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YOGA IN RISHIKESH ON THE BANKS OF THE GANGES

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Incredible India

Yoga in Rishikesh on the banks of the Ganges

ESCORTED TOUR - 15 days / 14 nights

Delhi – Amritsar – Dharamshala – Shimla – Chandigarh – Haridwar – Rishikesh – Dehradun – Delhi

Yoga is an ancient physical, mental, and spiritual practice that originated in ancient India. Derived from the Sanskrit root word yuj, which means "to yoke" or "to bind", the practice is designed to unite the mind, body, and breath. While its origins are deeply rooted in spiritual growth and philosophy, modern yoga has evolved globally into a popular form of exercise, stress relief, and holistic well-being. Key benefits of yoga include physical strength and flexibility, mental well-being, better posture and balance and improved sleep. Rishikesh on the banks of the Ganges is the world's yoga capital. In the late 1960s, seeking refuge from their high octane lives, the Beatles retreated to an ashram in Rishikesh spending weeks immersed in meditation and acoustic songwriting, creating masterpieces. This was one of their most prolific creative phases, writing 48 songs.



Tour Itinerary



Day 1: Arrive Delhi. Delhi – Amritsar

Arrive Delhi International airport and transfer to domestic airport for flight to Amritsar. Amritsar, a large town in North western Punjab, bordering Pakistan, literally meaning "holy pool of nectar", is the home to the Harmandir Sahib, also known as the Golden Temple, considered the most important Sikh pilgrimage site. Met on arrival and transfer to hotel. Welcome dinner. Overnight in Amritsar.

Day 2: Amritsar

Sightseeing tour of Amritsar city. Visit the Golden Temple where Sikhs from all over the world come to pay their reverence to The Guru Granth Sahib and take a dip in the Amrit Saras Kund (Pool of Immortality) for spiritual purification. Visit Jallianwala Bagh - This place noted for its most notorious massacre under British rule which resulted in the death of 379 and injured more than 1200. At the east end of the garden there is a large memorial built in memory of those who died here. Afternoon, visit the Wagah Border - the international border between India and Pakistan. The pomp and pageantry of the Beating Retreat and the Change of Guard within handshaking distance of the Indian and Pakistani forces makes for a most charming spectacle. Overnight in Amritsar.

Day 3: Amritsar - Dharamshala

Drive to Dharamshala, a city synonymous to the Tibetan government in exile and the home of Tibetan leader Dalai Lama. Even though the Tibetan community dominates the town, it has still retained the colonial lifestyle and British fervour. Overnight in Dharamshala



Day 4: Dharamshala

Sightseeing tour of Dharamshala. Visit the Dalai Lama's Monastery, a Tibetan village and handicraft centre and the Dalai Lama temple, the most renowned Buddhist monument in McLeodganj. This monastery serves the Dalai Lamas exclusively. The Bhagsunag temple is a holy pilgrim site for Hindus. Bhagsu is known for an ancient Shiv temple. The Norbulingka Institute was established to preserve and teach the ancient Tibetan arts. The shady paths, wooden bridges, small streams and tiny waterfalls make this palace look like heaven. You can also watch the wooden carvings, Thangka paintings and embroidery being done. The nunnery close to the institute is a place where women are taught the advanced levels of Buddhist philosophy. People wanting to see His Holiness the Dalai Lama try joining a public blessing line which are held on the mornings of Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. People are requested to register several weeks in advance to be included in a public blessing line. Overnight in Dharamshala.

Day 5: Dharamshala - Shimla

Drive to Shimla. The British called Shimla the "Queen of Hill Stations". Situated in the north-West Himalayas and the capital of the mountainous state of Himachal, or the "abode of snow", Shimla was the summer capital of India before Independence. Covering an area of 18 sq km at a height of 7,238 ft, Shimla is surrounded by pine, deodar, oak and rhododendron forests.

Inspite of its modernization, Shimla still retains a colonial flavour and is one of Indian's most popular and biggest hill stations. Overnight in Shimla.

Day 6: Shimla

Sightseeing tour of city. The important places to visit are Jakhu Temple, Sankat Mochan Temple and famous shopping place of Shimla town – The Mall & The Ridge. Evening at leisure. Overnight in Shimla.



Day 7: Shimla - Kandaghat – Chandigarh



Morning transfer to Shimla railway station to board toy train for joy ride till Kandaghat. Upon arrival, deboard the train and continue drive to Chandigarh. One of the few modern planned cities in India, designed by Le Corbusier, a well-known architect and planner. One can see architectural genius in the neat geometrical design of residential quarters, reinforced concrete structures and self-contained area layouts. Chandigarh is divided into 47 self-contained sectors. Each sector of the city is designed with its own shops, academic, and health care buildings, places of worship, open spaces, greenery and the residential areas. The city is divided into four major work areas. In the north, the capital complex, consisting of the Secretariat, Legislative Assembly and High Court, with the hills as a background dominating the city. Sector-17, which is the city and district centre, housing the administrative and

state government offices, shopping malls, banks and other offices. The west contains the university, and institutions of engineering, architecture, Asian studies and medicine. Finally, the east zone, which is the industrial area of the city. Overnight in Chandigarh.

Day 8: Chandigarh

City tour of Chandigarh. Includes includes a visit to Nek Chand's Rock Garden - created by Nek Chand Saini, a resident of the city, in 1958. He used discarded objects of everyday use like bottles, tin cans, broken plugs, plates, saucers and rocks from the nearby Shivalik mountains to create a 40-acre fantasy labyrinth garden, the Open Hand Monument, a symbol of harmony and peace, the Sukhna Lake, an artificial reservoir, and the Capital Complex - This area, with its monumental public buildings is the site of architect Le Corbusier's most ambitious experiments. The concrete campus and its accompanying lawns are meant to express the strength and unity of independent India. Overnight in Chandigarh.



Day 9: Chandigarh - Haridwar – Rishikesh



Drive to Rishikesh and check in to hotel. Half day city tour of Haridwar, positioned in the foothills of the Shivalik range of the Himalayas along the River Ganga. The city marks the town where the River Ganga reaches the plains. The holy city is said to be blessed by the trinity of Lord Shiva, Vishnu, and Brahma of Indian mythology. The highlight of Haridwar are its river ghats and the temples. Har-ki-Pauri is one of the most sacred Ghats in India. Every evening Ganga aarti, spectacular worship of the holy river takes place. It is quite similar to the Ganges ceremony (Ganga Aarti) held in Varanasi. Overnight in Rishikesh.

Day 10: Rishikesh

Rishikesh is known as the world's yoga capital. Surrounded by hills on three sides, Rishikesh is located on the right bank of the Ganga, at its confluence with the Chandrabhaga stream. One of the holiest places on the upward pilgrimages to the Himalayas. Rishikesh abounds in stories of renunciation, meditation, penance and salvatio Perched in the foothills of the Himalayas, this is the first town where the holy river Ganges reaches on its descent from the mountains. This is a great place to stay and study yoga, meditation and other aspects of Hinduism, or just to unwind from the rigours of metro city life. Enjoy Yoga and meditation at hotel in Rishikesh. Rest of the day at leisure. Overnight in Rishikesh.



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Day 11: Rishikesh

Enjoy Yoga and meditation at hotel in Rishikesh. Rest of the day at leisure. Overnight in Rishikesh.

Day 12: Rishikesh

Enjoy Yoga and meditation at hotel in Rishikesh. Rest of the day at leisure. Overnight in Rishikesh.

Day 13: Rishikesh - Dehradun – Delhi

Enjoy morning Yoga session at hotel in Rishikesh. Checkout and transfer to Dehradun airport for flight to Delhi. Met on arrival and transferred to hotel.



Afternoon, visit Akshardham or Swaminarayan Akshardham, known as the world's largest comprehensive Hindu temple, displays the soul of Indian culture, civilization, traditions and spirituality. The Akshardham experience is an enlightening journey through India's glorious art, values and contributions for the progress, happiness and harmony of mankind. Evening enjoy The Sahaj Anand Water Show after sunset. It is a breathtaking 24-minute presentation which unites a variety of intriguing media to bring to life a story from the Kena Upanishad. Multi-color lasers, video projections, underwater flames, water jets and surround sound in symphony with lights and live actors produce a captivating and inspiring presentation. Overnight in Delhi.

Day 14: Delhi

Sightseeing tour of Old and New Delhi. Visit the Old Delhi which includes visit to Jama Masjid, Chandni Chowk and a brief cycle rickshaw ride through the narrow lanes. Drive past the Red Fort. Drive through the majestic boulevards of New Delhi. The Rashtrapati Bhawan (Presidential Palace) is where the Viceroy once lived and now is the official residence of the President of India. Stop at India Gate for Photo shoot. Visit Humayun's Tomb, the first great example of Mughal architecture in India, it developed to become the hallmark of the Mughal Dynasty. Culminate your tour with a visit to Qutab Minar, a soaring tower of victory, 72.5meter high with five distinct stories. Overnight in Delhi.



Day 15: Delhi departure

Checkout and transfer to Delhi International airport to connect to flight back home. Agra-Jaipur optional extension available departing from Delhi.

Hotels envisaged Amritsar Courtyard by Marriott Dharamshala Justa Birding Hotel Shimla WH Elysium Hotel Chandigarh Lemon Tree Hotel Rishikesh Divine Resort Delhi The Surya <i>Hotel accommodations are subject to availability at the time of booking. Equivalent hotels may be used if necessary due to unavailability etc.</i> <i>Hotel Check-In time is 14:00 hrs & check out time is 1200 noon.</i>	Tour prices Twin share – Aus Dollars 5900 (Land costs) per person Single supplement – Aus Dollars 1400 per person Not included in holiday price: <i>International flights, airport taxes, costs of passports, visas, travel and other insurances. Immunisation, excess baggage, meals (excluding breakfasts and two dinners), tips to tour guides, items of personal nature such as phone calls, taxis, laundry, room service, drinks, minibar, camera/video camera fee at monuments, medical expenses, etc</i>
Tour inclusions	
<i>Land transportation using a suitable air-con vehicle.</i> <i>Accommodation on twin sharing bed & breakfast basis.</i> <i>Toy train joy ride from Shimla to Kandaghat</i> <i>Evening prayer ceremony at bank of River Ganges in Haridwar</i> <i>1-hour morning yoga session is complimentary for all in-house guests every day.</i>	<i>Evening water show at Akshardham temple in New Delhi</i> <i>Fully escorted tour and local English-speaking guides in all cities</i> <i>Sightseeing tours</i> <i>Entrances to the monuments</i> <i>Pre-tour meeting in Sydney and tour notes</i> <i>Welcome and farewell dinners</i>
Tour notes <i>The itinerary is subject to changes if necessary</i> <i>Hotel Check-In time is 14:00 hrs & check out time is 1200 noon.</i> <i>This tour will involve extensive walking in all the cities visited.</i> <i>Adequate shopping stops will be provided</i> <i>Optional activities will be available.</i> <i>Vegetarian meals only during stay in Rishikesh.</i> <i>Tipping is essential - the tour leader will collect money from the group at the beginning of the tour and organise group tipping for the entire trip</i> <i>Dress in a modest and respectful manner for temple visits. Avoid sleeveless tops, deep-neck dresses, shorts, mini-skirts, tight or revealing clothes, transparent or flashy outfits. No footwear is allowed inside the temple premises. Footwear stands are available near major entrances. Socks can be worn. Entry to main sanctum-Sanctorum area is prohibited for non- Hindus in most temples. Photos and videography are subject to permission, check with guide / follow the temple instructions.</i>	
OPTIONAL TOUR EXTENSION You can choose to continue with a Agra-Jaipur extension 4 nights / 5 days from Oct 16 to Oct 20 with Taj moonlight sighting on October 17, 2027. Ask for brochure	

Tour conditions

These terms and conditions must be read before making a booking. They form part of your booking contract with Boutique Travel Services, Sydney and Darshan Events, Sydney.

This tour itinerary and cost is based on conditions and transportation, land costs and exchange rates as of June 2026 and is subject to currency fluctuations, local Government taxes and increases in fuel prices.

Darshan Events and Boutique Travel Services, Sydney reserve the right to vary the itinerary, accommodation or price due to reasons outside their control.

Darshan Events and Boutique Travel Services, Sydney reserve the right to cancel the tour if the minimum requirement of numbers (10) is not met. This will be decided before final payment is due and your deposit will be refunded.

Where possible, we will attempt to match singles willing to share. However, this cannot be guaranteed, and the single supplement will apply should no match be possible.

A service fee may be incurred for individual alterations to the group tour arrangements in addition to fees and charges levied by our suppliers which are listed under main T&Cs and will be provided before deposit payment.

Booking:

To reserve your place please forward a) your completed booking form, b) Boutique Travel Services (Hello World) Terms and Conditions duly acknowledged and signed and c) a non-refundable deposit of Aus \$500 per person before 2 July 2027. Receipt of the deposit indicates that the passenger has read and is in agreement of all the proposed travel arrangements and all the terms and conditions set forth in this brochure and in the Boutique Travel Services (Hello World) terms and conditions. The balance must be received on or before close of business 2nd August 2027. If the balance is not received by the due date, we reserve the right to regard the booking as cancelled and to apply the appropriate cancellation fees.

Bookings made after 3rd August will be subject a late Aus \$150 booking fee of to cover communication and other costs.

Payment:

For payment of deposit by credit card please use link below and advise once you have made the payment by email.

<https://pay.travelpay.com.au/BOUQUET>

For payment by bank transfer please use our account details below and send us a copy by email:

Bank: Australian Mutual Bank (Cuscal Ltd);

Name: Lovan Pty Ltd

BSB: 611-100 Acc No: 100114849 Ref: (your last name)

Cancellations:

CANCELLATION POLICY: LAND ARRANGEMENTS

Cancelled before 2nd August 2027: Loss of deposit

Cancelled between 3rd August 2027 and 17th August 2027: 20% of total cost

Cancelled between 18th August 2027 and 2nd September 2027: 30% of total cost

Cancelled between 3rd September 2027 and 17th September 2027: 60% of total cost

Cancelled on or after 18th September 2027: 100% of the tour cost

There will be no refund for any unavailed tours, accommodation or other services.

Not included in holiday price:

International flights, airport taxes, costs of passports, visas, travel and other insurances, immunisation, excess baggage, meals (excluding breakfasts, welcome and farewell dinners), tips to tour guides, items of personal nature such as phone calls, taxis, laundry, room service, drinks etc.

Visas:

Australian citizens can obtain e-visas for travel to India upon payment of the appropriate fees. Other nationalities need to check online their eligibility for e-visas. Please visit <https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/evisa/> for further information and to apply for e-visa.

Baggage allowance:

The free baggage allowance for passengers on tour in India is 20 kilos per person and 7 Kg cabin baggage. Any charges for baggage in excess will be at the passenger's expense.

Insurance:

Travel in this tour group will not be permitted without adequate travel insurance for the full duration of the travel arrangements in respect of illness, injury, death, loss of baggage and personal items, cancellation and curtailment and will be issued by Boutique Travel Services, Sydney.

If insurance cover/policy is obtained through channels other than Boutique Travel Services, Sydney, details of such must be provided at the time of paying the final balance. Please check with your credit card issuer if you have travel insurance cover attached to the card as that would be beneficial to you.

Health and Immigration:

It is the responsibility of the passenger to ensure the validity of the passport and obtain the necessary visas for travelling in India. It is also the responsibility of the passenger to complete all medical vaccinations and immunisation as recommended by the Australian authorities for travel to India / return to Australia, prior to departure.

Authority of Tour escort:

At all times before and after the commencement of the tour, the decision of the tour escort will be final on all matters pertinent to the safety and wellbeing of the tour participants.

At all times, the laws, customs, currency and drug regulations of all countries visited must be strictly complied to. Failure of this or interference with the well-being of the group may result in the tour escort asking the party to leave the tour and, in that event, all rights to any refund from Boutique Travel Services, Sydney or any other recourse will be forfeited.

Disclosure of Medical conditions:

You are required to make full and true disclosure in the Booking form of all ailments and physical or psychological impairments of which you are aware that may affect in any way your ability to undertake the tour without endangering your health or the health or safety of the other tour participants or the orderly progress of the tour. If necessary, we may ask for a medical report at your cost from a medical practitioner nominated by us concerning your physical and psychological medical condition prior to making the full payment. Upon production of the report, we may at our discretion, terminate your booking without being bound to provide reasons for the same. If your booking is terminated by us under these circumstances the deposit paid by you towards booking fees will be refunded to you in full. If due to other circumstances you are unable to travel due to health reasons, all cancellation terms will apply and you may submit your claims to your travel insurance.

Responsibilities:

Bookings are accepted subject to the following conditions:

Boutique Travel Services, Sydney is the Licensed Travel agent who will issue all international air tickets and travel insurances for the tour group from Australia and coordinate payments between clients and the Indian tour operators. They act as coordinator for all persons in the tour group with the tour operator in India in respect of all transportation, sightseeing and hotel accommodations. Darshan Events is the Tour consultant of the tour operations and is responsible for finalizing itineraries, liaising with the Indian tour operator, selecting tour escorts and for the marketing of the tours. TransIndia Holidays is the India tour operator.

Boutique Travel Services and Darshan Events finalise all arrangements for this tour upon the express condition that they shall not be liable for any injury, damage or loss arising directly or indirectly from accidents, inadvertent errors in the bookings, delays in general, transport failures, strikes, wars or natural disasters or irregularity which may be occasioned either by reason of any default in any vehicle, vessel or aircraft or through the acts of default of any company or persons engaged in conveying or accommodating passengers or in the carrying out of arrangements of the tours or otherwise in connection therewith.

Boutique Travel Services and Darshan Events will endeavour to operate the tour as described. However, they reserve the rights in any way they see desirable or necessary to alter or substitute routes, timetables, itineraries, schedules, carriers, and accommodation. No refund will be made for any unused services which are included in the tour price.

Boutique Travel Services and Darshan Events further reserve the right to cancel or withdraw the tour or holiday organised by them or to decline to accept any person on any such tour or holiday and disclaim all responsibility for any losses occasioned by the foregoing.

Boutique Travel Services and Darshan Events shall not be responsible for any loss or injury of whatever description howsoever arising (whether through negligence or otherwise) which you may suffer in the course or consequence upon your travel arrangements.

All exchange orders, receipts, coupons, contracts and tickets are issued subject to any and all the tariffs, terms and conditions specified by the suppliers and all services are subject to the laws of the country where the services are provided.

Boutique Travel Services and Darshan Events shall not be responsible for any acts by any group member contrary to the laws of Australia or any other country during the course of the tour and is not obliged to provide legal or any other form of assistance to the said member.

Laws of New South Wales:

This contract is subject to the laws of New South Wales and is to be interpreted in accordance with that Law.

DISCOUNTS (Choose any one of the following!)

Are you a returning customer? Tell us which Darshan Events 'A Glimpse of India tour' you had joined and avail a \$50 discount.

Are you travelling with your spouse / partner? We are happy to give a discount of \$50 per person.

Introduce a friend and when they join the tour, you will get a \$50 discount