



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Tigers Of Bandhavgarh

Tour Booking and Inclusions

Q: How do I book this tour?

A: Booking is very easy! Simply follow the booking procedure by clicking on "Book Now". This will take you to the product page where you can reserve your place by paying a DEPOSIT. You will receive a confirmation of your booking and any queries will be dealt with using your e-mail provided. A small booking fee is applicable for all major credit cards and PayPal. If you would like to pay via bank transfer and forfeit this additional fee, please send an email to info@victor-soares.com

Q: What accommodation is included?

A: We will be staying at 2 different locations. In Delhi we will stay at the hotel mentioned while near Bandhavgarh we will stay at a luxurious lodge – please see itinerary for more details.

Q: What meals are included?

A: Meals are included as mentioned in the itinerary. All meals are included during our stay at Bandhavgarh whereas the stay in Delhi includes breakfast only.

Travel & Arrival

Q: Do I need a visa to travel to India?

A: Yes, most travellers require a visa. India offers an e-Visa for tourism which is easy to apply for online. Be sure to apply well in advance and ensure your passport has at least 6 months' validity from your date of entry.

Q: Which airport do I fly into?

A: You'll fly into Indira Gandhi International Airport (DEL) in Delhi. There are direct flights from the UK into Delhi but you should still check what makes sense for your location and your budget.

Q: How far is Bandhavgarh from Delhi?

A: Bandhavgarh is 550 miles away from Delhi. As a result, we will fly to Jabalpur airport and then drive to Bandhavgarh. This flight is INCLUDED in the cost of this tour. Once we arrive at Jabalpur, we travel for 3 to 4 hours by road to our accommodation near Bandhavgarh.

Q: Do I need to hire a car?

A: All transfers and transportation are included, covering airport transfers, internal flights, lodge transfers, and activity-related transportation.

Communication & Connectivity

Q: Will I have phone signal and internet?

A: In most cases, yes, your phone will work in India — but it depends on your network provider and phone settings.

- Unlocked Phones: If your phone is unlocked, you can easily use a local Indian SIM card for better rates on calls and data.
- Roaming: International roaming from your home provider may work, but it's often expensive. Be sure to check rates with your provider before departure.
- Coverage: Mobile coverage in urban areas and around major parks like Bandhavgarh is generally good, though signal can be patchy or unavailable in more remote safari areas.

Q: Should I get a local SIM card?

A: It's recommended if you want regular access to data or local calls. You'll need a copy of your passport and visa to purchase one.

Q: What about Wi-Fi Availability

A: Most lodges provide Wi-Fi, and in general, the signal is strong enough to reach the rooms. However, please note that connections can be intermittent or unstable due to the remote nature of some locations. We recommend downloading any essential content or documents in advance and enjoying the opportunity to disconnect when possible.

Health & Safety

Q: Do I need any vaccinations?

A: It's best to consult your doctor but the below is a guide:

Mandatory Entry Requirements

No mandatory vaccine certificate (e.g. yellow fever) is required for visitors unless you're arriving from a country where yellow fever is endemic. In that case, you'll need a valid certificate. Otherwise, there's no yellow fever requirement for entry into India.

Recommended Vaccinations for Most Travellers to India

Routine UK vaccinations



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Ensure you're up-to-date with standard vaccinations: MMR, Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis, Polio, Influenza, and COVID-19 if eligible.

Hepatitis A

Highly recommended for almost all travellers—even if staying in cities—since it's often contracted via contaminated food or water.

Typhoid

Recommended for all travellers, especially if eating street food or visiting areas with poor sanitation.

Tetanus booster

Recommended if your last booster dose was more than 10 years ago or if there's a chance of injury or cuts.

Q: Is it safe to drink tap water?

A: No — always drink bottled or filtered water. This is included for the trip. It's also wise to avoid ice, salads and raw foods unless prepared in reputable establishments.

Insurance

Q: What kind of travel insurance do I need?

A: Comprehensive travel insurance that covers health, cancellations, and camera gear is strongly recommended. Note: We are not liable for any losses you may incur.

Money & Payments

Q: Can I use my credit/debit card?

A: Cards are accepted in Delhi and larger hotels, but cash is preferred in rural areas. ATMs are available in cities, so it's a good idea to withdraw some Indian Rupees (INR) before heading to the parks.

Q: Are gratuities expected?

A: Tipping is not mandatory but is greatly appreciated by guides, drivers, and lodge staff. We'll provide tipping guidelines in due course.

Q: What costs outside of what's advertised should I prepare for?

A: While the tour is mostly inclusive, you should budget separately for your international flights, snacks and drinks

outside of included meals, and any personal purchases such as souvenirs, laundry, or optional tips.

Safari & Photography-Specific

Q: What kind of camera gear should I bring?

A: A telephoto lens (at least 300mm), a wide-angle for landscapes, spare batteries, memory cards, and protective gear for dust are highly recommended.

Q: Is a tripod necessary?

A: No, we will be photographing from a vehicle so a tripod is not required. However, some people prefer to use a monopod for sturdiness.

Q: Are there any clothing guidelines?

A: Earth-tone, neutral colours are best for safaris. Avoid bright or white clothing. Early mornings can be chilly, so bring a fleece or jacket. Also, a scarf or buff to protect from dust on drives is a very good idea.

Weather Conditions

Q: What will the weather be like in NOVEMBER?

A: Most days in November are dry, sunny, and warm, with comfortable nights. It's one of the best times to visit Bandhavgarh, combining excellent climate with prime wildlife activity.

Weather Conditions

- Daytime highs typically reach 29 °C (84 °F), while nighttime lows can drop to around 13 °C (55 °F)
- Average temperature across the month is about 22 °C (71 °F)

Rainfall & Humidity

- Rainfall is minimal—typically only on 1 day with a total of ~11 mm (0.4 in) of rain throughout November
- Humidity levels are relatively low, making this a mostly dry month

Sunshine & UV Index

- Expect about 9 hours of sunshine per day, one of the sunniest months in Bandhavgarh
- The UV index averages around 7, which is considered high, so sun protection (sunscreens, sunglasses, covers) is advised during midday hours