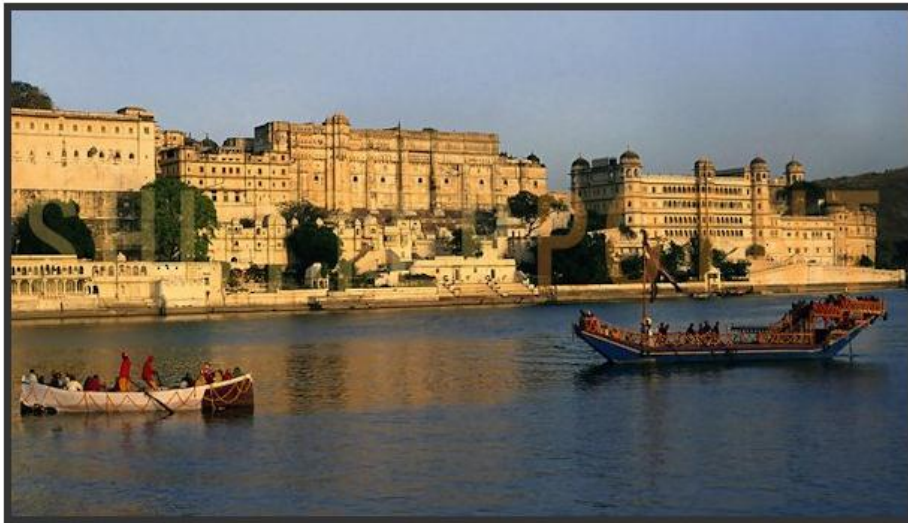




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Uncover Unique India With New "Gems of Rajasthan" Tour and Save \$400

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This 15-day off-the-beaten-path custom tour through the heart of Rajasthan, along with Delhi and Agra, starts at the discounted rate of \$2,675 per person when booked by February 15, 2013.*

Geringer Global Travel invites travelers to spend 15 days/14 nights uncovering off-the-beaten path treasures in Rajasthan, India's "land of kings", bordered by Gujarat to the southwest. From the iconic cities of Jodhpur and Jaipur to the untouched gems of rural Ramathra villages, join Geringer Global Travel for a once in a lifetime opportunity to discover an authentic, intimate side of India that goes far beyond the guidebooks. Book by February 15, 2013 and save \$400 per couple (the original pricing starts at \$2,875 per person, for four people) on the Gems of Rajasthan tour, visiting Delhi, Udaipur, Jodhpur, Nagaur, Jaipur, Ramathra and Agra. The package includes luxury accommodations, site entrance fees, transport services, guided tours, English-speaking tour guides, unique activities, most meals and more.**

Highlights:

- Take a Heritage Walk in Old Delhi, guided by a local expert;
- Discover the small, charming village Rawla Narlai and enjoy a gourmet dinner at the lit stepwell;
- Take a Bishnoi village safari in Jodhpur and learn about conservation from the "world's premier ecologists";
- Enjoy a special cooking session and dinner with Jaipur local Durga Singh at heritage hotel Dera Mandawa;
- Relax at the peaceful Ramathra Fort, with excellent views of the surrounding countryside;
- Walk the Heritage Kachhpura Village Trail in Agra, and witness the sunset over the Taj Mahal.

The adventure begins in the northern city of Delhi, encompassing a unique blend of ancient and modern, from the Islamic mosques of the ancient Mughal emperors to the India Gate memorial. On the third day, guests will move west to the charming Rajasthani village of Delwara, where they will lodge like kings in the restored 18th century Devi Garh palace, an all-suite luxury hotel designed with local marble and semi-precious stones. From here, it is just a short drive to the lakeside city of Udaipur, often referred to as the "Venice of the East," and known for its palatial heritage mansions and abundant Hindu and Jain temples.

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On the fifth day, travelers will drive through the scenic Aravalli Hills, one of the oldest mountain ranges in the world, and come to Ranakpur. Located between Udaipur and Jodhpur, Ranakpur is one of the five important pilgrim centers for the Jain community and home to their most splendid marble temple, known for its grand scale, elaborate ornamentation, and 1144 distinctive pillars. The night will be spent at the Rawla Narlai heritage hotel, where guests can enjoy a relaxing candlelit dinner by the lit stepwell and take a walk through the serene countryside to the Shiva temple nearby.

The next day brings travelers to the bustling city of Jodhpur, founded on the edges of the Thar Desert. For two days visitors will marvel at the vibrant folk art and "haat bazaar" culture of this famed "Blue City", especially its Mehrangarh Fort. After exploring the city, visitors will embark on a Bishnoi village safari on the outskirts of Jodhpur, where they will learn about the eco-conscious lifestyle of these tribal farmers, known as the "premier ecologists of the world". On the eighth day, travelers will drive northeast of Jodhpur and spend two days in the city of Nagaur, once a center of Chishti sufi saints and famed for its sandstone fort, the site of many ancient skirmishes and battles.

Moving southeast, travelers will pass through the city of Pushkar, a religious site for Hindus and home to over four-hundred temples, including one to Lord Brahma. On the tenth day guests will arrive in Jaipur, built on a grid system based on Hindu architecture, thus making it the only planned city of its time as well as the largest in Rajasthan. After taking an elephant ride or jeep ride up the rampart to visit the Amber Fort, a honey-colored fortress in the Aravalli Hills, guests are at their leisure to explore the lovely pink Hawa Mahal Palace ("of the winds"), the 17th century observatory and the City Palace, containing ancient paintings, rare manuscripts and clothing of the Maharajas. Evening offers a special treat, as guests will lodge in Samode Haveli, a charming heritage hotel, and enjoy a special cooking lesson and dinner with Thakur Durga Singh, an erudite local with extensive knowledge of Indian culture and history.

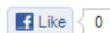
On the twelfth day, visitors come to the Ramathra Fort, a picturesque fort originally built as a battle stronghold, with stunning views of the lush surrounding landscape and a man-made lake. Walking tours are available to the village of Ramathra, a small hamlet of farmers and herders, where the Ganesh Mandir and Shiva Mandir temples attest to the importance of local religious life. Heading northeast towards Agra, travelers will pass through Fatehpur Sikri, a UNESCO world heritage site and red sandstone city built by Emperor Akbar as a capital but mysteriously abandoned. On the fourteenth day, guests will arrive in Agra, where they will enjoy high tea with a local family and spend the remaining two days exploring historical landmarks like the Agra Fort, taking a heritage tour through the local Kachhpura Village and watching the sun set over the Taj Mahal, one of India's most iconic sites and an enduring symbol of loving devotion.

For a detailed itinerary: <http://www.geringerglobaltravel.com/india-tour-destinations/india-tours/India-Hidden-Gems-of-Rajasthan/>

*Tour pricing from December 2012 to April 15, 2013 starts at \$3,435 per person, for four people, and \$3,920 per person, double. Tour pricing from April 16, 2013 to September 30, 2013 starts at \$2,875 per person, for four people, and \$3,360 per person, double. Tour pricing from October 1, 2013 to December 20, 2013 starts at \$3,882 per person, for four people, and \$4,395 per person, double. For all rates after December 20, 2013, please inquire with Geringer Global Travel. Book by February 15th and take \$400 off the original price, per couple.

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