

# Cenotaphs & Architecture of Orchha and Khajuraho

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## day 1

### **Delhi – Jhansi ( Train), Jhansi - Orchha (18 Kms / 30 Mins)**

Arrive Jhansi (by Gatiman Exp Dep: 08:10 Hrs/Arr 12:35 Hrs.), On arrival you will be picked up by our car and driver to take you to Orchha. On Arrival at Check-in at Hotel. Afternoon get ready for the local sightseeing tour covering the main highlights of Orchha, include a Guided visit to Phool Bagh, Orchha fort complex, Laxmi Narayan Temple and Raja Ram Temple. After exploring these places we will return back to the hotel for a relaxing overnight stay. Orchha Fort complex is a must visit attraction of town with a number of palaces within it portraying the stories of wonderful past. It is the only place in country where Lord Rama is worshipped as a king and not as a God. Phool Bagh is a stunning garden in Orchha that represents the rich artistic sense of the royal rulers of the Bundelkhand dynasty. It also reflects the natural wonder of the place during the bygone era.

**Highlights: Visit to Phool Bagh, Orchha Fort complex, Laxminarayan Temple and Raja Ram Temple.**

### **City: Orchha**

### **Hotel: Orchha Palace & Convention Centre**

**Meals: Bed and Breakfast, No Drink**

**Time: 0 hours 30 mins**

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## day 2

### **Orchha**

Start your day with a healthy breakfast in the hotel. Rest of the day is free kept free for personal activities i.e. Spa to rejuvenate or Swim in the pool or you can also opt to explore other interesting places of Orchha such as Chattris and TARA gram. You can also choose an optional Rafting on direct payment basis as this activity is not a part of the package and subject to the water level in Betwa River. Later return back to the hotel for a comfortable overnight stay. Chattris are basically the tombs of Maharajas which have been positioned on prominent platforms and supported by pillars. They are designed and structured in a unique way allowing them to enter in the list of major tourist attractions of Orchha. Tribal Village Walk with Visit to Taragram Project from Orchha Visit the tribal village, to see the family houses and lifestyles. Interact up close to learn clay pot making for water and oil to use and to sell. Pots with a small slit are used as money boxes and have to be smashed to release the money. The clay comes from the Betwa river bank and the wheel was spun on a spike turned by a stick in a groove on the outside. Visit the school building which has the names of the

teachers and the number of pupils painted on the wall, with a chalk area on the wall of a class area. Meals are provided each day which encourages the children to come to school. Visit Taragram paper making factory, an NGO. It receives waste from the clothing industry all over India and uses the cotton fibres to make paper. From a pulp it is made into layers of the required thickness and then pressed and dried, rolled to make it thinner, and then cut to size. They make watermarked paper for degree certificates as well as books, photo frames, lampshades, waste bins etc. This NGO provides job to the ladies in tribe to make their life better. Return back to your hotel in Orchha.

**Highlights: Visit to Chhatris; Tribal Village Walk and TARA Gram**

**City: Orchha**

**Hotel: Orchha Palace & Convention Centre**

**Meals: Bed and Breakfast, No Drink**

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**day 3**

**Orchha - Khajuraho (195 Kms / 02:30 Hrs)**

After breakfast in the morning, drive to Khajuraho. On arrival, check in at hotel and afternoon get ready for the tour of Khajuraho. We will be visiting the legendary Western Group of temples. These temples are famous for their unique and ancient engravings. After witnessing some of the major wonders of Chandela rulers. Rest of the day is Free to visit around the town. Stay overnight at Hotel.

**Highlights: Visit to Western Group of Temples**

**City: Khajuraho**

**Hotel: SYNA Heritage Hotel**

**Meals: Bed and Breakfast, No Drink**

**Time: 02 hours 30 mins**

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**day 4**

**In Khajuraho**

Enjoy a scrumptious breakfast in the morning. Followed by this, you will be taken on an excursion to Ranoh Water Falls through a 23 Kms road drive. Just to let you know, Ranoh Water Falls is one of the most exquisite waterfalls in Madhya Pradesh. In the Chattarpur district, the waterfall is around 30 metres deep and is formed with crystalline granite of green, red, misty white, pink and grey colours. Return to hotel, if interested one can enjoy cycling and then take rest. Overnight stay at hotel.

**Highlights: Visit to Raneh Falls and Nature Trek; Optional: Cycling tour (which can be done during winters or in the evening).**

**City: Khajuraho**

**Hotel: SYNA Heritage Hotel**

**Meals: Bed and Breakfast, No Drink**

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**day 5**

**Khajuraho - Jhansi (200 Kms / 03:30 Hrs )Jhansi - New Delhi (Train )**

After breakfast relax a bit and 1200 hrs check-out from hotel and drive to Jhansi to board Train Shatabdi express ( Dep. 18:30 / Arr. 23:30 Hrs).

**Meals: Bed and Breakfast, No Drink**

**Time: 03 hours 30 mins**

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