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## Buddha Circuit Tour with Varanasi, Bodhgaya, Nalanda & Kushinagar

[Bodhgaya, India](#) | Historical Tour

Duration: 6N/7D

Cities: Varanasi - Bodhgaya - Rajgir - Nalanda - Patna - Kushinagar

### Itinerary

#### Day 1 - Arrival & Spiritual Immersion in Varanasi

**Arrive at Varanasi airport or railway station, where our representative will greet you and assist with your transfer to the hotel.**

Check-in at the Hotel and relax.

#### Afternoon:

- At 4:00 PM, begin your guided Northern Bazaar Walk.
- Stroll through the bustling lanes of Kachori Gali, Thateri Bazaar, the Perfume and Flower Markets
- Visit the sacred Manikarnika Ghat, witnessing the spiritual essence of Varanasi.

#### Evening:

- Experience the enchanting Ganga Aarti at Dashashwamedh Ghat from a private balcony with reserved seating—offering a serene and elevated view of the ceremony.
- Return to your hotel by 8:30 PM.
- Enjoy dinner and overnight stay.

#### Day 2 - Sunrise on the Ganges & Sacred Sights of Varanasi and Sarnath

#### 05:00 AM: Pick-up from your hotel and transfer to the Ganges

**Sunrise Boat Ride:** Enjoy a peaceful hand-rowed boat ride from Dashashwamedh Ghat to Manikarnika Ghat, witnessing the morning rituals and ancient ghats of Varanasi

#### Temple Visits: Explore key temples including:

- Birla Temple at Banaras Hindu University (BHU)
- Tulsi Manas Temple
- Mother India Temple

**Breakfast: Return to the hotel for breakfast and freshening up**

**Afternoon Sarnath Tour: Visit the sacred site where Lord Buddha gave his first sermon, including:**

- Dhamek Stupa
- Ruins of ancient monasteries
- Buddha Temple & large Buddha statue
- Archaeological Museum
- Deer Park

**Evening: Return to hotel for dinner and overnight stay**

**Day 3 - Morning at Leisure & Drive to Bodhgaya (250 km / approx. 5 hrs)**

**Morning: Enjoy breakfast at the hotel**

**Optional Activities: Based on your interests, choose between:**

- Death & Rebirth Walk – an insightful tour through the spiritual cycle of life in Varanasi
- Visit to Ramnagar Fort – explore the historic royal residence and its museum

**Afternoon: Begin your drive to Bodhgaya**

**Evening: Arrive in Bodhgaya, check in to your hotel, and relax**

- Dinner & overnight Stay at your hotel in Bodhgaya

**Day 4 - Bodhgaya Sightseeing**

**Morning: Enjoy breakfast at the hotel**

- Visit the Mahabodhi Temple (UNESCO World Heritage Site), home to the sacred Bodhi Tree, Vajrasana (Diamond Throne), and Animesh Lochana Chaitya.
- Explore the Great Buddha Statue, an 80-foot sculpture of Buddha in meditation, along with various international monasteries representing different Buddhist traditions.

**Afternoon:**

- Visit the Archaeological Museum, showcasing artifacts from Buddha's life.
- Continue to Sujata Village, where Sujata offered rice pudding to Buddha after his fasting.
- Visit the Dungeshwari Cave Temples (Mahakala Caves), where Buddha meditated before enlightenment.

**Evening: Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight stay**

**Day 5 - Rajgir & Nalanda Excursion and Transfer to Patna**

**Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before departing for Patna**

- En route, visit Rajgir, an ancient city known for its holy sites and surrounded by scenic hills
- Explore Venu Vana Park, a serene area that once housed a Buddhist monastery
- Continue to Nalanda, famous as the site of the world's first residential international university and a major center of ancient learning
- Drive onward to Patna, check into your hotel, and unwind
- Dinner & Overnight stay in Patna

**Day 6 - Patna to Kushinagar & Sightseeing (6-hour drive, 250 km)**

**Enjoy breakfast at the hotel**

After early breakfast, depart Patna for Kushinagar, an important Buddhist pilgrimage site where Gautama Buddha attained Parinirvana

### Upon arrival, check in to your hotel

- Visit the Mahaparinirvana Temple, home to a 6.1-meter reclining Buddha statue set amidst sal groves, the traditional site of Buddha's cremation
- Explore the nearby Ramabhar Stupa, marking Buddha's cremation spot and offering a serene spiritual setting
- Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant (own expense)
- Continue to the Kushinagar Museum, featuring Buddhist artifacts and history
- Return to your hotel for dinner and overnight stay

### Day 7 - Departure from Kushinagar

#### Enjoy an early breakfast at the hotel

- Check out and prepare for departure
- Transfer to Kushinagar airport or railway station at a convenient time
- Board your flight or train for your onward destination

### Package Description

Embark on a spiritual journey through the heart of India with our specially curated heritage tour. Discover Varanasi, one of the world's oldest living cities, where ancient traditions and sacred rituals unfold along the Ganges. Explore the divine serenity of Bodh Gaya, where Lord Buddha attained enlightenment, and walk through the historic paths of Rajgir and Nalanda—once great centers of Buddhist learning. Visit Patna, the birthplace of Guru Gobind Singh and a city steeped in culture and history. Conclude your journey in Kushinagar, the sacred site of Buddha's Mahaparinirvana. This unforgettable experience offers a perfect blend of spirituality, history, and culture—ideal for seekers, pilgrims, and heritage lovers alike.

### Inclusions

- Pickup from Varanasi Railway Station/Airport and drop at Patna airport/station
- 02 Standard Room on Double occupancy
- 06 Nights at Hotel (02 Nights stay at Varanasi, 02 Nights stay at Bodhgaya, 01 Nights stay at Patna, 01 Nights stay at Kushinagar)
- 06 Breakfast Per Person
- 06 Dinner per person
- Tours/ Sightseeing
- Tours and Transfer on Private Basis
- Assistance from Company end

### Exclusion

- Flight Ticket
- Visa ( If Applicable)
- Meals (Other Than specified in Inclusion)
- Travel Insurance (Recommended)
- Cost of any other services not specifically mentioned in inclusions
- Personal and incidental expenses
- Entrance ticket (Other Than specified in Inclusion)
- Transfers other than specified in the inclusions
- Early Check-In & Late Check-Out

## Cancellation Policy

Amendments are not allowed once booking is confirmed and non-refundable

-No Shows are non refundable