zain-ul-Abidin in 1402 and then destroyed by fire in 1479. Rebuilt in 1503, it was destroyed by another fire during the Jehangir's reign.



**08APR DAY 4: GULMARG EXCURSION (B L D)**

A day excursion to Gulmarg by surface, exquisitely situated in a pine surrounded basin of the Pir Panjal range at an altitude of 2730 meters above sea level, discovered by the British in the 19th century and has the world's highest green golf courses with 18 holes. Enjoy a pony ride through pine-clad slopes which leads upwards to Khilanmarg, Kangdori & seven springs. Overnight stay at the houseboats

**09APR DAY 5: SRINAGAR TO JAIPUR (VIA) DELHI (B L D)**

Today morning, fly back to Delhi, where upon arrival you will depart by surface for the "pink city" of Jaipur, the old city is surrounded by a massive wall pierced by magnificent gates. Spend your evening relaxing after your full-day long journey. Overnight stay at the hotel

**10APR DAY 6: SIGHTSEEING IN JAIPUR (B L D)**

Today, you are transported back in time, riding royally atop elegantly draped and painted elephants to the mountain fortress of Amber, a superb example of Rajput architecture with its complex of palaces, temples and ornate apartments. This afternoon's tour of Jaipur takes you to drive past Hawa Mahal or "Palace of Winds" and continues to City Palace, with its latticed balconies, tiny windows, cupolas, courtyards and arched entrances. A stop at the ancient observatory concludes the tour. Overnight stay at the hotel

**11APR DAY 7: JAIPUR TO AGRA (VIA) FATEHPUR SIKRI (B L D)**

Today morning you will depart by surface for Agra, en route visiting Emperor Akbar's 16th century abandoned city of Fatehpur Sikri. This ghost town is remarkably well preserved and presents a perfect synthesis of Muslim, Hindu and Jain architecture. The sculptured columns bear mute testimony to this gallant experiment to unite Hindus and Muslims. In the afternoon, explore the 16th century Agra Fort with its battlements, apartments, gardens and audience halls. This powerful fortress of red sandstone encompasses, within its 2.5-km-long enclosure walls, the imperial city of the Mughal rulers. Enjoy an extended visit to the magnificent Taj Mahal known as the most opulent wonder of the modern world and witness its transformation as the monument reflects the warm glow of sunset. Overnight stay at the hotel

**12APR DAY 8: AGRA TO DELHI (B L D)**

This morning you will depart by surface for Delhi, upon arrival enjoy a sumptuous lunch at Local Restaurant Post Lunch, continue on to the Old Delhi includes the drive past of Red Fort, visit Jamia Masjid, Raj Ghat - a memorial to Mahatma Gandhi, Ashoka Pillar and the mile-long Chandni Chowk bazaar. Later visit the local market for Shopping and embark on a tour of New Delhi, where ornate buildings recall the days when India was the gem in the crown of the British Empire. Drive along Rajpath, the capital's broadest avenue, for a view of the Parliament House, the President's House and India Gate (War Memorial Arch). Visit the Qutab Minar built by Qutub-ud-Din Aibek in 1199 from sandstone and marble.

**13APR DAY 09: DELHI – SINGAPORE**

Today you are transferred to the International Airport for your flight back home.