MYSTICAL INDIA
WITH RANTHAMBORE TIGER PRESERVE
March 4-20, 2018

17 days for $4,987 total price from Boston, New York, Wash, DC
($4,095 air & land inclusive plus $892 airline taxes and fees)

This tour is provided by Odysseys Unlimited,
six-time honoree Travel & Leisure’s World’s Best Tour Operators award.

A Special Small Group Tour for Alumni and Friends of The University of North Carolina
Dear Carolina Alumni and Friends,

Join fellow Tar Heels and friends on a special 17-day tour to India. Enjoy visits to sites steeped in history, with art and architecture that reveal domestic and foreign influences on India’s culture.

Highlights of the tour include the historic districts of Old and New Delhi, one ancient and the other built by the British; Agra, stronghold of the medieval Mughal Empire and home to the sublime Taj Mahal; and Jaipur, the “pink city” in the princely state of Rajasthan. Enjoy a two-night stay at Ranthambore Tiger Preserve, home to the elusive Bengal tiger. Visit pastoral Kalakho and meet local Meena tribespeople. Finally, explore Varanasi, India’s holiest city, experiencing life along the sacred Ganges. An optional 5-day/4-night post-tour extension to beautiful Nepal is also available.

We are very pleased to be sharing this departure with alumni and friends from the William & Mary Alumni Association. With space for only 24 guests in total, we expect this tour to fill quickly. Book today and secure your place on this memorable tour of India!

Yours at Carolina,

Douglas S. Dibbert ’70
President, UNC General Alumni Association

THE UNC RESERVATION FORM: MYSTICAL INDIA

Enclosed is my/our deposit for $______ ($500 per person) for ____ person(s) on Mystical India departing March 4, 2018. I/We understand the final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, VISA, or by personal check. Please make check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., and send, with completed reservation form, to: General Alumni Association, University of North Carolina, PO Box 660, Chapel Hill, NC 27514-0660. For more information, please call UNC GAA toll-free at 1-877-962-3980, or call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free at 1-888-370-6765.

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Please book my/our air from ____________________________________ I/We request a Business Class upgrade ☐

I will share a room with ____________________________________ I request a single room (limited availability) ☐

Post-Tour “Nepal” Extension: Please sign me/us up ☐

Please Note: The undersigned has read the schedule of activities for Mystical India, March 4-20, 2018, and agrees that their signature below represents their acceptance of the General Terms and Conditions.

Signature(s) ________________________________________________________________ Date___________________

Method of Payment ☐ Check ☐ American Express ☐ Discover ☐ MasterCard ☐ VISA

Account # ______________________________________ Security Code _________ Exp. Date _______________

Name of Cardholder ____________________________________________________________________________

Signature ______________________________________________________________________________________

Final invoicing will be sent by the tour operator, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. The balance of the program price must be paid to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. Final payment is due 95 days prior to departure and is payable by check or credit card.

Membership Requirements: Tour participants who are not members of The UNC General Alumni Association must join the Association ($50 for singles; $60 for couples) or pay a $50 surcharge to participate. Please pay by separate check made payable to The UNC General Alumni Association and mail the check with this reservation form.
Day 1: Depart U.S. for Delhi, India

Day 2: Arrive Delhi

We arrive in India’s hyperactive capital late in the evening and transfer to our hotel.

Day 3: Delhi

After a morning at leisure and lunch on our own, we explore Delhi, including a tour of Qutb Minar, renowned 17th-century landmark Lal Qila, where we stop for a photo opportunity; and India Gate, a war memorial honoring the 90,000 Indian soldiers who died in World War I. Late this afternoon we gather for a briefing and a welcome dinner at our hotel. B,D

Day 4: Delhi

Today we explore Old Delhi, beginning with the Gandhi Memorial, a simple black marble slab memorial dedicated to Mahatma Gandhi; and Smriti, a museum dedicated to the Indian icon. After lunch together, we visit Jama Masjid, India’s largest mosque; ride rickshaws through Chandni Chowk market; visit a Sikh temple; and stop to see the 16th-century Tomb of Humayun. We have this evening free for further exploration or relaxation, and dinner on our own. B,L

Day 5: Delhi/Jaipur

Today we travel by coach to the “pink city” of Jaipur, one of the great cities of the Rajput, with historic forts, palaces, and gardens. We reach our hotel late afternoon. B,L,D

Day 6: Jaipur

Our first stop is the stunning Hawa Mahal, the elaborately carved pink sandstone “Palace of the Winds.” We continue on to Amber Fort, built by the Kachhawah Rajputs as their capital from 1037 to 1728; Jantar Mantar, the open-air observatory; and City Palace Museum, housing the magnificent art collections of the Maharajas of Jaipur. B,L

Day 7: Jaipur/Sanganer

This morning we visit the village of Sanganer to see villagers engaging in traditional block printing and handmade paper industries. Later we see local life up close as we explore an outdoor market. Tonight we are dinner guests in the home of a multi-generational Rajasthani family. B,L

Day 8: Jaipur/Ranthambore

We travel today to Ranthambore National Park, the former hunting ground of the Maharajahs of Jaipur. Today we explore the Ranthambore Tiger Preserve, home to theYOUR. We search for elusive tigers and other wildlife in their natural habitat. We have this evening free for relaxation or dinner on our own. B,D

Cover photo: Visit the Taj Mahal, a UNESCO site considered one of the world’s most beautiful buildings.
ground of the Maharajah of Jaipur and now a 512-square-mile natural preserve that is home to hundreds of species of birds, reptiles, mammals, and of course, Bengal tigers. This afternoon we take our first wildlife drive through the park. B,L,D

Day 9: Ranthambore We take both morning and afternoon wildlife drives today to see not only wildlife (though tiger and leopard sightings are not guaranteed), but also picturesque ruins of forts and palaces. B,L,D

Day 10: Ranthambore/Kalakho We depart early for Kalakho, where we meet local Meena tribespeople in their homes: huts of mud, with walls decorated with floral and animal designs. Tonight we enjoy a traditional folk dance performance. B,L,D

Day 11: Kalakho/Agra En route to Agra today, we stop in the ancient village of Abhaneri to see the fortified Chand Baori stepwell (c. 800), whose 3,500 steps descend some 13 stories into the ground. Continuing on, we reach the ancient Mughal stronghold of Agra early this afternoon. After lunch on our own, we visit Itimad-ud-Daulah, the two-story marble “Baby Taj” that inspired the Taj Mahal. Dinner tonight is at our hotel. B,D

Day 12: Agra This morning we visit the Taj Mahal, the magnificent tomb built by Emperor Shah Jahan in memory of his beloved wife Mumtaz. Then we take an Indian cuisine cooking lesson and enjoy the results for lunch. Later: imposing Agra Fort. B,L

Day 13: Agra/Delhi/Varanasi We depart by coach this morning for Delhi, where we board a late afternoon flight to Varanasi, the holiest city in Hinduism. We dine tonight at our hotel. B,L,D

Day 14: Varanasi/Sarnath Before breakfast today, those who wish can join in a private yoga session. Then we visit nearby Sarnath, where the Buddha

Visit Amber Fort, a UNESCO World Heritage site, on Day 6.

Post-Tour Extension

March 19-24, 2018

Nepal

5 days/4 nights for $995 total price
Single Supplement: $295

Absorb the beauty of the Himalayan kingdom – and the warmth of its people – on this special journey featuring sacred shrines, royal cities, and indigenous lifestyles.

Your Tour Price Includes

- Air transportation Delhi/Kathmandu, inclusive of airline taxes and fees
- 4 nights’ accommodations: 2 nights in Kathmandu at Crowne Plaza Soaltee (Superior First Class); 2 nights in Nagarkot at Club Himalaya Nagarkot (Superior First Class)
- 8 meals: 4 breakfasts, 1 lunches, 3 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing, including Pashupatinath shrine (UNESCO site); Boudhanath monument; colorful Bhaktapur, “City of Devotees;” Swayambhunath Temple; royal city of Patan; and Kathmandu and environs
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Private motorcoach transportation
- Gratuities for dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers

Please note that guests on this extension will leave the India tour from Delhi on Day 16 after the Varanasi stay.
first taught after achieving enlightenment. One of Buddhism’s four holiest sites, Sarnath draws pilgrims from the world over. We see some of the temples and stupas then tour Sarnath Museum, housing a superb collection of Buddhist artifacts from excavations here. Mid-day we return to our hotel; lunch is on our own. Late afternoon we attend a traditional aarti ceremony: as we cruise along the Ganges, we watch as devout Hindus offer their lit lamps to the deities. Following this moving experience, dinner tonight is at our hotel. B,D

Day 15: Varanasi Early this morning we return to the Ganges where Hindu pilgrims perform their rituals along the ghats (steps) leading to the river. We visit several ghats by boat as we experience for ourselves the spiritual aura of the hallowed Ganges waters. Then we return to our hotel with time to rest before this afternoon’s walking tour and private performance of classical sitar. Tonight we celebrate our journey at a farewell dinner at our hotel. B,D

Day 16: Varanasi/Delhi We fly this afternoon to Delhi, where the evening is at leisure. B

Day 17: Return to U.S. We transfer to the airport very early this morning for our return flight to the U.S.

Tour Departs: March 4, 2018
Prices include int’l airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees.

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Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of $892, which are subject to change until final payment is made. Single travelers please add $1,395. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Business Class upgrade on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: $4,995 per person in addition to the above costs (upgrade is subject to availability and pricing is subject to change).

Please note: This trip involves full days of sightseeing and a significant amount of walking, as well as some lengthy coach rides. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy the tour to its fullest.

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“We PEACE IS ITS OWN REWARD.”
– MAHATMA GANDHI

We encounter historic forts and palaces in Rajasthan.
GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Please read this information carefully, as payment of a $500 deposit per person represents your acceptance of the following Terms and Conditions.

Not Included in Tour Price

Airfare when purchasing a Land Only package; costs of passports and visas; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; airport transfers when purchasing a Land Only package; communication charges; optional sightseeing; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities: $10-$15 per traveler, per day); and travel protection insurance. Additional baggage fees may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

Cancellations, Refunds, and Changes

If you must cancel your trip, the effective date of cancellation will be upon Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.’s receipt of your written notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges:

- Cancel 95 days or more before departure: $200 charge; cancel 94-65 days before departure: 25% of tour price; cancel 64-45 days before departure: 50% of tour price; cancel 44-30 days before departure: 75% of tour price; cancel 29-0 days before departure: no refund.

Per person administrative fee, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason, you will be charged the single supplement. No changes are allowed within 30 days of departure. Upon making your reservation you must provide your full legal name as it appears on your passport, as well as your date of birth and gender. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket’s reissue.

Responsibility

The liability of The University of North Carolina General Alumni Association (UNC GAA), as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, and restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under our control. We serve only as agents for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, or of their employees, agents, servants, or representatives. The UNC GAA and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within our control, including, without limitation, acts of terrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or the negligence or default of any third party. All coupons, receipts, and tickets issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the air carriers, cruise lines, and other independent suppliers. We will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make itinerary changes as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require us to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality.

Health and Medical Issues

We request that you be in good health to participate in this tour. There is a significant amount of walking as well as lengthy coach rides, and you must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and boats on your own. We offer individual assistance; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that our itineraries cannot accommodate wheelchairs. We reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical or mental condition, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other passengers. In that event, the UNC GAA and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour.

Air Transportation – Important Information

Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. includes in its tour price round-trip economy air from designated gateway cities as shown, and contracts with those airlines the company feels provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer a more direct connection, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. Please note that seat assignment on your international flight is usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. is unable to guarantee any seat assignments. Due to the nature of tour operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including, but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, Land Only is available on most tours. Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own airline reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. If you choose to make your own air arrangements, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes in this tour.

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Guaranteed Small Group: Limited to 24 Guests

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