



Rajasthan, India



The Rajasthan Essentials

VIP - 10 Days



The Map



A shortcut to your journey:

The aim of this tour is to discover Rajasthan, the land of the Maharajas, via savannah and mountain trails. Compared with the enduro tour, this ride is shorter and less intense. We take our time to discover this beautiful, historic region and enjoy prestigious hotels offering quality local food, swimming pools and spas or wellness facilities.

We ride through the Aravalli range, combining superb nature sanctuaries with typical flora and fauna, dunes, trails through rocky hills and small village roads.

You'll also enjoy a cultural immersion during several "chai" breaks in typical rural villages, visiting a Jain temple or a century-old "noria" (well system).

This trip requires the ability to ride on all types of terrain at moderate speeds (sand, gravel, river beds, etc.).



From Easy to Medium
Difficult



Best Travel Period
from October to
March



10 days
8 riding days



4 to 7 Hours
Riding time



Superior Comfort –
4/5 stars



As from 3.600 €
all included

** see exclusions page 11*

DAY 1 – Arrival in India and transfer to KHIMSAR

We welcome you on arrival at Delhi airport and accompany you on your transfer to your hotel in Khimsar.



DAY 2 – From KHIMSAR to JODHPUR (135km – 45% off-road)



We start off not far from the 16th-century Khimsar fort, heading to the city of Jodhpur, nicknamed the "blue city" because most of the houses in the old town are painted the same color.



During this "leg-stretch" stage, we drive through a maze of small tracks and roads in agricultural and semi-desertic regions. The gradient of this stage is not impressive, but we cross colorful, fragrant fields, not forgetting encounters with nomadic herders. Beware: on the few roads we take, we always drive on the left, and the holy cows are numerous. There are also cows on the tracks. Don't rub up against them!

Before reaching the "Blue City", we stop off at Panchkund Chhatra. This is a group of 46 memorials and domes dedicated to covering royal tombs.

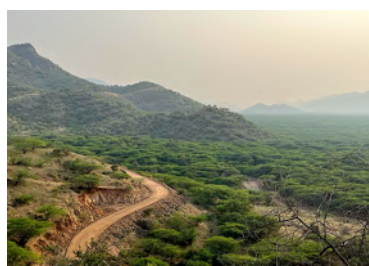


Our early afternoon arrival allows the riders to visit Jodhpur. We particularly recommend a visit to the Mehrangarh Fort for a sublime view of the "blue city", and tea on the terrace of the Umaid Bhawan Palace, a 5+ star hotel set within the walls of one of Rajasthan's most impressive maharaja palaces. Truly unique.



DAY 3 – From JODHPUR to JAWAI BANDH (270km – 40% off-road)

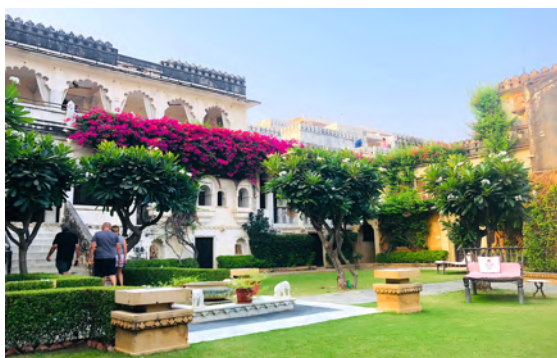
Today, we're getting to the heart of the matter. A long stage awaits you, and probably one of the most memorable. In order to reach the Jawai dam at the end of the day to catch a glimpse of one or other leopard, we start with a road section that will allow us to take full advantage of the large river crossings, to reach off-road nirvana, mixing rocky ground and sublime dunes surrounded by ochre-coloured rock cliffs. We find ourselves in the middle of the savannah, and we have to keep an eye out for wildebeest and gazelle, which have replaced the sacred cattle - or sacred bovines - for those who messed with them the day before.





DAY 4 – From JAWAI BANDH to NARLAI (110km – 60% off-road)

We wake up in the crack of dawn for a (visual!) leopard hunting jeep safari. Then a short but enchanting day with a start along the dam between huge round rocks like "elephant backs", followed by savannah tracks and a few dry wadis.



We then ride on small, forgotten tracks in the kingdom of the Marwari horse. This indigenous breed, with its distinctive curved ears, is renowned for its ability to cover very long distances in sweltering heat.

Along the way, we are likely to come across the semi-nomadic shepherds of the "Rabari" tribe, recognizable by their colorful headdresses. Lunch at the hotel. Afternoon at leisure: rest, stroll, spa or tea at the lake.

DAY 5 – From NARLAI to UDAIPUR (150km– 90% off-road)

Descent south towards the magical city of Udaipur via the Kumbhalgargh nature reserve. After the first few kilometers on savannah trails, we climb along a very ancient paved road. Wild animals and breathtakingly high vistas await.



Depending on arrival time at this wildlife sanctuary, you'll see striped hyenas, chinkaras (local gazelles), wolves, nighals (a kind of cross between an ox and an antelope) and a few leopards. There may even be a few large ginger-striped kittens weighing over 400kg, which - fortunately - I've never seen!

After crossing this wild park on the motorbike, we descend on pleasant mountain tracks and small village roads to Udaipur.



DAY 6 – From UDAIPUR to UDAIPUR

A day's rest in Udaipur. The most romantic city in Rajasthan, capital of the State of Udaipur - or officially the Kingdom of Mewar - a kingdom and then princely state of India from 530 to 1948. We recommend a visit to the City Palace, the Taj Palace, the old town, the Jagmandir, and the Ahar (Udaipur's royal cremation ground).





Dubbed "the most romantic place on the Indian continent" by British administrator James Tod, Udaipur is a tourist destination known for its history, culture, picturesque sites and palaces from the Rajput era.



It is also known as the "City of Lakes" due to its sophisticated lake system. Udaipur is also renowned for its historic forts and palaces, museums, galleries, natural sites and gardens, architectural temples, as well as traditional fairs, festivals and structures. Because of its many lakes, Udaipur is sometimes nicknamed the "Venice of the East".

DAY 7 – From UDAIPUR to LAKHSMAN SAGAR (250km – 20% off-road)

Today we head for Lakhsmán Sagar. We'll stop at the sumptuous Eklingji temple. We then drive over the mountains to Rajsamand Lake and the famous steps leading down to the lake.





DAY 8 – From LAKSHMAN SAGAR to PUSHKAR (130km – 40% off-road)

We head north again, with a formidable playground for trail bikes in the endearing Aravilis range. We then descend on sandy tracks to Puskhar - blue lotus flower - a town on the edge of the Thar Desert, which holds its famous annual camel fair in November. This major Hindu pilgrimage site is home to some 100,000 camels, which frolic about at atht time of year. It is also known as the "Rose Garden of Rajasthan", and the essence of the famous Pushkar rose is exported all over the world.



DAY 9 – From PUSHKAR to JAIPUR (160km – 60% off-road)

We start the day as we did at the beginning of our trip, with a maze of sandy tracks and a few roads passing through the Aravilis mountains.

Once you've reached the Sambhar salt lake, a long lunar traverse awaits you that seems endless. We continue this last stage via a few sandy tracks and a quarry before reaching Jaipur.



DAY 10 – TRANSFER to DELHI

As with your arrival, we'll take care of your return from Jaipur to Delhi airport. But if you've never been to India before, a detour to the nearby Taj Mahal in Agra, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is an unforgettable visit!





INCLUSIONS DU TOUR

- ✓ A KTM 390 Adventure motorcycle, or BMW GS310 is provided with full mechanical assistance, spare parts
- ✓ A back-up vehicle with a driver and a mechanic
- ✓ An English-speaking tour Guide
- ✓ Lodging in superior comfort, 4/5 stars hotels (8 nights) and one night in a luxury tent, in a twin-sharing room
- ✓ All Meals : breakfasts, lunches and dinners
- ✓ All entrance fees for wildlife reserves & special riding permits (except your mandatory international driving license)
- ✓ Airport pickup drop-off and all local transfers
- ✓ Regular motorcycle maintenance and third-party insurance

EXCLUSIONS DU TOUR

- ❖ Mandatory Personal Travel insurance (including repatriation assistance which covers you in case of a motorbike accident in India and legal assistance)
- ❖ International flights, airport taxes and Visa fees
- ❖ A refundable security deposit of 1,000€ for your motorbike
- ❖ Fuel expenses for your motorbike
- ❖ Single Room Supplement
- ❖ Alcoholic beverages and soft drinks
- ❖ The optional safari from the lodge on day 4, free afternoon activities in Narlai and free day sightseeing in Udaipur on day 6



Your Journey

⇒ INDIVIDUAL RESERVATION

< 6 months before the trip	:	4.800 €
Between 6 and 9 months	:	4.650 €
More than 9 months before the trip	:	4.500 €

⇒ GROUP RESERVATION

4 riders	:	4.400 €
5 riders	:	4.200 €
6 riders	:	3.900 €
7 riders	:	3.720 €
8 riders	:	3.600 €

Options :

° Leopard Jeep Safari in Jawai Band	:	105€ p.p
° Single Room Supplement	:	1,580 p.p
° Journey to/from Agra (min.5 persons)	:	265€ p.p

Inclusions :

- Transport from and to Delhi with a AC van
- Official Guide in Agra (Taj Mahal) for 1 and a half day
- Accommodation: Hotel*** Royal Regent in twin sharing room
- Entrance Ticket to the site of the Taj Mahal

Exclusions :

- Single Room Supplement + 85€
- Meals and drinks

* subject to our T&C's-
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