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## IMPERIAL DELHI & SPIRITUAL KASHI

3N DELHI + 3N VARANASI



### Day 1: Arrival in Delhi

#### Heritage & Culture

**Morning:** Arrive at Indira Gandhi International Airport, Delhi. Meet your driver and transfer to your hotel. After check-in and rest, begin exploring the capital.

**Afternoon:** Visit Humayun's Tomb, a UNESCO World Heritage site and architectural inspiration for the Taj Mahal. Continue to Qutub Minar, the tallest brick minaret in the world.

**Evening:** Drive past India Gate and Rashtrapati Bhavan (Presidential Palace).

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### Day 2: Old Delhi

#### Mughal Heritage & Local Life

- **Morning:** Explore Old Delhi with a guided rickshaw ride through Chandni Chowk. Visit Jama Masjid, one of India's largest mosques, and Raj Ghat, the memorial of Mahatma Gandhi.

- **Afternoon:** Visit Red Fort (from outside or inside, depending on time) and enjoy a traditional lunch at Karim's, famous for Mughlai food.

- **Evening:** Visit Akshardham Temple, known for its intricate carvings and cultural exhibits, or enjoy a sound & light show at Red Fort.



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### Day 3: New Delhi

#### Art, Architecture & Markets

- **Morning:** Visit Lotus Temple (Bahá'í House of Worship) and Lodhi Gardens, a peaceful green space dotted with tombs from the Lodi dynasty.

- **Afternoon:** Explore Connaught Place for shopping and colonial architecture. Visit National Museum or Crafts Museum for cultural insights.

- **Evening:** Enjoy a farewell dinner in Delhi before your next flight.

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## Day 4: Fly to Varanasi The Spiritual Capital

- **Morning:** Fly from Delhi to Varanasi (approx. 1.5 hours). Meet your driver at the airport and transfer to your hotel near the ghats.
- **Afternoon:** Visit Sarnath, where Buddha gave his first sermon after enlightenment. Explore the Dhamek Stupa and Archaeological Museum.
- **Evening:** Witness the Ganga Aarti at Dashashwamedh Ghat, a mesmerizing spiritual ceremony with chanting, lamps, and music.

## Day 5: Varanasi Sunrise Boat Ride & Cultural Exploration

- **Early Morning:** Take a boat ride on the Ganges River at sunrise to see pilgrims performing rituals along the ghats — a truly unforgettable experience.
- **Morning:** Visit Kashi Vishwanath Temple (outer area for non-Hindus) and Banaras Hindu University (BHU) with its Bharat Kala Bhavan Museum.
- **Afternoon:** Explore the narrow lanes of the old city, known for silk weaving and local snacks. Visit Manikarnika Ghat, the sacred cremation site, for cultural understanding.
- **Evening:** Optional: Attend a classical music performance or yoga session by the river.



## Day 6: : Varanasi – Departure Culture & Coast

- **Morning:** Enjoy a relaxed breakfast overlooking the Ganges. Optional visit to Ramnagar Fort, the former royal residence across the river.
- **Afternoon:** Transfer to Varanasi Airport for your onward flight.

