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TRAVEL IN THE INDIAN SUBCONTINENT
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GET UP AND GO!

Dear Colleagues and Travel Partners,

India is getting cool again! November brings delightful weather and spectacular experiences, as we launch into the winter season. Sunny skies, lovely temperatures, and a breezy vibe make the subcontinent a perfect holiday destination for the end of the year vacation!

Soak up colour and culture at the Hornbill Festival and Hola Mohalla, two once in a lifetime festivals! If wildlife and photography are your thing then head into the depths of Nagaland to spot the rare Amur Falcon migration, or into the Himalayas to catch the elusive snow leopard.

Glitz, glam and big city vibes are what you'll find in Mumbai, the most cosmopolitan and quirky city on the Indian map! Then lose that city hustle and bustle and head down to the beach for a bit of R&R with great nightlife in Goa, or head down to the Maldives for a bit of romance.

The trans-Himalayan region has several fantastic experiential stays. From Ulley to Zaskar and more, there's an array of charming and cozy hotels that are full of character.

The St. Regis expands its footprint in Goa, as it gets ready to launch its luxurious South Goa beach resort. The Maldives has no shortage of fabulous hotels to stay at.

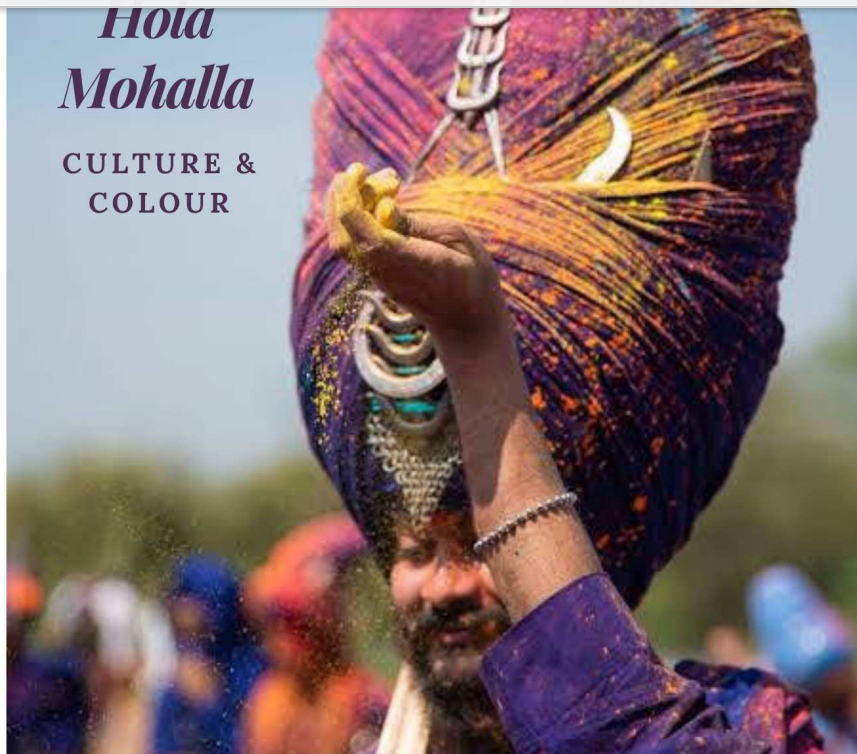
So grab those passports and book those tickets! Your perfect winter getaway in the sun is just a phone call away. Call us today!

Best Regards,
Manan Mahajan



Hola Mohalla

CULTURE &
COLOUR



The Sikhs are known for their high spirits, and you'll never get a better opportunity to experience it first-hand than with a visit to the Hola Mohalla festival! Watch incredible displays of horsemanship, martial arts, music and dance as you get swept off your feet at this colourful event. It's a terrific experience for adults as well as for kids. And if you want some fabulous photographs, this is a festival not to be missed.

Explore the beauty of Punjab, one of North India's best kept secrets. Indulge in vibrant culture, delicious cuisine, and visit some awe-inspiring monuments. Throw in a touch of nature and wildlife as well with a visit to a beautiful wetland ecosystem. Then party the night away with some wild Bhangra beats and fun! Ask us now to plan your Punjab getaway and visit the Hola Mohalla festival.



TRIBAL BEAT...

HORNBILL FESTIVAL, NAGALAND

Feeling tribal? Get together with all the Naga tribes in Kohima this December, as they celebrate their vivid culture, cuisine and heritage with one another. From elaborate costumes, to mock battles, fashion shows, and tribal rock bands, this is an event that is a visual extravaganza, not to mention, a ton of fun!

Pull out your cameras for some fabulous photographs. The wild head gear, dramatic dances, gorgeous jewellery, and extravagant tattoos, make this a cultural kaleidoscope unlike any other. Kohima springs to life for this event in the first ten days of December. Stay at a luxury camp, situated close to the festival grounds. An intimate setting with just a few tented suites, exquisite cuisine, and impeccable service make this our favourite place to stay during the festival.

Explore the mesmerising North East region when you visit this festival. Discover amazing natural beauty in Meghalaya, and incredible wildlife in Assam. Sikkim is known for its gorgeous monasteries and shrines, and nature trails. Interested and want to learn more? Ask us now!



Flights of Fantasy

AMUR FALCON MIGRATION

Are you a bird lover? An avid bird photographer?

If so, an expedition into the north eastern wilderness to find the staging grounds of the rare Amur Falcons is the trip of a lifetime. These falcons fly in all the way from Eurasia to come to the north east of India to roost for the winter. They come in droves and it's a fantastic sight to watch the flying in, as they rest here, before continuing to their final winter destination in South Africa.

These magnificent birds fly incredible distances and navigate through a variety of weather conditions and habitat on their journey from the Northern Hemisphere to the Southern Hemisphere. In India, these birds are a protected species. Local trackers spot their arrival, giving you a unique opportunity to observe and photograph them.

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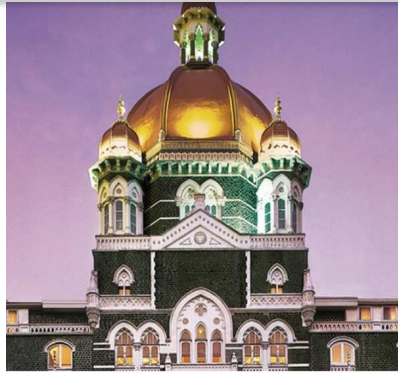
MUMBAI

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"Mumbai is a city. Bombay is an emotion."

A city of many names and many facets, you can always be sure to have a great time in Mumbai. This is a city that never sleeps. From bustling markets to haute cuisine, cultural gems to hot nightlife and let's not forget the amazing shopping... this is a destination that's hard to beat! Architectural aficionados will love the Indi-Saracenic and Art Deco heritage, making Mumbai one of the architectural capitals of the world!



THE TAJ GROUP

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Apollo Bunder, Mumbai

A city as iconic as Mumbai deserves a landmark hotel. From royalty to movie stars, heads of state to industrial moguls, The Taj Mahal Palace has played host to them all.



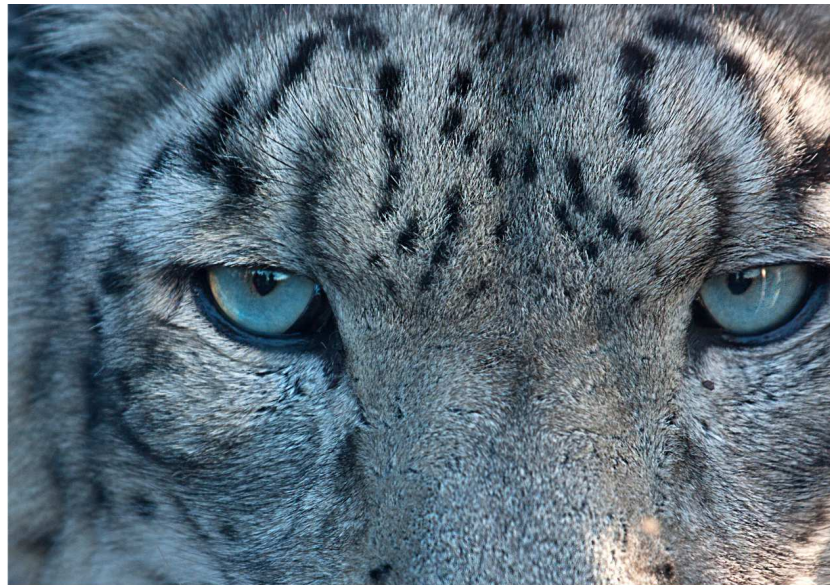
Situated right opposite the Gateway of India, with beautiful sea views, this iconic property oozes atmosphere from every pore.



If you really want to go large, then a stay in one of their signature suites is a must. From the romantic Seagull Suite to the boho chic Ravi Shankar Suite, each one is elegantly decorated to create a once in a lifetime ambience.

The hotel is also home to a fabulous collection of Indian art as well as a variety of restaurants serving cuisines ranging from Indian to Japanese to Mediterranean.

Warm staff and a great location make it your ideal base in Mumbai. As you sip on a cup of tea at the Sea Lounge or a cocktail at the Harbour Bar, you know that you've come home. Ask us today to book your stay!

*The Ghost of the Himalaya*

SNOW LEOPARDS IN LADAKH

At the roof of the world, amid the soaring mountains and deep valleys of the Himalayas, discover a top of the world feeling – observe the Snow Leopard in its natural habitat. During the winter months, the Snow Leopards descend into Hemis National Park. Discover these incredible felines amid the craggy mountain faces of this region. They are so well camouflaged that you may miss them, but expert trackers and guides will make sure to tell you where to look. Intrepid, rugged and starkly beautiful, this is the adventure of a lifetime.

The Snow Leopard is a critically endangered species and heavily protected. An incredible effort by wildlife conservationists and the local community have created a habitat where these rare felines can flourish. This park is also home to the rare Tibetan Wolf, the Himalayan Goral, Ibex and other unusual species. Ask us today to add this spectacular wildlife adventure to your bucketlist!

SNOW LEOPARD LODGE

ULLEY

Warm, rustic and charming, the Snow Leopard Lodge in Ulley is one of the best places to base yourself during your forays into Hemis National Park. Simple yet comfortable, the ambience is truly special. Delicious cuisine, cheerful service and expert trackers add enormously to make this lodge a fantastic experiential stay.

Gorgeous vistas over the surrounding landscape, means that you can sometimes spot wildlife from your window! Ask us now to book your trip!



LADAKH SARAI

LEH

Situated within an apple orchard, overlooking the Stok Mountain Range in the distance, Ladakh Sarai has an earthy, Ladakhi ambience that makes you feel right at home. Tastefully designed interiors with wood flooring and beams, creates a cozy feeling.

Ladakh Sarai is located near the quaint village of Saboo, and brings guests warm and friendly local hospitality and service. The chefs whip up a variety of cuisine ranging from international favourites to Naga and Ladakhi ethnic dishes that will make your mouth water. Ask us today to book your stay!

ISLAND LOVE

THE MALDIVES



ROMANTIC MOMENTS



As the end of the year approaches, it's time for a little rest, relaxation and romance. What better place than the Maldives to kick back and soak up the sun, sand and surf?

The Maldives is ideal for a break with your partner that includes a gorgeous resort, divine dining, exquisite wellness and spa, and for those who love the water, a touch of adventure!

Whether it's candle-lit dinners for two on the sand, or a private sail across your lagoon, or jetting over the islands in a seaplane, there are so many ways to immerse yourself in the beauty of the Maldives.

Its an ideal end of the year break, to unwind with spectacular wellness and spa treatments, rejuvenate your mind, body and soul, and rekindle the romance between the two of you. Ask us today to plan a romantic island escape!

GO...GOING...GOA!

SOUTH GOA

If you're looking for a fun and exciting Christmas and New Year break, then head over to the beaches of Goa. Unwind to the sound of the waves, as you sip on a cold beer and tuck into amazing seafood and delicious Goan cuisine at a local beach shack. Soak up the sun during the day and then head out on the town to party it up at night.

If you want to recalibrate your mind, body and soul, Goa is amazing for yoga, spa and Ayurvedic wellness treatments. Enjoy a fantastic vacation as you pamper yourself. Feeling sporty? A variety of watersports, as well as great treks, hikes and bike rides along the coast will leave you feeling thoroughly invigorated.

Goa has a variety of accommodation, ranging from charming boutique hotels, to luxury beach resorts. Friendly locals, a cosmopolitan vibe, fantastic food and a touch of art and culture, make this a destination that is hard to beat. So if you're ready to plan your end of the year vacation, then Goa might be just what you seek. Send us a line today to start putting together an idyllic beach holiday in Goa.



Vast grounds full of lush greenery, sumptuous suites with all the bells and whistles, a stunning pool and spa, and the most gorgeous stretch of silver sand and turquoise water – the St. Regis in South Goa promises a spectacular stay. Formerly known as the Leela Goa, the property has been taken over and thoroughly revamped by the St. Regis team, bringing yet another fabulous resort to Goa.

Sip on a cocktail at the beach shack and tuck into delectable Goan and international cuisine, as you watch the sun go down on the horizon. Take a long stroll along a pristine shoreline, or chill in the pool as you let your stress seep away. Quiet environs, excellent service, an amazing wellness, make this a stay to remember. Call us today to plan an unforgettable holiday.





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