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Palace on Wheels

Travel Like Royalty Across Rajasthan

India's most celebrated luxury train — a seven-night royal journey through Jaipur, Udaipur, Jaisalmer, Jodhpur, Ranthambore and the Taj Mahal at Agra.

7

NIGHTS

8

ROYAL CITIES

82

GUESTS ONLY

1982

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LIVE THE LUXURY EXPERIENCE

Welcome Aboard

Launched in 1982 by Indian Railways and Rajasthan Tourism, the Palace on Wheels revived the golden age of royal rail travel — recreating the personal saloon carriages once owned by the Maharajas, Nizams and viceroys of princely India. Today it is counted among the finest luxury trains in the world, voted number one in Condé Nast Traveler's 2024 Readers' Choice Awards.

Across seven nights, a complete Delhi-to-Delhi loop carries just 82 guests through nine of North India's most storied destinations — UNESCO forts, lake palaces, tiger reserves, golden desert citadels and the timeless Taj Mahal — with guided sightseeing, safaris, palace entries and every meal woven into one fare.



DELHI · JAIPUR · SAWAI MADHOPUR · CHITTORGARH · UDAIPUR · JAISALMER · JODHPUR · BHARATPUR · AGRA

A complete loop — no backtracking, every city unique.

THE TRAIN & CABINS

A Moving Palace

Fourteen air-conditioned coaches, each named after a former princely state of Rajputana and dressed in its colours and craftsmanship, hold 42 cabins for just 82 guests — with two restaurants, a bar, a lounge and a spa car, and a Khidmatgar (personal attendant) for every carriage.



Deluxe Cabin

36 CABINS · 131 SQ FT

Twin beds, traditional Rajasthani décor and large windows, en-suite shower bathroom.



Super Deluxe

3 CABINS · 131 SQ FT

Twin-sharing comfort with a dedicated guide, private excursion car and spa access.



Suite Cabin

2 SUITES · 180 SQ FT

Queen bed beside a panoramic window, modern en-suite and complimentary spa session.



Presidential Suite

1 SUITE · 240 SQ FT

King bed, private lounge, jacuzzi and a Thikri mirror-work ceiling in a private coach.

ON BOARD

Dine, Unwind, Belong



Two Restaurants & the Swarn Mahal Bar

The Maharaja and Maharani dining cars serve a daily-changing menu of Rajasthani, Mughlai, North Indian, Continental and Chinese cuisine, with special diets catered. The Swarn Mahal bar pours premium spirits, Indian wines and cocktails, while the lounge car is the place to read, socialise and watch Rajasthan roll by.



The Rejuvenation Spa

Ayurvedic therapies, aromatherapy, reflexology and massage on rails — restoring you between palaces and forts as the desert glides past the window.

The 7-Night Journey



DAY 1 · WEDNESDAY

New Delhi — Embarkation & a Royal Send-off

Your journey into royal India begins in the capital. Guests gather at Delhi's historic Safdarjung Railway Station, where the Palace on Wheels welcomes you in true regal style — the call of the shehnai, a fragrant garland, a ceremonial tilak and a turban, and a personal introduction by the General Manager. Settle into your cabin as the train glides out of Delhi and the first of seven candlelit dinners is served in the Maharaja and Maharani dining cars, carrying you back to the bygone era of India's princes.

Highlights: Traditional shehnai welcome, garland, tilak and safa (turban) · Cabin check-in and orientation · Welcome drink and gala dinner on board

DINING: DINNER ON BOARD



DAY 2 · THURSDAY

Jaipur — The Pink City

Wake in Jaipur, the rose-pink capital laid out in 1727 by the astronomer-king Maharaja Sawai Jai Singh II — one of India's first planned cities and a UNESCO World Heritage site. Ascend to the honey-and-amber ramparts of Amber Fort, by elephant or jeep, and lose yourself in the mirrored Sheesh Mahal. Below in the old city, the lattice screens of the Hawa Mahal, the royal City Palace and the giant sundials of Jantar Mantar tell of a court obsessed with art and science, while the bazaars glitter with gemstones, block-printed textiles and enamelled jewellery.

Highlights: Amber Fort with elephant ascent and the Sheesh Mahal · Hawa Mahal, City Palace and Jantar Mantar · Royal lunch and time in Jaipur's gem and textile bazaars

DINING: BREAKFAST · ROYAL LUNCH · DINNER



DAY 3 · FRIDAY

Sawai Madhopur & Chittorgarh — Tigers & the Fort of Valour

A dawn jeep safari takes you into Ranthambore National Park, beside the town of Sawai Madhopur named for Maharaja Sawai Madho Singh I, where the Bengal tiger reigns over a landscape of lakes, ruins and dhok forest — leopard, sloth bear, sambar and crocodile share the wild. By afternoon the train reaches Chittorgarh, the greatest fort in Rajasthan and a UNESCO World Heritage site, sacred to the Rajputs as the very symbol of their courage and sacrifice. As night falls, a Light & Sound show brings its legends of valour to life.

Highlights: Morning tiger safari in Ranthambore National Park · Chittorgarh Fort — Vijay Stambh, Rana Kumbha Palace and Bhimlat Kund · Evening Light & Sound show recalling Rajput glory

DINING: BREAKFAST · LUNCH · DINNER

DAY 4 · SATURDAY

Udaipur — The City of Lakes

Founded by Maharana Udai Singh II in 1559, Udaipur is the most romantic of Rajasthan's cities — a shimmer of lakes, marble palaces and legends of love set against the Aravalli hills. Tour the sprawling City Palace and its Crystal Gallery, then drift across Lake Pichola by boat past the Lake Palace and the island pleasure-garden of Jag Mandir, which seems to float between water and sky. There is time for a heritage lunch at a five-star palace hotel and even a miniature-painting lesson with a local master artist.

Highlights: City Palace complex and the Crystal Gallery · Boat ride on Lake Pichola past Jag Mandir · Heritage palace lunch and a miniature-painting experience

DINING: BREAKFAST · LUNCH · AFTERNOON TEA · DINNER



The Journey, Continued



DAY 5 · SUNDAY

Jaisalmer — The Golden Desert Citadel

Rising from the Thar like a mirage of gold, Jaisalmer was founded in 1156 by Rawal Jaisal — its name means ‘the hill fort of Jaisal’. The living Sonar Quila (Golden Fort) still shelters homes, temples and havelis within its honey-coloured walls, while the carved sandstone of Patwon Ki Haveli and the ghats of Gadisar Lake reward an unhurried morning. As the sun lowers, ride a camel over the Sam Sand Dunes, take tea in the desert, and dine beneath an open sky as folk dancers and the floodlit fort set the night aglow.

Highlights: Jaisalmer Fort (Sonar Quila) and Patwon Ki Haveli · Gadisar Lake and the old sandstone city · Camel safari on the Sam Sand Dunes and a desert dinner with cultural show

DINING: BREAKFAST · LUNCH · DESERT DINNER & SHOW



Jodhpur — The Blue City

Founded by Rao Jodha in 1459, Jodhpur is Rajasthan’s second city, a sea of indigo houses gathered beneath one of India’s mightiest forts. You are greeted by the royal brass band of Mehrangarh, which towers 120 metres above the blue town with its carved windows, palace apartments and cannon-lined ramparts. Visit the white-marble cenotaph of Jaswant Thada and the grand Umaid Bhawan Palace before a luxury lunch, the city’s exquisite craftsmanship on show at every turn.

Highlights: Mehrangarh Fort with its royal brass-band welcome · Jaswant Thada marble cenotaph · Umaid Bhawan Palace and lunch at a heritage hotel

DINING: BREAKFAST · LUNCH · DINNER



DAY 7 · TUESDAY

Bharatpur & Agra — Birds, a Fort & the Taj Mahal

Begin among the wetlands of Keoladeo National Park at Bharatpur, a UNESCO World Heritage bird sanctuary that draws migratory flocks from as far as Siberia and China — cranes, storks, kingfishers and herons — followed by breakfast at the historic Mahal Khas and a look at the formidable Lohagarh ‘Iron Fort’ raised by Maharaja Suraj Mal. Then on to Agra, the Mughal capital shaped by emperors, for the Agra Fort and, at golden hour, the Taj Mahal — Shah Jahan’s white-marble monument to his queen Mumtaz Mahal, and the most sublime expression of eternal love ever built.

Highlights: Keoladeo (Bharatpur) bird sanctuary safari and Lohagarh Fort · Agra Fort, the great red-sandstone Mughal citadel · The Taj Mahal at golden hour

DINING: BREAKFAST · LUNCH · DINNER



New Delhi — Arrival & a Royal Farewell

The Palace on Wheels returns to Delhi in the early morning, drawing your week across the land of kings to a graceful close. Enjoy a final breakfast on board before disembarking at Safdarjung Railway Station — carrying with you the forts and lakes, deserts and palaces of Rajasthan, and a taste of how India’s royalty once travelled.

Highlights: Final breakfast on board · Disembarkation and onward assistance

DINING: BREAKFAST

FARES & RESERVATIONS

2026 – 2027 Season

Per person for the full 7-night journey. Fares include your cabin, all meals, daily guided sightseeing, monument entries, excursion transport, an English-speaking guide and both Delhi transfers. Excludes 5% GST, alcoholic beverages, spa, laundry, gratuities and a 10% Christmas/New Year surcharge.

Lean Season — September 2026 & April 2027

CABIN	PER PERSON DOUBLE (USD)	SINGLE (USD)
Deluxe Cabin	\$6,048	\$9,296
Super Deluxe	\$8,225	\$16,450
Suite	\$9,202	\$18,403
Presidential Suite	\$11,281	\$22,561

Peak Season — October 2026 to March 2027

CABIN	PER PERSON DOUBLE (USD)	SINGLE (USD)
Deluxe Cabin	\$6,832	\$10,507
Super Deluxe	\$8,750	\$17,500
Suite	\$9,618	\$19,236
Presidential Suite	\$12,285	\$24,570

Children aged 5–12 travel at 50% of the adult fare; under 5 travel free without a separate bed. A companion saving applies on Double Occupancy Deluxe cabins for September–October 2026 and April 2027 — ask our team for current offers. All fares are quoted in US dollars (USD); for approximate conversions in other currencies, see [xe.com](https://www.xe.com).

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Your Royal Journey Awaits

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