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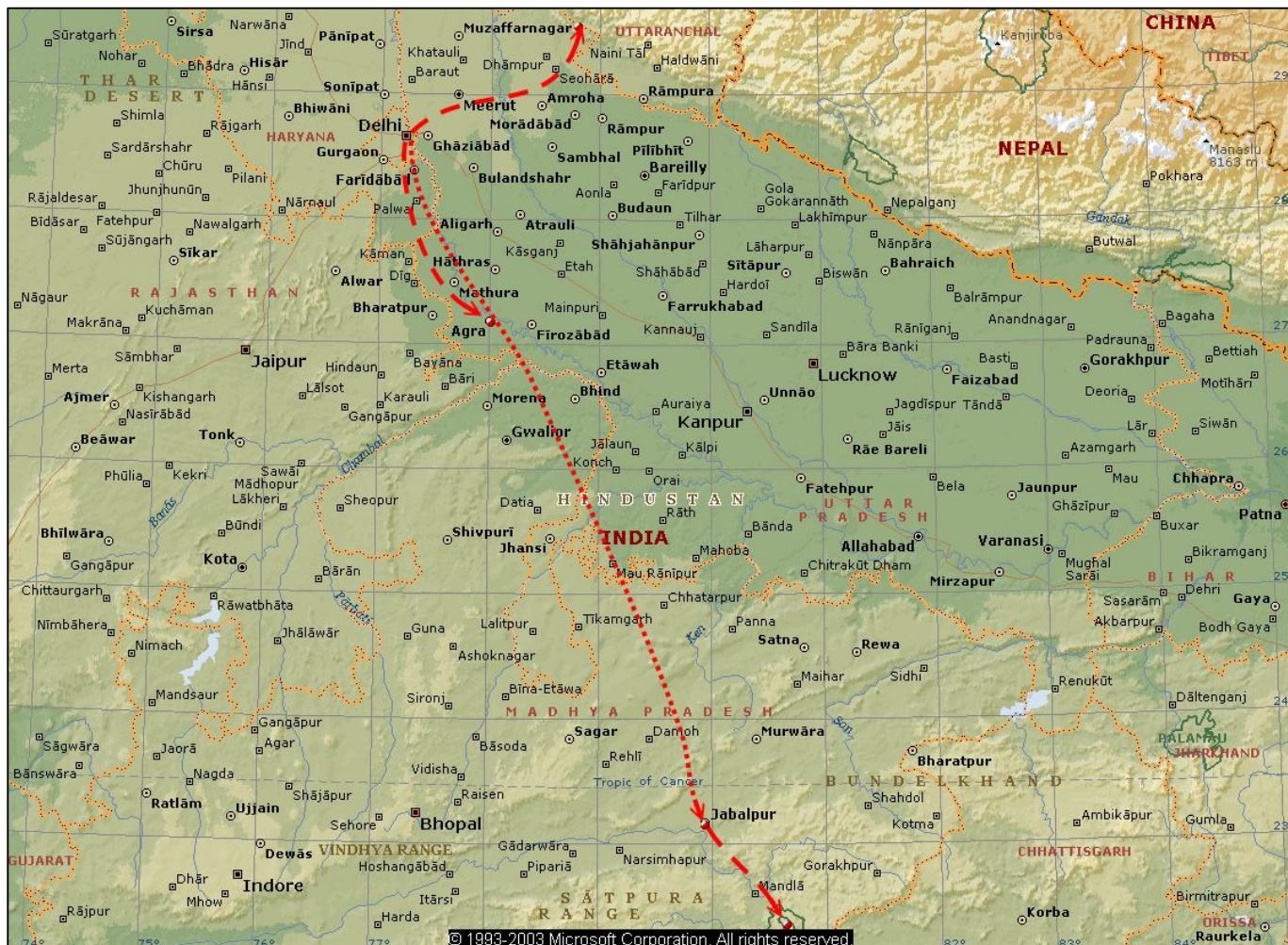
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Travel Itinerary



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Tiger Heavens Delhi/Kanha/Corbett/Agra/Delhi

Day 01

Arrive Delhi Check in Hotel Park (Deluxe 5 star) or similar. Remainder of the day free to enable you to sample some of Delhi's avian and historical sights or to just relax and recover after your flight. **D**

Day 2

A full day of sight seeing in Delhi the capital city of India, Delhi is a magnificent city incorporating the historic old city. It sprawls over a vast tract of the Jamuna plain, its population – 13.8 million Delhi was the center of power of the various Muslim dynasties that ruled swathes of the subcontinent from the 12th

century onwards. Modern Delhi is really two cities – Old Delhi, Kutub Minar, President House, National Museum & India Gate. (Overnight at the hotel) **B**

Day 03

Early morning after breakfast leave for Agra by road, visit Taj Mahal, evening board direct train to Jabalpur. Overnight on train. **B**

Day 04

Reach Jabalpur early morning (5.50 A.M.) transfer to Hotel Krishna for fresh n up & breakfast. Drive to Kanha (165 K.M.) check in at The Krishna Jungle Resort. Your Buffet Lunch is ready at Pool side. Relax. Evening there will be a lecture on Kanha, its Flora & Fauna, Located in the Mandla district of Madhya Pradesh, Kanha National Park is a Tiger

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Reserve that extends over 1945 sq. km. of undulating country. Elevations range from 450 to 900 meters. A horseshoe shaped valley bounded by the. Spurs of the Mokal ridge gives Kanha an interesting topography. The Surpan River meanders through Kanha's central maidans - grasslands

B L D

Day 05

Morning & Evening game drive

B L D

Day 06

Morning & Evening game drive.

B L D

Day 07

Bed Tea in your Rooms, after breakfast we proceed to Manegao, now tribal village which was relocated from the core area. In the evening those interested in Birding can have a Birding tour on foot, our Naturalist who specializes in Birds will accompany the group.

At about 7.30 P.M. a special Folk Dance of the tribals is arranged at Choupal (meeting place) followed by Dinner.

B L D

Day 08

After Breakfast e leave for Jabalpur. Lunch & Fresh n up at Hotel Krishna Jabalpur. Board a Direct train to Delhi at 1600 hrs. Overnight train.

B L

Day 09

Reach Delhi early morning, transfer to Guest House for Day use, fresh n up after breakfast we depart for Corbett National Park. Over night Tiger Camp.

Tiger Camp is located on the periphery of Corbett National Park surrounded by thick jungles on one side and river Kosi on the other.

Tiger Camp offers 20 cottages. All cottages are air-conditioned. Each room is equipped with a double / twin bed, coffee table, chairs, clothes rack, air-conditioner etc. Each one has an attached western style toilet and a hot shower. A 'Gol Ghar' dining hall that serves Indian, Continental and Chinese cuisine in buffet style. There is a stand-by generator for full power backup in case of electricity failure. Folk music and local performance can be arranged upon request for groups.

Our naturalists and jeep drivers are trained to guide you for birding walks, jungle visits for animal viewing and tiger-tracking. In the evening slide presentation is given to the guests to let them know about the flora and fauna of the park.

Nestling in the foothills of the Himalayas, Corbett National Park has extremely varied topography and vegetation. This gives it a rich diversity of habitat and natural beauty. Flat valleys are interspersed with hilly ridges and the Park's rolling grasslands known as the 'Chours' provide visitors with an excellent view of the animals. The Ramganga River flows through the Park and little forest streams tumble through the ravines. While dense stands of Sal cloak the higher ridges, mixed deciduous forests are found throughout the park. There are over 110 varieties of trees, 51 species of shrubs and over 33 kinds of bamboo and grasses.

Corbett has a good tiger population. It was here that the "Project Tiger" was launched in 1973. Four species of deer - Hog deer, Sambhar, Spotted deer & Barking deer and other prey like wild boar, support the predators. Besides tiger, Corbett biosphere reserve is a haven for 50 mammals, 580 kinds of birds and 25 reptile species. The park has elephants, the Himalayan black bear in the higher elevations, sloth bear, variety of lesser cats and a large variety of avi-fauna. **B D**

Day 10

Morning & evening game drive **B L D**

Day 11

Morning & evening game drive **B L D**

Day 12

We leave by car/ coach to Delhi, check in hotel. Overnight hotel. **B**

Day 13

Depart to Airport & flight Home. Tour Ends. **B**

Weather Kanha

Cool - from middle of October to end of February. Hot - from middle of April to middle of June. Park Closes on 30th June.

Weather Corbett

Cold - from middle of November to end of February. from middle of March to middle of June. (Night temperatures 15 Degree C. to 18 Degree C.) Park closes on 30th June Please note that from November till March the Morning are extremely cold

Clothing

Neutral khakis, greys and green clothes are recommended. Ensure you have plenty of warm clothing for the early morning and late evening game drives.

Accessories

Camera, binoculars, sunglasses, and hats.

Kanha Tiger Reserve

Welcome to Kipling Country, the setting for the famous Jungle Book. The Kanha National Park in the Mandla District of Madhya Pradesh, spreads over 1,945 sq. km of dense sal forests, interspersed with extensive meadows and trees and clumps of wild bamboo. This is where you can spot the tiger in all his magnificence or feast your eyes on the rare Barasingha Deer amidst extensive grasslands.

The park forms the core of the Kanha Tiger Reserve created in 1974, under Project Tiger. It is one of the most well-maintained National Parks in Asia, and a major attraction for avid wildlife buffs all over the world. Two major rivers, Halon and Banjar, flow through the park.

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- Area : 1,945 sq. kms.
- Altitude : 450-872 metres.
- Temperature (deg C): Summer- Max 40.6, Min 23.9. Winter- Max 23.9, Min 1.1.
- Rainfall : 152 cms.
- Best Season : April to June and November to January

Using your senses to find a Tiger

The key to successful tiger spotting lies in the jungle's reactions to the animal's movement. When the king of the forest is on the move, his kingdom is as responsive as the court of any of the great Mughal Emperors. Peacocks blare, Sambar bell, Spotted Deer call, Langurs explode in cough-like alarm, Jungle Fowl screech, Bison whistle shrilly and barking deer emit the impossibly raucous bark for which they are named. The continuous repetition of such calls as well as their combination from two or more species in the same small area of the forest is a very good sign that a Tiger is moving nearby.

Using your ears to listen to what other animals are saying is a good method of locating a Tiger.

Responsible Tourism

There seems to be a lot of hype and commotion in regards with features of wildlife tourism & conservation. Words such as tribal welfare, local upliftment usage of recycle products eco friendly dresses colours etc. all flashed by glamour struck organisations especially in recent times.

We started with a small team of Nature lovers who are dedicated, who were not necessarily qualified but were definitely born conservationist at heart and a born nature lover. These were the people instrumental in educating for the first time in the history of Kanha National park the locals in the field of catering, house keeping stewardship, the guides etc all of whom were fifth standard drop outs or not been to school at all. We taught the people cane weaving, earthen products such as ash trays & potteries all of which we used annually in our lodge. Thus increasing the uplifting the local economy.

The health scenario was deplorable at that time when there were no proper medical facilities, we gave talks, and we supplied medicines & told them about diseases such as malaria & so on. At this point of time the ousted tribal villages from within the core area nurtured great animosity against the Kanha Tiger reserve officials, they would not see eye to eye because the locals felt that more importance was being given to the wild animals than to them, so we intervened and created a healthy buffer based on which things improved to such an extent that the Park authorities held an unprecedented meeting with the lodge owners/managers and local villages regarding solving all problems amicably which to this day continues.

This feature or this event is a unique example & achievement for Kanha National Park as this has never happened in any other game reserve in India resulting in perhaps being the least poached national Park in India. We are highly concerned in educating every guest regarding the code of conduct at the lodge and as well as within the park.

One of the greatest & unique features of our buildings in our lodge is that we have not used any modern chemicals based colours for the exterior or interior white washing. The material used for exterior painting is made from the local yellow mud mixed with lime stone, which gives an ethnic look of the old India.

Again the only lodge where the entire open floor area is being smeared with cow dung paste mixed with husk which works as a binding material

Please note: First class tours use 5 star hotels and air-conditioned transport, Tourist class tours use 2 star hotels and non air-conditioned transport otherwise services are the same.

Important: Before you travel please check your **Tour Voucher** and **Arrival Information** for the latest joining instructions. This will be sent to you upon receipt of final payment. **All itineraries are subject to change without prior notice.**