**India**

**Description**

Huge country in southern Asia, India offers a varied landscape, from the peaks of the Himalayas to the coast of the Indian Ocean. The country has a population of no less than 1.3 billion, making it the second most populous country in the world. India is known for its exceptional architectural features, including the most prominent example, the Taj Mahal. Indeed, the Taj Mahal is considered a jewel of Mughal architecture, a style that combines architectural elements of Islamic, Iranian, Ottoman and Indian architecture.

**Food**

Indian foods covers a wide variety of Indian regional food. They are influenced by the spices, herbs, fruits and vegetables found in every region of the country, but also by religion and history. The most popular dishes in India include, for example, naans with cheese, tandoori chicken, veal curry or Dhal, which are Indian-style yellow lentils.

**traditional outfits**

For the men, are the Achkan/ Sherwani, Bandhgala, Lungi, Kurta, Angarkha, Jama, Shalwar Kameez and Dhoti or Pajama, which you can discover at Puy-en-Velay. For women, the traditional Indian dress is called sari. It is a long piece of cloth, worn by millions of women from South Asia (mainly in India, Afghanistan, Nepal, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka in Pakistan, and Iran.)

Its origin goes back to 2800-1800 BC.

**Bar**

Indians consume more whisky, brandy and rum than any other country, at volumes at least 2 to 3 times higher than those of the United States. Rum and brandy account for 80% of the Indian spirits market, followed by whisky and vodka. Tea in India is also very important, both because the country is one of the largest producers in the world and because its inhabitants consume tea daily.

**exhibitor**

On the Indian side, you will be able to discover works of art, as well as objects typical of Indian culture like charpoy, which is a kind of box spring with ropes or webbing woven on the frame. Or the nimbu-mirchi which is a gri-gri composed of seven green peppers and a lemon, connected by a thread. According to Hindu mythology, protect you from Alakshimi, the goddess of misery and poverty. There will still be a large number of Indian objects to discover in Puy-En-Velay.

**Contest/Activity**

During the Puy du Monde, you will have the opportunity to try the traditional dances of India. You can also learn how to cook naan cheeses and many other typical Indian recipes.