

RAJASTHAN AND GUJARAT

*Exploring the Ancient,
Experiencing the Authentic*
Wildlife, Mountains and Beaches

Good Vibrations Motorcycle Tours

ROYAL ENFIELD ADVENTURE



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Rajasthan and Gujarat
7th October to 22nd October 2024

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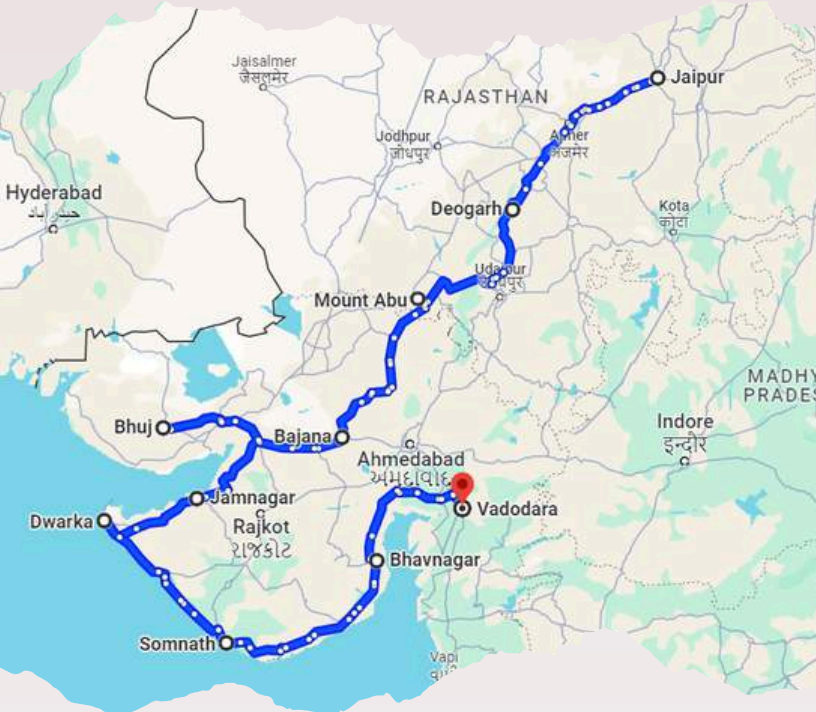
2435 KM 16 DAYS, 15 NIGHTS

LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

ACCOMODATION: ★★★ OR ★★★★★

More Information

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Highlights:

- Visit of magical Pink City of Jaipur
- Walking Heritage tours of Jaipur & Udaipur
- Rural rumble – Enjoying a narrow-gauge train ride
- Staying in 17th Century castle
- Exploring Aravali hills
- Interaction with tribes, artisans, and locals
- Visit of ancient city of Dwarka
- Visit of ancient temples
- Visit The Great Rann of Kutch
- Unpredictable sights and sounds on the way

Let Your Inner and Outer Adventure Begin

READY FOR TRANSFORMATION AND CHANGE IN YOUR LIFE?

Join your hosts Good Vibrations Motorcycle Tours for a truly extraordinary experience of journeying on two wheels through the magic of Rajasthan and into the unexplored Gujarat. These incredible Indian States each have their own unique and spell-binding past. On this tour, you get to experience the richness of both. With special attention given to the wild and wonderful lands and animals of Gujarat. We believe this tour to be an incredible blend of historic and natural covering culture and kingdoms, spirituality and space. With some of the most exotic landscapes and wildlife thrown in.

Good Vibrations Founders Jonathan with his wife Yasmeen have been supporting others in their journey of personal and spiritual healing and transformation for over 30 years. Running many retreats in New Zealand and around the world. They have teamed up their dear friend and highly experienced Manu Singh who runs logistics. Their good friend and fellow inner and outer traveler Andrew Graham, Tour leader and director and Sunny 'Magic Hands' Sharma, a friend, and family who is the most skilled mechanic.

This team brings a deep wealth of experience and knowledge and on this very special tour, you will discover parts of yourself that will bring rich empowerment, change and new possibilities to your life.

Tour leaders Jonathan and Yasmeen will ensure your experience will be both challenging and safe, exciting and at times deeply peaceful. True discovery with a good dose of freedom. This journey is for those seeking both an inner and out adventure and are ready to embrace wonder, growth and moments of real happiness.

Good Vibrations – Ride Your Heart Out!



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Starting at Day 1, 7th October 2024



7 Oct. – Arrive in Jaipur

- ✓ Arrive in Jaipur Welcome to Jaipur. You'll be met at the airport or railway station, depending on your travel arrival arrangements and then be transferred by taxi to the hotel. A time to settle in and relax before the tour begins. In the evening you will be introduced to your two wheeled Royal Enfield companion that will be taking you on a wonderful journey and connecting with the rest of the tour guest. Our tour guide will brief you on riding in India and useful tips to navigate the roads, dusty village tracks and everything in between. A great time too for any questions you may have.



8 Oct. – Jaipur visit

- ✓ Jaipur visit Awaken fresh and enjoy breakfast in the hotel. Today is about Jaipur and some gentle local riding to familiarize yourself with the bike and roads. Jaipur, known as the "Pink City" is the capital of Rajasthan, and is a very colourful city with so much that can be explored. The Wind Palace with its awe-inspiring colourful façade and the Nahargarh Fort where far stretching views can be savoured of the city and far beyond. A visit to the impressive and majestic Amber Palace is a must experience.



9 Oct. – Jaipur – Deogarh [275 km]

- ✓ We breakfast again in the same hotel and then saddle up and ride southwest to Deogarh. You'll begin to see, feel and enjoy the open roads and freedom that is gifted to you on two wheels and of course along the way we will have breaks at many of the roadside and village cafes where you can rest and enjoy a masala chai or "two". Deogarh is adjacent to the ancient Aravalli hill range that stretches south of Delhi for more than 500kms and close to the Khali river, the views are quite stunning. The Deogarh Palace in the city is just one of the colourful and vibrant historic buildings.



10 Oct. – Deogarh – Udaipur [180 km]

- ✓ After breakfast we continue to ride south and still bordering the Aravalli hills and head for Udaipur. But first, we drive 5 km to arrive at Kamlighat train station. A very unique experience await us. Find yourself chugging through stunning landscapes in rural Rajasthan on an old British-era narrow gauge train. The short 1 h 15 minutes but sublime journey from Kamlighat to Phulad was built to unite two regions of the state that were previously divided. You can transport yourself back in time, along the 19th century rail line that passes through dramatic rolling hills. Look out for the langur monkeys who chase the carriages in hope for any food from generous passengers. The journey will take you through untouched and lush terrain in an unexplored part of Rajasthan. We then pick up our bikes and continue to ride south through beautiful winding roads, still bordering the Aravalli hills towards Udaipur. Stopping at the Kumbalgarh fort along the way to be mesmerized by the size of the area and the walls of the fort which did their best to keep many invaders away. Certainly, a great spot for photographs that capture this historic place. Arriving in Udaipur, you will be in wonder of this incredibly beautiful City, surrounded by lakes.



11 Oct. – Udaipur

- ✓ Udaipur We spend our second night in Udaipur and you'll love why we have. Known as the City of Lakes with a palace that nestles beside Lake Pichola and home to the royal family who live in a private part of the palace.

The remainder of the palace is open to the public and is an architectural delight to wander and admire some of the intricate details of its construction and hear about its fascinating history. Udaipur has a gentle feel to it (so much so that we decided to live and base Good Vibrations Motorcycle Tours here) and is easy to navigate on your bike, by tuk-tuk or with your own two feet. One of our joys is to ride the city and its limits in the cool evening and soak up the bustling atmosphere.

There are so many places to eat, shop or just wander and people watch. In the center of the old town is a very scared Jagdish Hindu Temple built in the 1700s century and is most worthy of a climb of the steps to the temple entrance.



12 Oct. – Udaipur – Mount Abu [160 km]

- ✓ Following breakfast we say goodbye to Udaipur and ride to the western side of the Aravalli hill range trekking past lush green trees and the varying terrain. Mount Abu is a hill station and being higher than its surrounding area is cooler in a welcoming way. There are several surrounding lakes the largest being Nakki Lake, popular with boating and sightseeing, set your camera mode to capture "every imaginable colour" including the panoramic landscape and the mirroring lake waters. Perched at over 1700M and to the north of Mount Abu is Guru Sikhar peacefully overlooking the range and valley below and easily reached on the winding ascending road to the peak.



13 Oct. – Mount Abu – Bajana [230 km]

- ✓ In the morning we will fuel up with a good breakfast and then ride south entering the Gujarat region where you will notice the temperature change a little in the direction of hotter, but not stifling so. Fortunately, we have our own air conditioning supplied from the constant breeze whilst we cruise the roads. We head south towards the small hamlet of Bajana which is in the heart of the Wild Ass Sanctuary (yes you have read it correctly) in the Little Raan (Desert) of Kutch.

The sanctuary was established many years ago to protect the endangered Asiatic Wild Ass, a white and sandy coloured Ass, a rare exotic animal which is able to run fast for long distances. The area is also home to many other animals and birds. We will enter Bajana over a bridge which spans the very long and wide lake fed from the Okaro Kharaghoda river.

To the west of Bajan is the very active salt works which produces common salt. The area is such a special place to visit and a must for those who love nature, birds and wildlife.



14 Oct. – Bajana – Bhuj [290 km]

- ✓ So, you may thinking after breakfast do I really want to leave Bajana this paradise of nature and beauty? However, we continue onto the next delight of the journey to Bhuj seated equidistant between Rann of Kutch Lake and The Gulf of Kutch which opens to the Arabian Sea. Bhuj is also not far from the Pakistan border.

With so much culture, history and beauty. Bhuj is where we will stay for two nights to explore and enjoy the days at our leisure.



15 Oct. – Bhuj – The Great Raan of Kutch – Bhuj [180km loop]

- ✓ After enjoying a leisurely breakfast, we will take our day and head northwest towards the Pakistan border to the Great Raan of Kutch, a round trip from Bhuj of approximately 180km. This is where you will get to experience the wilderness of India in its truest form. Many parts untouched and unchanged for an epoch or two! Watering holes, lakes, shrub forests collectively offer both shelter and a home to Flamingos and Wild Asses amidst the surrounding expanse. No doubt apposite to let the self optically and physical capture the rawness and beauty in all its forms. The area is also home to the many tribal hamlets, living in bhungas (huts), and considered to be the epicentre of the many crafts such as embroidery, leatherwork, pottery, and metal crafted bells that are produced here. We will arrive back in Bhuj towards the end of the day and for those who wish, you may choose to wander the local area, there is much here to see including the Kuch Museum with its many artifacts, Aina Mahal Palace showing off its intricate historic mirrors, and Bhujia Hill, well worth a climb for the panoramic views of Bhuj and the life around town.



16 Oct. – Bhuj – Jamnagar [275 km]

- ✓ Finishing breakfast will lead us to saying goodbye to Bhuj and journey straight across the Gulf of Kutch (well not straight across we navigate the dry side passing the mouth of the Gulf to the east) to Jamnagar. Jamnagar positions itself close to the shoreline on the south side of the Gulf with its inviting turquoise sea. Within the centre of Jamnagar and within the centre of Lakhota Lake the Lakhota Palace standing proudly and boasting soft orange stonework interlaced with white vein stone joins it offers a thought of delicate lacework. On the south bank of Lakhota Lake is the Shri Bala Hanuman Temple similarly coloured with soft orange stonework inviting you to visit and experience peaceful chants. Within a short distance to the northwest is the Khijadiya Bird Sanctuary set in hundreds of acres of both dry and wetlands and offers a temporary home to migrating birds, the colours, size that will delight your visit.



17 Oct. – Jamnagar – Dwarka [140 km]

- ✓ The morning beckons and we will have either chai or coffee or perhaps both with our breakfast before we seat ourselves on our two wheeled Enfield's to head directly west. Today's ride will lead us to the coast and to a point in India that is one of the closest to the Arabian countries, and if you have really good eyesight, you can see Oman in the distance, many hundreds of kilometres away! Dwarka is on the peninsula just south of the tip and you will be so pleased that you've journeyed here. Admired and respected as the home of Lord Krishna, Dwarka is regarded as a place of spiritual importance, and many will visit on their own pilgrimage. An unmissable site and place to immerse yourself in with your eyes, ears and body is the Dwarkadish Temple built to honour Lord Krishna a wondrous physical creation with the most intricate carving of soft coloured warmly inviting structure standing out with its prominent tower that reaches for the sky above. We will stay in Dwarka for two nights and savour much of what it offers.



18 Oct. – Dwarka [Rest Day – with sightseeing]

- ✓ Having slept well we can start the day gently with yet another delightful culinary meal and of course chai and coffee. We will explore Dwarka and you will have time to shop, see or just enjoy the sounds and smells of the town. The bazars will beckon, the streets invite your footsteps, and the feeling of this very sacred place will surround you. The Gomti Ghat is where many will bathe believing the waters help purify the Soul. There are several temples within walking distance to explore and enjoy. Walk across the Setu bridge to gain a different view of the town, or perhaps a stroll along the beach temporarily trading your bike boots for flip flops. In the evening watch the sun slowly disappear over the horizon to the west.



19 Oct. – Dwarka – Somnath [237 km]

- ✓ We will thank Dwarka for its warmth and hospitality and say goodbye to travel south along the coastline to the small town of Somnath. Yet another sacred and spiritually important part of Hindu life, Somnath is a place of pilgrimage. The sand coloured Somnath Temple was built as a devotional shrine to Lord Shiva, and has not been without its troubles having been subject to invasions and destruction over many a lifetime it was last rebuilt in the 1950s. Close by are the Sana Buddha Caves, created as shelters, are a popular tourist attraction and believed to be date back to 2nd century BC Still on the coastline we get to enjoy another evening sunset giving way to the illuminated town and structures within. A great opportunity for those with photographic skills to capture the dark skies above the bright lights of the town.



20 Oct. – Somna – Bhavnagar [264 km]

- ✓ The sun will be up and shine brightly as usual and we can enjoy a breakfast bathed in its light. Today's ride, with an easterly heading, will take us to the outskirts of the Gir National Park, home to the Asiatic lion and many other birds and reptiles. This is a popular destination for many from all over the world to safari. Bhavnagar is close to the water's edge of the sheltered Gulf of Khambhat which was and still is an important trade vessel. Bhavnagar is a busy tourist, business and religious part of Gujarat. Aloft of the city is the Shree Takhteshwar Temple with its many pillars supporting its structure it commands a view of all around and is certainly worthy of a visit. The Gandhi museum and memorial offer a greater insight and understanding of this incredible man we know as Mahatma Gandhi. Situated a little to the north of the town is another wildlife sanctuary Velavadar, with its many kilometers of sandy-coloured grasslands and non-permanent rivers it is home to the very fast Blackbuck antelope, with its unique twisted elegant horns. A contrasting place to the India we would normally picture.



21 Oct. – Bhavnagar – Lothal – Vadodara [204 km]

- ✓ Our penultimate breakfast will be in Bhavnagar. After fuelling our bodies and bikes we ride to Vadodara, our final place on this journey, stopping on the way at the ancient site of Lothal. So, if you love history and would like to take your imagination to this archaeological site dating back a few thousand years and imagine how life was in this area of trade, (with a little guidance from the adjacent museum) then you will be intrigued by this preserved site.

It will certainly make you curious as to how technically capable the inhabitants were. On the way to Vadodara we pass over rivers, cross through hot and barren flat lands before reaching our final stop, Vadodara. As well as being the home to our incredible friend and team member Sunny “magic hands” ace mechanic, Vadodara is a great place to dismount our trusty piston operated steeds and see one of Gujarat’s modern cities. Charge your photographic devices and get ready for all the selfies you can take at the Laxmi Vilas Palace a structure that is quite capable to boast about its size and unique design. For those who wish to indulge in last minute shopping, dive into the city’s culture or perhaps enjoy the cuisine, the city will most definitely offer all of these choices.



22 Oct. – Vadodara – depart.

- ✓ Our last breakfast together (until the next time) and for us all to say au revoir to new friends and companions on this wonderful journey we have had over the last 15 days. For those with onward travel, you will be taken to the airport in a private taxi. From all of us at Good Vibrations thank you for joining us. Namaste.

Cost for Rajasthan & Gujarat Tour

Inclusions:

- Accommodation: Sharing a twin/ double room for 15 nights using the mentioned hotels or hotels of a similar category
- Breakfast in all hotels
- Dinner at Deogarh Mahal Hotel
- Welcome dinner in Jaipur
- Train ticket from Kamlihat to Phulad near Deogarh
- Transport: Motorbikes using Royal Enfield 500 cc
- Unlimited fuel for motorbikes
- Transfers: Air-conditioned private car with driver
- Entrance Fee: Entrance fee at monuments and places of visit as per the above program
- Tour leader: English speaking accompanied Motorbike tour leader throughout the trip
- Local guides during sightseeing at the monuments and attractions
- Backup: Support Vehicle
- Third-party insurance
- Flight from Vadodara to Delhi in economy class
- An expert mechanic during the whole tour

Exclusions:

- Any airfares, airport taxes, travel insurance, and meals not specified under cost included
- Expenses of a personal nature like table drinks, telephone calls, laundry, tips to drivers, guides, and Hotel staff
- Any Camera fee still or video
- Personal Motorcycle Gears

COST BASED ON A GROUP OF 8 PAYING TRAVELLERS TRAVELLING TOGETHER.

COST FOR PILLION SHARING THE ROOM WITH RIDER:

USD 2520 per person in one DOUBLE/TWIN sharing room

COST FOR RIDER SHARING WITH PILLION. [Staying in one double room]

USD 2770 per person in one DOUBLE/TWIN sharing room.

COST FOR THE RIDER NOT SHARING THE RIDE BUT SHARING THE DOUBLE ROOM.

USD 2920 per person in one DOUBLE/TWIN sharing room.

COST FOR THE RIDER NOT SHARING THE RIDE AND ROOM. [own room / own bike]

USD 3460 one person in one single room [not sharing the bike and room with anyone]



PROGRAM

DATE	ITINERARY	HOTELS 3* & 4 *
Oct. 7th	Arrive in Jaipur	Khandela Haveli
Oct. 8th	Jaipur	Khandela Haveli
Oct. 9th	Jaipur - Deogarh	Deogarh Mahal
Oct. 10th	Deogarh - Udaipur	Vasant Vilas
Oct. 11th	Udaipur	Vasant Vilas
Oct. 12th	Udaipur - Mount Abu	Jaipur House
Oct. 13th	Mount Abu - Bajana	Royal Safari Camp
Oct. 14th	Bajana - Bhuj	The Fern Residency
Oct. 15th	Bhuj	The Fern Residency
Oct. 16th	Bhuj - Jamnagar	Sayaji Jamnagar
Oct. 17th	Jamnagar - Dwarka	VITS Devbhumi
Oct. 18th	Dwarka	VITS Devbhumi
Oct. 19th	Dwarka - Somnath	Lords Inn
Oct. 20th	Somnath - Bhavnagar	Nilambag Palace
Oct. 21st	Bhavnagar - Vadodara	Four Points
Oct. 22th	Vadodara - Depart	Khandela Haveli

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