



VIRGINIA MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

PRESENTS

INDIA: SPLENDORS OF THE SOUTH

October 19-November 3, 2016

with Dr. John Henry Rice, E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter
Curator of South Asian and Islamic Art

16 days from \$5,053 total price from Washington, D.C.
(\$4,095 air, land & cruise inclusive plus \$958 airline taxes and departure fees)

Discover India's ancient cultural traditions and hidden treasures - off the beaten path - and in excellent accommodations - on this distinctive small group journey from Mumbai south to cultured Mysore, Nagarhole, and "techie" Bangalore; to cosmopolitan Kochi and the canals of Kerala, where we enjoy a houseboat cruise.



ITINERARY IN BRIEF

Days 1-4: October 19-22, 2016
Depart U.S./Mumbai

Days 5-8: October 23-26, 2016
Coorg/Kabini

Days 9-11: October 27-29, 2016
Mysore/Bangalore

Days 12-13: October 30-31, 2016
Houseboat Cruise

Days 14-15: November 1-2, 2016
Kochi

Day 16: November 3, 2016
Depart Kochi/Arrive U.S.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Encounter India's most populous city. Tour the acclaimed Prince of Wales Museum and take a traditional horse-drawn carriage ride to a festive welcome dinner. Embark on an unusual yet rewarding excursion to Dharavi, Mumbai's giant slum. Visit Crawford Market, the Raj-era arcade selling a wide variety of goods.
- Enjoy your excellent accommodations at the Orange County resort set on a 300-acre working coffee and spice plantation. Take a guided walk of the property and attend a talk with the resident naturalist. Learn about the vast wildlife in this region on an early morning bird watching walk and a jeep safari through Nagarhole National Park. Visit Orange County's Butterfly Park and visit with a local family.
- Travel to Mysore and see one of India's most popular sights: Mysore Palace lit up with more than 98,000 bulbs. Visit the Chamundi Hills, site of Chamundeshwari Temple with 1,008 steps leading to the summit. Continue on to Bangalore, the "Silicon Valley," of India.
- Embark on a two-night cruise along the palm-fringed canals of the Arabian Sea. See Indian life up close as you slowly cruise past small farms and villages, stopping on occasion to go ashore.
- Disembark and return to Kochi, "Queen of the Arabian Sea," where you take a walking tour of Fort Kochi and attend a performance of traditional Kathakali dance. Enjoy free time to explore Kochi's Old Town.
- Very early this morning transfer to the airport for return flights to the U.S.

India: Splendors of the South; *continued*:

PLEASE NOTE: At this time, elements of the tour are still being finalized. Your deposit will be fully refundable until all details, including pricing, are complete. Our tour operator, Odysseys Unlimited, will be in touch with you in March 2016 when the final tour details and tour brochure is available. At that time, you will have 2 weeks to decide whether you would like to convert your preliminary registration to a confirmed booking or to cancel and receive a full refund. Once confirmed, the cancellation penalties as outlined in the brochure will apply. You will then receive a confirmation packet plus information regarding the purchase of optional trip insurance and travel protection.

Tour Prices

\$5,053 air, land & cruise inclusive from Washington, D.C. Please call for prices from other cities. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, fuel surcharges, and departure fees of \$958, which are subject to change until final payment is made. Land Only price is \$3,895; arrival and departure transfers not included. Single travelers please add \$1,595. A 5-day/4-night pre-tour option to Delhi & Agra is available for \$995 total price (single supplement is \$395). Additionally, a 5-day/4-night post-tour extension to Sri Lanka is available for \$895 total price (single supplement is \$395). Business Class upgrade on international flight is available on a request basis – please call for details.

PLEASE NOTE: At this time, all dates, prices and itinerary details for 2016 tours are subject to change. You will be contacted with these details as soon as they become available.

Your Tour Price Includes:

- Round-trip air transportation from the U.S.; all flights within itinerary
- 14 nights' accommodations: 12 nights in Deluxe and Superior First Class hotels; 2 nights in privately chartered houseboat
- 34 meals: 13 breakfasts, 11 lunches, 10 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing and entrance fees for all included features
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Private motorcoach transportation throughout the trip
- Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers
- Luggage handling for one bag per person

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

Please FAX or email your pre-registration form and deposit information to our Tour Operator, **Odysseys Unlimited**:
Secure FAX: 617-454-9199 E-mail to Ainsley Wolfe: awolfe@odysseys-unlimited.com

Enclosed is my/our deposit for \$_____ (\$500 per person) for _____ person/people. This secures our space on the following tour: **India: Splendors of the South, October 19-November 3, 2016**. Please charge my deposit to:

AMEX VISA MasterCard Discover

Card # _____ Expiration Date _____ Security code _____

Signature _____

I understand that I will be contacted in March 2016, once the final brochure for the tour is available, and will be given the opportunity to cancel at that time, without penalty. I also understand that billing and a complete confirmation packet, including information about optional trip insurance and travel protection, will follow once I convert this preliminary registration into a confirmed booking.

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