

# Religious & Philosophy Extension Tour (4 days visiting Khajuraho & Varanasi)

## The Land Tour Includes:

- 3 nights accommodation on twin share with daily breakfast.
- Train fare from Agra to Jhansi by Shatabdi Express traveling in air-conditioned executive chair car (best available on the train).
- Air-conditioned transportation for all transfers, sightseeing & excursions
- Entrance fees at all monuments (1 visit).
- Son-et-Lumiere show in Khajuraho.
- Early morning boat ride on the Ganges (exclusive basis) in Varanasi.
- Evening boat ride on the Ganges (exclusive basis) for witnessing evening aarthi (prayer) ceremony in Varanasi.



From  
**\$872 per person**  
Land only



## Itinerary:

### Day 1 Agra—Jhansi—Khajuraho

Morning train from Agra to Jhansi—Shatabdi Express (air-conditioned chair car) 08:40 am - 10:45 am.

On arrival, drive to Khajuraho, famous for its beautiful sandstone sculptured temples—approx 4 ½ hours drive). En-route visit **Orchha Temples**.

In Khajuraho stay at **The Lalit** for 1 night.

### Day 2 Varanasi

Early morning optional activity—**Yoga session at sunrise** with an expert at poolside of your hotel.

Morning **Board bullock carts** for the ride through the beautiful countryside up to the **Western group of temples** (a UNESCO World Heritage Site), Yonigini Temples & Jain Temples. Interesting talk on the erotic temples of Khajuraho and their significance in the evolution of temple architecture. Transfer to the temples.

Afternoon flight to Varanasi, (one of the oldest living cities in the world) by Jet Airways 9W 724—1:30pm - 2:10pm.

Evening visit the **ghats** (hundreds of stone steps flanking the riverbank) to witness a special **Hindu 'aarti' prayer ceremony** by the Ganges River. A specialist will give a **spiritual course on Hindu religion** and the significance of Ganges River.

Stay at the elegantly restored **Nadesar Palace** for 2 nights.

### Day 3 Varanasi

At dawn take a **boat ride on the Ganges**—an incredible sight, when thousands of pilgrims bathe in the spiritually cleansing waters. Return to hotel for breakfast.

Orientation tour of the city—visiting **Banaras Hindu University & Bharat Mata Temple**.

Afternoon excursion to **Sarnath** where Lord Buddha had preached his first sermon. Also visit the archeological museum\* at Sarnath. \*Closed on Friday

*Time permitting experience a special meeting with monks and take part in Buddhist meditation session.*

### Day 4 Varanasi—Delhi

Morning visit the silk looms of **Benaras** or a bead factory.

Afternoon transfer to airport for a flight to Delhi. Jet Airways 9W 724—2:30pm—4:00pm.

Rooms for Wash & change room will be provided at The Trident or Leela Kempinski. (Check out time 10:00pm) in Delhi.

You will be escorted back to Delhi International Airport for your flight back home.

**Note:** Above price based on double occupancy with minimum of 2 people travel at low season (Dec 22, 2010-Jan 05-2011). Other departure dates, please call for our most current prices. Although prices are current at the time of printing or listing, but may change without prior notice. Therefore, prices may differ when you book your travel, and are not guaranteed until full payment is received. . Please refer to Terms & Condition on this web.