



BIG FIVE OF INDIA **INDIAN WILDLIFE SAFARI TOUR**

Day 1: Depart UK

Fly from Heathrow to Mumbai. Upon arrival you will be met and transferred to the Ecotel Hotel for one night.

The Ecotel Hotel, Mumbai is a five star hotel within easy reach of the domestic and international airports, and just 16 kilometres from Mumbai city centre. The hotel offers everything you would expect of a hotel of this standard, including a large range of well-appointed rooms and suites, an outdoor pool, fine restaurants,

Day 2: Sasangir

This morning you will be transferred to the airport for your flight to Diu. On arrival you will be met and transferred to Sasangir, a drive of approximately five hours, where you stay at Gir Birding Lodge. (B,L,D)



Gir Birding Lodge is a jungle safari Lodge in the famous

Gir National Park – the last remaining bastion of the Asiatic Lion. The lodge has two rooms in the main building (sharing a bath) and 4 cottages with attached bathrooms, featuring western toilet fittings, hot-and-cold showers. Comfortably furnished, the rooms and cottages are surrounded by groves of the famous Kesar Mango of the Gir hills and other vegetation ensuring that a good number

of birds come into the property itself.

Days 3 & 4:

Morning and afternoon game drives in the park. (B,L,D)

Sasangir National Park (usually shortened to Gir) is a large park in the Gujarat Peninsula of North-West India. The area is characterised by an arid rugged terrain with low hills and mixed vegetation with beautiful stands of teak, acacia and dhak trees interspersed with grassy plains. The main aim is to preserve the last healthy population of the critically endangered Asiatic Lion - a smaller more compact version of their African cousins with a distinctive stomach fold. As well as approximately 300 Lion, other smaller members of the cat family are well represented, namely the Jungle Cat, Desert Cat and the Rusty Spotted Cat, and there is a healthy population of Leopard. Also to be found here are Sambar Deer, Nilgai, Chinkara, Sambar, Black Buck, Four-Horned Antelope, Wild Boar, Indian Flying Fox, Grey Musk Shrew, Indian Hare, Pale Hedgehog, Small Indian Mongoose, Small Indian Civet, Indian Pangolin, Indian Porcupine, Ratel, Indian Fox, and Jackal. For reptile lovers, the dam area contains crocodiles and there are numerous non-venomous snakes such as the Indian Rock Python along with four venomous varieties - Indian Cobra, Common Krait, Saw Scaled Viper and Russells Viper.

For birders, an estimated 300 species are found in Gir, with notable species including the Paradise Flycatcher, Black-Headed Cuckoo Shrike, Pied Woodpecker, Bonelli's Eagle, Crescent Serpent Eagle, Painted Sand Grouse, Bush Quail and Grey Partridge.

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The area was not always a park so today the animals and birds of Gir co-exist with the remaining settlements of cattle herders, and it is not unusual to see many head of livestock in the park.

Day 5: PENCH

Today you will be transferred to Rajkot, for your flight back to Mumbai catch the connecting flight for Nagpur, on arrival transfer to PENCH Jungle Camp, PENCH National Park.

Day 6: PENCH

Morning and afternoon game drives in the park. (B,L,D)

PENCH National Park is also famous as Mowgli's Land where wolf boy was found.

Also the home of Tigers, Leopard, Bear, Wolf, & more than 200 species of birds.

Days 7 Kanha National Park.



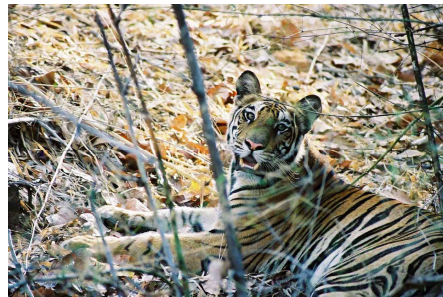
Early morning leave for Kanha National Park, check in at The Celebration Van Vilas.

Celebration Van Vilas is spread into 56 Acres of Land adjoins to River Banjar. Celebration Van Vilas offer Deluxe Rooms, Suite with Health Club, Kerali Ayurvedic Massage.

Day 8 & 9: Kanha National Park

Morning and afternoon game drives in the park. (B,L,D)

Kanha Tiger Reserve offers some of the finest Tiger viewing in India with the 2002 census counting 114 tigers. It is located in a remote part of central India in the state of Madhya Pradesh. The grasslands and deciduous forests also support 22 other mammal species such as Barasingha, Chital, Muntjac, Swamp, Spotted and Barking Deer, Sambar, Common Langur and Rhesus Monkeys, Wild Boar, Asiatic Jackal, three of India's four lowland antelopes, Nilgai, Four-horned Antelope (Chowsingha) and Blackbuck and occasionally Leopard, Gaur (Indian Bison), Sloth Bear, Wolf and Dhole (Wild Dog). Kanha is noted for the last remaining population of hard-ground Barasingha, which exceeds 350. Over 220 species of birds are found including Racket-Tailed Drongos, bee-eaters, Crested Serpent and Hawk Eagles, shikras, flycatchers, Painted Partridge, Shaheen Falcon, Golden Oriole and the omnipresent Red Jungle Fowl. Waterholes and high plateaux such as Bahmni Dadar are excellent spots for bird watching, and quiet locations to stop and immerse oneself in the natural peace of the jungle. Wildlife viewing is by jeep and elephant back.



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Jeep safaris and Elephant back safaris in Kanha.

Local guides accompany game drives in Kanha is provided upon entrance to the park. Jeeps are free to follow their own route along tracks, using pugmarks and alarm calls as indicators of nearby predators. Every morning, three ranges of Elephants and their mahouts are also tracking such indicators for Tigers. If they are successful, visitors may have the opportunity to view a Tiger from Elephant back.

Game viewing in India.

Game viewing in India will include morning and evening game drives/rides into the reserves to search for Tigers and other wildlife by open-topped jeep and possibly Elephant (depending on the park). You will be accompanied by a driver and/or guide/mahout, assigned by the National Park authorities. Normally jeeps can carry up to six passengers. If you wish to reserve a private vehicle/guide please enquire whether this is possible at the time of booking.

Day 10: Kanha/ Khajurahoo



On this morning you will be transferred for Khajurahoo.

In Khajurahoo you will transferred to Hotel for over night stay & Sightseeing of Western & Eastern Group Of Temples.

Day 11: Khajurahoo/ Kolkata

Full Day sightseeing in Kolkata.

Day 12: Kolkatta / Guawathi /Kaziranga

Leave Kolkatta to catch flight for Guawathi, On Arrival you be transferred to Kaziranga (4hrs + Drive)

Stay at Wild Grass Resort.

Day 13 & 14 : Kaziranga

Morning and afternoon game drives in the park. (B,L,D)

Kaziranga National Park is located in North-East India in Assam, on the south bank of the Brahmaputra River.



This UNESCO world-heritage site is famous for being the last stronghold of the armoured one-horned Indian Rhinoceros. Kaziranga is also home to large herds of Elephant (sometimes up to 200) and

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Wild Buffalo. The park also shelters other threatened species such as Tiger and Sloth Bear and other animals such as Leopard, Swamp Deer, Hog Deer, Barking Deer, Sambar, Pygmy Hog, Jungle Cat, otter, Hog Badger, Chital, gibbons, Capped Langur, Rock Python, Monitor Lizard and Wild Boar. The open country makes wildlife viewing at Kaziranga fairly easy with most major species seen during a day or two's safari.

Kaziranga is also a paradise for birders with large numbers of resident species boosted considerably by visiting winter migrants. Regularly spotted species include: Oriental Honey Buzzard, Black-Shouldered Kite, Black Kite, Brahminy Kite, Pallas's Fishing Eagle, White-Tailed Eagle, Grey-Headed Fishing Eagle and Himalayan Griffon. Migratory species include: Greylag Geese, Bar-Headed Geese, Ruddy Shelduck, Gadwall, Falcated Duck, Red-Crested Pochard and Northern Shoveller.

Day 15: Kaziranga / Guawathi / Delhi

This afternoon you will be transferred to Guwahati airport for your flight to Delhi On arrival you will be met and transferred to the Hotel Park

Day 16: Delhi



Full Day visit of Delhi (Jama Masid, Chandni Chowk, President House)

Day 17: Homeward

This day you will catch the flight for London.

End of Our Services.

Note: The above mentioned is the tour plan, We can customize trip, as per the destination, Number of days. Guest can extend their trip by including the destination of your own choice.

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