Chambal & Taj Mahal Pre-Extension – River Safari & Cultural Landscapes –
9-12 April | 4 days 3 nights

This short pre-extension offers a introduction to North India, combining iconic cultural landmarks with unique wildlife experiences. From the timeless beauty of the Taj Mahal to the pristine river ecosystem of the Chambal, the journey provides a balance of history, nature, and rural landscapes, setting the tone for the main wildlife expedition to follow.

9 April 2027 - **Arrive in Delhi**
Upon arrival in Delhi, you will be warmly welcomed by our representative and transferred to your hotel. (Please note that standard check-in time is from 2:00pm hrs. onward).The remainder of the day is at leisure to rest after your international journey or to explore the surroundings independently.

Accommodation: Lemon Tree Premier Aerocity or similar

10 April Ð elhi to Agra to Chambal
Early breakfast & depart by road for Agra.Uponarrival, **visit the iconic Taj Mahal**, one of the Seven Wonders of the World and a UNESCO World HeritageSite. Builtby Emperor Shah Jahan in memory of his beloved wife Mumtaz Mahal, this magnificent white marble mausoleum is renowned for its architectural beauty, intricate craftsmanship, and timeless symbolism of love. Following the visit, continue by road to the Chambal region, driving through the rural landscapes of Uttar Pradesh and northern India. Arrive at Chambal Safari Lodge (Mela Kothi), a charming heritage lodge set amid farmland and orchards near the Chambal River. Originally a colonial-era hunting lodge, the property has been thoughtfully restored and today offers a peaceful rural retreat, as well as an excellent base for exploring the unique ravine landscapes and wildlife of the Chambal Valley. Upon arrival, check in and enjoy some time at leisure to relax and soak in the tranquil surroundings.

Includes Breakfast, Dinner & overnight at the lodge in Chambal (Mela Kothi) – Chambal Safari Lodge

11 April Ċ hambal – *Safari & Cultural Experiences*
Earlythis morning, set out for a **boat safari on the Chambal River**, one of India's mostpristine andleast disturbed river ecosystems.The Chambal is renownedfor itsrich wildlife andbirdlife, andduring thesafari you may spot therare **gharial crocodile**,freshwater dolphins, turtles and numerous species of migratory and resident birds. The quietravine landscape and unspoiled riverbanks make this a unique and memorable nature experience. Return to the lodge for time at leisure.

Later in the afternoon, proceed for an excursion to visit the **Bateshwar Temple Complex**, a remarkable group of more than one hundred small sandstone temples dedicated primarily to Lord Shiva. Dating back between the 8th and 10th centuries, the temples are beautifully set

along the banks of the Yamuna River and offer a fascinating glimpse into the region's ancient religious heritage. Return to the lodge in the evening.

Includes Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner & Overnight Lodge in Chambal (Mela Kothi) – Chambal Safari Lodge

12 April - Chambal – Delhi
Early breakfast - check out and drive back to Delhi to connect with Central India Tiger Safari program.

Deposit: USD $500.00 per person

Cost: $1295.00 per person (double occupancy)

For a single room + $300.00

NOTES:

- **Itinerary subject to changes only if beyond our control**
- **Reservation made with deposit of $500 per person**
- **Please note that accommodations are subject to change with equivalent accommodations based on availability**
- **Payment can be made by credit card on our WeTravel site**
- **We strongly recommend the purchase of travel insurance.** **https://buy.travelguard.com/TGI2/proc/stateselector.aspx?br=agentlink&arc=51868&agentlinkasp=yes**

This Trip Includes:

- Ground transportation
- English Speaking Guide in Agra
- Naturalist Guides in Chambal
- Chambal River Safari
- Bateshwar Temple vist (Chambal)
- Accommodation in lodges specified - subject to availability
- All meals as listed on itinerary
- All park fees, government taxes, and service charges

This Trip Excludes:

- Any flights or transfers not mentioned
- Laundry
- Tips and gratuities
- Alcoholic beverage
- Any new taxes or fees levied by government
- Visas and Travel insurance
- Any items of a personal nature