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DECEMBER 5-12, 2014

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Join DEPARTURES Editor in Chief Richard David Story on an extraordinary eight-day journey to India, with stays in the most opulent palaces of Taj Hotels, Resorts and Palaces.

You'll explore the magical cities of Mumbai, Jodhpur and Jaipur and be immersed in their history, sights and experiences, including the exquisite palaces of the maharajas. At the same time, you'll relish modern India, a complex and vibrant mix of people and cultures, including a wink at Bollywood, an intimate private dinner party with Mumbai society, diplomats, gallerists and designers, and visits to local bazaars, legendary restaurants and serene, relaxing spas. Expert historians, curators and guides will provide insights throughout the journey.



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DATE	CITY
December 5	Arrive Mumbai
December 6	Mumbai
December 7	Mumbai > Jodhpur
December 8	Jodhpur
December 9	Jodhpur > Jaipur
December 10	Jaipur
December 11	Jaipur
December 12	Depart Jaipur > Delhi/Mumbai

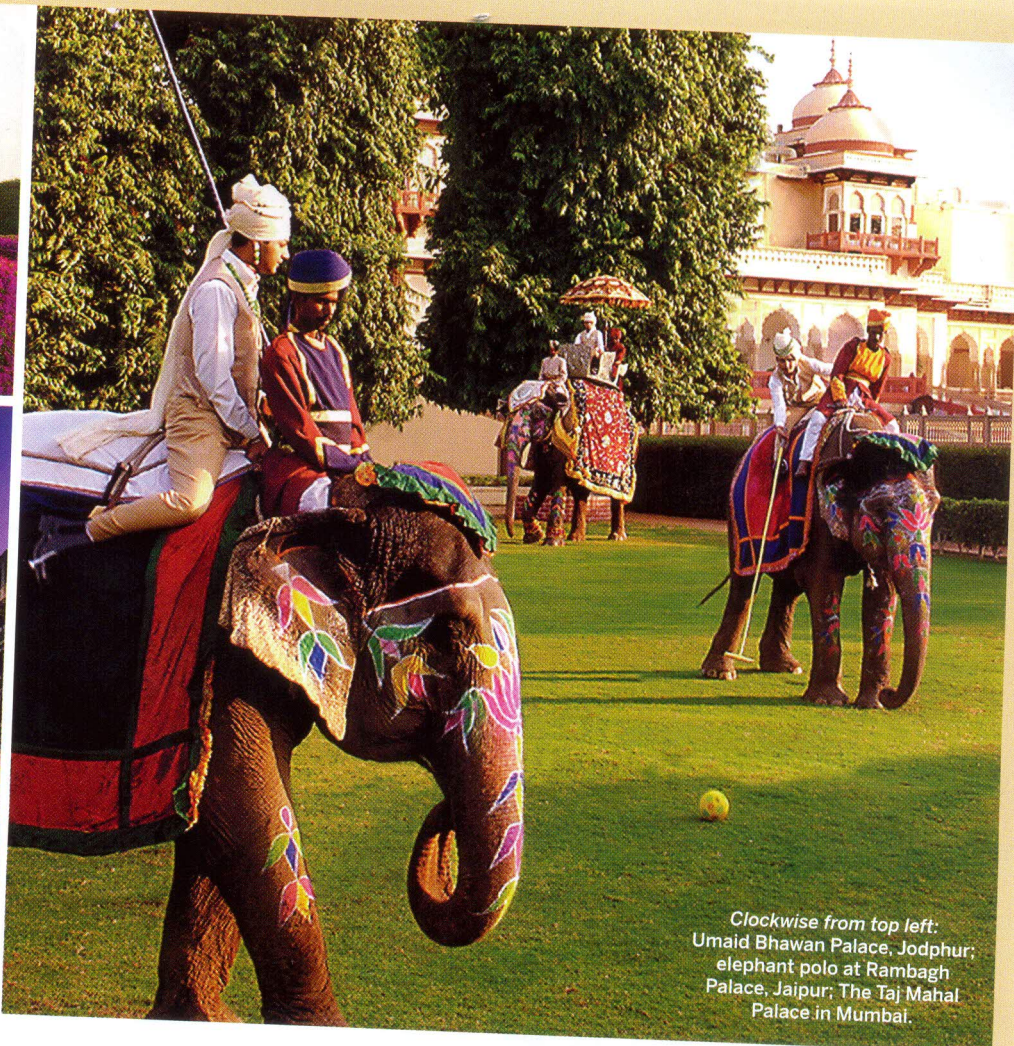
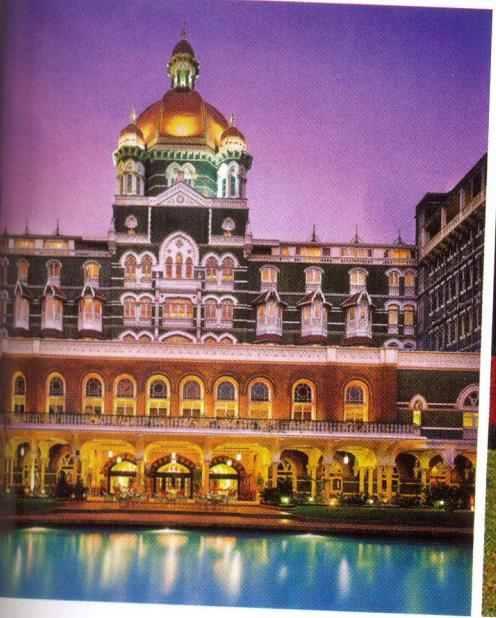
TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

Mumbai

India's "City of Dreams"

Mumbai is dotted with landmarks, including the Gateway of India, commemorating the visit of King George V; Mani Bhawan, Gandhi's residence when he visited Mumbai; the Jain temples, and many stately buildings erected during the city's colonial English past.

For more than a century, The Taj Mahal Palace Hotel has welcomed global statesmen, royalty, dignitaries and celebrities; with panoramic views over the bay, personal butlers and the best of luxury hospitality.



Clockwise from top left:
Umaid Bhawan Palace, Jodhpur;
elephant polo at Rambagh
Palace, Jaipur; The Taj Mahal
Palace in Mumbai.

Jodhpur "Sun City"

You'll stay in the imposing Taj Umaid Bhawan Palace, the last of the great palaces of India and where the current Maharaja still occupies one wing of the building. Perched above the desert, the palace is set amid 26 acres of lush gardens and replete with incomparable luxury, from lavish interiors and a private museum to marbled squash courts and the romantic Jiva Spa.

The ancient capital of Marwar is dominated by the huge and impregnable Mehrangarh Fort, with its palaces exhibiting stunning art and armory. Laid out in 1739 by Maharaja Abhai Singh, the Garden of Chokelao was an extension of the Chokelao Palace.

Jaipur "Pink City"

This state capital was founded by Sawai Jai Singh II in 1727. According to Indian "Vastu Shastra" principles, the city was divided into nine blocks representing the ancient Hindu map of the universe. Ever since Prince Albert's visit in 1853, the old city has been painted pink. Elephants—or a jeep for those otherwise inclined—carry guests to the ancient town of Amber to see the Amer Fort, a blend of Hindu and Muslim architecture with magnificent views of the countryside and town below.

The Taj Rambagh Palace is one of the few places in the world to play a game of elephant polo. Guest rooms that once hosted kings and princes and their guests still evoke the history and grandeur of that time.

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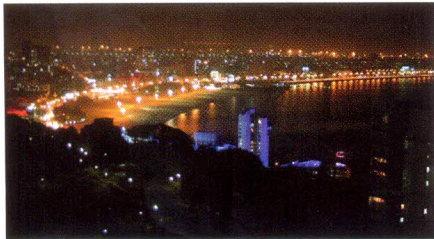
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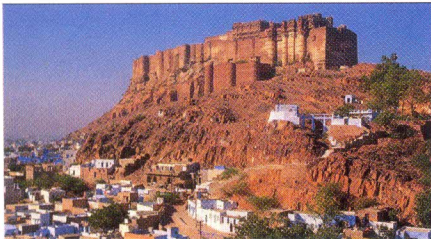


DECEMBER 6, 2014

Mumbai

An Enchanted Evening

DEPARTURES Editor in Chief Richard David Story will host an al fresco dinner at a private home whose stunning terrace overlooks the city's harbor and the museum. Mix and mingle with an eclectic gathering of Mumbai society and experience a glimpse inside this boisterous yet inscrutable city.



DECEMBER 8, 2014

Jodhpur

Desert's Edge

Take a private walking tour of the Mehrangarh Fort, jewel of Rajasthan's second-largest metropolis. Later, take in magnificent views of the Blue City during an intimate dinner on the fort's ramparts with the Maharaja of Jodhpur.



DECEMBER 10, 2014

Jaipur

A Royal Welcome

After arrival at the regal Jai Mahal Palace hotel, attend a private talk by acclaimed writer and historian William Dalrymple, whose work includes *White Mughals*. Mr. Dalrymple will share his unique insights on India and its vast and exotic history. Enjoy lunch and drinks, as well as an opportunity to meet local artists, during this exclusive, village-fair-themed session.



DECEMBER 11, 2014

Jaipur

The Sporting Life

The Pink City's Rambagh Palace hotel is one of the few places in the world where one can play the unique, unforgettable sport of elephant polo. The juxtaposition of the pachyderms' colossal size with their gentle-yet-playful antics has enchanted guests for centuries. A private reception will be hosted by Raymond Bickson, Managing Director of Taj Hotels, Resorts and Palaces.

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