



PALACE ON WHEELS

LUXURY TRAIN TOUR

7 Nights · 8 Days · 8 Destinations

*From the royal capital of Delhi through the forts, lakes and deserts
of Rajasthan to the Taj Mahal in Agra*

AUTHORIZED BOOKING AGENT

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Cabins & Suites

Every cabin coach is named after a former princely state of Rajasthan. All cabins are fully air-conditioned with an attached bathroom, in-cabin safe, and round-the-clock khidmatgar service.



Deluxe Cabin

From \$976 / night, per person (double occupancy)

131 sq. ft. · Twin sharing

The backbone of Palace on Wheels, spread across 13 coaches named after princely Rajasthan cities, for a total of 39 Deluxe cabins onboard. Each cabin is furnished with twin sharing beds, a large window positioned beside the bed for scenic views, and an en-suite bathroom with a shower. Interiors lean into traditional Rajasthani decor, giving every cabin the feel of a small royal chamber.

En-suite bathroom with shower · Fully air-conditioned · 24-hour khidmatgar service · Doctor on call · Electronic in-cabin safe · Daily housekeeping & turndown

Super Deluxe Cabin

From \$2,500 / night, per cabin

131 sq. ft. · Twin sharing

One coach, Bharatpur, is set aside entirely for the Super Deluxe category — just 3 cabins in total, making this one of the more exclusive ways to book a Deluxe-sized cabin on the train. The footprint matches the Deluxe cabins, but Super Deluxe guests also receive a private car and dedicated guide for excursions, along with a one-time complimentary spa session for a couple.

Private car & dedicated guide · One-time 30-min couple's spa session · En-suite bathroom with shower · 24-hour khidmatgar service · Doctor on call



Cabins & Suites

Suite Cabin

From \$2,748 / night, per cabin

180 sq. ft. • Queen-size

Housed in its own coach, Jhalawar, the Suite Cabin category holds only 2 cabins on the entire train — each a spacious 180 sq. ft. with a queen-size bed, built for guests who want noticeably more room and privacy than the standard Deluxe cabin. A large panoramic window sits beside the bed for uninterrupted views of the changing Rajasthan landscape.

24x7 personal butler service • Private car & dedicated guide • High-speed internet access • Priority check-in & check-out • In-room dining on request

Presidential Suite

From \$3,510 / night, per cabin

240 sq. ft. • King-size

The single most exclusive cabin on Palace on Wheels — one Presidential Suite, in its own dedicated coach, spanning 240 sq. ft. designed for guests who want the fullest expression of the train's royal character. The ceiling is finished in handcrafted Thikri mirror-inlay work above Vietnam marble flooring, with a private in-cabin lounge area beside a wide window.

Jacuzzi & separate shower • Private in-cabin lounge area • Thikri mirror-inlay ceiling • Vietnam marble flooring • LED TV • 24x7 personal butler service

Rates shown are 2026-27 lean-season USD fares. See palaceonwheelstour.com/price for full tariff tables.



Day 1

Delhi

Night 0 · Embarkation



Your Palace on Wheels journey begins where India's train heritage runs deepest: Safdarjung Railway Station in New Delhi, built in 1929 and now the departure point for one of the world's most storied luxury trains. Since its launch in 1982 as a joint venture between Indian Railways and the Rajasthan Tourism Development Corporation, Palace on Wheels has carried travelers from across the UK, USA, Australia and beyond into a week aboard fourteen heritage-named saloons, each modeled on the private carriages once used by Rajput maharajas.

Check-in typically begins in the late afternoon, where you're welcomed at the platform with a traditional Rajasthani reception — garlanding, a tikka blessing, and turban-tying for gentlemen — accompanied by folk musicians and dancers in full royal regalia. Your personal khidmatgar, or butler, escorts you to your cabin, each named after a former princely state and finished with hand-painted motifs, brass fittings, and locally woven textiles.



Highlights of the Day

- ◆ Garlanding & tikka welcome ceremony
- ◆ Turban-tying ceremony for gentlemen
- ◆ Butler-escorted cabin check-in
- ◆ Welcome dinner in the Maharaja restaurant car
- ◆ Overnight run to Jaipur

**T&C Apply*



As the train eases out of Delhi in the early evening, settle into the Maharaja or Maharani restaurant car for a welcome dinner of North Indian and Rajasthani specialties, then retire as Palace on Wheels rolls south through the night toward the Pink City. This opening evening sets the tone for what makes traveling aboard Palace on Wheels fundamentally different from a conventional Rajasthan tour: the destination is almost secondary to the journey itself.



TIME	DETAILS
17:00 Hrs.	Welcome on arrival at Safdarjung Railway Station — red carpet, garlands, shehnai music, and a welcome drink at the bar
17:00 Hrs.	Boarding pass issued; guests escorted to their cabins
18:30 Hrs.	Departure for Jaipur
20:00 Hrs.	Dinner onboard Palace on Wheels



Did You Know?

Palace on Wheels has been running continuously since 26 January 1982, a joint venture between Indian Railways and the Rajasthan Tourism Development Corporation — making this year one of over four decades in operation.

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Day 2

Jaipur — The Pink City

Night 1



You wake in Jaipur, the fortified capital Maharaja Sawai Jai Singh II founded in 1727 on precise principles of Vastu Shastra — and painted terracotta pink in 1876 to honor a royal visit, a color the city has proudly worn ever since. As the flagship stop on the Palace on Wheels itinerary, Jaipur rewards a full day: begin at Amber Fort, the honey-hued hilltop citadel overlooking Maota Lake, ascended by jeep or, where available, decorated elephant.

From the fort, continue into the walled City Palace, still home to the Jaipur royal family and its museum of royal weaponry, textiles, and miniature paintings, before stepping into Jantar Mantar — Sawai Jai Singh's 18th-century astronomical observatory and a UNESCO World Heritage Site housing the world's largest stone sundial.



Highlights of the Day

- ◆ Amber Fort by jeep or elephant
- ◆ City Palace & royal museum
- ◆ Jantar Mantar (UNESCO)
- ◆ Hawa Mahal photo stop
- ◆ Local bazaar shopping
- ◆ Onboard cultural performance

**T&C Apply*



Round out the afternoon at Hawa Mahal, the five-story "Palace of the Winds" whose 953 latticed windows once let royal women observe street life unseen, then take time for shopping along Johari Bazaar and Bapu Bazaar — Jaipur's centuries-old lanes for gemstones, block-printed textiles, and hand-crafted jootis. Return to Palace on Wheels for an evening of onboard cultural entertainment over dinner as the train prepares for the next leg of the journey.



TIME	DETAILS
02:00 Hrs.	Arrival at Jaipur
07:00 Hrs.	Breakfast on board
08:00 Hrs.	Departure by coach for sightseeing: Albert Hall, Hawa Mahal, City Palace & Observatory
12:00 Hrs.	Elephant ride
13:30 Hrs.	Lunch at Lohagarh Fort Resort
15:00 Hrs.	Visit to Amer Fort & shopping
18:00 Hrs.	Arrival at Durgapura Railway Station
19:00 Hrs. onwards	Dinner on board



Did You Know?

Hawa Mahal's facade holds 953 small latticed windows, called jharokhas — built so the royal women of the court could watch daily life and processions on the street below without being seen themselves.

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Day 3

Sawai Madhopur & Chittorgarh

Night 2



Wake before dawn for one of the journey's most anticipated mornings: a jeep or canter safari into Ranthambore National Park, once the private hunting reserve of the Maharajas of Jaipur and today one of India's premier tiger habitats. Ranthambore Fort rises within the park's core, its 10th-century ramparts included alongside Chittorgarh's within the "Hill Forts of Rajasthan" UNESCO World Heritage designation.

Sightings of Bengal tigers, leopards, and abundant birdlife are never guaranteed, but the dawn light over the reserve's lakes and ruins makes the safari worthwhile regardless. By mid-morning, Palace on Wheels departs for Chittorgarh, arriving in the afternoon at the largest fort complex in India — its seven gates enclosing a hilltop city of temples, palaces, and towers spanning nearly 700 acres.



Highlights of the Day

- ◆ Ranthambore tiger safari (jeep/canter)
- ◆ Ranthambore Fort (UNESCO)
- ◆ Chittorgarh Fort & Vijay Stambha
- ◆ Evening sound & light show
- ◆ Onboard afternoon tea

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Foremost among Chittorgarh's monuments are the Vijay Stambha, a nine-story 15th-century Tower of Victory, and the more slender 12th-century Kirti Stambha, the Tower of Fame. The fort's layered history of siege and sacrifice is recounted each evening in a sound and light show staged against its illuminated ramparts — wilderness at sunrise, fortress history at sunset, as the train continues on toward the City of Lakes.



TIME	DETAILS
04:45 Hrs.	Arrival at Sawai Madhopur
06:00 Hrs.	Departure for Ranthambore National Park (safari)
10:00 Hrs.	Breakfast on board
10:20 Hrs.	Departure for Chittorgarh
13:30 Hrs.	Lunch on board
16:00 Hrs.	Arrival at Chittorgarh
16:30 Hrs.	Departure for sight-seeing
18:00 Hrs.	Evening tea; light & sound programme at the fort
19:30 Hrs.	Return to Palace on Wheels
20:00 Hrs. onwards	Dinner on board



Did You Know?

Ranthambore and Chittorgarh Forts both belong to the same UNESCO listing — the "Hill Forts of Rajasthan," six forts recognized together in 2013 for their Rajput military architecture.

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Day 4

Udaipur — City of Lakes

Night 3



Udaipur exists because Chittorgarh fell: after the fort's third and final sacking in 1568, Maharana Udai Singh II had already founded a new capital beside Lake Pichola in 1559, laying the foundation for what would become one of India's most romantic cities. Palace on Wheels guests spend the day exploring the result, beginning at the City Palace — a complex of eleven interlinked palaces built up over nearly four centuries and the largest royal residence in Rajasthan.

Within the palace museum, the Crystal Gallery holds a collection of crystal furniture and fittings ordered from England in the 1870s by Maharana Sajjan Singh — legend holds the shipment arrived only after his death and sat unopened in storage for decades before finally going on display.



Highlights of the Day

- ◆ City Palace complex
- ◆ Crystal Gallery
- ◆ Lake Pichola boat ride
- ◆ Jag Mandir island palace
- ◆ Onboard high tea

**T&C Apply*



From the palace, descend to Lake Pichola itself for a boat ride past Jag Mandir and Jag Niwas, the lake's island palaces, the latter now operating as the Taj Lake Palace hotel and instantly recognizable from countless photographs of the city. Evening brings a quieter register, as Palace on Wheels prepares to continue west, the white marble and blue water of Udaipur giving way to the gold of the Thar Desert ahead.



TIME	DETAILS
02:00 Hrs.	Departure from Chittorgarh
07:30 Hrs.	Breakfast on board
08:30 Hrs.	Arrival at Udaipur
09:00 Hrs.	Sightseeing & shopping by coach
13:30 Hrs.	Boat ride & lunch at a 5-star hotel
15:00 Hrs.	Return to Palace on Wheels
16:00 Hrs.	Departure for Jaisalmer
20:00 Hrs. onwards	Dinner on board



Did You Know?

The Taj Lake Palace, seen from the boat ride on Lake Pichola, was originally built in 1746 as a summer palace for Maharana Jagat Singh II and appears to float on the water, with no visible foundation from most viewpoints.

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Day 5

Jaisalmer — The Golden City

Night 4



Jaisalmer was founded in 1156 by the Rajput ruler Rawal Jaisal on a ridge in the Thar Desert, its position astride old trade routes between India and Central Asia bringing centuries of merchant wealth that still shows in the city's carved sandstone. Jaisalmer Fort, honey-gold and floodlit at dusk, is one of only a handful of true "living forts" left in the world — nearly a quarter of the old city's population still resides within its walls.

Spend the day threading through the fort's narrow lanes and its intricately carved Jain temples, then step beyond the walls into the havelis built by Jaisalmer's merchant families — Patwon Ki Haveli chief among them, a cluster of five mansions famed for latticed stone windows carved to a degree of detail rarely equaled elsewhere in Rajasthan.



Highlights of the Day

- ◆ Jaisalmer Fort (living fort, UNESCO)
- ◆ Patwon Ki Haveli
- ◆ Jain temples within the fort
- ◆ Sam Sand Dunes camel ride at sunset



As afternoon turns to evening, the excursion moves out to the Sam Sand Dunes for a camel ride across the desert and sunset over the Thar — golden light on gold sand, the origin of the city's nickname made literal. Dinner aboard Palace on Wheels that night often carries a desert-region flavor, live folk music drifting through the lounge car as the train turns back east toward the Blue City.



TIME	DETAILS
08:00 Hrs.	Breakfast on board
09:30 Hrs.	Arrival at Jaisalmer
10:00 Hrs.	Sightseeing: Gadisar Lake, Fort & havelis; shopping
13:00 Hrs.	Return to Palace on Wheels for lunch & rest
16:00 Hrs.	Departure for Sam Sand Dunes camel ride
19:45 Hrs.	Dinner & cultural programme at the sand dunes
22:00 Hrs.	Return to Palace on Wheels
23:55 Hrs.	Departure from Jaisalmer



Did You Know?

Patwon Ki Haveli is actually a cluster of five separate havelis built between 1800 and 1860 by five brothers who made their fortune in brocade and gold-thread embroidery trading with Persia and Afghanistan.

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Day 6

Jodhpur — The Blue City

Night 5



Rao Jodha founded Jodhpur in 1459 as the new capital of Marwar, choosing a rocky outcrop for its fort and building a city below that, over generations, adopted the indigo-blue-washed houses for which it's now known worldwide — originally a mark of Brahmin residences, later spread across the old town for its cooling effect against the desert heat. Mehrangarh Fort still commands the skyline exactly as intended, its ramparts offering what many consider the single most striking panorama of any city on this route.

Inside, the fort's museum houses one of Rajasthan's finest collections of royal artifacts: ornately decorated howdahs and palanquins once used to carry maharajas in procession, an armory of swords and matchlock guns, and gallery after gallery of royal costumes and miniature paintings.



Highlights of the Day

- ◆ Mehrangarh Fort & museum
- ◆ Blue City old town walk
- ◆ Jaswant Thada
- ◆ Onboard spa treatment

**T&C Apply*



Time remains in the afternoon to walk the blue-washed lanes of the old town below, browsing spice and textile stalls, before an optional stop at Jaswant Thada, the marble cenotaph built in 1899 in memory of Maharaja Jaswant Singh II. Back aboard, guests can book a treatment at the onboard spa — a welcome pause roughly midway through the week — before dinner and an evening of rest as the train sets its course toward Bharatpur and Agra.



TIME	DETAILS
07:00 Hrs.	Arrival at Mandor, Jodhpur
07:30 Hrs.	Breakfast on board
08:30 Hrs.	Sightseeing: Mehrangarh Fort, Jaswant Thada & Umaid Bhawan Palace Museum; shopping
13:30 Hrs.	Lunch at Bal Samand Lake Palace
14:45 Hrs.	Return to Palace on Wheels
16:30 Hrs.	Departure for Bharatpur
19:00 Hrs. onwards	Dinner on board



Did You Know?

Mehrangarh Fort sits on a rocky outcrop 122 metres above the city and its walls are, in places, over 36 metres high — locals say the rock it stands on is called Bhaurcheeria, the "Mountain of Birds."

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Day 7

Bharatpur & Agra

Night 6



The day opens gently at Keoladeo Ghana National Park in Bharatpur, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that began life as the private duck-hunting reserve of Bharatpur's maharajas before its conversion into a protected wetland now sheltering resident and migratory bird species across its marshes and groves. A quiet cycle-rickshaw or walking excursion through the park in the cool of the morning is a deliberate change of pace before the day's main event.

By early afternoon, Palace on Wheels guests arrive in Agra for the journey's best-known destination: the Taj Mahal, commissioned by Mughal emperor Shah Jahan in 1632 as a mausoleum for his wife Mumtaz Mahal and completed over the following two decades.



Highlights of the Day

- ◆ Keoladeo Ghana National Park (UNESCO)
- ◆ Taj Mahal
- ◆ Agra Fort (UNESCO)
- ◆ Farewell dinner & cultural performance

**T&C Apply*



Seeing the white marble in the shifting light of late afternoon — its surface said to change tone from ivory to gold to pearl depending on the hour — is, for most travelers, the reason the journey was booked in the first place. Agra Fort, a UNESCO World Heritage Site in its own right and the Mughal seat of power before Delhi, rounds out the visit. This final full day aboard closes with something close to a farewell: dinner is typically the most festive of the journey, with a closing cultural performance in the lounge car as Palace on Wheels turns north for the overnight return to Delhi.



TIME	DETAILS
06:00 Hrs.	Arrival at Bharatpur
06:30 Hrs.	Visit to Keoladeo (Ghana) Bird Sanctuary
08:00 Hrs.	Breakfast at Mahal Khas Palace
10:00 Hrs.	Departure to Agra Railway Cantt
10:45 Hrs.	Arrival at Agra Railway Cantt
11:00 Hrs.	Sightseeing & visit to Agra Fort
13:30 Hrs.	Lunch at a 5-star hotel
15:00 Hrs.	Visit to the Taj Mahal
17:30 Hrs.	Shopping
19:30 Hrs.	Dinner on board
20:45 Hrs.	Departure for Delhi



Did You Know?

The Taj Mahal took an estimated 20,000 workers and 22 years to build — its marble came from Makrana, Rajasthan, with inlay stones sourced from as far as Persia and Sri Lanka.

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Day 8

Return to Delhi

Night 7



There are no monuments scheduled on this final morning — only breakfast, taken slowly, as Palace on Wheels completes its overnight run from Agra back into New Delhi. It's the first unhurried meal of the week, and for many guests the moment the scale of the previous seven nights actually sinks in: eight destinations, several UNESCO World Heritage Sites, and several hundred years of Rajasthan's royal history covered in a single continuous journey.

The train pulls back into Safdarjung Railway Station by mid-morning, where the crew who managed cabins, meals, and excursions all week gather to see guests off.



Highlights of the Day

- ◆ Final onboard breakfast
- ◆ Arrival at Safdarjung Railway Station
- ◆ Farewell from onboard crew
- ◆ Disembarkation & onward transfers



Checkout and disembarkation are unhurried by design, giving time for a last look at the coach that served as home base for the week before transfers to onward flights or Delhi hotels. What began with garlands and turban-tying on the platform a week earlier closes quietly on the same platform — the full arc of a Palace on Wheels journey complete.



TIME	DETAILS
06:00 Hrs.	Arrival at Delhi
06:30 Hrs.	Breakfast on board
07:30 Hrs.	Check-out



Did You Know?

Over the full 7-night, 8-day route, Palace on Wheels covers approximately 2,411 kilometres — roughly the distance from London to Moscow — while its guests sleep through most of that distance overnight between destinations.

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"Au Revoir!"

Thank you for considering Palace on Wheels. We hope to welcome you aboard
for an unforgettable week of Rajasthan's royal heritage.



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