



Intimate Journey to India

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If you are curious about visiting India but don't want to go alone or with a commercial tourist group, this reasonably-priced, wide-ranging trip with an experienced guide who knows and loves India may be for you.

Trip Leader: Born and brought up in Pakistan by Presbyterian missionaries, John Schlorholtz has traveled widely through India, Nepal, and Pakistan. He enjoys offering multifaceted, warm-hearted journeys through India to small, thoughtful groups. John emphasizes travel that is enjoyable, comfortable, and healthy, and he is skilled at maximizing personal wellbeing and minimizing bad stomachs, etc.

Itinerary: Ambitious in scope, this trip includes some of the greatest architectural and cultural sites of India, as well as stays at two representative spiritual communities. The first part of the trip involves fairly fast-paced travel through North India, with visits to Varanasi (Benares), Khajuraho, the Taj Mahal, Fatehpur Sikhri, and the Ajanta and Ellora Caves. The second part of the trip, in South India, is more leisurely, giving an opportunity to experience local life and people. This includes stays at the spiritual communities of Auroville (Pondicherry) and Sri Ramanasramam, as well as visits to Mamallapuram, the great temple town of Madurai, and the state of Kerala.



Limited to 10 participants (minimum 6), the trip involves a lot of travel but also allows for restful stays at important junctures – and a great variety of fine foods.

Duration: 21 days in India.

Cost: \$3,750, not including flight to India. Includes all transportation inside India (including 6 flights and train, taxis & vans), all lodging (double occup.), all meals, and all tourism fees. Boston residents can expect about \$1,200 for roundtrip ticket to India – or use frequent flier miles. **Other costs** include visa and optional equipment and supplies – and shopping in India. \$500 non-refundable deposit reserves your space. Payment schedule available on request.

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