There’s something undeniably romantic about trains. They’re a passage into a time gone by. They transport us to far off places of mystery and wonder. They’re home to countless stories and adventures. And that is exactly what the Deccan Odyssey offers you. A luxurious, magical ride to places of mystery and wonder. A timeless way to discover the intoxicating mix of art, architecture, culture, history and wildlife that is India. Choose from six fascinating journeys that take you across the sub-continent. Marvel at ancient architectural wonders and World Heritage Sites, wander through bazaars bursting with colour, witness scintillating performances by skilled folk dancers and martial artists. Indulge in retail therapy, tour a vineyard and taste their best vintages and relish meals prepared with secret recipes known only to royal chefs. You’ll also get the opportunity to experience the thrill of a safari as you search for the Asiatic Lion or the Bengal Tiger in the wild jungles of India. Climb aboard the Deccan Odyssey. It’s time to begin a new adventure. It’s time to start a new story.
Since the advent of the railways in India, train journeys have been the subject of much fascination and mystery. Indian Royalty and the British aristocracy would often set out on a shikaar or on celebrations, in the wilderness or deserts or mountains, traveling in the luxury of their private palace on wheels. Today, the Deccan Odyssey continues this legacy of princely sojourns by introducing fascinating journeys covering the length and breadth of the exotic and enchanting landscape of India. The train journeys showcase the opulence and extravagance of the palaces, the traditions and culinary wonders of cities and villages, untouched by the sands of time. Ripe with romance, adventure and style, each luxury rail journey on the Deccan Odyssey is a one-in-a-lifetime experience. There are passenger cars with 4 coupes each, Presidential Suites with 2 coupes each, a conference room that can be converted to a dance floor in the night, two restaurant cars, a lounge car and a spa car. Get the bragging rights of slowing down with a calming massage at 80 km/hour. Fine Indian and continental cuisine is served on board the two restaurant cars. A high level of on-board service is ensured by experienced hospitality professionals.

A TIMELESS RIDE THROUGH HISTORY
The Deccan Odyssey comprises of 21 superlative, royal coaches. Each coach has 4 spacious cabins. Each alternate coach has a common lounge. Each cabin is equipped with every modern amenity to make sure that your journey is comfortable and memorable.

The Deccan Odyssey also offers four resplendent Suites with exquisite décor and all modern amenities. Two gourmet restaurants on board help our guests taste the local specialities of each of the very diverse states that the train makes its way through, an experience that captivates all the senses. The delightful spa, Ayush, with well-trained masseurs help you relax your body after a long day of exploration. The well-stocked bar is the perfect place to devour Indian snacks and swap stories with your fellow travellers. The conference coach is equipped with all that is needed for meetings and discussions. Our hand-picked staff members are always at hand to provide you with every service and take care of all your needs, making your journey relaxed and trouble-free. Attendants are available round-the-clock, one for each coach and one each for every Suite.
Day 01 Saturday – Delhi
Board the Deccan Odyssey at the Delhi railway station and begin your enchanting journey, heading to the home of Tigers – Ranthambore.

Day 02 Sunday – Sawai Madhopur
Arrive at Sawai Madhopur and spend a day in the Ranthambore Tiger Reserve, once the private hunting ground of the Maharajas of Jaipur. Enjoy a village safari in the beautiful locales of Sawai Madhopur followed by an adventurous safari in the afternoon.

Day 03 Monday – Agra
Today the Deccan Odyssey arrives at the Mughal citadel of Agra. Visit the iconic Taj Mahal, and other architectural gems of the Mughal Empire; the Itmad-ud-Daulah and the impressive Agra Fort.

Day 04 Tuesday – Jaipur
Arrive at the historic capital of Rajasthan, Jaipur, often called the Pink City. Explore the forts and palaces with a walk through the colorful bazaars of this beautiful city.

Day 05 Wednesday – Udaipur
Arrive at the princely city of Udaipur. Visit the famous City Palace which houses the spectacular Crystal Gallery followed by an enchanting walk through the quaint streets of the Old City. This afternoon witness a talk about local specialties at an exquisite venue.

Day 06 Thursday – Vadodara
Today you arrive at the Royal city of the Gaekwads, Vadodara. Visit the famous Champaner - Pavagadh Archaeological Park, a World Heritage site, the magnificent Jama Masjid and the Maharaja Fateh Singh Museum. Witness a scintillating folk dance performance as you savour a wide array of delicacies from the Royal kitchens at the Lukshmi Villas Palace.

Day 07 Friday – Ellora Caves
Proceed to visit Ellora Caves, a World Heritage site. A unique artistic creation, with its sanctuaries devoted to Buddhism, Hinduism and Jainism, it illustrates the spirit of Harmony that was characteristic of ancient India.

Day 08 Saturday – Mumbai
Arrive at Mumbai, where your journey comes to an end.
MAHARASHTRA SPLENDOR

Mumbai | Nashik | Ellora Caves | Ajanta Caves | Kolhapur | Goa | Sindhudurg | Mumbai

(8D/7N) Mumbai to Mumbai

Day 01 Saturday – Mumbai
This evening, arrive at Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus and board the Deccan Odyssey on a mesmerizing voyage through the Maratha heartland.

Day 02 Sunday – Nashik
Arrive in Nashik and walk along the Godavari Ghats; then head for a vineyard tour followed by wine-tasting and lunch.

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Day 04 Tuesday – Ajanta Caves
Arrive at Jalgaon railway station and drive to Ajanta Caves - a World Heritage site. These magnificent caves have exquisite ancient murals & sculptures that depict the life of Buddha.

Day 05 Wednesday – Kolhapur
Arrive at Kolhapur, a multifaceted city with a mythical past. Visit the New Palace, the Mahalaxmi Temple and the Town Hall museum. Witness a traditional martial arts performance known as Mardani Khel.

Day 06 Thursday – Goa
Arrive in Goa, known for its beaches, churches and temples. Take a tour of Old Goa, visiting the ruins of St. Augustine Church & the Basilica of Bom Jesus. Walk through the old Latin Quarter known as Fontainhas.

Day 07 Friday – Sindhudurg
Arrive in Sindhudurg which lies on a rocky island just off the coast of Malvan.

Day 08 Saturday – Mumbai
Arrive at Mumbai, where your journey comes to an end.

HIGHLIGHTS

• Explore the jewels of ancient Indian architecture, the wondrous cave temples of Ajanta & Ellora along the western seaboard, both World Heritage Sites
• Visit the New Palace, witness ‘Mardani Khel’ - martial art of the Marathas
• An exclusive wine tasting and vineyard tour in Nashik
• Taste spicy Goan cuisine and visit a 400 year old Portuguese villa - a slice of living history
• Visit the holy town of Sindhudurg
Day 01 Saturday – Mumbai
Board the Deccan Odyssey at the Mumbai Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus and begin your enchanting journey to Bijapur.

Day 02 Sunday – Bijapur
Arrive at the historic capital of the Sultans of the Deccan - Bijapur. Explore the citadel, visiting its beautiful buildings and tombs.

Day 03 Monday – Aihole / Pattadakal
This morning, visit the superlative Chalukyan temples of Aihole and Pattadakal and compare the differences in the sculpting work between the temples at the two locations built in successive time periods.

Day 04 Tuesday – Hampi
Today, the Deccan Odyssey reaches Hospet. Visit the iconic City of Victory, Hampi. Explore the sacred and royal centres, palaces and impressive temples.

Day 05 Wednesday – Hyderabad
This morning, disembark in the Royal city of the Nizams - Hyderabad. First head to Golconda Fort, built in the 16th century, then becoming the capital of the Qutub Shahi dynasty and a spot where huge diamonds like the Kohinoor and Hope were mined. In the evening, visit the famous Charminar, walking through bustling and colorful streets. Enjoy a special evening in this Royal city.

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Day 07 Friday – Ajanta Caves
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Day 08 Saturday – Mumbai
Arrive at Mumbai, where your journey comes to an end.
Day 01 Saturday – Mumbai
Board the Deccan Odyssey at Mumbai’s Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus and begin your enchanting journey to the Royal city of the Gaekwads - Vadodara.

Day 02 Sunday – Vadodara
Drive to the World Heritage site of Champaner-Pavagadh Archaeological Park, an ancient city full of ruins. Enjoy high tea at the magnificent Lukshmi Villas Palace – the exquisite residence of the Royal family.

Day 03 Monday – Palitana
The Deccan Odyssey arrives at holy town of Palitana. Enjoy an excursion to Shatrunjay Hill, famed for its spectacular cluster of Jain temples exquisitely carved in marble.

Day 04 Tuesday – Sasan Gir
In Sasan Gir, an expert naturalist accompanies you to the national park, home to the only surviving ‘Lions of Asia’ and a myriad variety of birds and other creatures. In the evening visit the famous Somnath Temple.

Day 05 Wednesday – Little Rann of Kutch
Enjoy a cross-desert safari across the Little Rann of Kutch looking for wild ass and water birds. Also, visit the settlements and villages, renowned for their traditional embroideries and weaves.

Day 06 Thursday – Modhera / Patan
Early morning, visit the 11th century Sun Temple and Rani – ki – Vav stepwell, the finest example of subterranean architecture for water management.

Day 07 Friday – Nashik
Arrive in Nashik, head to visit Pandu Leni, one of the most ancient Jain & Buddhist cave temples that date back to the 1st century BC. Next head to a vineyard for an exclusive tour followed by wine tasting and lunch. In the evening, spend time by the Godavari Ghats.

Day 08 Saturday – Mumbai
Arrive at Mumbai, where your journey comes to an end.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit the World Heritage site of Champaner – Pavagadh
- Admire the historic monuments at Palitana and Modhera
- Enjoy a Kodak moment with the Asiatic Lions in Sasan Gir
- Experience an exclusive wine tasting and vineyard tour in Nashik

HIDDEN TREASURES OF GUJARAT

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INDIAN SOJOURN

(Mumbai to DELHI) 8D/7N

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Day 02 Sunday – Vadodara
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Day 03 Monday – Udaipur
Arrive at the princely city of Udaipur. Visit the famous City Palace which houses the spectacular Crystal Gallery followed by an enthralling walk through the quaint streets of the Old City. Complete the tour with a boat cruise on the tranquil waters of Lake Pichola.

Day 04 Tuesday – Jodhpur
This morning, reach Jodhpur - the Blue City. Enjoy a walking tour of the Old Market and the magnificent Mehrangarh Fort, famous for its several palaces with fabulous views of the city. Enjoy a barbeque evening at the Mehrangarh Fort complex.

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Day 08 Saturday – Delhi
Arrive in Delhi, where your journey comes to an end.

HIGHLIGHTS

• Visit India’s architectural wonders and World Heritage sites in Agra, Vadodara, Jaipur and Ranthambore
• Relish secret recipes from the royal kitchens of Gujarat and Rajasthan
• Experience the thrill of a safari in search of the elusive Tiger at Ranthambore
• Indulge in retail therapy visiting the colourful and bustling bazaars of the royal cities of Rajasthan
MAHARASHTRA WILD TRAIL

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Day 03 Monday – Aurangabad
Enjoy a day visiting Bibi – Ka – Maqbara a replica of the Taj Mahal at Agra followed by a visit to the famous Himroo fabric weaving centre.

Day 04 Tuesday – Pench (Ramtek)
Arrive at Ramtek and drive to Maharashtra’s Pench National Park. Named after the Pench River which splits it into almost equal halves, the park is immensely rich in bio-diversity, an important ecosystem supporting an abundance of flora and fauna, including a rich variety of aquatic life. Enjoy morning and afternoon game safaris in the park.

Day 05 Wednesday – Tadoba
Reach Chandrapur and set out for the Tadoba Tiger Reserve – A magnificent habitat for the Royal Bengal Tiger. Enjoy lunch at the forest lodge, where the naturalists will interact with you narrating their admirable work in tiger conservation.

Day 06 Thursday – Ajanta Caves
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Day 07 Friday – Nashik
Arrive at Nashik and walk along the Godavari Ghats; then head for a vineyard tour followed by wine tasting and lunch.

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HIGHLIGHTS
- The wondrous and fascinating cave temples of Ajanta & Ellora along the western seaboard of India, both World Heritage sites, showcasing the ancient skill of India’s painters and sculptors
- Thrilling game drive in the wildlife parks of Tadoba Tiger Reserve where you get an opportunity to spot the Royal Bengal Tiger as well as various other species of birds and mammals
- Literally camp on the banks of the Pench River and enjoy a night under the stars