

11 Nights / 12 Days

"Whispers of Wild" is an exclusive 11 Night / 12 Day journey crafted by The Indian Bucket List, offering a deep dive into the heart of India's most iconic wildlife destinations. The adventure begins at Kanha National Park, where guests can marvel at the park's diverse fauna, including the majestic Bengal tiger and the rare barasingha. The journey then leads to Pench National Park, the enchanting forest that inspired "The Jungle Book," providing opportunities to spot tigers, leopards, and a variety of bird species.

Next, the itinerary takes travelers to the serene Bori Wildlife Sanctuary, one of India's oldest sanctuaries. Here, the tranquil setting allows for intimate wildlife encounters, including sightings of sloth bears and leopards. The expedition concludes at Satpura National Park, renowned for its rugged beauty and unique activities such as trekking, canoeing, and jeep safaris, offering sightings of Indian bison, tigers, and more.

Throughout this bespoke journey, guests enjoy luxurious accommodations and expert-guided safaris, all while supporting sustainable and responsible tourism practices. "Whispers of Wild" promises an unforgettable exploration of India's natural wonders, combining comfort, adventure, and a commitment to conservation.

Kanha National Park: Known for its tiger population and diverse wildlife, Kanha offers lush landscapes and the opportunity to spot Bengal tigers, leopards, and the unique barasingha (swamp deer).

Pench National Park: Famed for inspiring Rudyard Kipling's "The Jungle Book," Pench is rich in wildlife, including tigers, leopards, and numerous bird species.

**Bori Wildlife Sanctuary**: One of the oldest sanctuaries in India, Bori is less crowded and provides a serene environment to observe wildlife such as tigers, leopards, and sloth bears in their natural habitat.

Satpura National Park: Known for its rugged terrain and scenic beauty, Satpura offers a unique wildlife experience with opportunities for trekking, canoeing, and jeep safaris to see a wide range of animals, including tigers, leopards, and Indian bison.

Throughout the journey, guests stay in luxury accommodations, enjoy expert-guided safaris, and partake in exclusive activities that enhance the wildlife viewing experience. The tour emphasizes sustainability and responsible tourism, ensuring a memorable and enriching adventure while promoting conservation efforts.



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Day 01 & 02 **KANHA** 

Located in the central Indian state of Madhya Pradesh, is one of the largest and most renowned wildlife reserves in India. Established in 1955, it spans an area of approximately 940 square kilometers. The park is known for its significant population of Bengal tigers, Indian leopards, sloth bears, swamp deer, and Indian wild dogs. Kanha's lush landscapes feature dense sal and bamboo forests, grassy meadows, and picturesque streams, offering a rich habitat for diverse flora and fauna. The park's conservation efforts, particularly for the swamp deer, have been highly successful, making it a model for wildlife preservation. Kanha also served as an inspiration for Rudyard Kipling's famous novel, "The Jungle Book."

#### Activity 01

PM Game drives and village and Talk on Kanha National Park by area expert.

#### Activity 02

AM & PM Game drives and village / nature walk.





Day 03 & 04 **PENCH** 

Pench National Park, straddling the states of Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra in central India, is a renowned wildlife reserve celebrated for its rich biodiversity and scenic beauty. Covering an area of approximately 758 square kilometers, the park is named after the Pench River that flows through it, creating a lifeline for its flora and fauna. The park is home to a significant population of Bengal tigers, leopards, and wild dogs, as well as a variety of other wildlife, including deer, birds, and reptiles. Its diverse landscapes range from dense forests and open grasslands to picturesque water bodies, providing a perfect habitat for wildlife enthusiasts and nature lovers to explore.

# Activity 01

PM Game drives and Talk on Pench National Park by area expert.

### Activity 02

AM & PM Game drives and Nature walk.









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Day 05 & 06 **BORI**  One of the oldest wildlife sanctuaries in the country. Spanning an area of approximately 518 square kilometers, it forms part of the larger Satpura Tiger Reserve. Bori is characterized by its dense teak forests, rolling hills, and scenic riverine landscapes. The sanctuary is home to a rich diversity of wildlife, including tigers, leopards, sloth bears, Indian bison and a variety of deer species. Birdwatchers can also delight in the sanctuary's numerous avian species. Known for its serene and less crowded environment, Bori offers a tranquil setting for wildlife enthusiasts to observe animals in their natural habitat while supporting conservation efforts.

#### Activity 01

PM Game drives and village and Talk on Bori Wildlife Sanctuary by area expert.

#### Activity 02

AM & PM Game drives and Nature walk.







Day 07

CHURNA

located within the Satpura National Park in the Hoshangabad district of Madhya Pradesh, India, is a lesser-known yet captivating wildlife haven. The sanctuary is renowned for its rich biodiversity and pristine natural beauty, characterized by dense forests, rugged hills, and serene water bodies. Churna is home to a variety of wildlife, including tigers, leopards, sloth bears, Indian bison (gaur), and various deer species. The sanctuary is also a haven for birdwatchers, offering sightings of numerous avian species.

#### Activity 02

AM & PM Game drives, Nature walk, Talk and Culinary Experience



WILDLIFE



TREK



COOKING

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Day 08 & 09 SATPURA Satpura National Park, is a stunning wildlife reserve known for its rugged terrain, lush forests, and rich biodiversity. Covering an area of approximately 524 square kilometers, the park forms part of the larger Satpura Tiger Reserve. Satpura's diverse landscapes include dense teak and sal forests, deep ravines, sandstone peaks, and serene water bodies, creating a unique habitat for a wide range of wildlife.

The park is home to a variety of species, including tigers, leopards, sloth bears, Indian bison, wild dogs, and numerous species of birds, offering sightings of many avian species. Satpura National Park is distinctive for its range of activities, such as jeep safaris, walking safaris, and boat rides, allowing visitors to explore its natural beauty and wildlife from different perspectives.

#### Activity 01

PM Game drives and village and Talk on Satpura National Park by area expert.

#### Activity 02

AM & PM Game drives and Nature walk.







# Day 10 BHOPAL

Bhopal, the capital of Madhya Pradesh, has a rich and varied history that dates back to ancient times. The city is believed to have been founded by Raja Bhoj, a legendary Parmar king who ruled in the 11th century. The name "Bhopal" is derived from "Bhojpal," referring to its founder.

In the early 18th century, Bhopal became a princely state during British colonial rule. The city saw significant development under the Begums of Bhopal, a line of female rulers who governed from the early 19th to the mid-20th century. Notable Begums, such as Qudsia Begum, Shah Jehan Begum, and Sultan Jahan Begum, were known for their progressive policies, including advancements in education, healthcare, and women's rights.

# Activity 01

Taj-Ul-Maszid, Hoghar Mahal and Heritage walk through the old bazar











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# Day 11 BHOPAL

Sanchi Stupa, located about 46 kilometers from Bhopal in Madhya Pradesh, India, is one of the most significant and well-preserved Buddhist sites in the world. The site dates back to the 3rd century BCE and was commissioned by Emperor Ashoka of the Maurya Dynasty. Ashoka, a pivotal figure in Indian history, embraced Buddhism after a transformative conversion and sought to promote the faith through monumental architecture.

The central feature of Sanchi is the Great Stupa (Stupa No. 1), a large hemispherical dome that originally contained relics of the Buddha. The stupa is an important example of early Buddhist architecture and design, symbolizing the Buddha's presence and teachings. Its construction reflects the early phase of Buddhist art and architecture, characterized by simplicity and a focus on the stupa's sacred relics.

The site also features several other stupas, monastic complexes, and Buddhist temples, including the Stupa No. 2 and Stupa No. 3, as well as the Ashoka Pillar and a collection of intricately carved Toranas (gateway carvings). These carvings depict various Jataka tales (stories of the Buddha's previous lives), important events from the Buddha's life, and symbols of Buddhist teachings.

Sanchi experienced periods of neglect and decay over the centuries, particularly during the medieval period, but it was rediscovered and restored in the 19th century by British archaeologists, including Sir John Marshall, who played a crucial role in its preservation.

Today, Sanchi Stupa is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and remains a prominent pilgrimage destination and an important historical and cultural landmark. Its architectural and artistic achievements provide valuable insights into early Buddhist practices and the spread of Buddhism across India and beyond.

# Day 12 BHOPAL

On the final day of your unforgettable journey, "Whispers of Wild" you have a full day 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 Bhopal International Airport for flight home.









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