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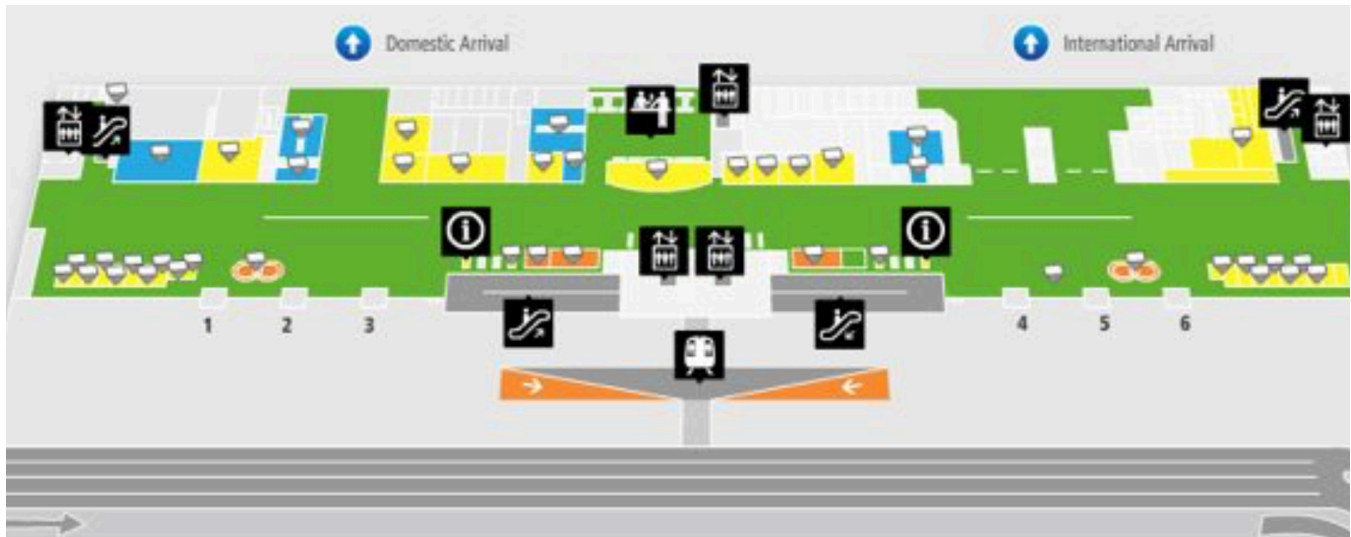
FLIGHT INFO: **TUS > DEL** **TOT 31 Hrs** **\$1,180.08**

SERVICE	DATE	FROM	>	DP	ARV	Flt hrs	SEAT	L/OV
Eti/SkyW3367	6DEC	TUS	LAX _{Term6}	12:35p	1:22p	(1¾h)	21C	[2½h]
Eti170	6DEC	LAX _{TermB}	AUH _{Term3}	3:50p	8:10p ^{+1d:7/12}	(16½h)	30H	[6¾h]
Eti228	7DEC	AUH _{Term1}	DEL _{Term3}	2:55a	7:55a(Dec 8th)	(3½h)	25D	~~

DEL:

TRANS-IN:

TERM 3: INT'L:



> DOs @ AirportT:

Money Exchange:

BUY SIM card: Airtel, Vodafone or Reliance

BUY DMRC Smart Card (now can use > DEL)

Term T3 ARV on ground level: lrg main hall (divided: DOM & int'l, each w/ own baggage claim area, info desk, & all necessary services & own ARVs pier.

T3 Metro STA: connects > City VIA **Airport Express Link**: evry 20 mins, 5am-11pm >

Central New DEL RR STA. ???

Term T3 Level 2: lounges & food crt;

Levels 3 & 4: house more lounges, .

TERM 3 Amenities & Services: lrg selection: food & drink, retail, banking, Wi-Fi access, left LUG, lost & found, info counters, airline lounges, & more.

CUST care call 4797300.

CUR EXCH: Once LUG retrieved, THEN, follow Exit signs >past CUR EXCH & shops

24h Forex, TIC

TERM 1: DOM & cheapies

TRANS-OUT:

AIR:

Term T3 DPs on level 1: lrg main hall - center accessed >> doors 4 & 5 (w/ check-in counters G-H in center, J-K, L-M & N-P > right, & E-F, C-D & -B counters > left).

OFFERS: foreign exchange & various other services, THEN, leads after check-in, SPLITS > separate DOM security check (@ left) & > Int'l Security & Immigration (@ right), THEN, separated DOM & INT'l DPs waiting areas, indiv pier w/ DP gates:

DOM DP concourse/ pier: Sec C: gates 27-36 & **Sec D** gates 37-41 & 42-62.

BUS:

DEL > Jaipur: premier daytime Shatabdi Express TRNs (linking DEL w/ Jaipur & Agra, etc.), food included in fare, served @ your seat.

Priv Delux: best, easiest service

Bikaner HS: near Indoa Gate (p100)

Jaipur, Udaipur, Jodhpur

TRN: www.trainman.in

DEL > Jaipur: **Shatabdi Express TRNs:** excellent fast A/C daytime TRNs w/ A/C chair class & executive A/C chair class. Refreshments included:

Delhi's 10 stations:

Old DEL:

From SW . tracks.from: ??? [Rajasthan](#) (Jaipur, Ajmer, Bikaner, Jodhpur, [Jaisalmer](#), via [Rewari RR junction](#)).

Other STAs:

DEL H Nizamuddin, DEL Shahdara, DEL Sarai Rohilla, DEL Cantt, Anand Vihar Trm, Subzi Mandi, Adarsh Nagar DEL & DEL Safdarjung

2 Tourist TIK OPTION:

1. Main RES Office: giant queue
2. Int'l Tourist Bureau: easy, but still lines

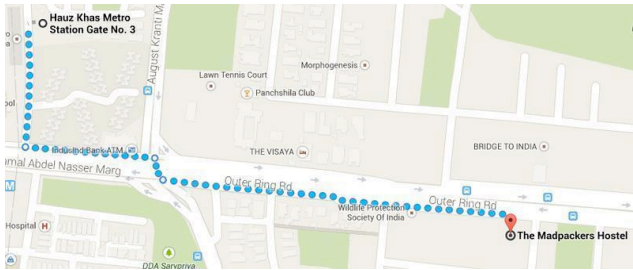
TRANS - Around:

METRO: [SEE pdf](#)

ACCM:

Mad Backpacker's HOS DIRECS: SEE "DEL Airport>Madpackers Direcs.pdf" & booking .pdf"

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FAC: brk, tow, KIT?, 24 Reception, CUR EXC, ATM,

REV: GUD: LOC:metro/, .TRN bkkg, Staff; Wifi-OK,

2) Jugaad Hostels: 9.1 \$

FAC: brk (make own), cur exch, KIT?,

REV: GUD: cln, staff,

NSGUD: , poor wifi, not near sites, hard>find, > metro:30m,

Borbista HOS: 9.0, REV OK, but not enthusiastic

FAC: brk, elevator, KIT?, micro, cur exch,

REV: peaceful,

Stops Hostel DEL: 8.6

FAC: brk, elevator, bike, cur exch, ATM, shuttle bus, rest, bar,

N GUD: Reception:limited hours,

REV: GUD: brk, staff, KIT ;LOC: hard>find, not near sitesTRN/metro : 10m tuk tuk,

NO NO Zostel DEL: 8.7,

LOC: N of N DEL, OTOH: New DEL STAS (TRN ?) : 5 min,

FAC: NO BRK or KIT; rest/cafe,

REV: GUD: staff, TRN bkkg,

NSGUD: dirty, need extra sheet beneath blanket; old IND men use, no wind, BAD wifi

SITES (DEL): walking tour?, medieval FT & bazaars

OLD DEL: LPm 64-65 39h (1T, 5D, ?N)

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SEE "2b1 DEL Old LPm.pdf"

START DIRECS from Madpacker: Hauz Khas MSta:YEL Line >> N (Jahangirpuri) > Chandni Chowk MSta,

2G3 * Red FT: LPm64, Mughal Shah Jahan (never resided), 1638 > Brit (1857), 54' walls,

26G3 TIK booth: 1/4

Walls: octagonal, orig wht, but BRIT painted red vs red sandstone theory 1/4

MUS: TIK incld ?

16G3 Lahore Gate: (main), 1/4

7G3 Chatta Chowk (Covered Bazaar): tourist crap 1/4

THEN, @ E end

SEE 14G3 Naubat Khana (drum HSE): 1/4

ORIG: ROY musicians & horse/elephant parking lot

14G3 IND WAR MEM MUS: HIST weapons 1/2

THEN, beyond Naubat Khana > ENTRY of ...

arcade of sandstone COLs leads > 1/4

9G3 Diwan-i-Am (Hall of PUB AUD): 1/4

THEN, SE > ...

19G3 Mumtaz Mahal PAV: ORIG: 'other' ROY household women; 1/2

NOW: MUS of ARCH;

ROY clothing, astrolabes, anti-assassination shirt

25G3 Diwan-i-Khas (Hall or PRIV AUD): delicate, cake-like PAV; 1/4

4 bending knee or PRIV; Legendary Peacock Throne looted from, 1739

THEN, N >

Khas Mahal: EMP's PRIV APTs, lace-like carved marble screens (privacy), 1/4

Artificial stream once flowed thru 4 cool & sound > adjacent ...

25G3 Rang Mahal: EMP's chief wife's home, 1/4

EXT: ORIG: lavish paint; INT: lotus shaped font

THEN, N of Diwan-i-Khas >

18G3 ROY Hammams: 1/4

ORIG: sm sauna & hot tub,

18G3 Moti Masjid (Pearl MOSQ): EMP's PRIV worship site 1/4

NOTE: Wall alignment:

1) EXT walls - align w/FT

2) INT Walls - align w/ Mecca

THEN, N of Hammams > ...

28G3 Shahi Buri: 3 stroy OCT TOW, Shah Jahan ran empire, 1/4

GARD: elegant formal GARD remains

Zadar Mahal PAV: sandstone surrounded by deep empty 'tank' 1/4

THEN, keep walking >>> barracks > ..

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& 'causeway' >

27G2 Salimgarh FT:" 1546, MIL occupies NOW, but ...

"Ruined MOSQ" - can visit ?

1/4

1/4

THEN, SW > ...

4G2 "Agrasen ki Baoli" (step-well):

Agrasen ki Baoli, New DEL

1/2



Best known Delhi's 3 stepwells, few visitors

LOC: signs leading > .

INFO plaque: outside its walls (?): HIST remarks & DIRECS
> complex's MOSQ.



THEN, cont SW almost > ENTRY in Colonial Block > ...

20G3 MUS on IND's Struggle 4 Freedom: Independence

1/2

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OUTSIDE Red FT -----	9½
6F3 On Chandni Chowk RD from W end moving > E -----	
Chandni Chowk: Old Delhi's main full medieval bazaar experience,	¼
NOTE: sm grn buses shuttle btwn Digambara & Fatehpur Masjid	
ORIG: had tree lined canal down CNTR reflecting moon (Chandni)	
THEN, @ W end AREA of Chandni Chowk near FT >	
8F3 Digambara Jain TEMP: no shoes or leather items	⅓
5F3 Bird HOSP: Jain, but onlyu vegetarian birds, predators = out patients	¼
34E3 Town Hall: on R	½
THEN, cont on ...	
@6F3* Sisganj Gurdwara: Sikh guru martyrdom site ..	¼
.. by Shah Jihan's son 4 not converting > Islam * across Chandni Chowk	
THEN, cont on ...	
10E1 Fatehpur Masjid: 17 th C, moment of tranquility	¼
THEN, @ E end of Chandni Chowk > ...	
32D3 Spice MKTs	½
THEN, long SE walk possibly >> Meena Bazaar, et al >...	¾
1F4 * Jama Masjid: 1644-1658, towers over Old DEL, IND's LRGst MOSQ,	1
ENTRY: gate 1 or 2 (remove shoes @ stair top)	¼
CLIMB: narrow S minaret (fee)	½
ARCH: 3 <u>onion domes</u> w/ ALT red sandstone /wht marble; 120' <u>minarets</u>	
THEN, > DUE E >> PK > ...	¼
33G4 Sunerhri Masjid:	¼
THEN, > EES across Ring Rd (MGRd) > ...	½
30H4 Shanti Vana: Nehru's cremation site	¼
NOTE: Indira & grandsons cremation site along riverbank in IND PKs	
THEN, S >...	½
24H5 Raj Ghat: Mahatma Ghandi cremation site after 1948 assassination	¼
THEN, across Kisan Ghat Rd >	
12H6 Ghandi Darshan PAV: Ghandi photos	½
THEN, just > E > ..	
22H6 NAT'L Ghandi MUS: (free), photos & personal effects,	½
THEN, DUE S >...	
11H6 Feroz Shah Kotia: other-world atmosphere,	1½
Huge MOSQ	¼
Crumbling FT ruins surround ...	¼
? Baoli (step-well):	½
13H6 Hawa Mahal: PYR shaped, w/	¼
3H6 Ashoka Pillar: on top of ...	¼
FAR AFIELD ---	?
> ...far N ...	
23E1 Nicholson CEM: 4 Colonial era residents;	¾
(4metro RET: YELL line: Kashmere Gate MSTA)	
SEE "John Nicholson IND Co officer) - Wiki.pdf"	
DIRECS: near Kashmere Gate Metro STA: follow map	
BRIT Nicholson died storming DEL; @1 st called 'hero', LATER: imperial psychopath	
> ...far SW of LPm64 > ...	
17A7 Lakshmi Narayan TEMP	¼
Ghandi inaugurated as "TEMP 4 all castes" Worth ?	
DIRECS: Jhandewalan Metro STA	



Nicholson Cemetery
near Kashmiri Gate,
Delhi

NEW DEL: LPm74-75 SEE "2b1 DEL Old LPm.pdf"

12¼

START DIRECS from Madpacker: Hauz Khas MSta:YELL >> N (Jahangirpuri) > Central Secretariat
JCT, THEN PURP line SE (Badarpur) 3 stops > JL Nehru Stadium MSta THEN, NNE >

2H4 * **Humayun's TOMB**: 1550's, Persian-born senior wife bilt/w perfect proportion, ½
seems > float above GARD, ARCH:Persian & Mughal elements-- influenced Taj

- Arched Facade: inlaid bands ...
- Strict Rule of Islamic geometry w/ emphasis on #8,
- GRN parakeets, EMP's FAV barber's TOMB
- Refuge of last EMP B4 exiled > Myanmar

THEN, ...

10H4 **Isa Khan's TOMB**: Lodi-era ARCG, 16th C ¼

THEN, ...

1G5 * **Hazrat Niza-ud-din Dargah SHR**: (DON or fee), Muslim Sufi ST, ¾

HIST INSIGHT: how used 2B: brightly painted, music filled, devotee mobbed

NOTES: Narrow alleys emerge like veins from teeming, throbbing Dargah (aka St. Nizamuddin Basti: lined w/ small windowed shops selling woven flower petals together & colorful cloth sheets as grave offerings @ complex; also stock prayer material, skullcaps & rosary beads; Some shops: solely exquisite artworks & hi \$, brilliantly pottery & stonework.

interlinked, interwoven web pathways of alleys emerge into relatively wider streets w/ small eateries offering traditional Muslim food:

- 1) minced meat,
- 2) *khameer roti* (traditional bread softened by yeast fermentation &
- 3) *tandoor* (Indian oven) baked),
- 4) *sheermal* (saffron-flavored traditional bread),
- 5) beef & sweet tea w/ dollop of sweeten cream Dargah.

TODO: Sit on FLR: listen > rousing hymns ¼

DIRECS: W/in tangle of rose petal bazaars ¼

THEN, in nearby alleys ... **SECRETS Dargah hides nevertheless** ½

1) **Atgah Khan TOMB**: intricately composed & skillfully executed tomb

DIRECS: peeps from behind intervening buildings that condemn > isolation;

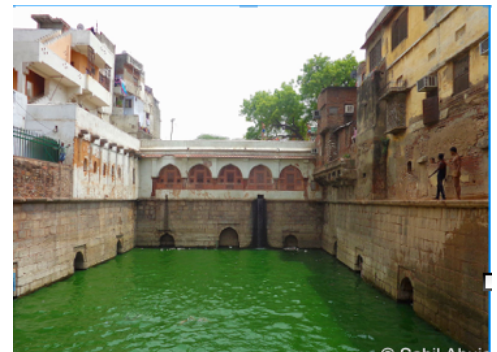
2) **Huge baoli** ("step-well"): saint had commissioned.

Physically lrg, maybe Delih's LRGst; rectangular catchment area w/ dark green, murky water belies drinking water drunk 4 longevity & disease cure)

BUT HISTly, myths / stories more interesting than baoli.

4 EX: Step-well provoked verbal / political duel btwn baoli' saint & Sultan Ghiyas-ud-din Tughlaq (AD 1320-25) who died prematurely CUZ :

- 1) Saint's laborors worked on baoli,
- 2) THEN, Sultan started FT construct while already angry w/ St over land grant issues, demanded all laborors work on FT until finished taking no other work
- 3) Respectful laborors worked on baoli @ night
- 4) Angry Sultan cut off oil 4 lamops supply
- 5) ST blessed baoli water so cud burn in lampsm & did, -- miracle
- 6) ST also cursed FT which resulted in Sultan's deathe (HUH?)



THEN, due W > next 4 sites ...

13E5 **Mohammed Shah TOMB**:

¼

- 12E5 Lodi GARDs PK:** peaceful, crumbling TOMBs, $\frac{1}{2}$
- 4E4 Bara Gumbad TOMB:** 15th C, impressive, lots butterflies $\frac{1}{4}$
...& strikingly different
- 26E4 Sikander Lodi TOMB:** $\frac{1}{4}$
THEN, SW > ...
- 24D5 Safdarjang's TOMB:** last flicker of Mughal ARCH $\frac{1}{2}$
THEN, WWS > ...
- 17B5 NAT'L RR MUS:** Viceregal dinning car, Maharaja's Rolling Salon $1\frac{1}{2}$



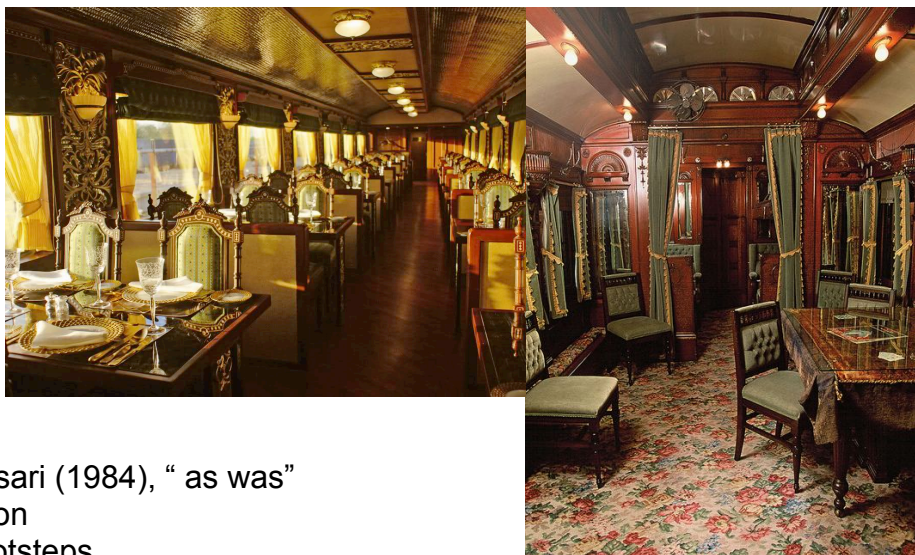
THEN, back NE >

20C5 Nehru Park: calm, w $\frac{1}{2}$
/ Lenin STAT from Cold War sympathies

THEN, NE > ...

9D4 Indira Ghandi MEM MUS: $\frac{3}{4}$
(free),

- personal effects, blood stained sari (1984), "as was"
- Son's Exhibit: 1991 assassination
- Glass path marks her FINAL footsteps



THEN, DUE E >...

6E4 Gandhi Smriti MUS: concrete step lead > Gandhi assassination site 1

Adjacent HSE: Gandhi's last 144 days: "as was"

- UPSTAIRS: Eternal Gandhi: curious
- HIS RM: personal effects

NOTE: Khan MKT (60F4) en route > IND Gate

THEN, NE >...

8F2 IND Gate: BRIt tribute > 90,000 WWI IND soldiers (also 2 other wars) $\frac{3}{4}$

Rajpath (Kingsway): focal point of New DEL Plan,
grand link btwn IND Gate > IND Gov't Office BLDGs (16 yr later BRITs OUT)

THEN, SEE >

22G3 Purana Qila FT: Afghan 'brief' ruler bilt, 1538, $\frac{3}{4}$
towering walls, conquest & combat images,; surrounded by moat (yes)

Huge Gatehouse: $\frac{1}{4}$

GARD w/ ancient MONs: $\frac{1}{4}$

~ **Sher Mandal:** Humayun's library, OCT, graceful,
IRONY: fall down stairs killed him, 1556 $\frac{1}{4}$

THEN, just beyond >...:

~ **Qia-i-Kuhran MOSQ:** intricate inlaid marble/sandstone $\frac{1}{4}$

THEN, DUE E > RT 44 (S), > RT 24 (E) > ... (SEE GMap.New DEL Akshardham TEMP- (LPm58).pdf

Akshardham TEMP: (LPm58), controversially ostentatious,
INT: almost psychedelic, seemingly Disney-like

THEN, across busy Mathura RD > more Shergarh city (pre DEL CAP CITY relics ...
11G3 Khairul Manazil MOSQ: in-use, 1/2
Boating lake: ORIG: moat;

THEN, W on Rajpath >...
15E3 NAT'L MUS: VIDEO prohibited, (LPm74), last 5,000 yrs, GRT 4 rain day, 1

THEN, @ W end > ...
23C2 Rashtrapati Bhavan (Pres' HSE): 1/2
BRITs used 418 gardeners > care 4 Mughal GARDs (closed)

THEN, BACK on Rajpath on 1 side ...
21D2 N Seretariat: (LPm74): gov't ministries 1/2

THEN, on other side ...
27D2 S Secretariat (LPm74): gov't ministries 1/4

THEN, nearby in circular COLaded BLDG @ end of Sansad Marg...
25D2 Sansad Bhavan (Parliament HSE): 1/4

THEN, N >

Connaught Place Area: LPm70

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SEE "2b3 DEL Connaught Place LPm.pdf"

START DIRECS from Madpaker: Hauz Khas MSta: YELL >> N (Jahangirpuri) (past Central Secretariat MSta) > **Rajiv Chowk**

~~~ **Main MKT, Paharganj** : LPm64 New DEL : **(circled in red) DIRECS**:

**2D2 Connaught Place**: aka "CW", Geo V's paternal uncle, 1/2

ARCH: COLaded STs radiate from Rajiv Chowk,

**THEN, SW on Baba Khjarak Marg >**

**48A3 State Emporiums**: DIRECS: Baba Kharak Sing Marg: 1

mini-IND tour, : Kashmir: papier mache; Rajasthan: 4 puppets

**THEN, SE > ...**

**3C5 Jantar Mantar**: 1725, OOM eccentric, huge abstract SCULP, 1

BUT purposeful: -- carefully monitor stars/planet movement;

**THEN, SE of Connaught Place > ...**

**1F5 Agrasen ki Baoli MON**: 14<sup>th</sup> C, atmospheric, arched niches, 1 1/4

**THEN, walk SE >**

**16F1 NAT'L MUS of NAT HIST**: 1 1/2

**THEN, walk >** Mandi House MSta: BLU line Rajiv Chowk , **THEN**, transfer > YELL line ( >> Huda City Centre) > Patel Chowk, **THEN**, walk NW > ....

**7D1 Gurdwara Bangia Sahib SIKH TEMP**: abode before 1664 death @ 6 yr 1/2

**THEN, DUE E >**

## OTHER AREAS:

**Sulabh Intr'l MUS of Toilets**: SEE "W DEL Sulabh Intr'l MUS of Toilets 1.pdf"

run by charity bring sanitation > Delhi's poor, 2500BC artifacts

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[sulabhinfo@gmail.com](mailto:sulabhinfo@gmail.com)

[www.SulabhToiletMuseum.org](http://www.SulabhToiletMuseum.org)



**SOUTH DEL: LPm78-79, Start@: Qutah minar MetSta**

**5½**

See "2b4 DEL S LPm.pdf"

**NEAR Madpackers HOS"**

THEN, walk from **Madpackers HOS E >...**

**A. 4C2 Hauz Khas area:** vast 13<sup>th</sup> C SEE "2b4 DEL S- Hauz Khas Complex - Wiki.pdf" 1½

**ROY 'tank:** reservoir/lake 4 Siri FT: ¼

**4C2 Firoz Shah's 14<sup>th</sup> C madrassa & TOMB:** ¼

> Lakeshore **DIRECS:** cut thru ... ¼

**Deer PK:** ¼

**Hauz Khas VIL:** surrounds ruins, artsy, ½

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• **B START DIRECS** from Madpacker: Hauz Khas MSta: YELL >> S (Huda City Centre) 3 stops >  
• Saket MSta, **THEN, walk W >**  
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THEN, N on other side of rd > ..

**1C5: Mehrauli ARCH PK:** SEE "Mehrauli ARCH park's "baoli" page below 2

**ALSO: SEE"2b4 DEL S- Mehrauli ARCH PK map & WIKI.pdf"**

THEN, NW > ...

**2C5 Qutb Minar Complex:** 1

THEN, SW > ...

**6B5 Hijron ka Khanqah:** SEE "2b4 DEL S- Hijron Ka Khanqah - Wiki.pdf" ½

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• **C START DIRECS** from Madpacker: Hauz Khas MSta: YELL >> S (Huda City Centre) 5 stops >  
• Chhattarpur Mandir MSta, **THEN, walk W >**  
• • • • •

• ~ **Chhattarpur Mandir TEMP:** LPm58, bot L(free), weekdays-best, ½

**DIRECS** across SR from Chhattarpur MetSta ; IND 2<sup>nd</sup> LRGst TEMP,

THEN, if lots of time -- **DUE E >** Kaikaji Mandir MetSTA

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• **D START DIRECS** from Madpacker: Hauz Khas MSta:, walk/bike or Metro (YELL N . Central  
• Secretariat MTsa, **THEN,** PURP line SE > Nehru Place MTsa, **THEN< walk NEE > ...**  
• • • • •

**3H2 Bahai HSE of Worship TEMP:** 1986, Iran-Canada ARCHtect; all faiths

& ....

~GH2 **ISKCON Hare Krishna TEMP:** flamboyant



## Mehrauli ARCH park's "baoli"

### GANDHAK KI BAOLI -

Mehrauli ARCH park: **hard>find**

**ENTRY:** even then, only few signs > wells.

**LOC:** Once inside, THEN, @ far end of park, just outside fence, @ edge of impoverished neighborhood; gate locked (cuz neighborhood boy recently drowned).

**ACCESS:** MUST bribe park guard 4 access.



### RAJON KI BAOLI - DEL

**LOC:** now inside park

Most impressive. steep set of stairs goes straight down three stories without any landings, > pool, overgrown w/ algae.

Striking Moslem influence @ this well, w/ two arcades on upper level flanking pool, & shallow arches lining lower two floors, that lack all sculptural decoration. (Scott: sounds more like either period or local functional focus ); domed pavilion & possibly remains of MOSQ.

these stepwells only stone's throw away from tourist packed Qutub Minar .



# RAJASTHAN:

## SHEKHJAWATI area:

NAWALGARH (Golden Town) ideal base: quick access > other region towns .

ACCM: cheap: Apani Dhani Eco Lodge, but book very early.

MANDAWA: more ACCM options.

## Nawalgarh (base?)(NWH): TRN:none) SEE "4 Havelis of boy.pdf"

2 hr enuf 4 havelis & bazaar; GUD cell coverage,

**TRANS-IN:** many private buses, Redbus.in or RSRTC's Website

TRN: TRN:)

**DIRECT TRN:** DELH > Nawalgarh SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

(W & F) DEL > Naw~: 5:30am prox > 12:20PM : 6½h

## BUS:

If assume Delhi > Nawagarh - driect:

1) DEL > Jhun~: SEE "2h Delhi > Jhunjhunu Bus SCED

2) Jhun > Nawalgarh: SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

IF assume DEL > JAI THEN, bus > Nawalgarh -----

JAI>NAW: hrly; 3½- 4h; 5am

JAI > NAW: 1/d, 5h, from Jai RR STA

**TRANS-OUT:** > Bikaner or Jalismere

## Nawalgarh > Mandawa: taxi

Nawalgarh > Jhunjhunu: Not worth it?

Fatehpur/Mandawa > ratangarh: taxi

## ACCM: LOCAL KNOW

**HOT Natraj: 1000rps**

**Grand Haveli & Resort**

**HOT Roopvillas PAL:**

**Apani Dhani Eco Lodge,**

Shekhawati

C/O M.R.C Jangid Jhunjhunu Road

Nawalga

**Rajesh Jangid Tourist Pension**

**\$1100 up**

Near Maur Hospital, Nawalgarh,

Rajasthan 333042 , Rajasthan

**Hotel Heritage Thikana \$1200**

Near Bawri Gate, Nawalgarh HO,

Nawalgarh,



## SITES STRAT:

**1<sup>st</sup> day:** ARV: Nawalgarh:OVN1, THEN,  
**2<sup>nd</sup> day :** hire/driver car 4 Nawalgarh haveli tour, THEN, same day, drive > & tour, if time, THEN, dropped off @ Mandawa HOT 4 2<sup>nd</sup> &/or 3<sup>rd</sup> OVN2, THEN,  
**3<sup>rd</sup> day:** next / day Haveli walkabout or mini-tour & OVN3, THEN,  
**4<sup>th</sup> day:** early BUS > Fatehpur & walk-about or mini-tour THEN,  
**5<sup>th</sup> day:** TAXI > Ratangarh , THEN, TRN > BKN next day ?

**Nawalgarh's 3 havelis:** SEE '4a Nawalgarh - Wiki.pdf'

All w/in walking from bus sta SEE "4a Nawalgarh havelis GMap.pdf"

Majestic fort:

### Garrison's West side:

**Aath Havelis:** OOM IMP, 8, unique frescos: each different painting style of different eras.

On one, steam engine painting; Another: lrg paintings of: elephants, camels & horses.

**Muraraka Haveli:** Usually CLOSED DIRECS: Just opposite > Aath Haveli complex.

fine paintings: Lord Krishna legends. of. haveli usually closed unless there function.

**Hem Raj Kulwal Mansion:** DIRECS: > north of Muraraka Haveli > ...

Depicts Kulwal kinfolk @ doorway, prominent leaders: Gandhiji / Nehruji portraits.

\* **Khedwal Bhawan Haveli:** DIRECS: Close > Kulwal Haveli

beautiful mirror & turquoise tile work. Frescos: of woman swinging during Teej festivities & mythological pair, Dhola Maru.

\* **Anandi Lal Podar Haveli:** IMP, only owner refurbished haveli; Also, fine paintings true Shekhawati style.

**Other prominent area havelis:** Dharni Dhakra Haveli, Bhagton ki Choti Haveli, Chhauchharia, Geevrajka Havelis & Parusrampur Haveli & Hira Lal Sarowgi Mansion.

**Nawalgarh mansions:** beautifully carved entrance gates; fine paintings -- decorated w/ mirrors & silver & gold leaves, depicting religious Lord Krishna legends., iron & brass fittings indicate owner's wealth; murals: painted on many walls.

\* **Podar Haveli & MUS:** Dr Ramnath's Anandilal Poddar

1902; totally restored, strong colored, vivid murals, miniature paintings: ROY knights soldiers, motor cars, pillars, archways & gleaming brass doors.

**MUS:** Rajput lifestyle & culture: Musical Instruments, Kitchen Utensils, Gems & Jewelry

**DIRECS:** few kilometers from Mandawa; Rambilas Podar Rd / Naya Bazar Nawalgarh 91 1594 225 446

? **Hodh Raj Patodia Hav~**

**Moraka Haveli MUS:**

Well preserved paintings cuz behind plastered walls;

**DIRECS:** Turn L outside Podar Haveli, THEN, 1<sup>st</sup> R on R

**Bhagton ki Choti Haveli:**

On external W wall -- Locomotive & steamship, elephant-bodied milkmaids (*gopis*) ,

NT: rm on W side -- Euro man w/ cane & pipe & sm dog on shoulder

**DIRECS:** Out of Moraka Haveli, turn L, GTHEN, take 1<sup>st</sup> R, THEN, L, THEN 1<sup>st</sup> R again & on L

**Sheesh Mahal (haveli ):** SEE RAJ Nawalgarh

**Bansidhar Bhagat haveli: ?**

**Choikhani haveli: ?**

**Morarka haveli: ?**



**Mandawa** (base, but touristy) **TRN: none**(**MNDV**): , 4 haveli, **SEE “4 Havelis of boy.pdf”**  
**TRANS-IN:**

**Nawalgarh > Mandawa:** **SEE Nawalgarh STRAT above**

**If 2<sup>nd</sup> ALT (?): Jaipur > Mandawa (188km)**

**BUS:** some EWeb claims, but no Web SCHEDs; RSRTC ?

**TRN:** [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in) none direct

**TRANS-OUT:**

**BUS:**

Mandawa > Fatehpur; **YES SEE “ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf”**

**TRN: none**

**ACCM:**

**Paawana Haveli:** \$16

Address: Near Raghunath Temple, Main Market, Phone: +91 99286 55588

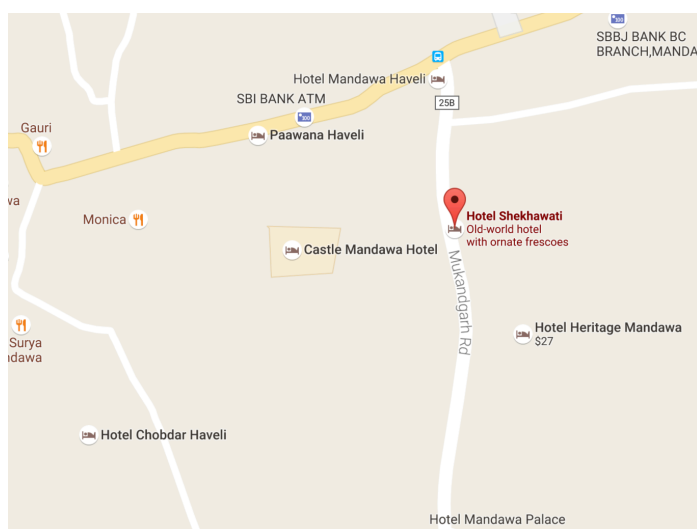
**LOC:** N end of RT258 & E-W Rt41 SEE GMap

**Hotel Shekhawati:** Agoda.com \$13\*

Near Mukundgarh Road I Ward No.7,

**SITES:** (4 havelis); **SEE “4b Mandawa havelis info.pdf”** & **“4b Jhunjunwala Haveli, Mandawa.pdf”**

**Binsidhar Newatia**



**Haveli:**

On E EXT wall: curious, boy w phone, Euro woman in chauffeured car, Wright Bros in flight murals, **DIRECS:** GMap (local) From HOT Mandawa Haveli, turn L & walk under Sonathia Gate > haveli on R

**Murmia Haveli:**

**DIRECS:** Go past Binsidhar Newatia Haveli, bear R, THEN, L on L & R

**Goenka Chattri haveli:**

**DIRECS:** Go past Binsidhar Newatia Haveli, bear R, THEN, L on L & R

**Jhunjunwala Haveli, Mandawa:** 9:00 AM > 5:00 PM.

- latticed windows, strong wooden doors, decorated w/ beautiful artistry

- rich Rajput merchant, 1859

- typical RAJ ARCH: big rooms w/ tall ceilings; windows: fine lattice work keep haveli cool & well; walls, pillars & ceilings (intricate carvings & design, colorful paintings: beautiful depictions; beautiful murals: walls & ceilings.

--- **Rm > right side of courtyard's** golden coloured leaf.

--- **Across haveli**, Lord Krishna w/ gopis **paintings**; **decoration:** vibrant color, & impressive.

**Gulab Rai Ladia Haveli:**

Murals: exceptional, theme variety & mixed basket: 1) Owner's life scenes w/ fort in background; curly-headed Greek 'portrait', 2) woman giving birth; 3) mirror images of tiger & horse; 4) bird tending her eggs; 5) couple making out in TRN compartment & another on chair.





**Fatehpur (FTP) TRN: none): (5 haveli) :** (Jaipur **DT**) **SEE "4 Havelis of boy.pdf"**

**TIC: ?**

**TRANS-IN:**

**BUS: (LOCAL ?)**

**Jhun~ > MDW > Fatehpur:** **SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"** probably back & forth

**JAI > Fate:** evy ½h, 3½h ---also NAW, JHUN

**TRN:** [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in) None direct:

**TRANS-OUT: ?Taxi from Mandawa > Ratangarh?**

**BUS:** Baori BUS STD: > Mandawa: freq, ½h

**TAXI:** FTP or MDW **taxi** > Ratangarh, THEN,

**TRN:** > Bikaner

**ACCM: Maybe base in Mandawa**

**HOT Haveli:** NH11, Fatehpur, **Phone:**+91 1571 230 293

**HOT Galaxy: 1500**

**Ashirwad HOT:**

**HOT :**

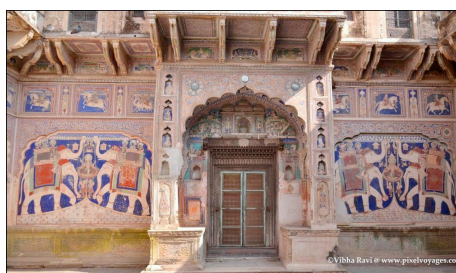
**SITES:** **SEE "4c Fate~ havelis - Wiki.pdf"** & **"4c1 Fate~ Nadine haveli, Fatehpur.pdf"**

**Haveli Nadine Le Prince:** RJ SH 41, Pulia, +91 1571 233 024

**See GMap.pdf**

Restored, OOM exquisite, detailed guided tours,

**DIRECS:** 2km N of 2 main bus stands; Turn R out of bus stands down lane off main RD

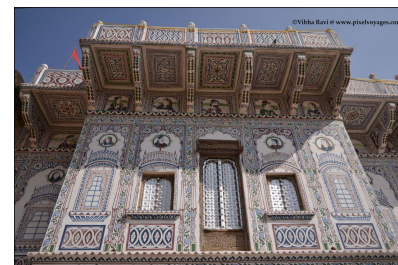


**Jagannath Singhania (family) Haveli:**

1857 > 1860, 50 feet tall; fine Radha & Krishna & BRIT men w/guns.

- **special nine-door rm** on terrace: open on all sides, **THUS**, air circulation all sides-- cool naturally.
- **Baithak** (lounge): five doors: unique -- other baithaks in region three doors.
- **Bara dari** or baradari: Persian & Moghul ARCH/bldg or rm w/ 12 doors 4 free air draught, formal & informal hot weather venue, aka 'mehfil' rm: men occupy base area; women's upstairs private area.
- **Rangeen Kamra:** aka 'colourful rm'; secret chamber renowned 4 artistic beauty: floors, walls & ceilings: hand-painted Lord Krishna life stories.
- **Bhuran:** aka 'underground safety rm': safe deposit valve closed from all sides.
- **Naal** :one side & **Nohra**;; on other, open parking space, swimming pool

**DIRECS:** West from ASE



**Bikaner:** TRN: BKN) SEE "5 BIK MAP.pdf" & "5 Bikaner LPm.pdf"

## TRANS-IN:

TRN: SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

## BUS:

### Mandawa > Bikaner:

- 1) Mandawa taxi > Ratangarh,
- 2) TRN or BUS > BKN:
  - ? **BUS:** apparently, but none listed
  - ? **TRN:** HWH JU EXP: 12307: 13:50 FTP > 08:30; 18 ⅔ h ???

## TRANS-OUT:

**Tuk Tuk > Jalsimere ?**

TRN: [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in) ???

BKN > JAS: SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

Bikaner > Pushkar (or Ajmer) : ???

Bikaner > Jodhpur: 4/d, ???h      ???/d, 5h

CHK p 199 4 more sched

## BUS:

BKN > JAS: SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf" ???

LOCAL KNOW: cuz many non-Web bus lines also late night or early morn ( work related

Bikanr > Jodhpur: ½ hrly, 5h

## ACCM:

**Booking.com alt:**

**GH Jamma Villas: 7.6, R\$6**

Next > RR STA

**Shri Ram GH: D\$4/**

1 ½ mi from RR STA

**Guest house Prakash Family: 8.2, \$6**

3+ mi from RR STA

**Karina GH R\$4+; 3+ mi > RR STA**

**Vino Paying Guest House: 8.4,**

KIT, rest, GUD food,

*Hotel Ankur: 4.8,\$6*

**Chandra Niwas Guest House: 8.1, \$6**

**Guest House Jamna Vilas:7.6, \$8**

**Shanti House: 8.3, \$9**

**SITES** (Bikaner): (camel, FT, Old City) (TOT: 1 d + ½ d camel ride)

**1½D**

**Camel Ride:**

**4h**

SEE LPp195 sidebar 4 recommendation

**Junagarh FT:** 1589-1593, GRP tour INCLD, NO Site map

**3h**

**Karan Prole** (entry + several more gates):

¼

**Karan Mahal:** (Hall of Pub Aud~):

¼

**Anup Mahal Chowk:** (carved 'jarokhas': balcony Windows; *jali* screens,

¼

**Anup Mahal rm:** (Hall of PRIV AUD~):

¼

**Badal Mahal: (Cloud PAL):** BLU cloud motifs

¼

**Gaj Mandir:** maharaja & 2 wives living suites,

¼

**THEN< > PAL roof .... 4 views**

¼

**THEN, down agaion >**

**Ganga Durbar Hall:** pink stone & relief walls

¼

**Maharaja Ganga Singh's OFF:**

¼

**Vikram Vilas Durbar Hall:** **WWI DeHaviland DH-9 biplane bomber**

½

**OLD CITY:** Medieval feel, 300 yr havelis, SEE "5a BIK silver search women.pdf"

**5**

**Kothe Gate:** triple arched main gate

¼

**Bada Bazar:** Open: 9:30am ? See "Bikaner - Bada Bazar GMap.pdf"

**1**

**Bhandasar TEMP** (Jain): oldest & most IMP

¾

**DIRECS:** just inside S wall: great views

**THEN, next door ...**

**Laxmi Nath TEMP** (Jain):

¼

**Deshnok: Karni Mata** (Hindu) **Temp:** SEE "BIK Deshnoke 'Rat' TEMP Wiki.pdf"

(aka Temp of Rats); DED > Kani Mata

**DIRECS:** @Deshnok 30km S of BIK SEE "RAJ Rats TEMP, Deshnok, BIK GMap.pdf"

Approx 20,000 black rats live & revered in temp; 'holy rats' aka *kabbas*, many pilgrims & tourists; "White rats": few of 1000s -- especially holy cuz Karni Mata herself & her four sons manifestations; special blessing if sighted often aggressively lured w/offerings of *prasad* -- sweet holy food.

**Spice Stalls:** random on lanes

½

**GEN,** while wandering these STs:

1) Lrg wood dbl-bed size tables dot streets: orig: bhang-smok now playing cards ¼

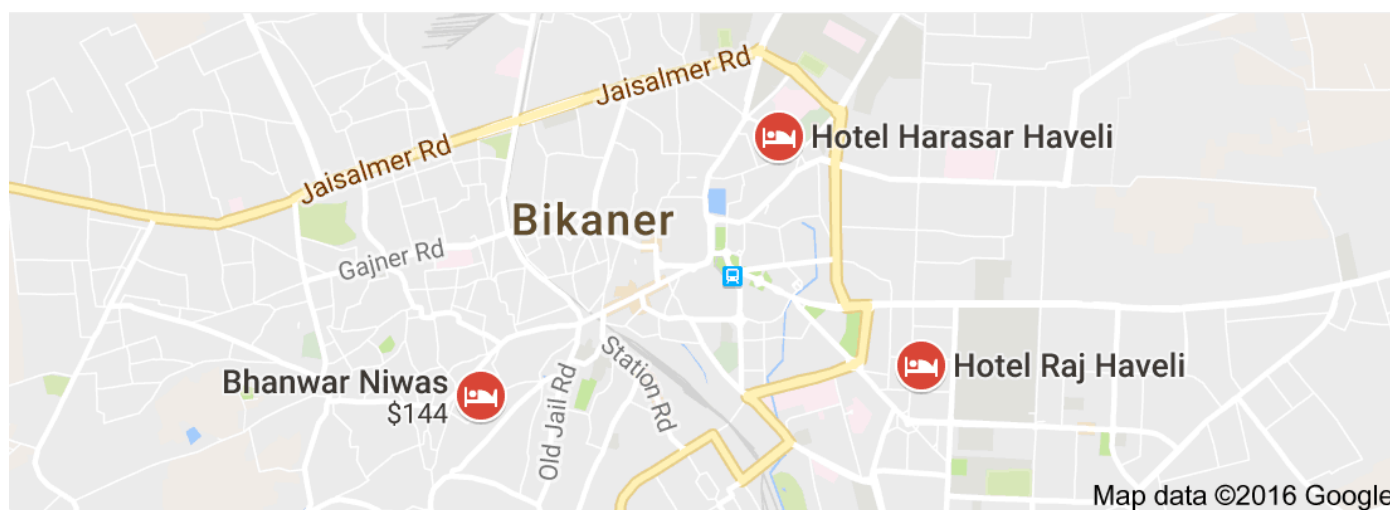
2) Early morn women panning 4 silver in sewers ¼

**3A4 Rampuria haveli:**

**1**

**2A4 Poonam Chanti Kothari haveli:** hard>find, carvings & frescoes

¾





**Jaisalmer:** TRN: JSM)

## TRANS-IN:

TRN: [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in) ???

BKN > JSM: (3) 072, 1830(Tu only) , 2315; 5>6½h

BKN > JAS: SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf

Bikaner > Pushkar (or Ajmer) : ???

Bikaner > Jodhpur: 4/d, ???h      ???/d, 5h

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## BUS:

BKN > JAS: SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf ???

LOCAL KNOW: cuz many non-Web bus lines also late night or early morn ( work related

Bikaner > Pushkar: ½ hrly, 6h

Bikaner > Jodhpur: ½ hrly, 5h

Bikaner > Jaipur: ½ hrly, 7h

**Tuk Tuk > Jalsimere ?**

## TRANS-OUT:

### BUS:

JSM > BKN: SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf

TRN: [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in) SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf

JSM > JU: (4) 3,5p; 1245,645a ; 5½h-6¾h

## ACCM:

\* **Mystic Dervish** HOS: 9.0; 10D\$8, FAC: w/d, **curX**,rest, CC OK

HOT Mirage: 10; \$8: FAC: Rest, NO CC/DC

BP Panda Oasis: 10; \$27r CC ok, KIT?,

Gaji HOT: \$18 ; FAC: normal

HOT Sandcastle: 9.7, \$5 FAC: cur exch, NO CC, rest

\* **Arya Haveli**: 9.4; \$7 FAC: w/d, bike, cur exch, rest, CC ok

Golden Marigold: 9.4; \$12 FAC: w/d, rest, CC no

HOT Renuka: 9.1; \$8, FAC: w/d, curX, rest, LOC: outside curve

Nomads GH: 9.1; \$3 FAC: w/d, rest,CC no; no hot water,

**Camel Safari:** Real tout's mess, ride camel in BKN, if possible

**START:****2C3 FT PAL:**

1

Partially overhangs the 4<sup>th</sup> gate; 7 stories hi,  
18<sup>th</sup> C Rang Mahal bdrm; 15<sup>th</sup> C SCULPs from TEMP bldr's; 360 deg views; stamp collection

**3B4 Jain TEMPs:** 15-16<sup>th</sup> C (medieval), 7 YEL sandstone Jain TEMPs

2½

**Restrictive Visit times non-Jains ???**

**Chandraprabhu TEMP:** 1509, 1<sup>st</sup> one, **TIK kyosk**; intensely carved pillars; ½

**THEN, > R of ...**

**Rikhabdev TEMP:** tranquil, SCULP around walls, ½

**THEN, behind Chandraprabhu > ...**

**Parasnath TEMP:** ENTRY: >> torana (DEF below) ½

*toran* or *torana*: type of gateway in IND's Hindu, Buddhist & Jain ARCH.)

**Shitalnath TEMP:** DIRECS: door > S; image of 8 precious metals,

**THEN, thru N wall door ...**

**Sambhavnath TEMP:** dim chamber,

FRT CrYrd: priests grind sandalwood 4 ritual,

**THEN, steps ead down > ....**

**Gyan Bhandar:** 1500, ½

tiny underground library of priceless illustrated manuscripts;

**THEN, remain 2 TEMPS ....**

**Shantinath:** 1536, zensual carvings,

**Kunthunath:** 1536,

→

¼

½

**4B3 Jaisalmer FT:** 11566, ENTRY: E side, **living FT**

1

4 gates: massive on RT > Top level ...

Dashera Chowk & winding Old City STs,

**5B3 Laxminarayan TEMP:** Hindu, LOC: Ft's CNTR,

½

**Havelis -GEN: ----- in & out Ft,****6B2 Nathmal-ki-haveli:** late 19<sup>th</sup> C, INT:

1

extraord, carvings & PTgs w/ real gold, 'Brit postcard doorway; L&R wings = BROs competition,'

**7C2 \* Patwa-ki-haveli:** 1800-60, intricate stonework, 5 sectioons,

¾

Brocade & JEW merchants, EXT- most IMPRES; Only 1 SEC open : MUS

**8B2 Thar Heritage MUS:** Priv, if closed, seek owner @:---

¾

Desert Handicrafts Emporium, on nearby Court St

**Ganga Sagar:**

rainwater lake: JAS King Ghadsi BILT: 1350; surrounded by temples & ST's tombs; . Boat rides are offered. Nearby is the desert cultural centre and a.

**? 1E4 Desert CUL (local) MUS: TIC also,** local schoolteacher, Mr.

N.K. Sharma, BUT, does NOT seem interesting **Worth it! ?**



**Jodhpur TRN: JU): SEE “6 JOD city LPm.pdf”** (\_\_\_T, 1½D, \_\_\_N)

**1½D**

(LPp174, LPm176)(aka Blu City) (fort, old city,

Sidebar: LPp180: Jodhpurs' riding breeches

**TRANS-IN:**

**BUS: ???**

**TRN: Yes**

**SEE “ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf”**

**TRANS-OUT: SEE “ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf”**

**see LPp181 4 recom'd agencies**

**BUS:** also private buses: in front of Jodhpur TRN STA lower

JOD~ > UDAI~: freq, 7h

JOD~ > Pushkar (Ajmer): 7:15am, 9:15am, 10am, 5h

**TRN:** [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in)

JOD~ > Pushkar (Ajmer): 1 @ 7am/d

JOD~ > UDAI~: none **LP Confirmed**

**TUK TUK: Mr. Habib Gouri (+91-966-7411290) ([habibgouri46@gmail.com](mailto:habibgouri46@gmail.com))**

**ACCM:** Old City (Navchokya: See BLU Back alleys of ... .pdf”: 250 w/o; 400-800 w/ -- more authentic)

**1) Baba Haveli Guesthouse: 9, \$4**

Free PU (?), KIT, LUG STOR, Rest, Cafe, hard > find, GUD LOC,

**Jodhpur Heritage Haveli:8.3, \$3.50**

REST: GUD food,GUD wifi, ( Food : not GUD; don't book camel >> them);

Tuk Tuk > Jalsimere

**NO Baba Kesar Heritage Guest 2) House:9, \$9**

LOC: not gud , KIT, bike, rest : low\$, cafe,BAD: 5 level beds

= nice guy,

**SITES** (Jodhpur): **SEE'6 JOD TIC GMap.pdf"** (TOT: 6 ¼ h + ½ D VIL Tour) **1½D**

### Baori

**Toor Ji Ki Baori:** aka locally: "Jahlara" in Blue City environs, [Toor Ji Ki Baori](#)

[SEE "CUL-Stepwells info & PIKs.pdf"](#) & [1 CUL Stepwell SYN.pdf"](#)

**DESIGN:** upside-down ziggurat dug into earth - instead of reaching up > heavens;

**Sets of seven steps** go down - 1 set > R & 1 > L, descending > next platform, fTHEN, step down > new landing, etc- & next set of stairs starts > go down on each side;

**pattern** repeated horizontally & vertically on 3 walls of structure, so 3 continuous, hypnotic rhythm formed by 3 lrg stone blocks seen in profile, almost Escher-like illusion: descending or ascending ???.

**Birkha Bawari baori:** [Birkha Bawari](#)

**Bhoot Baori:** [Bhoot Baori](#)

makes people chuckle uncomfortably, as apparently means "ghost" stepwell.

### MAHILA BAG JHALRA"

Almost exact Jhalara copy, but much smaller, like toy model.

**sets of three steps:** instead of 7, not counting landings above & below.

**Little domed PAVs:** @ four corners; their slim pillars punctuating rhythm of Escher-like steps, echoed by equidistant pigeons on wires --- something more playful, lighter here, but discourages going down



### TAPI KI BAORI:

**DIRECS:** : > other end of town; locked gate, so key in shop next door.

Blogger's young guide:

knows this old, abandoned well's LOC cuz swam in baori as child especially when pools were full, during hot monsoon months.

**Old Town's BLU back-alleys** (Navchokiya): 1 5¼

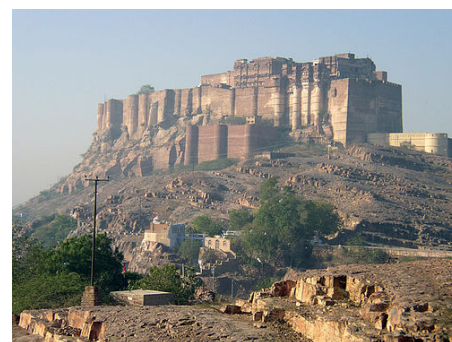
2B1 **Mehrangarh FT:** 1808, OO Ind's M mag, carved from bedrock

**NO WEB Site map;** **Open: 9-5** **SEE "6 JOD Mehrangarh Fort - Wiki.pdf"**

**Gates:** **SEE "RAJ JOD Mehrangarh Ft's 7 Gates.pdf"**

**Walls**, which up > 36 metres (118 ft) high & 21 metres (69 ft) wide; Ded > **Kamagra Pol**, which still bears scars of bombardment by cannonballs

**Jan Pol:** (main entry): **palm imprints** \* upon doors ¼  
still attract much attention.





**HIST NOTE:** Jodha's extreme 'propitious site' measure: bury "Raja Ram Meghwal" (man) alive in foundations, in return Jodha's Rathores family would look after man's family whose descendants still live in Raj Bagh, apparently @ "Raja Ram Meghwal's" Garden: estate bequeathed > them by Jodha.

**DIRECS:** steep climb up from Hill View GH in Old City

**Dodh Kangra Pol:** was EXT gate, cannonball scars

1/4

**THEN, up > L > ....**

**NOTE:** down > R > Chokhelao Bagh gardens & FT's back entry: Fateh Pol

**.... Imritia POL:**

1/4

**THEN, >>**

**Loha POL** (Ft's ORIG entry w/ **anti-elephant spikes**,

1/4

NOW, final gate into main part of fort complex.

**Just inside Immediately > L:** 2 sets of handprints (*sati* marks): of 1843 ROY widows (*ranis*) *sati* \* self immolation on funeral pyre of their husband, Maharaja Man Singh

**THEN, past > REST & Suraj POL & MUS access.**

**Museum:** former FT's PAL, Rajput ARCH

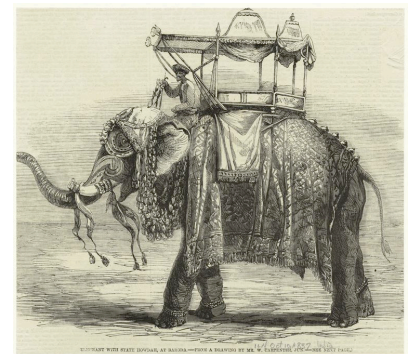
- **Turban Gallery** : many different of RAJ HIST turban types 4 evry town, region & festival having had its own head-gear.

- **Shrtingar Chowk:** (Appt CrtYd):

1/4

elephant howdahs: seat, usually fitted w/ canopy & railing, placed on back of elephant or camel. & ROY palanquins;

**Off map Daulat Khana Chowk MUS:** misc & armory; 1/4  
rare armour collection of evry period: jade sword hilts in, silver, rhino horn, ivory, rubies, emeralds & pearls studded shields; guns: w/ gold & silver work on barrels; personal emperors swords: "Khaanda: (over 3kg) of Rao Jodha, Akbar's sword, Timur sword .



**THEN, upstairs >**

**Minature paintings**

1/4

**Phul Mahal** (Flower PAL): '36 moods of classical ragas

1/4

**Takhat Vilas:** Maharaja bedchamber, Xmas baubles,

1/4

**THEN, >**

**'zenna'** (ladies viewpoint): 250 designs in latticework,

1/4

**Cradle GAL:** infant prince cradles

1/4

**17<sup>th</sup> C Moti Mahal (Peral PAL):** off mtgs, GRT stained glass

1/4

**THEN, > Ramparts 4 VIEWS**

**Jaswant Thada C1 off map:** (Singh II cenotaphs), 1899: whimsical domes, grt views,

3/4

**DIRECS:** Walk from Mehrangarh FT

1C2 **Clock TOW:** touts,

3/4

C2 **Sardar MKT** nearby w/ triple entry gateways,

3/4

Surrounded by Old City's narrow STs; go W > commercial area

**Umaid Bhawan PAL** (now HOT): EXT ONLY; 365 rms, ROY still occupies part,

1

**DIRECS:** SEE LPp176 DIRECS. SEE "6 JOD Umaid Bhawan PAL/HOT Wiki.pdf"

b: **TIC** 4 map, cross nearby RR footbridge & walk straight ahead, THEN, turn L @roundabout

**DT: S TRAD VILLs:** (LPp183), Bishnoi Village Safaris: 4h, RECM'd: Durag Niwas GH 1/2D

Khejadali 363 sacrificed 4 tress villagers

**Udaipur TRN: Udz): SEE "7 UDAI LPm.pdf"** (\_\_\_T, 1½D, \_\_\_N)

(LPp157, LPm158) **Fabulous**

**TRANS-IN:** LPp167 SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

see LPp181 4 recom'd agencies

**BUS:** also private buses: in front of Jodhpur TRN STA lower  
JOD~> UDAI~: freq, 7h

**TRN:** [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in)

JOD~> UDAI~: none **LP Confirmed**

**DT TRANS:** Outside Udaipur-- just hire car & driver 4 day.

**TRANS-OUT:**

**TRN:** [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in) SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

**BUS:** SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

**ACCM:**

**1) Bunkyard Hostel: 8xD** ear charcoal restaurant, Jagdish Temp

**LOC:** :GUD, near City PAL, FAC: w/d, ➡



←2) BP Panda Lake Lake

Pichola Udaipur: 9.1;

4,6,8xD

17, Chhoti bhatwadi O/S

Chandpole

**LOC:** Best of 2 BP Panda  
cuz closer > City PAL, etc  
Bike, cafe, w/d, **everything**

**3) Journey Hostel: 9.6,**

**8xD\$6 sound gud**

**LOC:** grt; **FAC:** new, **FREE**

**PU (notify);KIT?, REV:** cln,



**Backpacker Panda Lake Fateh Sagar:** NR, 3 8xD,

**LOC:** BAD:1h > Town, unless Uber/tuk tuk ; #6, Lala Bapu Ki Wadi 2, Near Fateh Sagar Lake,

**Centre / most major attractions:** close > Fatehsagar lake (2mins walk), RR (6.5km), City

Place: 4km away, Neemach Temp: 3 min walk.+91-91723 13996 , **everything**

**FAC:** KIT; bikes; **REV:** **GUD:** very cln, wifi, brk, **NSGUD:** no hot water, dirty shower, hard>find,

**Moustache Udaipur: NR (1 4 100%) , 4/6/8xD \$4,**

**REV** only 1: 100% (shill?), **FAC:** KIT?, W/D, rest, **LOC:** From RR STA:

Money :- Rs.200 by Taxi & Rs.80-100 by Tuk Tuk

**4) Zostel Udaipur HOS: NR, 4/6/8xD \$6 +/-**

**LOC:** 6km ? **FAC:** bikes, **everything**

**Mewar Inn HOS [Mewar Inn](http://Mewar Inn): .73%; KIT?, bikes,**

**Anjani HOT: 92; \$14 =/-**

Possible DT: SEE "RAJ Udaipur possible DT.pdf"

**SITES** (Udaipur): TOT 9 ¼ + Boat ride + **if times (NO) = 12h**

Lake Pichota Bike Ride : 4

A3-4 Jagniwās ISLE: 1754, **Can visit > LOOK ONLY; Maybe telephoto only?** ?

Former PAL, NOW HOT,

Jagmandir ISLE: A4 off map 1620, sum PAL, PUB REST access/map: N/Av 1

**DIRECS**: 800 m S of Jagniwās ISLE,

**Boat Rides**: on: Entry @ City PAL complex (fee) or Lal Ghat (no fee) ?

**ENTRY**: Lrg stone elephant flanked entry, ¼

**Gol Mahal**: 17<sup>th</sup> C TOW: GARD & lovely lake views ¼

3B3 City PAL: SEE "7c Udai City PAL stages.pdf" 1

Rajasthan's LRGst PAL w/ map: N/Av

Entry @

~ Badi Pol: (Great Gate): N end ¼

8 arches: (on L); 8 times maharaja's weight's gold determined & distributed > locals

Entry also @ Sheeta Mata Gate: S end ~

THEN, >> ..

~ Tripoli Gate w/ 3 arches, 1711 ¼

THEN, >> ...

~ Manek Chowk: w/ tiger catching cage, & sm leopard catching cage ½

4B3 City PAL MUS: extravagant decoration, map: N/Av 2¾

Entry >> Ganesh Chowk: ¼

**DIRECS**: reached from Manek Chowk ¼

Rai Angan (ROY CrtYd): Haldighati Battle(1576): draw w/ Akbar ¼

Baadi Mahal: GARD w/ views ¼

Kishan (Krishna) Vilas: miniatures, late 1700s, ½

Surya Choupad: lrg ornamental sun ¼

THEN, in> ...

Mor Chopwk: (Peacock CrtYd): mosaics, ¼

THEN, > S end of MUS ----

Zenna Mahal: 17<sup>th</sup> C, ¼

Laxmi Chowk (CrtYd): BeauWHT PAV & howdahs, palanquins etc ½

2B3 Chandra Chowk: MUST pass thru w/ fee > reach Crystal GAL ¼

5B3 Crystal GAL: stored 4 110 yrs, extravagant, INCLD: all kinds of furniture. 1

6B4 Durbar Hall: OO Ind's M lavish reception halls,

ND LRGst chandelier ½

7B3 Gov't MUS: jewel-like mins, Taj Mahal creator turban, quirky; **ONLY if time** ?

8B2 Jagdish TEMP: 1651, Hindu ¾

**DIRECS**: 150 m N of City PAL's Badi Pol entry; up steep elephant bordered stairs

1B2 Bagore-ki-Haveli: 18<sup>th</sup> C, carefully restored, 138 rms/3 levels, 1

? Off map Sijan Garh (Monsoon PAL):

neglected 19<sup>th</sup> C PAL, ORIG" observatory: Maharaja Sajjan Singh wanted nine storey observatory > view progress of monsoon clouds over surrounding regions, BUT alas, died @ 26.

INT: very old painting of artist's plan of proposed observatory 2

**DIRECS**: 9km W of Old City,

Sunset Daily Excursion: RECM,d: SEE LPp161

D4 off map Vintage Car Collection: SEE LPp161 **ONLY if time**



**Chittorgarh TRN: COR)** (LPp/m 154) (en rte Udaipur > Bundi) (\_\_T, 1D, \_\_N)

**NOTE:** May have to skip Chittorgarh & BUndiif TRANs too difficult

**TRANS-IN:**

**TRANS-OUT:**

**TRN:** [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in) SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

Udaiputr > Chit~: DP Udai~: 5:20 pm; ARV Chit~: 7:10pm

**BUS:** SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

Udaiputr > Chit~: ½ hrly, 2 ½ h

**TRANS-OUT:**

**TRN:** [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in) SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

Chit~ > Bundi: 3/d (2, 2:55, 8:50 pm), 3½, 2½, 2h respectively

**BUS:**

Chit~ > Bundi: appear 2B NONE

**ACCM:** Local Know or Udaiphur

Hotel President: 4.5, \$10 SEE "Chittorgarh BUD HOT.pdf"

RNB Chittorgarh

Hotel Pratap Palace

Hotel Kirti Plaza: \$13

**SITES** (Chittorgarh): **SEE "7e Chittorgarh LPm.pdf"****8¼H**3D1 **Chittorgarh FT:** **SEE "7e CHITT Chittorgarh FT- Wiki.pdf"****IND's LRGst**, 1km zig zag ascent > plateau,**Warning:** ticket NOT necessary > enter fort proper or enjoy views,  
-----ONLY REQ'd > enter Victory Tower & Museum.**~~ Walls:****¼**~C2 **Padal POL:** **DIRECS:** 1 km zig zag ascent; OPEN: N/Av  
>> 6 outer gateways >2C2 **Chhatris:** **On R walking up** ¼**Chhatris** "canopy" or "umbrella.": elevated, dome-shaped pavilions.~C1 **Ram Pol** (W side's main gate, but former back entry):**½****DIRECS:** TIK off on R; Occupied VIL: FT's NW area

Loop RD around plateau

14D2 **Sringar Chowri TEMP** (Jain): 1448, elephant/musicians carvings,  
THEN, past here > ...**½**11C2 **Rana Kumbha PAL:** **DIRECS:** Past TIK OFF >**½**

Ruined PAL group: w/elephant &amp; horse stables &amp; Shiva TEMP

THEN, across from PAL &gt;

~D2 **Badi Pol gate:** > rest of FT**¼**4D2 **Fateh Prakash PAL:** HOT now**½**8C2 **Meera TEMP:****¼**6D2 **Kumbra Shyam TEMPs:** Indo-Aryan style; 15<sup>th</sup> C Mewar-life carvings**½**7C2 **Mahasati area:** *sati* stones, 1535: 13,000 women committed *jauhar***½****DIRECS:** below16D2 **TOW of Victory:** 1440, 9 exquis~ carved levels,**¾****CLIMB:** 157 stairs > 8<sup>th</sup> FLR; INT carvings also13D2 **Sammidheshwar TEMP:** 6<sup>th</sup> C, 1427 restoration**¼**CD2-3 **Gaumukh Reservoir:****¼**

Deep tank w/ fish; named 4 spring's Cow's mouth carving in cliffside

**DIRECS:** down beyond Sammidheshwar TEMP > cliff's edge >see ---**DIRECS:** Cont S >5C3 **Kalika Mata TEMP:** 8<sup>th</sup> C,**½**

THEN, across st &amp; S 250m &gt;

10D3 **Padmini's PAL:****¼****DIRECS:** near sm lake w/ central PAV,

THEN, N on E side &gt;

1D2 **Adhbudhnath Shiva TEMP:****½**~D2 **Surajpol:** old main gate**¼****Further N > ....**9D2 **Neelkanth Mahadev Jain TEMP****½****SEE "7e CHITT Neelkanth Mahadev TEMP - Wiki.pdf"****Further N > ....**15D2 **TOW of Fame:** 1301**¼**

Former main gate, grt views,

**DIRECS:** FT's E side**Nearby ... sm Jain TEMP****¼****THEN, NW > past TIK off & Ram Pol Gate entry >**12C1 **Ratan Singh PAL:****½**While Padmini's Palace was summer abode of Chittor royals, this winter named 4 her husband,  
Rattan Singh; overlooks small lake ; interesting > explore**DONE** ----

**Bundi TRN: BUDI): (LPp149, LPm150)** (Jaiphur **DT**) (\_\_\_T, 1D, \_\_\_N)

### TRANS-IN:

TRN: [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in) SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

Chit~ > Bundi: 3/d (2, 2:55, 8:50 pm), 3½, 2½, 2h respectively

### BUS:

Chit~ > Bundi: appear 2B NONE

### TRANS-OUT:

TRN: [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in) SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

SEE "7f Bundi TRN STA GMap.pdf"

### BUS: want TRN

### ACCM:

dm: R: s: r:

Shivam Tourist GH:8.3; \$8 booking.com SEE "7f BUNDI Shivam Tourist GH GMap.pdf"

Haveli Prince: NR; \$12 SEE "7f Bundi Haveli Prince GMap.pdf"

Haveli Uma Megh Tourist GH:8.4,; \$6

Raj Mahal Guest House: \$8

### SITES:

4¾h

**ARCH motobike Tour: possible** SEE LPp151

1B2 **Bundi PAL**: Kipling's 'goblin' comment,

1½

Gold & turquoise murals,

Entry @ **Hathi POI** (Elephant Gate):

¼

THEN, climb stairs >

**Ratan Daulat or Diwan-e-Aam** (Hall of Pub Aud~) w/wht coronation throne

¼

THEN, pass into ..

**Chhatra Mahal**: 1644, weathered murals

¼

THEN, more stairs >

**Phool Mahal**: 1607, more murals

¼

& THEN, >

**Badal Mahal (Cloud PAL)**: 1607, Bundi's best murals: + CHI inspired ceiling, ½

**Chitrasala PAL**: 18<sup>th</sup> C,

½

RM of paintings: Krishna in tree w/ milk maids cloths HUH?

¼

**Sheesh Mahal**: back rm > RT; inlaid glass, 18<sup>th</sup> C painting Bundi

¼

THEN, Exit thru Bundi's PAL Elephant Gate (Hathi POL),

THEN, walk around corner uphill

5B1 **Taragarh FT**: 14<sup>th</sup> C, **Trekking poles against weeds & monkeys**

¾

**DIRECS**: cont on path behind Chitrasala PAL up > hilltop above

4C1 **Sukh Mahal PAL**: on lake

1

Kipling stayed while writing 'Kim', **DIRECS**: 2km N of CNTR:

### Other step wells in Bundi

**Baoria (stepwell)**: 60 in area, some in TWN CNTR

1

3C4 --1) \* **Raniji-ki-Baori** (Queen's stepwell): sinuous carvings

½

2C3 --2) **Nagar Sagar Kund**: pair of matching baoria

½

**Bhimiat Waterfall**: flowing in winter: WEB N/Av; **DIRECS**: 35 km

3h

**Pushkar:** TRN: Ajmer JCT: All) SEE "6e Pushkar LPm.pdf" (\_\_\_T, 1D, \_\_\_N)  
(LPp141,m LPm142)

**1D**

**TRANS-IN > Ajmer:** for either Chitt/Bundi or Udaipur

1) **Bundi > Ajmer (9a-c):** SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"  
SEE "6d Ajmer LPm.pdf"

2) **Udaipur > Ajmer(10):** SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

3) **Amjer > Pushkar > Ajmer BUS INSTRUCTIONS:**

**TRANS-OUT: > JAI**

**BUS:** SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

**TRN:** [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in) SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

### **ACCM:**

**Pappi Chulo Pushkar:** 10; 7,9,10D\$7

Vamdev Road, Behind Gurudwara

**LOC:** GUD, KIT?, mini mkt,

**Zostel Pushkar HOS:** 8.6; 4,8xD\$8

**LOC:** NE 1 main RD from Pappi  
(above)

**Atithi GH:** 8.5;

Near Sin.Boy.High.School

;closet bus stand Marwar Bus Stand  
in Pushkar (approx. 5minute by  
walk or you can rent auto tuk tuk  
cost 30 ruppy).

**FAC:**

Also close Ajmer Bus stand in Pushkar (approx 15minute or take taxi tuk tuk 50 ruppy).

**Chacha's Garden:** 7.6,



**MISC:** Khjand Gramodhyog men's kurta-pyjamas (upper)

**SITES** (Pushkar): **TEMPs:** 100s, **GHATS:** 52, **no shoes or no PIKs**  
 ~C2 **Ghats** (on map @ lake side)

**4 ½ H**  
 $\frac{1}{4}$

5C2 **Varah Ghat:** (Vishnu appeared)

$\frac{1}{2}$

3B2 **Ghandi Ghat:** (Ghandi's ashes)

$\frac{1}{4}$

1A3 **Brahma Ghat:** (Brahma bathed here)

$\frac{1}{2}$

A3 off map **Saraswati TEMP:**

$\frac{3}{4}$

**DIRECS:** 1h up hill trek, overlooks lake w/ FAN views,

2A3 **Brahama TEMP:**

$\frac{3}{4}$

M FAM, over door *hans* goose symbol of Brahma

B1 off map **Pap Mochani (Gayatri) TEMP:**

$\frac{3}{4}$

GRT sunrise views,  $\frac{1}{2}$  hr walk up,

**DIRECS:** walk up >> sm Kafi TEMP behind Main BUS STD

4B1 **Kafi TEMP:**

$\frac{3}{4}$

6C3 **Gov't Homeopathic Hospital:** non-commercial massage

1

**Camel Rides:** **SEE LPp143**

$\frac{1}{2}$ D

**Jaiphur (TRN:JP):** LPm110, (1T, 2D, ?N)

**2d**

**TRANS-IN:** from Pushkar

**BUS:** DEL > Jaiphur: SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

**TRN:** DEL > JAI --- SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

**TRANS-OUT:** Jaipur > Agra or Agra (Cantt) ..

**TRN:** [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in) SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

**BUS:** maybe, but rather do gud TRN

## **ACCM:**

**1) Zostel Jaipur Hostel:** 9.3, 4,6,8xD SEE "3b JAI Zostel GMap.pdf"

Kit, LOC: GUD,

**2) Mai Thik Hoo Hostel:** 9.4, 6/8D SEE "3b JAI Mai Thik Hoo GMap.pdf"

Free PU (24h notice),KIT, LOC: ??,

**3) Moustache Jaipur:** 9. 2 , 6,6xD SEE "3b JAI Moustache GMap.pdf"

Iffy, but OK

**Roadhouse Hostels Jaipur 8.7:**

**BACKPACKER PANDA JAIPURdm:8.3 / 8/10xD:**

# SITES (Jaipur):: SEE "3 JAI LPm \*.pdf" & "3 JAI MAP.pdf"

OPT: Jaipur> Shekhawati havelis tours

Old City & Walk (Pink City): Free walking tour SEE "3 JAI walk tur LPm \*" 9h

- (1) New Gate: 1/4  
-- turn R >
- (2) Bapu Bazaar: (shoes) 1/4  
>>
- (3) Sanganeri Gate: 1/4  
-- turn L >
- (4) Johari Bazaar: (jewelry, glazed 'meenakari 1/4  
-- cont N past
- (5) Jama Masjid: duck into archway btwn #145 & 146 4 sequined shawls & saris 1/4  
--@ end turn R >
- (6) Sari stalls 1/2  
-- return & turn L >
- (7) Badi Chaupar (aka Manak Chowk)(LRG SQ): Metro STA nearby; artsn, crafts, 1/4  
-- also look @
- (8/12) Hawa Mahal: "PAL of Winds": 1799: ladies viewpoint 1/2  
W along --
- (9) Tripoli Bazaar: CNTR bazaar btwn Badi Chaupar & Chhoti Chaupar 1/4  
>, BUT can only look here
- (10) Tripoli Gate: 1/4
- (11) Jantar Mantar: 1728 observatory w/ bizzare sculptures; built 5: DEL, 1/4  
Varanasi, Ujjain  
> enter City Pal, cont > Atishhpol (Stable Gate)
- (12) City PAL:
  - Maharaja Sawai Mansingh II MUS: ROY costumes, SEE LP p109 note 3/4
  - Mubarak Mahal (Welcome PAL): 1/4
  - Diwan-i-Khas (Sarvatobhadra): art gal, wrld's lrgst silver objk; 1/2  
Raj took holy h20 > ENG
  - Diwan-i Am: lavish, art gal, tiny texts were protect against Mughals 1/2
  - Armoury: OOB IND weapons collections 1/2
  - Pitam Niwas Chowk & Chandra Mahal: 4 grt 'season' gates; 1/2  
Aut's Peacock gate
  - Jantar Mantar: 1728 observatory w/ bizzare sculptures; 3/4  
built 5: DEL, Varanasi, Ujjain (Same above)
  - return >
- (13 , 4) Iswari Minar Swarga Sal: CLIMB 35m TOW 4 city views / entry @ back 3/4
- ccross RD here (?) > duck down alley btwn #349-350 4 colorful bangles
- (14) Maniharon ka Rasta: 1/4  
-- cont S 4: past touristy shops > green painted , run-down ... opposite #1129
- (15) haveli: (green painted , run-down ... opposite #1129) 1/2  
havelis were status symbols 4 Marwaris as well as homes--



SEE "4 Havelis of boy.pdf"

**Haveli Characteristics:** Jaipur Shekhawati havelis tours.

**Townhouse Haveli w/ Jharokha windows.**

**Socio-Cultural Aspects:** chowk (courtyard) CNTR 4 ceremonies / rituals; sacred [tulasi](#) plant here 4 daily worship 4 house's prosperity.

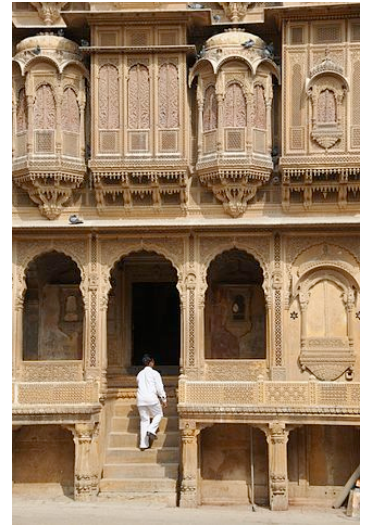
**Security & Privacy:** chowk:: @ times, men / women areas 4 privacy.

**Climate:** open space design relative > local climate. Air movement by temperature differences 4 natural ventilation of building.

**Different Activities @ Different Times:** chowk: daytime use by women's work & private female social interaction. Merchant mansions: 2 or more CrtYrd.

**Articulation Of Space:** also, City Palace chowk: as dancing hall. In havelis: chowk's several roles: commonly, weddings / celebrations.

**Materials :** common: baked bricks, sandstone, marble, wood, plaster & granite. local culture influenced Decorative aspects.



**narrow tunnel > Kishanpol Bazaar &**

**then, turn R t >>**

**THEN, turn L past ...**

**(16) kite shops: Done, unless just outside Old City Walls**

**(17) Indian Coffee HSE**

1/2

**Samode haveli**

**NEW CITY:**

**City MUS: 1**

**Ram Niwas PUB GARD:** enclosing City MUS: 1/2

**SRC MUS of Indology 3/4**

**Central PK:** W of SRC MUS of Indology 3/4

**CITY EDGE:**

**Nahargarh FT:** N 2km 2 1/2

**DIRECS:** walk > end of Nahargarh FT Rd., THEN, steep climb

**Royal Gaitor:** (cenotaphs)

**DIRECS:** under Nahargarh FT

3



4

1 1/2

**Chand Baori:**

AD 800 & AD 900)

**LOC:** 95 km from Jaipur, on Jaipur-Agra road; opposite Harshat Mata Temp > Abhaneri VIL I (in ruins):.

**SITE:** over 13 stories w/3,500

narrow steps; approximately 30 m (100 ft) deep, THUS, OO IND's deepest & largest stepwells.

**PURPOSE:** design & final structure's intent > conserve MAX water. Air @ bottom 5-6 degrees cooler than surface; community gathering place during of intense heat periods. One side: ROY PAV & resting rm



**Amber:** (Jaipur **DT**) "Amber FT"

**6½h**

**TRANS->:**

**BUS:** freq **JAI** ??? /¼h (from near Hawa Mahal) > Amber **SEE LPm 110 (68F2)**

--- different buses leaving from SQ (round about ?) near Palace of Wind (½h +/-)

.**SEE "JAI PAL of Winds (Amber bus) GMap.pdf"**

# buses, **DP: 10:23a, ARV: 11:30 +/- ???**; Amber pub bus: **DP: Ajmeri Gate & MI Rd ???**

**TRANS-RET:** [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in)

**BUS:** apparently NO ; **AutoRik:** 200

**ACCM:** N/A

**SITES:** Free walking tour:

**Amber FT: 5h** , audio guide useful

Amber PAL ???

**DIRECS:** walk or elephant ride > Suraj Pol (Sun Gate) site

**Jaleb Chowk** (Main CrtYd)

¼

THEN, steps > R > ...

**Siladevi TEMP**

½

THEN back > main steps up > ...

**Diwan-i-Am** (hall of PUB Audience):

½

THEN, > 3<sup>rd</sup> CrtYd >>

**Ganesh Pol:**

¼

**Maharaja's APTs** around CrtYd

**Jai Mandir (Hall of Victory):** inlaid & carved marble panels & colorful ceilings,

¼

THEN, opposite Jai Mandir ...

**Sukh Niwas (Hall of Pleasure):** ivory inlaid sandalwood dr , ½  
'cooling' water trough

**Maota Lake views** from PAL top

¼

**THEN, > 4<sup>th</sup> CrtYd > ...**

'zenna' (women's QRTs): designed so maharaja cud choose w/o others knowing ¼

**Jaigarh FT:** (Combi TIK w/ Jai's City PAL if w/in 2 days)

2½

Whimsically hatted TOWs, water reservoirs, lrgst wheeled cannon, puppet theater,

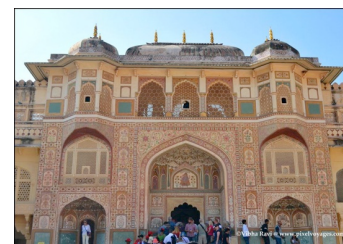
**DIRECS:** 1km steep walk up beyond Amber FT **If Time**

**Anokhi Hand Block Printing MUS:**

**If Time**

1¼

**DIRECS:** in Amber VIL below Amber FT, **SEE LPp125 DIRECS & "8e Amber Anokh block print info.pdf"**



**Sanganer: SKIP** (Jaipur **DT**) ONLY 4: -- hand block printing; **If Time**

**1D**

ignore ruined PAL & non-PIK TEMPs

**TRANS->:** **SEE LPp126 4 Shop locations in VIL**

**BUS:** **LPm 110 (69E3)** near Ajmeri Gate; evy ¼h, 1h

Local Bus drops in Sanganer @ lrg junction. THEN, turn R here under overpass & keep walking 1km, THEN, after Xing bridge.

**TRANS-RET:** BUS: ???

**SITES:**

Shops, factories & workshops: **DIRECS:** on or off main drag

Near RIV-bank: drying racks of printed cloths

**Uttar Pradesh (Taj):** SEE "8 Uttar Prad~ LPm.pdf"

**Agra TRN: AGA):** SEE "8 Agra LPm.pdf" (\_\_\_T, 1D, \_\_\_N)

### TRANS-IN:

**TRN:** SEE "7f Bundi TRN STA GMap.pdf"

Agra FT: closest (3km) > Taj & HOSs, Agra Cantt (6km): ---- but no real difference

**JAI > Agra FT:** SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

Agra Fort TRN STA nearer town centre.

**JAI > Agra (Cantt):** SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

Agra Cantonment (AGRA CANTT): main STA 4 fast TRN, **MUST**, autorickshw/ taxi FT or Taj

**BUS:** No, prefer TRN

### TRANS-OUT:

**TRN:** [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in)

Agra > Fateh Sikri:

Agra > Gwalior: SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

All Jhansi Junction TRN DP Agra Cantonment railway station, 6KM from Taj.

**BUS:**

Agra > Fateh Sikri:

Agra > Gwalior: No, prefer TRN ONLY 3 found takes 1h longer than TRN

### ACCM:

1) **Bedweiser Backpackers Hostel: 9.3, \$5** SEE "8a AGRA Bedweiser BP HOS GMap1.pdf"

**DIRECS:** From RR STA: tuk-tuk > Shilpgram, Taj East gate parking, THEN, see **big board of Bedweiser Backpackers Hostel** on corner just 100mt. before Shilpgram. **Cost:** around INR 100-150

**FAC:** KIT?, micro, bike,

**REV:** GUD food & LOC, Gud Staff:(archeological attractions),brk

2) **BP Panda Friends: 9.1, \$4**

FAC: KIT?, REV: GUD: staff, cln, rest,

3) **Zostel Agra hostel: 8.7, \$5.25**

FAC: Rest, GUD: food,

**Big Brother Hostel Agra: 7.5, \$3**

**SITES (Agra):****2 1/4 D****Taj Mahal: Closed FRI****SEE "8 Agra Taj Mahal- Wiki.pdf"****2 3/4**

Best View times Sidebar SEE LPp354

South gate Entry: separate M/W gates

Free water btl &amp; shoe covers,

TIK discounts @ Agra FT, Fatehpur Sikri, Akbar's Tomb, Itimad-ud-Daulah on same day

THEN, &gt; inner coomound &gt;&gt;

**S Gateway ENTRY & TIK** (impressive red sand stone) 1/2**Ornamental GARDs:** 1/4**Miniarets:** lean slightly outward (protection?) 1/4**2B1 MOSQ:** LPm362; & **1C1 Jawab** > E bilt 4 symmetry & **3B2 Taj MUS** 1/4**Central Taj Structure:** LPp358 3/4

- Perfect symmetry ? : 4 identical faces, pietra dura scroll work
- NOTE: Mughals: much less use of tiling, preferring (& being able > afford) "parchin kari", type of pietra dura decoration--**DEF:** inlay technique / inlaid panels of using cut & fitted, highly polished colored stones > create images from of semi-precious stones, w/ jewels in some cases.
- **EX: Taj Mahal**; motifs: usually floral relating Mughal miniature's plants, simpler & more realistic style than Persian or Turkish.

- 4 sm domes: 1/4

**Cenotaph of Mumtaz Mahal:** (false tomb) directly beneath Main Dome \* 1/4**Cenotaph of Shan Jahan:** 1666 begrudgingly buried by usurping son \* 1/4

Real tombs: locked in basement

**1B1 \* Agra FT:** OOF Mughal FT in IND, 1565 **Off limits - military****5 1/2**

ORIG, FT &gt; PAL &gt; prison

Sidebar: SEE LPp361 "Top Taj views"

**Walls:** 2.5km, 60' H, double, ear shaped (?), ?**Vast Underground sections:** 1/4**3B2 Amar Singh Gate:** **S entry**; ORIG, croc infested moat w/ dog-leg design 1/4

THEN, path up &gt;

**9B1 Moti Masjid** (Pearl MOSQ): **always closed** 1/4

THEN, &gt; R ...

**4B1 Diwan-i-Am** (Hall of PUB Appearances): 1/4**John Colvin Grave:** 1/2

THEN, &gt; L of throne, stairs UP &gt; LRG CRtYd ....

THEN, &gt; L ...

**Nagina Masjid (Gem MOSQ):** 1635, 4 ladies 1/2

THEN, below ...

**Ladies Bazaar:** 4 crt ladies 1/4

THEN, on far side of CRtYd ...

**Diwan-i-Khas:** (Hall of PRIV AUD): IMP or 4 dignitaries, 1/4

THEN, over looking RIV ...

**Takhti-i-Jehangir:** blk rock throne slab 1/4

THEN, facing RIV looking R ...

**Shish Mahal** (Mirror Hall): **closed 4 restore** ? 1/2

THEN, along E FT edge ..

**Musamma Burj** (oct TOW) & ..... 1/4

7B2 **Khas Mahal** (PAL): **Shah Jahan's prison** 1/4  
Shah cud see his wife's Taj from prison

THEN, set slightly back from E edge ...

**Mina Masjid:** Shah's PRIV MOSQ **CLOSED**

THEN, > LRG CrtYd...

**Anguri Bagh GARD:** 1/2

Innocuous entry leads DWN stairs > 2 story labyrinth of rms 4 Akbar's 500 strong harem

THEN, cont S ...

6B2 **Jehangir's PAL:** Akbar 4 son, reflects Mughal Afghan heritage 1/2

**Hauz-i-Jehangir:** huge sgl block carved stone 4 bathing

THEN, cont > **Amar Singh Gate** & **EXIT Agra FT** > L >

5B1 **Jama Masjid MOSQ:** 1/2

Cont N >

8B1 **Kinari Bazaar:** 1648, bilt by Shar Jahan's daughter (Yeah, right!) 3/4

## OUTSIDE of TOWN:

**Akbar's Mausoleum:** greatest Mughal Emeror; 10 km N 1/2 Day

**DIRECS:** 10km NW of **Agra FT** in Sikandra by BUS 45min) > Mathura from Bijli Ghar BUS STD

**ENTRY:** huge gateway > ...

**Huge CrtYd:**

Minarets: 3 story @ 4 corners

Red sand stone w/ inlaid wht marble

## These 3-4 on E bank.

1/2 Day

**Itimad-ud-Daulah: 1.5 km N;** (Baby Taj), Mizra Ghiyas Beg tomb - **NOT 2B missed**

Mumtaz Mahal's gramps, Emp Jehangir's wazir, daughter married Jehangir.

More ARCHly delicate than Taj cuz of delicately carved *jalīs*.

**DIRECS:** can include Combine trip w/ Chini-ka-Rauza (3km N), Mehatab Bagh, Ram Bagh (4km N) -- all on E bank

**Chini-ka-Rauza:** (3km N)

Persian style Azal Khan, poet, (1628-39), Rarely visited; Bright BLU EXT tile

**DIRECS:** See LPp360 direcs

\* **2D1 Mehatab Bagh PK:**

Restored > protect Taj (across RIV); offees grt Taj views

Last of 11 Yamuna's E bank series of PKs



**Fatehpur Sikri TRN: FTS): (Easy Agra DT)** ( \_\_T, ¾D, \_\_N)

Shortlived Akbar's Mughal CAP, : 1571-1585; but water deficient ,so, abandoned shortly after Akbar's death.

### TRANS-IN:

#### BUS:

Agra > Fateh Sikri: 10 min > ½ hrly, 1h, 6am

TRN: [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in)

Agra > Fateh Sikri: Yes ?

| 6 Long-Distance Trains between AF/Agra Fort and FTS/Fatehpur Sikri |                         |      |      |      |    |        |       |     |    |       |       |          |       |               |             |     |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|------|------|----|--------|-------|-----|----|-------|-------|----------|-------|---------------|-------------|-----|
| No.                                                                | Name                    | Type | Zone | From | PF | Dep ↑↑ | Avg   | To  | PF | Arr   | Avg   | Duration | Halts | Dep Days      | Classes     | Qt  |
| 19038                                                              | Avadh Express (PT)      | Exp  | WR   | AF   | 1  | 04:10  | +40   | FTS | 0  | 05:22 | +32   | 1h 12m   | 2     | S T T S       | II SL 3A 2A | RLV |
| 19040                                                              | Avadh Express (PT)      | Exp  | WR   | AF   | 1  | 04:10  | +1:35 | FTS | 0  | 05:18 | +1:24 | 1h 8m    | 2     | M W F         | II SL 3A 2A | RLV |
| 59814                                                              | Agra Fort Kota Passe... | Pass | WCR  | AF*  | 3  | 07:45  | +0    | FTS | 0  | 08:50 | +14   | 1h 5m    | 5     | S M T W T F S | Unreserved  |     |
| 64952                                                              | Agra Cantt Bayana ME... | MEMU | NCR  | IDH  | 0  | 10:17  | +1:43 | FTS | 0  | 11:02 | +1:54 | 0h 45m   | 4     | S M T W T F S | Unreserved  |     |
| 59358                                                              | Yamuna Bridge Bayana... | Pass | WCR  | AF   | 3  | 14:00  | +19   | FTS | 0  | 15:01 | +36   | 1h 1m    | 5     | S M T W T F S | Unreserved  |     |
| 59812                                                              | Haldighati Passenger    | Pass | WCR  | AF*  | 3  | 18:45  | +1:19 | FTS | 0  | 19:39 | +1:37 | 0h 54m   | 5     | S M T W T F S | II SL       | GN  |

### TRANS-OUT:

#### BUS:

Fateh Sikri > Agra: Idgah BUS STD: ½ hrly > 7pm

#### TRN:

Fateh Sikri > Agra FT STA: 3:55pm, 8:12pm,

| 6 Long-Distance Trains between FTS/Fatehpur Sikri and AF/Agra Fort |                         |      |      |      |    |        |       |     |    |       |       |          |       |               |             |    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|------|------|----|--------|-------|-----|----|-------|-------|----------|-------|---------------|-------------|----|
| No.                                                                | Name                    | Type | Zone | From | PF | Dep ↑↑ | Avg   | To  | PF | Arr   | Avg   | Duration | Halts | Dep Days      | Classes     | Qt |
| 59811                                                              | Haldighati Passenger    | Pass | WCR  | FTS  | 0  | 04:43  | +20   | AF* | 2  | 06:00 | +16   | 1h 17m   | 5     | S M T W T F S | II SL       |    |
| 59357                                                              | Bayana - Yamuna Brid... | Pass | WCR  | FTS  | 0  | 10:14  | +31   | AF  | 2  | 11:25 | +42   | 1h 11m   | 5     | S M T W T F S | Unreserved  |    |
| 64951                                                              | Bayana Agra Cantt ME... | MEMU | NCR  | FTS  | 0  | 13:54  | +2:36 | IDH | 0  | 14:55 | +2:54 | 1h 1m    | 4     | S M T W T F S | Unreserved  |    |
| 59813                                                              | Kota Jn. - Yamuna Br... | Pass | WCR  | FTS  | 0  | 15:54  | +36   | AF  | 2  | 17:00 | +1:00 | 1h 6m    | 5     | S M T W T F S | Unreserved  |    |
| 19037                                                              | Avadh Express (PT)      | Exp  | WR   | FTS  | 1  | 20:16  | +28   | AF  | 1  | 21:50 | +23   | 1h 34m   | 2     | M W T S       | II SL 3A 2A |    |
| 19039                                                              | Avadh Express (PT)      | Exp  | WR   | FTS  | 0  | 20:16  | +25   | AF  | 1  | 21:50 | +16   | 1h 34m   | 2     | S T F         | II SL 3A 2A |    |

**SITES** (Fatehpur Sikri) : 6¾h  
**Fatehpur Sikri VIL & bazaar**

4

Sidebar: SEE LPp370 " Fatehpur Sikri dbl pg text/PIKs

NE entryLRG CrTYd: GARD

- (1) **Pachisi CrTYd** ( game's name), ¼  
oversized T game board cntr'd on block in CNTR

THEN, >>

- (2) **Diwan-i-Khas** (Hall~PRV AUD): ½  
ordinary EXT, GUD INT:  
carved central COL w/ plinth & 4 bridges > 4 corners; Akbar debated scholars from plinth

Where?

- ~ **Diwan-i-Am** (Hall~PUB AUD): ¼  
W wall 5 seats: Akbar used middle, echo sound system,  
Execution by elephant trampling

THEN, next > **Diwan-i-Khas**

- ~ **Treasury**: w/secret stone safes in corners (1 open); ¼  
sea monsters protect wealth,

THEN, iin front ...

- ~ **Astrologer's Kiosk**: w/ Jain style serpentine roof supports ¼

THEN, in SE corner ..

- (3) **Rumi Sultana PAL**: 4 Akbar's Turk wife/Akbar's R&R during CRT sessions

THEN, >

- Ladies GARD: In Corner: Panch Mahal PAV**: 5 stories , ½  
decline in size > tiny kiosk, BOT FLR COL:84, all carved

CONT S anti-clockwise >

- (4) **Ornamental Pool**: musicians on platform; Akbar viewed from PRV QRT's aka --  
**Daulat Khana** (Abode of Fortune):

- THEN, behind **Panch Mahal PAV** > ... ¼  
**Kwahbagh** (Dream House): note bats in far corner

THEN, W of Ornamental POOL >

- ~ **Jodh Bai PAL**: Akbar's Hindu wife's home, his FAV, ½

THEN, outside > L of Jodh Bai's KIT ...

- ~ **Christian Wife PAL**: Jehangir's mom ¼  
**NOTE**: Akbar was religiously tolerant  
Dome ceiling = Islamic, while Hindu wall painting elements

CONT past >> W ...

- ~ **Birbal Bhavan**: INT /EXT ornately carved; ½

**THEN, just > S ...**

(5) **Lower Haramsara:** Akbar live-in women servants 1/4

**THEN, > NW corner >**

(6) **Hiran Minar TOW:** mini stone elephant tusks, 1/4  
FAV execution elephant died, Huh?

**THEN, > SSW >**

(7) **Jama Massid MOSQ:** 1571, Persian & IND design, 1 3/4

**Main entry @ top of stairs ...**

(9) **Buland Darwaza** (Victory Gate): main entry > this MOSQ 1/4  
Senior minister RES

**Insider MOSQ CrTYd ...**

(8) **Shaikh Salim Chishti TOOMB:** 1581 1/2  
Ebony entry door, pregnant desiring woman tie threads > *jali*

**THEN, > R**

**Family member tombs,** 1/4

**THEN, nearby entry > ...**

**Tunnel...** reputedly > Agra FT ~

**Behind tunnel entry on back wall ...**

**Ventilation system ....** Feel wind? 1/4

**THEN, just E of Chisti TOMB ...**

**Islam Khan TOMB:** 1/4

**On E wall > entry of ...**

**THEN, on E wall of CrTYd sn entry > MOSQ:** 1/4  
**Shahi Darwaza** (King's Gate) **MOSQ:** leading

**THEN, behind entire complex:**

**Numerous ruins:** 1

- **Caravanserai:**
- **Hathi Pol: (Elephant Gate):**
- **Stone cutter's MOSQ:**
- **Hammam:**
- **Mint: probably stables**  
Unnamed ruins N of MINT

**Further N > Sikri VIL**

**Lucknow (TRN: LKO/LJN): SKIP LKO/LJN**

(\_\_T, 1D, \_\_N)

### TRANS-IN:

**BUS:** Fateh Sikri > Lucknow:

**TRN:** Fateh Sikri > Lucknow:

### TRANS-OUT:

**BUS: Alambagh BUS STA**

Lucknow > Varanasi: hrly, 7h; Volvo8am, 7h

**TRN:** [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in)

Lucknow> Varanasi: 11:15pm, 7½h

### ACCM:

**SITES:** grandiose MON, overstated PKs,

**6¼h**

CONSIDER: **UP Tourism Heritage Walking TOUR:** highly Recom'd: 3h, ±150

?

3B2 **Residency: 1800,**

beginning of British Raj END, 1857 1<sup>st</sup> War of IND: 147d siege,

½ 1

**MUS:** ½

Huge basement RM of siege's women & kids

¼

CEM & ST Mary's ruin: fallen Brits

¼

1A1 **Bara Imambara TOMB:** > Shiite holy man,

¼ 2¼

**TIK \* :** INCLDs Chota Imambara, Clock TOW, baradari (SUM PAL)

Labyrinth of corridors upstairs:

½

**ENTRY: 2 LRG gateways leading > LRG CrTWy**

¼

**LRG CrTWy:**

1 side > MOSQ: of ...

¼

other side > Baori (step-well);, lrg, **TORCH**

½

Far end > huge central hall w/ OOWrld's lrg vaulted ceilings

**MOST IMP:** beyond sm entry (marked 'labyrinth') > L of central hall ....

**Bhulbhulaiya: TORCH ; ½**

network of narrow, winding passageways on upper flrs leading > rooftop

**Just beyoond Bara Imambara TOMB >**

7A1 **Rumi Darwaza:** POSS copy of Istanbul entry gate

¼

("Rumi" = 'related > Rome'),

**THEN, across rd > ...**

9A1 **Tila Wali Masjid MOSQ:** wht,

¼

6A1 \* **Clock TOW:** 1880, IND's tallest,

4A1 \* **Baradari (Sum PAL):** 1842, red brick on lake

8A1 **Satkhandra (watch TOW):** 1880s, badly decayed, const stopped on Shah's death

2A1 \* **Chota Imambara:** 1832, Mohammed Ali Shah & mom,

1½

Sm, but w/ calligraphy, more serene, intimate

½

**DIRECS:** 500m beyond Bara Imambara TOMB

**ENTRY:** beautiful gateway

Silver throne & red Crown:

¼

Chandeliers & *tazias*

~

GARD: water tank, 2 Taj replicas: daughter & son-in-laws graves

¼

off > side Hammam:

½

5A2 **Chowk:** sm alleys etc

1

**Madhya Pradesh/Chhattisgarh:****Gwalior:** (TRN: GWL) SEE "10 Gwalior LPm.pdf" (\_\_\_T, 1D, \_\_\_N)**TRANS-IN:****BUS:**

Agra &gt; Gwalior: No, prefer TRN ONLY 3 found takes 1h longer than TRN

TRN: Agra &gt; Gwalior: SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

**TRANS-OUT: Gwalior > Jhansi > Orchha:**

no direct train to Orchha. train to Jhansi Junction and by bus to Orchha.

TRN: [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in)

Gwalior &gt; Jhansi (Orchha): SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

**BUS:**

Jhansi &gt; Orchha: or taxi, only 10 mi

**ACCM:**

dm: R: s: r:

Hotel Surbhi: \$10/11

Planet Power: \$12

Regal: \$9/11

Keshar Palace: \$7

Gulmohar GH: \$12

**SITES** (Gwalior):**8<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>h****1A2 Gwalior Fort:** medieval hilltop, 3km lng, **GATES****2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>****ENTRY:** use **E entry** cuz formidable view of PAL TOWs,**10B1 START 1st: Gwalior Gate:** 1660, > ...**1/4****ST ARCH MUS: ----- NOTE: MUS >> Gwalior Gate****1/2****14B1 ST ARCH MUS:** inside ........ (9B1) **Gujari Makal:** 15th C, deteriorated, FAM Salabhanjika (carved female)~~~ **2nd: Bansur:** disappeared**6B1 3rd: Badalgarh:****1/4****8B1 4th: Ganesh Gate: 15th C,****1/4****THEN, nerarby > ...****8B1 Kabutar Khana:** sm pigeon HSE &**1/4****Hindu TEMP:** sm4 pillar > hermit Gwalipa (city's name)**1/4****THEN, past SHR ...****7B1 Chatarbhuji Mandir:** Vishnu,**~****THEN, > CURRENT ENTRY...****11B1 5th: Hathia Paur** (Elephant Gate):**1/4**~~~ **6th: missing****TIK 1:** opposite PAL & 4 PAL; **TIK 2:** 4 other dilapidated PALs .....**1/4****THEN, > ...****4B1\* Man Singh PAL:** 1486-1516, aka Painted PAL,**1 1/2****Hindu ARCH:** 2 open CrtYrd w/ APTs on 2 levels,**1/2****UNDERGROUND:** 2 stories w/ speaking tubes,**1/4**

Used as Mughal prison cells (?), IMP style, unusual decoration:

**EXT Wall:** frieze w/YEL ducks; Mosaic tiles: BLU elephants, tigers & crocs, 1/2**12B2 Sasbahu TEMPs:****1/2****1 1/2****MOM-in Law TEMP:** Vishnu, 4 LRG pillars 4 roof layered w/ carvings**1/2****Daughter-in-Law TEMP:** lots SCULPs, BRITs drink factory/coffee shop**1/2****THEN, > ...****13A3 Gurdwara (Sikh) TEMP:** prisoner from 1617 > 1619**1/2****THEN, > ...****15A3 Teli ka Mandir TEMP:** 8th C, oldest,**1/4****EXIT COMPLX: IMP:** exit W side 4 Rock Sculptures**THEN, > ...****3A2 \* Jain Rock Sculptures:****1**

mid 15th C: nude teachers, defaced by Mughals, 1527 (recent repair)

**DIRECS:** on W approach/EXIT btwn Urvai Gate > inner FT walls**THEN, S of FT & VIL > ...**

Also nearby Archway (see map)

**1/4****2B5 \* Jai Vilas PAL / MUS:: 1874,****3/4****ENTRY:** from W only

BILT w/ prisoner rewarded w/ 12 yr carpet job, 8 elephant chandelier test,

Bizarre Items: ladies only swim pool w/boat, cut glass furniture; DR: sm model RR TRN 4 drinks

**THEN, > ...****16C1 Tomb of Tansen:** Akbar admired singer,**3/4****LOC:** Old Town's winding lanes, same as Mohammed Gaus TOMB



## Orccha VIL (TRN: ORC)?

HIST, laid-back, hassel-free, walk/bike (\_\_\_T, 1D, \_\_\_N)

### TRANS-IN:

**BUS/Taxi: Jhansi > Orchha** ONLY 10 mi

**Jhansi > Orchha:** Cheapest: 1) outside TRN STA: auto-rickshaws (as bus shuttle) > bus STA ), COST: 10 rupees/peep

2) From bus STA: 1) BUSs(?) or 2) more shuttle /auto-rickshaws heading > Orchha, COST: 20 rupees/peep --wait awhile until full > leave.

### TRANS-OUT:

**2 Options: ----- (possible 3<sup>rd</sup> OPT: Direct TRN: Orchha > Khajuraho) I don't believe it**

**OPT 1: Direct Bus Orchha > Khajuraho:** SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

**OPT1b: Direct TRN: Orchha > Khajuraho** SEE below

**OPT2: Orchha (>Jhansi) > Khajuraho:** SEE "ALT ITIN.pdf"

**OPT1b: Direct TRN: Orchha > Khajuraho** SEE below I don't believe it

: **REALLY???** 1st TRN: 7:35, 4 1/2h) // 07.25 passenger TRN (5 hrs, TRN 196660

Buy GEN ticket about 35 Rupee.

**CAUTION:** TRN **may split** @ JCT STA w/ 1/2 cars going > Khajuraho & rest somewhere else. CONFIRM: that last cars towards back of TRN should safe as TRN passes turnoff before splits & new TRN reverses direction. This description doesn't sound logical

? **BUS: Jhansi > Khajuraho:...**SEE "10 TRN Orchha > Khajuraho GMap.pdf"

### ACCM:

**Hotel Monarch Rama:7.7, \$10**

**Temp View Guest House: New, \$5**

**Hotel Heritage: 5.3, \$9**

**Hotel Sunset: 7.7, \$10**

**SITES** (Orchha): **SEE “10 Orchha - Wiki.pdf”** **TIK: 8am, 7 site, but walk grounds 4 free** **7½h**

**DIRECS:** Cross granite BDRG > 2 17<sup>th</sup> C PAL ----

**1C4 Jehangir Mahal PAL:** steep stair, precipitous walkways; medieval Islamic ARCH zenith  $\frac{3}{4}$  1

**3C3 Camel stables:** overlook landscape w/ MONs,  $\frac{1}{4}$

**THEN, > ...**

**9B4 Raj Mahal:**  $\frac{1}{2}$

**NOTE:** caretaker open painted RMs where ...

.... Rama, Krishna & Orchha wrestle, hunt, fight, dance on ceiling& walls

**THEN, downhill > ...**

**10C3 Raj Praveen Mahal PAV:** sm,  $\frac{1}{2}$

**Formal GARD:**

....& ....

**6C3 Khana Hammam:** fine vaulted ceilings  $\frac{1}{2}$

**THEN, BACK across BRDG > other side of VIL > ...**

**7A3 Palki Mahal PAL:** Owner 's suicide > prove no infidelity w/ bro's wife  $\frac{3}{4}$

**THEN, > adjacent ...**

**8B3 Phool Bagh:** his MEM: TRAD formal Persian GARD in  $\frac{1}{4}$ s;  $\frac{1}{4}$

women revere & tie ribbons on lattice-work & walk 5 times around.

**THEN, S > CNTR of busy SQ > ...**

**2A3 Ram Raga TEMP:** Rama worshipped as king,  $\frac{1}{4}$

ORIG PAL > TEMP when Rama image immovable,

**THEN, SE above > ...**

**4B4 Chaturbhuj TEMP:** **TORCH** 4 INT stair **CLIMB** 4 grt town view, cruciform plan,  $\frac{3}{4}$

**THEN, W on Lakshmi Narayan RD > Ganj VILL > ...**

**W off map Lakshmi Narayan TEMP:**  $1\frac{1}{2}$

fine rooftop views of well preserved murals on ceilings of domed TOW

**THEN, SE > RIV 1 km S of VILL > ...**

**5A5 Chhatris (cenotaphs):** immense & serene, GUD @ dusk;  $1\frac{1}{2}$

**HIKE:** SHT from PAL > RIV; **also**,,, 8km Nature RESV hike : TIK req'd  $\sim\sim$

**Khajuraho** (TRN: KURJ): SEE "11 Khajuraho LPm.pdf" (\_\_T, 2D, \_\_N)

**TRANS-IN:** SEE "11 Khajuraho TRANS guide - Wikit.pdf"

- City Centre / Western TEMP's group: 9 kms from RR STA, in fact airport closer. There
- No bus btwn RR STA > town: USE auto-rickshaw: Rps100-150 or Shared IND price: 10Rps
- **DIRECS:** Turn left out TRN STA THEN, left onto main road (2h). take around 2 hrs.

**BUS:** Direct bus in SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

**TRN:** from Jhansi (Orchha) SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

## TRANS-OUT:

**AIR:**

FRI, 9 DEC  
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SAT, 10 DEC  
₹ 6,122

SUN, 11 DEC  
₹ 5,476

MON, 12 D...  
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TUE, 13 DEC  
₹ 5,660

WED, 14 DEC  
₹ 11,559

THU, 15 DEC  
₹ 5,476


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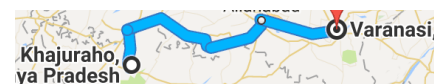
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**Khajuraho Airport** (IATA: HJR) Tel:+91 7686 740-415: 5 km from city;

Air IND: Varanasi & Mumbai,

**Kingfisher** Varanasi.

**BUS:** 6:20PM - 0700a (Slpr) ; 12½h, 4 connections



**TRN:** [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in) 15/18hr YIKES, NO cuz DBLs back > Jhansi, N > Kanpur,

SE>Varanasi:

KURJ > BSB Var JCT

NOTE: CAN'T buy TRN tickets @ Khajuraho TRN STA! --must go > BUS STA: 1km out of town, BUT much cheaper than hotel) OR, book online w/ credit cards.

Khajuraho > Varanasi: 4 TRN DP: 6:20pm ARV: 7:20am; 13h, 14h +

## ACCM:

**Zostel Khajuraho hostel : NEW 9.1, D \$5.25**

FAC: KIT?, REV: bike, GUD: LOC, staff, food, BAD: Eng,

**Hotel Isabel Palace: 8.9, \$15**

**Hotel Zen: 7.7, \$9**

**FRIENDS IN KHAJURAH: NR, \$9**

**SITES** (Khajuraho):14<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>h

1d 5h

**Bike 4 E & S TEMP GRPs****GEN:**

- Superb Indo-Ayan ARCH, BUT MOST FAM **EXT carvings** of 'life 1000 yrs ago',...
- **Women & sex** (sensuous, posturing *surasundaris* (heavenly nymphs), *apsaras* (dancing nymphs) & *nayikas* (mortal nymphs))

**NOTE:** ... carved w/ ½ twist & FRWD lean > swirl out from TEMP face

- gods/goddesses, warriors, animals: real & myth

**13C1 Khajuraho**

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**Western GRP TEMPs:** inside fence: most striking & best preserved, only fee,

5¼h

From ENTRY, straight ahead on L (Facing Lakshmana TEMP) > ...

**24C2 Varaha SHR:** DED > Vishnu's boar incarnation, INT: 900AD lrg boar,

¼

Also Facing Lakshmana TEMP ...

**14C2 Lakshimi SHR:** (locked),

~

THEN, > ..

**2C2 Lakshmana TEMP:** 954AD:

1

20 yr > bild, BEST preserved, Chandelas: war or sex positions;

- **EXT S Side:** gymnastic orgy, man w/ horse & shocked woman;
- **basement frieze:** more intertwined w/elephants
- **INT:** more in 'inner sanctum' ( accessible)

¼

¼

¼

THEN CONT clock-wise > ..

**1C1 Kandariya Mahadev TEMP:** 1025-50, LRGst, ARCH zenith,

¾

MOST of: female beauty & sexual acrobatics, 872 1m hi STATS, **1 Key PIK:** handstand position

**Sikhara:** 93'h linga-like phallic symbol & 84 subsidiary spires composing mt rooftop scene.

THEN, on same platform as Kandariya Mahadev TEMP > ...

**15C1 Mahadeva TEMP:** sm, ruined, DED > Shiva (over door lintel),

½

INT: OO Khajuraho's best SCULP:

EXT: 4 sardula caressing lion, but ENTRY guard BEST  
sardula (myth beast) caressing 1m h lion



THEN, CONT clock-wise > ..

**9C1 Devi Jagadamba TEMP:** older, than others

½

CARV: sardulas , surasundaris & mithunas

**NOTE:** *mithunas DEF:* physical, sexual union of male-female couples = kriya nishpatti (mature cleansing).

Requires both working together 4 harmony when union consecrated. couple become 4 time being divine: she Shakti & he Shiva. scriptures warn that unless this spiritual transformation occurs union carnal & sinful

Others argue: purely mental & symbolic act,

- **LOC:** uppermost bands

**8C1 Chitragupta:** 1000-25, unique: DED > sun god Surva, 3/4  
 CARV: not best, BUT: ----

- EXT: *apsaras*, *surasundaris*, elephant fights (?), *mithuna* & stone carriers,
- INT sanctum: Surya driving 7HORS chariot,
- S Facade: central niche: 11 headed (incarnations) Vishnu,
- 

**20C1 Parvati TEMP:** (closed), 1/4

ORIG DED >: Vishnu, NOW, DED > Gauri riding iguana.

**25D1 Vishvanath TEMP:** superb Chandelan ARCH, 1/2

CARV/SCULP: surasundaris writing LTRs, cuddling babies, playing music, provocative languishing,

**DIRECS:** take Elephant flanked S steps & N side,

THEN, @ platform's other end > ...

**17D1 Nandi SHR:** 12 pillars, Shiva's bull (TRANS), Basement frieze: elephant 1/2

**21D1 Pratapeswar:** recent: 200yr, brick & mortar 1/4

**Western GRP TEMPs: outside fence:** 1 3/4h

**16C2 Matangesvara TEMP:** still used, 1/2

plainest (ie very early), INT: polished 7'+ linga,

**NOTE:** view into open-air storage of stuff

**7A3 Chausath Yogini TEMP:** late 9<sup>th</sup> C, all granite 1/2

IND's oldest Yogini TEMP, Khajuraho oldest, ONLY1 NOT aligned E>W ?,

Name means '64' 4 64 women's (Yoginis) cells/rms,

THEN< 600 W down track across 2 fields > .. (ask locals)

W Off map **Lalguan Mahadev TEMP:** 900AD, sm, ruined Shiva SHR 3/4

**Eastern GRP: 18D3 Old VIL TEMPs:** 3 1/4h

**11C3 Hanuman TEMP:** orange, 7'+ Hindu monkey god STAT, 3/4

un-IMP except: OLDst dated Khajuraho inscription,

**6D3 Brahma TEMP:** 900 AD, 1/2

OO OLDst, granite, sandstone *sikhara*

Shikhara (Śikhara), DEF: Sanskrit word literally: "mountain peak"; refers > N IND's Hindu temp's rising tower ARCH North IND. Shikhara over sanctum sanctorum where presiding deity enshrined; most IMP & visible Hindu temp part in North IND

.; 4 faced linga,

**12D2 Javari TEMP:** 1075-1100, DED Vishnu, crocodile -covered entry; slender *sikhara* 1/2

**DIRECS:** just N of VIL

THEN, 200m further N > ...

**23D2 Vamana TEMP:** 1065-75, DED > dwarf Vishnu incarnation, 3/4

**Quirky:** protruding elephants, plain sikhara, few erotica,

Roofed main hall unique > Khajuraho TEMPs, but common w/ medieval W TEMPs

THEN, SW > BTWN old VIL & Jain Enclosure > ...

**10D4 Ghantai TEMP:** (locked ?), means: 'chain & bell' decoration on pillars, Jain,  $\frac{3}{4}$

**Eastern GRP: Jain TEMPs:** not as erotic or LRG ...

**1 $\frac{1}{4}$ h**

**19D4 Parsvanath TEMP:** 950-70, exceptional precise construct,  $\frac{3}{4}$   
SCULP beauty (S Side): 1) woman removing thorn from foot , 2) woman applying makeup

THEN, adjacent ...

**3D4 Adinath TEMP:** partially restored over time,  $\frac{1}{2}$   
fine CARV, similar > Hindu TEMPs, but black image hint of Jain

THEN, S of Jain Enclosure across RD > ...

**22D4 Shanti Nath TEMP:** 100 yr, **NO!!! Cuz too new** ~

**Southern GRP:**

**2 $\frac{1}{4}$ h**

THEN, 1 km S of Jain Enclosure via dirt track > isolated ...

**Duladeo TEMP:** 1100-50: youngest, 1  
wooden, repetitious SCULPs suggests ARCH zenith well passed w/little erotic zeal,

THEN, ???

**Chaturbhuja TEMP:** 1000, GUD: INT: Vishnu STAT,  $\frac{1}{2}$   
only Khajuraho TEMP w/o erotica (Why peaked? ANS: Sikhara?),

THEN< just B4 Chaturbhuja TEMP signed track > ...

**Bijamandala TEMP:** 11<sup>th</sup> C, only excavated mound,  $\frac{3}{4}$   
Some GUD excavated carvings, BUT some UN-excavated suggesting LRGst TEMP but never finished 4 lack of resources

**OTHER Sites:**

**1 $\frac{1}{2}$ h**

**5D2 ARCH MUS:**  $\frac{1}{2}$   
EXCEL 11<sup>th</sup> C Ganesh STAT dancing sensuously 4 elephant headed god,

**4B1 Adivart Tribal & Folk Art MUS:**

**18D3 Old Village:**

**1**

HSE: wht or bright colors, begging kids, sm SHRs, wells & water pumps,



**Varanasi:** (TRN: BCY (city) & BSB (JCT) ) ( \_\_T, 2D, \_\_N)

SEE "12 VARA LPm.pdf" & "12 VARA old city/assi ghat LPm.pdf"

**Old City:** OOWrldOld cont cities, 1 of 7 holy Hindu cities, inward along W Ganges bank in alleys (galis), BUDG ACCM here

**WARNING:** Only UP Tourism guides etc, (LPp395) --- NOT GHs

**ITIN SUGGESTION:** 2 early MORNs: 1) boat ride, 2) cruise ghats

**BOATS:** (LPp393) (also pontoon BRDG), new BRDG under construction,

--- **Brown Bread Bakery:** SEE "12 VARA Brown Bread Bakery GMap.pdf" hassel-free, ±100 4 2 + cakes etc

**Dawn Rowing Ride:** 1h: Dashashwamedh Ghat > Harishchandra Ghat probably w/ burning corpse @ Harishchandra; OFF Price: ±50/peep/h, BUT not enforced. ±100 lucky bargained price; arrange day B4

## TRANS-IN:

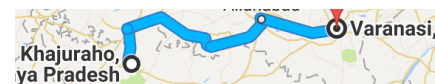
**AIR:** SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

**Khajuraho Airport** (IATA: HJR) Tel:+91 7686 740-415: 5 km from city;

Air IND: Varanasi & Mumbai,

**Kingfisher** Varanasi.

**BUS:** 6:20PM - 0700a (Slpr) ; 12½h, 4 connections



**TRN:** [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in) 15/18hr YIKES, NO cuz DBLs back > Jhansi, N > Kanpur, SE>Varanasi:

## TRANS-OUT:

**AIR:** > **Kolkata:** (dly, (CCU), SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

Key Issue: find shortest flight @ best time of day; Max price: appears 2B around \$200

**TRN:** [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in) SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

DP: 9:29am . ARV: 10:00pm, 12½h; from Vanarsi JCT

**BUS:** NO!

**ACCM:** Best BUDG: 1) around Assi Ghat & 2) Old City: N stretch btwn Scindhia > Meer Ghat

1) **Stops Hostel Varanasi: 8.7, 6/8xD\$6** SEE "12b VARA Stops HOS GMap 2.pdf"

**Airport > HOS (Bhelupur) TRANS:** @ Airport; pre-paid Taxi @ booth inside Airport (cost Rs 700-800)

FAC: brk, /c, KIT?, bike, rest, min-mkt,

REV: h2o, GUD brk, cln, ; hard>find; tours avoid Ghat tout hassel

2) **Zostel Varanasi: 8.5, 4/8xD \$7**

FAC: dorm w/ fan only, GO /C;

**Int'l Traveller's HOS Varanasi: 8.4, 4/5xD \$6**

FAC: W/D, airport transfers ?,

LOC: farther from ghats than others

**Hotel Alka:** , cheap, simple, clean, & in perfect location overlooking Ganges where all action - most of western-style hotels miles away in new town, you really want > on river! Not bookable using mainstream hotel sites, but book direct @ [www.hotelalkavns.com](http://www.hotelalkavns.com).

**SITES** (varanasi): (ORIG PassPort 4 S section GHAT)

6½h

### City Proper:

**Kashi Vishwanath Temp** ; inner sanctum accessible; Where???

1

**Old City:** inward along west Ganges bank in alleys (galis), ACCM here

**GHATS: 80, main grp: from Assi Ghat N> Raj Ghat (near rd & RR bridge)**

best times: **dawn** 4 *purj* & **sunset** 4 ganga aarti (RIV worship ceremony)

Bathing & Burning Ghats: Manikarnika (main)

**RIV boat trip: ideal intro view experience**

### Southern Stretch:

1½

1. \* **1B7 Assi Ghat:** OOBig, : 1) Shiva lingam, evening: hawkers & entertainers

2. **Tulsi Ghat:** 16<sup>th</sup> C Hindu poet

3. **Bachraj Ghat:** w/ 3 Jain TEMP, sm Shiva TEMP, 19<sup>th</sup> C mansion

4. **Shivala Ghat:**

5. **Dandi Ghat:** Dandi Panths ascetics

Nearby ...

• **15A5 ? Hanuman Ghat:** popular

• **Harishchandra Ghat:** 2<sup>nd</sup> M IMP 'burning ghat'

• **Kedar Ghat:** pop w/ Bengals & S INDs

### Old city Stretch: liveliest & most colorful

2

CONT N >...

**Someswar Ghat:** Lord of Moon , heal diseases,

**Munshi Ghat:** very photogenic

**Ahalya Bai's Ghat:** female Indore Maratha Ruler

**2C2 Dashashwamedh Ghat** (LPm394): Liveliest & M colorful, Brahma sacrificed 10 horses here

Great peep watch & linger (many touts)

**DIRECS:** from Godaulia Crossing

**THEN, just N of Dashashwamedh Ghat >**

**Man Mandir Ghat:** 1600, poor 19<sup>th</sup> C restore, N corner fine stone balcony

\* **3D1 Manikarnika Ghat:** main **burning** ghat,

corpses carried thru old city on bamboo stretchers STs by outcasts (aka *doms*)

Top of building view 4 US dollar tip 4 wood

**Sidebar-kinda:** LPp391 Cremation ritual/process description

**Manikarnika Well:** **DIRECS:** above steps 'tank',

**Charanpaduka:** slab opf stone DIRECS: btwn well & ghat footprints of Vishnu; 4 Privileged **VIPs**,

**Dattatreya Ghat:** Brahmin saint footprint in sm nearby TEMP

**Scindhia Ghat:** 1830, BUT so huge collapsed into RIV & rebuilt

**Northern Stretch: Lpm390 --- from Scindhia Ghat > N****1½****Ram Ghat:** Jaiphur maharaja

¼

**Panch-ganga Ghat:** 5 RIVs supposedly meet

¼

1 of 5 most water-front sacred sites, 5 RIVs : Ganga, Yamuna, Saraswati, Kirana &amp; Dhutpapa.

Also, Mughal ruler Aurangzeb built "Alamgir MOSQ" here after destroying 1st Maratha chieftain's Vishnu temp

Now Hindu temp shrunk &gt; smaller temp!

**1D3 Alamgir MOSQ:** Aurangzeb's smaller one (LPm390)

½

**Gai Ghat:** stone figure of cow

¼

**Trilochan Ghat:** 2 turrets emerging from RIV: especially holy water btwn them

¼

**Way S Sec:****½ +walk****\* 4C1 Vishwanath TEMP:** 1776, M FAM,

¼

dedicated &gt; Vishveswara-Shiva: lord of universe

**TOW:** 800kg of gold, Soldiers cuz security issues (video in lockers);**Non-Hindus MAY NOT allowed in TEMP (ORIG PassPort)****THEN, on N side > ...****Gyan Kupor Well** (Well of Know~): **NO non-Hindu entry**

¼

**THEN, X RIV > ...****2B6 Benares Hindu U:** tranquil atmosphere only draw

?

**3B6 Bhar @ Kala Bhavan MUS:** not worth!**4D6 Ramnager FT:** not worth? except sunset view

?

**Sarnath (DT)(TRN: SRNT): SEE "12e Sarnath LPm.pdf"** (\_\_\_T, 1D, \_\_\_N)

BUD's 1<sup>st</sup> FAM sermon here; 3<sup>rd</sup> C BC EMP Ashoka's stupa, & MONS; 12<sup>th</sup> C Muslims sacked; 1835, BRIT ARCHs re-discovered

### TRANS->:

**BUS:** from Varanasi **JNCT (BSB) TRN STA** -- freq, long wait ???? , 2/3h; Local Know  
 AUTO-RIK: 110rs from Varanasi's Old City

**TRN: Note: At least 2 key RR STA DP 4 Sarnath**

from Varanasi **BCY** or **BSB TRN STA**; 7am, 11:30am, 1:20pm SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

### TRANS-RET:

**BUS: REVERSE process**

**TRN:** [www.trainman.in](http://www.trainman.in) SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"

9am, 7:30pm, 9:50pm, 1/3h (Gen, unreserved TIK)

**ACCM: N/A**

### SITES:

**5 1/4h**

- Crowded, BUT cln/well-kept&managed w/ little confusion. TEMP's: peaceful, differ by country
- "bodhi tree"; reflects peace & calm, silences your mind, WRLD Heritage.
- Too bad stupas spoilt by muslim invaders: gold plating taken
- Jain temp: w/ Mahavira teachings of.
- GUD GOV't guide

**3A1 (2) Dhamekh Stupa: (1<sup>st</sup> sermon site)**

**1/2**

5<sup>th</sup> C AD flora & geo carvings; some 200BC brickwork

THEN, loop NE >

**3A1 (1) MONS ruins: in peaceful PK,**

**1**

THEN, E >

**4A1 Mulgandha Kuti Vihar: 1931 - modern?;**

**1/2**

Bodhi tree transplanted then from Sri Lanka,

THEN, back W > ...

**1A1 Ashoka Pillar: 3<sup>rd</sup> C, missing Four Lion capital in MUS,**  
 only fragments of base remain

**1/4**

THEN, NW > ...

**~A1 Myanmar TEMP & MONS**

**1/2**

THEN, SSE >

**~A1 ARCH MUS:**

**1**

1) 3<sup>rd</sup> C Lion capital from Ashoka pillar

2) 2000 yr stone umbrella w/ carvings

THEN, SSW >

**~A2 Thai Temp & MONS:**

**1/4**

THEN, cont SSE >

**2A3 Chaukhandi Stupa: 5<sup>th</sup> C AD, BUD met 1<sup>st</sup> disciples**

**1/2**

TOW on top commemorates EMP visit

THEN, NE >

**~B2 JAPA TEMP & MONS:**

**1/4**

THEN, N >

**~B1 CHI TEM & MONS:**

**1/2**

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Sunauli (Nepal BORD Xing (Unlikely, but SEE LPp406:))

W BENGAL: :**Kolkata** (TRN: KOAA) (**Calcutta**) : LPp406:

(__T, 4D, __N)

TRANS-IN:**AIR:** (1h min/DEL max)**SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"****TRN:** www.trainman.in**SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"****BUS:** **NO**, too far, too long**TRANS-OUT:****AIR:****Kolkata>Chennai:** (2½h)**SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"****Kolkata>BOM:** (3h)**SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"****TRN:** www.trainman.in **29h;** 'Howrah', MAIN TRN STA: across river in Howrah, Tr**Kolkata>Chennai:****SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"****Kolkata>MUM:****SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf"****Possible Side Trip en route > Mumbai -----****Bhimbetka rock shelters** NW of Nagur, Amal & Itarsi, Hoshangabad , CNTR Madhya Pradesh?? **Kupgal petroglyphs** of eastern : **can find no REF**

Karnataka, contain rock art portraying religious rites &

BUS: **NO!****ACCM:****YHA Youth HOS KOL:****DIRECS:** pre-paid taxi from Howrah/ Sealdah Stn./Airport 4 Sithimore on B.T. Road. Then ask taxi driver that hostel adjacent > Rabindra Bharati University on B.T. Road.**Sudder St hotels etc:** Esplanade (Central Calcutta). Dorms & hotels available in plenty*** Hotel Galaxy:****LOC:** **Stuart Lane**, off top end of Sudder St @ .Run by very helpfull Sikh, Harry **Hotel Paragon:** dump, but 350r**Ashreen GH:****Astoria Hotel:** \$23**HOT Park INN:** 1100/\$16**Bhagirathi GH:** Bhagirathi Guest House Near Maidan \$20+**HOT Diplomat:** 1133 \$17**OTHERS:****MLA HOS:****Bodhi Tree GH:** 9.1; R\$22**Trav Inn Kolkata GH:** NR; \$\$11**Emerald Residency GH:** 8.3,; \$15

SITES (Kolkata):**28h**

Sidebar: St Old/New Names INDEX: SEE LPp464

- Ganges Boat ride
- Trams
- **KOLwalking tour:** Recm'd:
 - Kolkata Magic run by Deepa Krishnan or
 - Calcutta Walks: [Calcutta Walks](#) : by Ifte, Manjit & Pritish.

CENTRAL KOLKATA: LPm456-7**5¼h**

Start @ ...

- * **1A2 Victoria MEM:** 1¼
 - Central Chamber **leading** > ... ¼
 - Calcutta GAL: ½
 - Nearby PKs: **DIRECS**: NE > Victoria MEM PIK view ½

Exit E gate E > ...

- * **8B2 ST. Paul's CATH:** ¼

THEN, NE > TIC

~C2 TIC ¼

THEN, SSE > ...**3C2 Aurobindo Bhawan:** ¼**THEN, NE > ...****5C1 Harrington ST Arts CNTR:** imaginative PIK EXHs **If Time** ¾**THEN, SWW back >**

- * **9B1 Maidan PK** (say 'moi-dan'): ¾
 - 1758, ORIG: Ft William w/moat; Iconic = CNTR PK > NYC

THEN, NE > ...**7E2 S PK ST CEM:** 1757-1840, calm oasis, tightly manicured jungle, 1**THEN, > Mother Teresa's 'Motherhouse'**

- * **F1 off map Mother Teresa's 'Motherhouse':** 1
 - Sm MUS:** some personal effects -upstairs;
 - DIRECS:** E from IND MUS on Sudder ST > Mirza Ghalib ST , THEN,
 - turn (R) > Marquis St. Which CONT straight as Alimunddin St. > ~~~~
 - Bose Rd, THEN, turn R > Ripon St & turn R > 2nd alley , THEN, turn R
 - after Hotel Heaven >

THEN, > Chowringhee --- below

Add > S Kolkata walkin ??? 6C4 Netaji Bhavan: FAM Great Escape
from Brit HSE arrest

Chowringhee (ORIG: Calcutta): LPm472**3h****THEN, from Mom Teresa's 'Motherhouse' NW > ...****2A2 IND MUS:** 1**THEN, NE > ...****1B2 Clock TOW:** ¼**3B1 New MKT** ¾**IND MUS:** old fashioned, Unique Stuff: [SEE LPp455](#) 1

BBD BAGH Area: LPm458**4½h****START @ Esplanade N of Maidan PK ...****23B7 Sahid Minar:** 150' obelisk, 1814 BRIT victory over Nepal $\frac{1}{4}$ **THEN, across busy JNCT >****14C7 Metropolitan BLDG:** ORIG: colonial dept store; 2009: restored, $\frac{1}{4}$ **THEN, 1 BLK N > ...****27C7 Tippu Sultan's MOSQ:** mostly hidden, $\frac{1}{2}$ **21B6 Raj Bhavan:**(Closed), US Wht HSE-like $\frac{1}{2}$ **12A6 Kolkata Panorama MUS:** city heritage w/ working models, $\frac{3}{4}$ **9A6 High CRT:** 1864-72, $\frac{1}{4}$

grand Gothic, S: best view, INT access: request Gate Pass @ E entry

25A5 St John's CHC: 1787, $\frac{3}{4}$

Graveyard part park lot, but 2 MONs:

13A5 Job Charnock Mausoleum: $\frac{1}{4}$ **5A5 Black Hole MEM:** $\frac{1}{4}$ **BBD Bagh: LPm****1¼**ORIG: Raj-era IMP SQ, palm lined CNTR reservoir lake (*tank*)**7B5 GPO:** 1860s,, grand cupola on top, $\frac{1}{2}$ **26B4 Standard Chartered BLDG:** Moorish feel $\frac{1}{4}$ **28B4 Writer's BLDG:** 1780, SPEC S facade, bilt 4 E IND CO clerks, $\frac{1}{4}$ **24C5 St Andrew's CHC:** $\frac{1}{4}$ **THEN, directly E > ...**

N CENTRAL KOLKATA: LPm458

8¼h

Old Chinatown: NOW, run down, primarily Muslim,

1½

8C5 Hap Hing: classic CHI shop,

½

DIRECS: ON Tiretta's MKT: DIRECS: early > 10am,

19D5 Nangking REST:

¼

once grand, NOW wreck surrounded by trash heap & box living poor

18D4 Nam Soon CHI CHC: shrine-like, DIRECS: turn OF Damzen Lane

½

THEN, further along > ...

6D4 LRG Gateway- turquoise: 4 DOM elephant passage,

¼

THEN, N > ...

* **Barabazar: mini REL walk tour**

1½

17D3 Nakhoda MUS:

¼

SKIP THEN < opposite decrepit Pollock St Post OFF > ...

4C4 BethEI SYN: closed w/o 2 days request

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THEN, SWW > ...

NOTE: ORIG: 30,000 Jews, NOW, only 40

15C3 Moghan David SYN:

½

THEN, just around corner > ...

20C3 Neveh Shalome SYN:

¼

THEN, N > ...

10C3 Holy Rosasry CATH: 1797, crown-topped side TOWs,

¼

THEN, NW

2C3 Armenian CHC of Nazareth: 1707,

¼

DIRECS: midst paper merchants on Old Chinas Bazaar St

THEN, NW

16B2 Mullik Ghat Flower MKT: **DIRECS:** DSE end of Hiwrah BRG

¾

THEN, N > ...

* **11A1 Howrah Bridge:** WWII-era,

½

THEN, NEE > ...

1D1 * Tagore's HSE: inside Rabindra Bharati U; 1784,

1

family mansion, modern poet, brief look enuf

THEN, N > ...

* **Kumartuli area:**

2

SEE "KOL MAP Howrah BRDG > Kumartuli area.pdf" & "KOL MAP Kumartuli.pdf"

Area's giant pujas (offerings) effigies in tis district, process: straw frames, applied clay & painted,

Kumartuli Idol Maker, Shilpa Kendra: +919433359617 / +919831164846, +9133-25301425

1, Kumartuli St Kolkata 700005

DIRECS: 1) @ 499 Rabindra Sarani: workshops on narrow lane running 2 blks W from

2) Turn R (?) onto Bonomali (Banamali ?) Sakar St 4 more shops

3) THEN, Bonomali (Banamali ?) Sakar St END 300 m N @ Durgacharan Banerjee St



Ashutosh MUS of IND Art: priceless ancient IND sculp, Bengali terra-cotta

1

NOTE: ask photo/video permission

DIRECS: SEE "N CENT KOL- 1&2 Ashutosh MUS IND art.pdf"

SKIP ? : Marble PAL: 1835 Raja PAL, run down,
DIRECS: from MG Rd MetoSTA, walk N, THEN, turn L @ 1st
 Music rm, ballroom, NOTE: need advanced permission from tourist office

Northern Kolkata: LPm452 ?

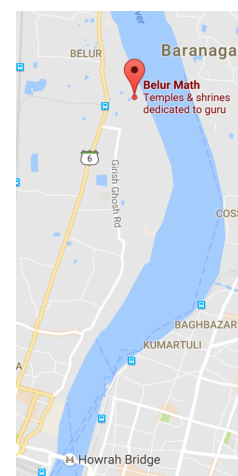
Est 4h

* **Sheetainathji Mandir:** DON OK, 1867, Jain, Gaudi-like



* **Dakshineswar Kali Hindu TEMP:** GMap
DIRECS: LPp462, maybe new Metro STA

* **Belur Math:(& Ramakrishna Mandir)** GMap
DIRECS: LPm452: upper center
 SEE LPp462
ADVICE : Use boat from



Dakshineswar > Belur Math

-- Ramakrishna Mandir: 1938, CATH, IND PAL, Istanbul's Aya Sofya MIX,

GMap ,

Sri Sarada Dev TEMP: GMap

MUS: dual level, aa3s4rdt

Western Kolkata: Botanical GARD NO cuz too difficult > access

Southern Kolkata: LPm463 est

3h

* **1A1 Kalighat TEMP:** 1809, OOM holy HINDU site; morning goat sacrifice,

DIRECS: LPp464; putrid Tolisnala CRK & Shanagar 'burning' GHAT

4D2 Nirmal Hriday: Mother Teresa's Home 4 dying

THEN, further N > Hzra Rd's

numerous 'image makers' : almost as intriguing as Kumartuli's

10C3 Rabindra Sarovar PK: OK, w/ Laughing Clubs (LPp465)



Tamil Nadu & Chennai (Madras):

Chennai: (Madras) 2 night, DT > Mamallapuram ??

ACCM:

Red Lollipop Hostel: 9, GUD LOC: airport bus, Mama bus; kit
Elements Hostel:

Mamallapuram (Mahabalipuram): (__T, 1D, __N)

TRANS-IN:

AIR: Kolkata>Chennai: SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf
6 airlines/2½h

TRN: www.trainman.in
Kolkata > Chennai: SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf

Chennai > Mamallapuram: 4:25-5:21am > ARV: 9am / 3-4h

BUS: NO!

TRANS-OUT:

1) BUS:
Mamallapuram > Chennai (airport bus 515 (½ hrly,) ???:

2a) AIR: Chennai > Mumbai: SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf
6 airlines / 1¾h

2b) TRN: www.trainman.in SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pdf
Mamallapuram > Chennai:
Chennai > Mumbai:

ACCM:

SEE Mama~ Hotels.pdf

SITES:**8¼h**

STRAT: Start @ **Five Ratha**, **THEN**, bushwhack S > ocean, **THEN**, N > **Shore TEMP**, **THEN**, W > **Arjuna's PA & all other sites**

* **Five Rathas** (chariots) **HIN TEMP:** **6am** ; 7th C, **SEE LPp1025 4 detail** 1¾

DIRECS: S off W side of map bottommap

5 bldg-like carved from single stones, future bldg models, each's animal mount

1st: Draupadi Ratha: ¼

DIRECS: 1st on L after gate entry , & lion

2nd: Ajuna Ratha: ¼

most IMP, precursor design of future S IND TEMPs, huge Nandi Bull

3rd: Bhima Ratha: barrel-roofed, not finish'd (missing N side colonnade), ¼

?: Dharmaraja Ratha: similar > Ajuna, but 2 stories, LRG god carvings, ¼

5th: Nakula-Sahadeva Ratha: DED > Indra; ¼

IND most perfectly shaped elephant,

THEN, walk > Shore PAL: ½

2D3 * Shore TEMP: **6am** ; **SEE LPp1025 4 detail** 1½

8th C, rock cut , sm, but well proportioned, superb carvings,

1B3 *Arjuna's PAL: **SEE LPp1025 4 detail**, ¾ 2

huge stone boulder relief carving masterpiece, OO ancient IND's GRTst works,

THEN, S along RD from Ajuna's Penance > ...

9B3 Panch Pandava Mandapa: unfinished cave TEMP ¼

5B3 Krishna Mandapa: fam carving w/ Krishna lifting hill & cows over peeps > protect from Indra god storm, ¼

THEN, South along road from Arjuna's Penance > ..

13A4 Unfinished relief carving (where?) ½

3A4 Dharmmaraj Cav TEMP: ¼

Mamal~ HILL: 1h walkabout, 6am, 3

Enter >> N ENTRY straight ahead > ...

6B2 'Krishna's Butterball': huge boulder solid, but perfectly balanced ¼

THEN, N passing BTWN some rocks > ...

12B2 Trimurti Cave: **SEE LPp1027 4 more detail**, ½

TEMP: FRT: HIN trinity; REAR: beautiful animals

THEN, BAC S of Krishna's Butterball > ...

4B2 Ganesh Ratha: Shiva > son Ganesh when linga removed ¼

THEN, SW of here > ...

14A3 Varaha Mandapa: **SEE LPp1027 4 more detail** ½

Mamal~'s finest carvings:

THEN, little further S & up > L > ...

11A3 Raya Gopura: 16th C, unfinished tall TEMP ENTRY TOW ¼

THEN, follow up MAIN path S ...

10A3 Ramanuja Manadapa:

1/4

West facing, most-finished rock cut cave temp w/well chiseled sculptures.**Facade**: six column bldg roofed w/ stone slabs.**Forecourt** (ardha mandapa): quadrangular roof covered.**3 cells**: middle one LRGst**Sanctum**: typically, staked off w/ two seated-lion pillars & two seated-lion pilasters (vyalas).

DED > Lord Shiva; damaged sanctum maybe attempt > remodel sanctum.

Roof & back walls: left unfinished by sculptors.**Stone cut steps**: > top of rock.**Inscription**: in Pallava Grantha script; meaning: "Six times cursed those in whose hearts does not dwell Rudra (Siva), deliverer from walking of on evil path."; Surprisingly inscription intact even after early damage**THEN, & up > ...****Mamal~'s (7A4) 'lighthouse'** w/ GRT views

1/2

Stiff hike > & climb up steep stairs, grt views

THEN< SW of lighthouse > ...**8A4 Maharishamardini Mandapa: SEE LPp1027 4 more detail**

1/2

rock carved w/ 5th C Sanskrit stories scenes,**15B2 BIKE TOURS**: 1/2D > VILs; bike rental 4 solo ride?

Maharashtra:

Mumbai #1:

TRANS-IN:

NOTE: Several Mumbai STAs: most IMP (& impress) colonial Victoria Terminus (aka CST). So start by looking 4 TRNs from Mumbai CST. If you don't see any suitable TRNs, try Bombay Central (Mumbai BCT) then finally Dadar which little way out of centre.

AIR:

Kolkata > BOM:

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Chennai > BOM:

SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pd

TRN:

Kolkata > BOM:

SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pd

Chennai > BOM:

SEE "ALT RAJ ITIN.pd

TRANS-OUT:

BUS:

Mumbai > Aurangabad:

Yatra's Many bus listed:

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ACCM:

Bkkkg.com ---

* **BP Panda Appetite:** 8.5, 6, 8xD\$12

FAC: KIT, Tour desk, w/d,

REV: BAD: GUD: LOC, cln, staff, toilets,

BOM BP: 8.4; 6,8mx\$13

FAC: Airport shuttle (cost), KIT, LUG STOR, fan & A/C,

REV: BAD: SIM card over charging, LOC, 2 baths 4 20 beds, tiny KIT, neighborhood, topillet paper charge; GUD: wifi, beds, nearby rest/st fd, Metro LOC: very close,

NO Arma HOS Mum: 6.5; m\$9

READ: LOC (hard>find, no rest , HOS = non-functional, toilets GUD:

Star Dormitory: NR, \$8

Welcome GH: NR; \$5

HOT: New Royal Inn: 3.9; \$6

HW: ---

Anjali Homestay: 8.2; \$10

HOT New IND: 7.4; \$18

HOT Windsor: 6.8; \$10

HOT Sapphire Residency: 6; \$20

SITES: Free walking tour:

Slum Tour: Slum Gods recm'dOld ---

DT: Pune: little interest EXCEPT Karla & Bhaja caves; hill stations: maybe GUD 4 2days.

Aurangabad: (BASE: Ellora & Ajanta) (T, 2D, 3N)

TRANS-IN: Mumbai > Aurangabad

AIR: Airport: 10km E of TWN; IND Air & Jet ; 4000/
Air India 1h 0m

 Jet Airways 1h 0m

BUS: MSRTC BUS STD: 1.5km N of TRN STA

also NE of here Old Town w/ narrow s=STs ?Muslim QRTs

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EXP (DP: 6:10am, 2nd C/chr, 7½h) &

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TRANS-OUT:

AIR: 10km E of TWN; IND AA & Jet

Aurangabad > Mumbai: 4000/

BUS:

Aurangabad > Mumbai: slpr/8h

Aurangabad > Ellora: (½ hrly, 3/4h)

Aurangabad > Ajanta: T-junctionnear Fadapur drop-off point 4 Ajanta ???

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Aurangabad > Mumbai: 2 heavily book'd; (DP: 2:35pm, 2nd C/chr, 7½h)

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ACCM: Use LOCAL KNOW

SITES: Free walking tour:

Old ---

Ellora: LPp785, WRLD Heritage, **Closed TUE**

Possible Mumbai Tours

TRANS-IN:

<http://www.holidayiq.com/How-To-Reach/From-Mumbai-To-Ajanta-Ellora-468-259>

BUS:

Mumbai > Ellora:

Mumbai > Aurangabad:

Aurangabad > Ellora: (½ hrly, 3/4h)

TRN:

Mumbai > Ellora:

Mumbai > Aurangabad:

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TRANS-OUT:

BUS:

Ellora > Mumbai : UN-likely, but possible

Shared Jeeps: when full > Aurangabad Bus STD

Ellora > Aurangabad : (½ hrly, 3/4h)

Aurangabad > Mumbai :

TRN:

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Aurangabad > Mumbai :

BUS:

Ellora > Aurangabad >:

TRN: NONE/ www.trainman.in

ACCM: DT

SITES: SEE LPp785 5 more details:

Grishneshwar Temp, Ellora inner sanctum accessible

Ellora Cave TEMPs: SEE LPp785- 4 more detail,

- epitome of over 5 Cs of ancient IND rock-cut ARCH (MONS, TEMPs, chapels),
- Bud, HIN, Jain, 2km escarpment w/ elaborate CrTYrds
- Mix of 3 REL influences over time indicates REL tolerance

* Kailasa TEMP: 760AD, in use, SEE LPp785- 4 more detail of

Construction STRAT; Scope of DIMENS compared > Athen's Parthenon
Sculptural work:

- Intricately Carved panels: : Ramayama & Mahabharata & Krishna adventures
- Monolithic CrTYrd pillars:
- SE GAL: 10 giant, FAN panels of Lord Vishnu's different avatars

THEN,

Explore dark, dank bat-urine corners of carvings etc.

THEN, HIKE up 4 trail > S of complex > top perimeter of 'cave' 4 ...

Birds-eye view of entire complex

Buddhist Caves: calm/contemplative; SEE " MUM Ellora Caves site MAP.pdf"

- southernmost caves : Buddhist MONs (*vihara*), except Cave 10 (assembly hall - *chaitya*)
- Earliest caves R simple; Cave 11 & 12 : ambitious

Cave 1: simplest, granary

Cave 2: ornate pillars, seated BUD

Cave 3&4: unfinished, not GUD condition

Cave 5: LRGst, stone bench rows (possibly: assembly hall)

Cave 6: ornate, Tara images SEE LPp786- 4 more detail of

Cave 7: unadorned hall

BUT, pass thru doorway > ...

Cave 8: NOTE: 'sanctuary' detached from rear wall

Cave 9: beautiful carved *facia*

Cave 10: only BUD *chaitya* ; OO IND's finest

Ceiling: carved ribs: grooves : once had wooden panels

CLIMB > Balcony/upper galleries: 4 better view

Decorative window: illuminate BUD STAT

Cave 11: (2 story cave), 3rd /basement w/ landing stair discovered: 1876

SEE "Ellora Cave11-12.pdf"

DIRECS: enter >> 3rd basement level , ;

Cave 12: huge 3 story: SEE "Ellora Cave11-12.pdf"

DIRECS: enter .. CrTYrd;

LOCKed top fir SHR w/ carvings ?

HINDU Caves (13 > 39): drama/excitement;

league of their own: scale, creative vision, skill

All cut from top down (avoided scaffolding)

Cave 13: simple, probable granary

Cave 14: BUD but converted > Shiva, 7th C

Cave 15: OO Ellora's finest, 2 story, Shiva emerging from linga image

Cave 17 > 20: simple MONS

Cave 21: Goddess standing on myth sea creature

Caves 22>28: simple MONS Cave 29:

Cave 29: TRANSITION btwn 'simple hollowed out caves' & ' fully developed Kailasa TEMP type



JAIN TEMPs: lack artistic vigor & GRT size, BUT .. exceptionally detailed

DIRECS: 1km N of last Hindu TEMP: Cave 29 @ end of Bitumen Rd

Cave 30: Little Kailasa: poor imitation,

Cave 32: Indra Assembly Hall: finest Jain TEMP; UPSTAIRS: ornate, rich decoration,

Cave 31: extension of Cave 32;

Cave 33: sculptures

Cave: 34:

Ajanta: LPp788 **closed MON**
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Queries: LUG stor @ caves? Fadapur?

BUS:

Mumbai > Ajanta:

Mumbai > Aurangabad:

Aurangabad > Ajanta: (½ hrly, 3/4h)

TRN:

Mumbai > Ajanta:

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NOTE: bus drop-off point 4 Ajanta = T-junction near Fadapur TWN 4km from caves

THEN, ? pay "amenities fee" **THEN,** walk > **Cave's Bus DP point 4 GRN colored buses -**

BUS RET: ½ hrly, 1st : 5pm

Fardapur: 1km down main rd towards Jaigon ??

TRANS-OUT:

BUS:

Ajanta > Mumbai:

Aurangabad > Mumbai:

Ajanta > Aurangabad: (½ hrly, 3/4h)

TRN:

Ajanta > Mumbai: **doubtful**

Aurangabad > Mumbai:

Ajanta > Aurangabad: (½ hrly, 3/4h) **equally doubtful**

ACCM: DT

LP: MTYDC Holiday Resort (Gov't)

SITES:

5½h

30 Caves:

- caves line steep horseshoe gorge face, much older than Ellora: 2nd C > 6th C AD; BUT, Ellora then overshadowed Ajanta - lost until 1819 chance rediscovery.
- KEY: 'tempera' (not frescoes) [SEE "CUL ART - Tempera vs fresco.pdf"](#), inestimable value of artistic excellence & execution, NOTE: small crater-like hole on floor : palettes;
- Closed or Inaccessible Caves: 3, 5, 8, 22, 28, 30; also other caves from time > time
- 15 min max > view
- 5 caves *chaityas*, while 25 *viharas*
- Early BUD Caves: 8, 9, 10, 12, 13 & 15: more simple & austere, symbol (footprint or 'wheel of law' of BUD only, never BUD himself
- other caves: Later 5th C AD Caves:

Cave 1: late Mahayana vihara, OO last made & 'most beautifully decorated' ¼

- **Front verandah:** leads > LRG 'congregation hall' w/ scriptures & murals
- **Murals:** w/ GRT perspective & elaborate dress, daily life & facial expression DETAIL
- **Colors:** local mineral made, EXCEPT from CEN Asia lapis lazuli BLU
- **Ceiling:** 4 deer w/ common head carving

Cave 2: late Mahayana *vihara*, ¼

SPEC ornamental **COLs & capitals**, fine paintings

Ceiling: geometric & floral patterns

Murals: depict Jataka tale stories that tell about previous lives of Buddha, in both human & animal form.

Scenes: mom's 6 tusked elephant dream ¼

Cave 4: LRGst *vihara*, 28 pillars, ¼

impressive sculptures: flight from '8 great dangers'

Cave 6: only 2 story *vihara*, ¼

INT: BUD STAT & intricately carved doorway

SHR, Upstairs: cells w/ fine paintings in doorways

Cave 7: atypical design: porches B4 verandah leading directly in> ¼

4 cells & elaborately SCULP's SHR

Cave 9: OOEearly *chaitya*; 2 figures flanking doors: later additions; ¼

COLs: both side & 9' H *dagoba* dome-shaped memorial alleged > contain relics of Buddha or Buddhist saint; stupa; chaitya @ end

Cave 10: OLDst: 200BC; LRGst *chaitya*, ¼

* 1st 1 seen in Smith's 1819 re-discovery;

Facade: collapsed & INT PTgs: damaged; early 1800s graffiti: rediscoverer- Smith

Cave 16: *vihara*, Ajanta's finest PTgs: --- ¼

- **'dying princess'** (BUD wife fainted hearing BUD 2B monk etc
- **Carved figures** : seem ceiling supports
- **BUD STAT**, Orig entry > entire complex

Cave 17: Pillars: carved dwarf supports; **PTgs:** best PRESRV & most varied. 1/4

SEE LPp790 4 more PTg detail

Cave 19: SPEC *chaitya*: 1/4

dome-shaped memorial alleged > contain relics of Buddha or Buddhist saint; stupa; chaitya

Facade: remarkably detailed w/ horseshoe shaped window

ENTRY: 2 BUD figures, **INT:** *dagoba*: 3 tiered w BUD figure,

EXT: > W: Naga king w/ 7 cobra heads, wife @ side

Cave 24: unfinished, 1/4

ORIG construction STRAT insight: long galleries cut, then rock BTWN broken thru

Cave 26: ruined *chaitya*, BUT dramatically lit 4 fine SCULPs 1/4

Cave 27: *vihara* connected > Cave 26 *chaitya* 1/4

VIEWPOINTS: (2)

DIRECS: Both routes seem > begin S of Cave 28

1) short walk beyond RIV SEE Map 1/2

2) Further, 40 min uphill walk > 1819 Brit party "1st seen" point

1 1/2

Mumbai #2:**TRANS-IN from**: SEE “Aurangabad Ellora & Ajanta sections above”

NOTE: Several Mumbai STAs: most IMP (& impress) colonial Victoria Terminus (aka CST). So start by looking 4 TRNs from Mumbai CST. If you don't see any suitable TRNs, try Bombay Central (Mumbai BCT) then finally Dadar which little way out of centre

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Aurangabad: (BASE: Ellora & Ajanta) (T, 2D, 3N)

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SITES: Free walking tour:

Old ---

DT: >

Jhunjhunu (JJN): (1 haveli) : (Jaiphur **DT**) **Worth ? NO!!!**

Trans info scheds etc: <http://jhunjhunu.info/index.html>

Sent email requesting list 4 interpreting STA codes etc.

TRANS-IN:

BUS:

JAI > JHUN: 1/d, 5½h; 9:34am, Jai RR STA

JAI>JHUIN~: ½ hrly; 5h1h

DEL > JHUN~: W & F only, 6:50am (DEE) > 1:10 PM (Sikr)

JHUN~ > NAW~: 1h

TRN:

None direct **CONFIRM**

TRANS-OUT:

BUS:

> Fatehpur: ½ hly, 1h

> Mandawa: ½ hly, 1h

> Nawalgarh: ½ hly, 1h

TRN: www.trainman.in

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SITES: (1 haveli, 1 TEMP)

Modi Haveli:

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