



JEWELS OF CENTRAL INDIA

11 Nights / 12 Days

The Indian Bucket List offers a bespoke 11 Night / 12 Day journey through Central India, covering a range of captivating destinations. The itinerary includes visits to Bandhavgarh National Park and Panna National Park, renowned for their rich wildlife and biodiversity. Travelers will also have the opportunity to explore the exquisite Khajuraho temples, known for their intricate carvings and historical significance. Additionally, the journey includes the charming towns of Orchha, Maheba, Datia, and Gwalior, each offering unique cultural experiences and architectural wonders. This meticulously curated journey promises an immersive and unforgettable exploration of Central India's diverse landscapes, wildlife, and heritage sites.

Bandhavgarh : One of the most popular wildlife sanctuary located in the state of Madhya Pradesh, India. It covers an area of approximately 450 square kilometers and is known for its high density of tigers, making it one of the best places in India to spot these majestic creatures in the wild. The park also boasts a rich biodiversity, with a variety of other wildlife species such as leopards, deer, and birds.

Panna National Park : A picturesque wildlife sanctuary spanning over an area of approximately 542 square kilometers, the park is known for its diverse flora and fauna, including the majestic Bengal tiger, leopards, and various species of deer and birds. Panna National Park offers a unique opportunity for travelers to immerse themselves in the beauty of nature and witness a wide range of wildlife in their natural habitat.

Khajuraho : The Khajuraho temples are a group of stunning Hindu and Jain temples located in the town of Khajuraho in the state of Madhya Pradesh, India. These temples are renowned for their exquisite and intricate carvings that depict various aspects of life, mythology, and spirituality. The temples were built between the 9th and 11th centuries by the Chandela dynasty, showcasing a remarkable blend of architectural styles and artistic craftsmanship.

Maheba & Alipura : Alipura Palace and Maheba are two historically significant destinations in Central India, known for their rich heritage and cultural legacy. Alipura Palace, a majestic heritage property, holds a storied past dating back to the era of Maharaja Chhatrasal, a legendary ruler of Bundelkhand, was a valiant warrior and a patron of the arts, known for his courage and benevolence. The palace served as his residence and witnessed many historic events during his reign. Maheba, on the other hand, is a quaint town with a deep connection to the legendary Mastani, the daughter of Maharaja Chhatrasal. Mastani was renowned for her beauty, grace, and intelligence, and her love story with Bajirao Ballal, the invincible Maratha warrior is steeped in folklore and romance.

Orchha : A historic town located in the state of Madhya Pradesh, India, known for its rich cultural heritage and architectural marvels. Founded in the 16th century by the Bundela Rajput chieftain, Rudra Pratap Singh, Orchha served as the capital of the Bundela kingdom. The town is dotted with magnificent palaces, temples, and cenotaphs that showcase a blend of Rajput and Mughal architectural styles. One of the most iconic landmarks in Orchha is the Orchha Fort complex, which comprises several palaces, temples, and gardens.

Datia : Known for its rich cultural heritage and architectural marvels. One of the main attractions in Datia is the imposing Bir Singh Palace, which showcases a blend of Rajput and Mughal architectural styles. The palace offers a glimpse. The town's historical significance, coupled with its stunning architecture and religious sites, make Datia a captivating destination for travelers interested in exploring India's cultural heritage.

Gwalior : City steeped in rich history and cultural heritage. It is home to the magnificent Gwalior Fort, a formidable hilltop fortress that has stood for centuries and offers panoramic views of the city below. The fort houses several historic structures, including the iconic Man Singh Palace and the Teli-ka-Mandir, a stunning temple with intricate carvings. Gwalior is also known for its royal lineage, with the Scindia family playing a prominent role in the city's history. Visitors can explore the city's numerous palaces, museums, and temples, each showcasing the grandeur and architectural splendor of Gwalior's past.

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Day 01 & 02

BANDHAVGARH

Renowned wildlife sanctuary located in the state of Madhya Pradesh, India. Covering an area of approximately 450 square kilometers, the park is known for its high density of tigers, making it a prime destination for tiger sightings. In addition to tigers, Bandhavgarh is home to a diverse range of wildlife, including leopards, deer, and various bird species. The park's lush forests, grasslands, and rocky terrain provide a picturesque backdrop for jungle safaris, nature walks, and bird watching activities. Visitors to Bandhavgarh National Park can immerse themselves in the beauty of nature and witness the wonders of the wild in a pristine and natural setting.

Activity 01

Game drive of Bandhavgarh National Park and Talk

Activity 02

Game drives of Bandhavgarh National Park



WILDLIFE



TALK

Day 03

PANNA

An exciting opportunity to explore the diverse wildlife and natural beauty of the park. Visitors can embark on thrilling safaris through the park's rugged terrain, accompanied by experienced guides who help spot various wildlife species such as tigers, leopards, deer, and a wide array of bird species. The game drives provide a chance to witness these animals in their natural habitat, offering a unique and unforgettable wildlife viewing experience.

Activity 01

PM game drive of Panna National Park and Talk

Activity 02

AM game drives of Panna National Park



WILDLIFE



TALK

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Day 04 & 05
KHAJURAHO
&
ALIPURA

The Khajuraho Temples, a UNESCO World Heritage Site located in Madhya Pradesh, India, are renowned for their stunning architecture and intricate stone carvings. These temples, built between 950 and 1050 AD by the Chandela dynasty, are known for their depiction of various aspects of life, including love, spirituality, and daily activities. The temples are divided into three groups - Western, Eastern, and Southern - each showcasing a unique blend of Hindu and Jain architectural styles. Visitors can marvel at the intricate sculptures depicting gods, goddesses, celestial beings, animals, and intricate geometric patterns. The Khajuraho Temples offer a fascinating glimpse into India's rich cultural and artistic heritage, making it a must-visit destination for history buffs and art enthusiasts.

Activity 01

Khajuraho Temple Complex



HISTORIAL SITE



COOKING



HERITAGE WALK

Day 06, 07 & 08
ORCHHA
&
DATIA

Jahangir Mahal, is a stunning architectural marvel located in the town of Orchha, Madhya Pradesh, India. Built in the 17th century, this grand palace showcases a unique blend of Mughal and Rajput architectural styles, featuring intricate carvings, beautiful frescoes, and ornate domes. Explore the various chambers, courtyards, and balconies of the palace, offering a glimpse into the rich history and royal lifestyle of the past. Rai Parveen Palace, located within the Orchha Fort complex, is a charming structure dedicated to the legendary poetess and musician, Rai Parveen.

Bir Singh Palace of Datia, this stunning architectural masterpiece showcases a blend of Rajput and Mughal architectural styles. The palace offers intricate carvings, beautiful frescoes, and panoramic views of the surrounding area. Historic fort of Datia offers a glimpse into Datia's royal past. The fort's imposing structure and strategic location make it a fascinating site for history buffs.

Activity 01

Orchha Fort, Rai Parveen Mahal, Memorials, Heritage walk and Betwa River

Activity 02

Datia Fort and Purana Mahal



HISTORIAL SITE



HERITAGE WALK

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Day 09 & 10

JHANSI

Jhansi Fort, located in the city of Jhansi in the state of Uttar Pradesh, India, is a historic monument that holds great significance in Indian history. The fort offers a glimpse into the valor and courage of Rani Lakshmi Bai, the legendary queen of Jhansi, who played a pivotal role in the Indian Rebellion of 1857. Visitors to Jhansi Fort can explore its massive walls, intricate architecture, and various structures within the complex, including palaces, temples, and museums. The fort provides panoramic views of the surrounding area and serves as a reminder of the rich heritage and heroic tales associated with this iconic landmark.

Activity 01

Jhansi Fort



HISTORIAL SITE



HERITAGE WALK

Day 11

GWALIOR

City steeped in history and culture, offering a plethora of sightseeing opportunities for visitors. Some of the must-visit attractions in Gwalior include the majestic Gwalior Fort, known for its stunning architecture and panoramic views of the city. The Jai Vilas Palace, a grandiose 19th-century palace showcasing a blend of European and Indian architectural styles, is another highlight. The city is also home to the intricately carved Sas Bahu Temples, showcasing exquisite craftsmanship. Other notable sights include the Tomb of Tansen, the Scindia Museum, and the Sun Temple.

Activity 01

Orchha Fort, Rai Parveen Mahal, Memorials, Heritage walk and Betwa River



HISTORIAL SITE



HERITAGE WALK

Conclude your journey with a sense of fulfillment and a treasure trove of memories as you bid farewell to the enchanting landscapes and vibrant cultures of Madhya Pradesh. This 11 Night, 12 Day itinerary promises a perfect blend of spirituality, history, and wildlife, leaving you with a deep appreciation for the diverse wonders of this captivating state.



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Day 12 GWALIOR

On the final day of your unforgettable journey, "Jewels of Central India" you have a full morning at your leisure to relax, reflect, and absorb the experiences of the past eleven days. This day is designed for you to unwind, indulge in personal interests, and make the most of your remaining time in this captivating region of Madhya Pradesh the heartland of India. Journey Ends - Transfer to Gwalior Airport for onward Journey.



HERITAGE WALK



ART



SPA

Thank you for joining **The Indian Bucket List** on "Jewels of Central India" journey. It was a pleasure to have you with us, exploring the rich cultural heritage and vibrant landscapes of Madhya Pradesh.

We hope you enjoyed the experience and made cherished memories along the way. Wishing you safe travels ahead and we look forward to welcoming you on another adventure soon.

Warm regards,

The Indian Bucket List Team