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Geringer Global Travel is now offering a luxury culinary experience to India accompanied by Chef Prasad Chirnomula. Gourmet India 2011 is a 16-day gastronomic exploration of India's cities and cuisines from North to South, including Delhi, Agra, Udaipur, Mumbai, Goa, Kochi and Kumarakom. Guests will have the opportunity to sample the regional cuisines and stay in India's most deluxe hotels, villas and resorts. Pricing for Gourmet India 2011 will start at \$12,910 per person double. It will depart on Oct. 24. Travel agents will receive a \$500 incentive for each person they book.

Participants will explore the secrets to authentic Indian curries and spices, and will be given hands-on guidance from masters in the field. Chirnomula, owner and executive chef of five Thali restaurants, holds some of the best kept culinary secrets of nouveau and classic Indian cuisine. Thali restaurants are the first Indian restaurants to be rated excellent by The New York Times for his innovative and dynamic cooking style. Chirnomula was also awarded the James Beard House honor in 2007.

Culinary highlights include the spice market of Kochi, cooking demonstrations by executive chefs, beach barbeque in Goa with Master Chef Rego, vegetarian Sadya lunch on Banana Boat, lunch at Philip Kutty Farm in the Backwaters and seafood dinner at Fernando's Nostalgia in Goa. In addition to culinary experiences, guests will gain an understanding of the Indian culture through varied adventures such as an excursion to Elephanta Caves in Mumbai, a Kochi Backwater Cruise, yoga sessions, live demonstration of Udaipur miniature painting, a tour of Old Delhi followed by a special lunch at Veda restaurant and guided tours of the City Palace in Jaipur and Udaipur, Taj Mahal in Agra and Jagdish Temple in Udaipur.

Featured hotels include Mumbai Taj Mahal Palace, voted in Travel + Leisure's Annual Reader's survey in the top 100 hotels in the world; Oberoi Udaivilas in Udaipur, voted in Travel + Leisure's 2010 USA Reader's Poll as the fourth-ranked hotel among the top 15 resorts in Asia and ranked the best leisure hotel in Asia and the Indian Subcontinent by readers of Conde Nast Traveller, UK, 2010; Oberoi Amarvilas in Agra, ranked the second-best resort in Asia and the fifth-best resort in the world by readers of Travel + Leisure, USA, 2010; and Kumarakom Lake Resort, a Small Luxury Hotel of the World, listed as one of the best 500 hotels of the world by the readers of Travel + Leisure, 2010.

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The tour starts at \$12,910 per person, double and includes everything except international flights and personal expenses. The package includes full accompaniment by Chirnomula and Susan Geringer; a licensed, English-speaking Indian guide and driver; four domestic flights within India; hotels; all ground transportation and transfers; all meals and beverages; sightseeing; yoga sessions; hands-on cooking classes; culinary lectures and demonstrations; luxury themed boat cruises; live craft demonstrations; special private admissions and tours; and taxes and gratuities.

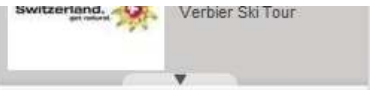
Geringer, an India specialist, is the owner of Geringer Global Travel, a travel company specializing in custom itineraries to India and beyond. Geringer has been to over 50 countries, but India holds a special place in her heart and soul. Considered a second home to her, she is extremely passionate about India and her enthusiasm for the country is infectious. Her first visit to India was in 1980. Geringer travels to India about four times per year to discover new places and hidden gems to make her clients' itineraries even more exciting. Geringer is on the India Ahoy Advisory Board, a division of Make My Trip in India; an executive board member for the New York City Chapter of PATA (Pacific Asian Tourism Association); and a New York ASTA member. Geringer Global Travel is an IATAN endorsed agency. For more information, call 877-255-7438 or visit www.geringerglobaltravel.com.

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