



INDIA – SHEKHAWATI IN CAMP – A LA CARTE DEPARTURE YOUR ITINERARY

Breathtaking trail in a breathtaking country, and we stay objective: You will discover the Indian MARWARI horses, famous for their body, their mind and of course their ears in circle! A Palace where horses are leaving very well treated and where you will be home at the beginning and the end of the trail!

DAY 1 – XX/XX

Flight to Delhi in the evening. Night in the plane.

DAY 2

Arrival in the morning. Welcome and transfer to Nawalgarh (about 6-7 hours). Arrival in Nawalgarh in the end of the afternoon. Royal Welcome on arrival at the palace with horses, camels, folk music flower garlands and non alcoholic welcome drink. The Palace is just a kilometer from the town and is a fascinating blend of European and Rajput style of architecture. The Palace has a lovely, spacious lawn, a billiard room and a swimming pool. Evening meet at the stables over tea, we are welcome by Devendra (our guide). If we have enough time she will help us to choose our horse and then we will go for a little ride around the palace grounds. Cocktails, detail briefing of the tour and introduction talk on the arid region ecology followed by Dinner. Night at the Palace.

DAY 3

Morning ride out with picnic breakfast to the countryside, return in time for lunch. During the afternoon you have free time if you want to visit the palace or optional to decorate the palms with henna. Then you go sightseeing of Nawalgarh by car with guide visiting havelis, to see frescos and painted houses. Night at the Palace.

DAY 4

Morning ride around Nawalgarh. During the ride visit of farm houses and village homes of people who breed the Marwari horse. Visit of the stables and discussion with the farmers. En route picnic lunch. During the afternoon meeting with Dr Rathore, a specialist of Marwari horse. And before the dinner presentation of "Salotra", an ancient hand written horse medicine book. Interactive discussion on how to encourage local horse lovers to continue keeping Marwari horse.

Dinner and night at the Palace.

DAY 5

We leave Nawalgarh for a 26 km ride in the typical countryside of Shekhawati. En route picnic lunch. We cross Churi Ajitgarh, then Nabipura where we will set our camp.

DAY 6

30 km morning ride to Fatehpur Beed. Picnic near a typical Shekhawati architecture water tank called Johda. The Fatehpur Beed reserve was created 300 years ago. This area of 70 km² homes today all the spaces who live in the Thar Desert. We will maybe have luck and see desert fox one of the species who is in the region. Night in camp.



DAY 7

Departure to the around 28km riding distance Bikaner 's state. Picnic lunch. The landscape has radically changes and we will cross very big sand dunes. After lunch the ride pace will be slower. Night in camp on a farmer's field.

DAY 8

Today you will pass through very high sand dunes and desert villages, to reach the beautiful small village of mehansar of shekhawati region. The hotel is a charming family run hotel with basic comforts but very tasty home cooked food. In case accommodation is not available you will set Camp at Mehansar, and would go for a meal with the family at the Castle.

Night at Mehansar Castle / Camp.

DAY 9

Ride out with picnic lunch. Late in the afternoon you go sightseeing of Mahensar visiting the Gopinath temple and the famous 'Sone Chandi Ki Haveli'.

Night at Mahensar Castle/ Camp.

DAY 10

Early morning ride around and you can say goodbye to your horse. Departure after breakfast (7 hours). Arrival at Delhi you will be drive at your hotel. The room is free from 14:00pm. Afternoon and meals are free.

Night at the Hotel.

DAY 11

After breakfast you will be transfer to the airport for your return flight.

Arrival in Europe in the end of afternoon.

ENJOY YOUR TRAIL !