

# Rajasthan Photography Expedition: Forts, Markets & Desert Vistas

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Destination  
**Rajasthan**

Duration  
**8 Nights 9 Days**

Starting from  
**Rs. 26,750 / person**

## ITINERARY ROUTE

↙ Jaipur · 2N

↙ Jodhpur · 2N

↙ Jaisalmer · 2N

↙ Bikaner · 1N

↙ Pushkar · 1N

## 📍 Overview

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Duration: 8 nights / 9 days — an immersive Rajasthan tour package and Rajasthan Adventure tour package crafted for photographers and travelers who want to capture the soul of Rajasthan: majestic forts, bustling markets, blue-hued alleyways, and sweeping desert vistas.

Highlights:

- Sunrise at Amber Fort (Jaipur) and Mehrangarh Fort (Jodhpur)
- Golden hour & star-trail sessions at Sam Sand Dunes (Jaisalmer)
- Street and market photography in Johari Bazaar (Jaipur) and Clock Tower Market (Jodhpur)
- Architectural shoots at Jaisalmer Fort and Patwon Ki Haveli
- Cultural portraits in Pushkar and rural shoots in Bishnoi villages
- Camel safari, dune sunset & night photography — signature Rajasthan Adventure package experiences

Recommended best time: October to March for clear skies, vibrant markets, and comfortable temperatures.

This 8-night, 9-day Rajasthan Photography Expedition balances iconic landmarks and offbeat photo opportunities, combining guided shoots, local model/portrait options, and time for scouting and golden-hour sessions.

### ✓ What's Included

- ✓ 8 nights accommodation in 3–4 heritage hotels and desert camp (twin/double sharing)
- ✓ Daily breakfast (7) and 3 select dinners, welcome dinner and desert camp dinner
- ✓ All transfers and sightseeing by private AC vehicle
- ✓ English-speaking local guide plus a photography guide/assistant for select shoots
- ✓ Camel safari at Sam/Khuri Dunes (shared) and desert camp stay for one night
- ✓ Monument entry fees (group rate where applicable)
- ✓ Bottled water, local taxes and permits
- ✓ Pre-departure photography briefing and final photo feedback session

### ✗ Not Included

- ✗ International & domestic flights / trains to/from Rajasthan
- ✗ Visa, travel insurance and personal expenses
- ✗ Camera equipment rental (available on request) and extra batteries/memory cards
- ✗ Meals not specified in inclusions and alcoholic beverages
- ✗ Gratuities for guides, drivers and local staff
- ✗ Optional activities not listed in the itinerary
- ✗ Important: Entrance fees for some monuments may vary and special photography permits (if required) are extra.

## Day-by-Day Itinerary

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Day

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### **Arrival, Orientation & Sunset at the Pink City**

Arrive in Jaipur. Meet your guide and transfer to your hotel. After check-in, short orientation and camera-check session. Late afternoon drive to photograph the iconic Hawa Mahal facade and scenic views at Jal Mahal during golden hour. Evening welcome dinner with a briefing on composition tips and safety.

Photographer's tip: Carry a wide-angle lens and ND filter for sunset silhouettes.

Day

2

### **Amber Fort Sunrise & Markets of Jaipur**

Early morning shoot at Amber Fort to capture dramatic light on ramparts and elephant alleys. Return to the city for a heritage walk photographing the City Palace and Jantar Mantar. Afternoon dedicated to street and market photography in Johari Bazaar and Bapu Bazaar — great for portrait and textile close-ups. Sunset viewpoint at Nahargarh Fort.

Special note: Secure camera gear and keep a small cash reserve for market purchases.

Day

3

### **Transfer to Jodhpur & Evening Ramparts**

Drive to Jodhpur (approx. 5–6 hours). En route brief stops for landscape shots. Check-in and head to Mehrangarh Fort for late-afternoon and sunset photography — the fort's ramparts provide sweeping cityscapes of the bluewashed old town.

Photography focus: Use a telephoto for compressed views and frames of the old city from the fort.

Day

4

### **Mehrangarh, Blue City Alleys & Bishnoi Village Experience**

Sunrise shoot over the blue alleys below Mehrangarh. Explore narrow lanes for candid portraits and architectural details. After lunch, travel to a Bishnoi village for cultural portraits, traditional life shots and rural landscapes. Return to Jodhpur for evening market captures at Clock Tower & Sardar Market.

Tip: Respect local customs when photographing people — always ask, and offer a printed photo if possible.

Day

5

## **Drive to Jaisalmer & Dune Sunset**

Depart for Jaisalmer (approx. 5–6 hours). On arrival, short city orientation and late-afternoon transfer to Sam/Khuri Sand Dunes for a camel safari and expansive sunset photography session. Night in the desert for astrophotography and star trails.

Special gear note: Bring a sturdy tripod and remote release for long exposures.

Day

6

## **Jaisalmer Fort, Havelis & Golden City Portraits**

Morning inside Jaisalmer Fort — intricate jharokhas, narrow lanes and rooftop compositions. Explore Patwon Ki Haveli and Salim Singh Ki Haveli for detailed architecture. Afternoon free for scouting or optional guided portrait session in the fort's lanes. Sunset shoot on the fort walls overlooking the city.

Pro tip: Midday light can be harsh; focus on textures, shadows, and window frames for evocative images.

Day

7

## **Bikaner — Forts, Palaces & Karni Mata (Rat Temple)**

Drive to Bikaner (approx. 5 hours). Visit Junagarh Fort and the ornate Lalgarh Palace — excellent for architectural detail shots. Optional visit to Karni Mata Temple (Deshnok) to photograph unique religious rituals and the temple's famed rats — an unusual cultural subject.

Important: The Karni Mata visit can be sensitive; follow temple rules and photograph discreetly.

Day

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## **Pushkar Lakeside & Bazaar Magic**

Drive to Pushkar via Ajmer (approx. 4–5 hours). Afternoon and evening dedicated to photographing Pushkar Lake ghats, Brahma Temple, and the lively Pushkar Bazaar. Ideal for market portraits, devotional ceremonies, and pastel-hued portraits at sunset.

Photography suggestion: Use prime lenses for low-light portraits around the ghats and a portable reflector for fill light.

Day

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## **Return to Jaipur & Departure**

Morning transfer to Jaipur (approx. 3 hours) for final souvenir shopping or a short shoot depending on flight timings. Airport or railway station drop-off and trip conclusion. Final group review and photo-sharing tips.

Note: Flexible departure arrangements can be provided on request.

## 🔗 Frequently Asked Questions

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### 🔗 What are the top tourist attractions in Rajasthan?

Rajasthan boasts stunning attractions like the majestic forts of Jaipur (Amber Fort), Jodhpur (Mehrangarh Fort), and Udaipur (City Palace). Don't miss the Thar Desert's scenic dunes, the vibrant markets, and cultural experiences in Pushkar, and the heritage of Chittorgarh. Each site reflects the rich history and vibrant culture of the state.

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### 🔗 What is the best time to visit Rajasthan?

The best time to visit Rajasthan is from October to March. During these months, the weather is pleasant, with cooler temperatures ideal for exploring the state's majestic forts, palaces, and vibrant cultural festivals. This period ensures a comfortable experience while enjoying Rajasthan's rich heritage.

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### 🔗 How do I reach Rajasthan from other parts of India?

Rajasthan is well-connected by air, rail, and road. Major airports in Jaipur, Udaipur, and Jodhpur serve domestic flights. Train services link cities like Jaipur and Jodhpur with other regions. National highways ensure easy access by car or bus, making it convenient to explore this vibrant state!

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### 🔗 What is the local cuisine like in Rajasthan?

Rajasthan's local cuisine is a vibrant blend of flavors, featuring dishes like dal baati churma, gatte ki sabzi, and laal maas. The use of spices, lentils, and traditional cooking techniques results in rich and hearty meals. Street food like kachoris and sweets like ghevar add to the culinary experience.

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### 🔗 Are there any cultural festivals celebrated in Rajasthan?

Yes, Rajasthan is known for its vibrant cultural festivals like the Pushkar Camel Fair, Jaisalmer Desert Festival, and the Teej Festival. These celebrations showcase traditional music, dance, crafts, and local cuisine, offering tourists a rich experience of Rajasthani heritage and culture.

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### 🔗 Is Rajasthan suitable for adventure tourism?

Yes, Rajasthan is perfect for adventure tourism! Explore thrilling activities like camel safaris in the Thar Desert, hot air ballooning over Jaipur, rock climbing in Aravalli Hills, and white-water rafting in the Chambal River. The state's diverse landscapes and rich culture add to the adventure!

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## ❓ What safety tips should I keep in mind while traveling in Rajasthan?

When traveling in Rajasthan, prioritize your safety by keeping these tips in mind: avoid isolated areas after dark, stay hydrated, dress modestly, use reputable transportation options, keep copies of important documents, and be aware of your surroundings. Embrace local customs and always trust your instincts.

## ★ Traveller Reviews

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**Riddhi Sharma**

★★★★★ 5/5

### Surprising Art Forms

Exploring various art forms in Rajasthan was surprising! The intricate designs and uniqueness are commendable.



**Farah Iqbal**

★★★★★ 5/5

### Diverse Itinerary with Fun Activities

The itinerary offered a good mix of history, culture, and adventure. Each day was packed with fun activities!



**Rohit Sharma**

★★★★★ 5/5

### Tranquil Stay Amidst Nature

Our stay in a resort amidst nature was tranquil and rejuvenating. The serene environment made for a perfect escape from the city.



**Kavya Singla**

★★★★★ 5/5

### Fascinating Desi Cuisine Tour

Rajasthan's cuisine is as colorful as its culture! We enjoyed trying various traditional dishes, and it was a gastronomical delight.



**Umesh Choudhary**

★★★★☆ 4/5

### Cultural Insights Galore

The cultural insights provided during the tour were incredible. It made me appreciate the heritage of Rajasthan deeply!

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