

# Cultural Youth Camp 27th Dec 25 to 8th Jan 26







Not just a trip, but a transformation. **Discover India. Discover Yourself.** 



# What is Experiential Travelling?

Experiential travelling for youth is more than visiting new places—it is about personal growth through real-world experiences. It invites young travellers to explore, learn, and connect deeply with people and cultures. Instead of simply observing, participants engage in everyday life, traditions, and local stories. Whether sharing meals with families, exploring historical sites, or participating in cultural activities, every moment becomes a lesson in independence, empathy, and global understanding.

Experiential travel helps youths develop confidence, leadership, and open-mindedness. It transforms travel into a meaningful journey—where each experience shapes their character and broadens their view of the world.

# The Story Behind Discover India Camps

### The Formation of Experiential Travelling

The journey began with the creation of Experiential Travelling, founded by Bhanu and Divya, a Rotary couple passionate about meaningful and immersive travel. Established in 2018, the firm was built to organise experience-rich tours that go beyond sightseeing.

Their first initiative was for Rotary Youth Exchange Officers visiting India, which led to the much-loved Incredible India Tours — curated journeys that helped Rotary members, families, and friends explore India's heritage and lifestyle with a personal touch.

After successfully hosting eight editions of Incredible India Tours and drawing on over nine years of experience managing Rotary Youth Exchange programs, Bhanu and Divya envisioned expanding their work to create similar cultural experiences for youth.

#### The Birth of Discover India Camps

This vision gave rise to the Discover India brand of Youth Camps, designed exclusively for international young participants to experience India's culture, history, and way of life.

The first Discover India Adventure Camp, held in July 2025, brought together youth from across the world for a journey of connection, learning, and cultural immersion. Building on its success, the Discover India International Youth Camps continue to offer life-changing experiences that celebrate India's diversity, values, and traditions.

#### What Makes Us Different?

- Experience with Youth: Over 200+ youth hosted—understanding what young travellers truly value: fun, friendship, safety, and learning.
- **Zero-Tolerance Safety**: A caring, well-supervised environment with uncompromising safety standards.
- **Cultural Immersion:** Hands-on experiences in culture, community, and daily Indian life—not just sightseeing.
- Personal Care: Curated personally by Bhanu and Divya, every participant is treated like family.



#### Introduction

**Discover India International Youth Camp** is a vibrant cultural exchange that invites young people from around the world to experience the heart and soul of India. Over two immersive weeks, participants will travel through India's most historic and culturally rich cities—discovering its heritage, traditions, lifestyle, and spirituality.

This camp offers more than sightseeing. It's about learning through experience—connecting with local communities, exploring ancient monuments, tasting regional cuisines, and understanding how India's values and diversity shape everyday life.

While you may arrive as an individual, you'll leave with lifelong friendships, global perspectives, and a deep appreciation for India's living culture—a journey that truly stays with you forever.

# **Camp Factsheet**

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Camp Theme: Culture, History and Lifestyle of India

No. of Participants: Minimum - 12 and Maximum - 15

Participants Age: 16 to 22 years

Date of Arival: 27th December 2025
Date of Departure: 8th January 2026

Airport of Arrival: Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport (SVPI)

Airport of Departure: Indira Gandhi International Airport (DEL)

**Accomodation:** Youth hostels' dormitories - A comfortable and community-driven

environment, providing the perfect balance of comfort and challenge,

allowing you to connect with nature while bonding with fellow campers.

**Camp Fee:** Euro 1200 per participant or equivalent

Once the camper's application is confirmed, the bank details for transferring the camp fee will be shared with them. Applicants are expected to cover their round-trip travel expenses to New Delhi, India, as well as any additional costs for pre- or post-camp travel, meals, or accommodation that

are not included in the camp program.

**Insurance:** All participants must have travel and medical insurance coverage of USD

100,000.

Camp Organisers: This camp is an independent initiative by the Rotary couple, Rtn. Bhanu

Gupta (Rotary Club of Ahmedabad West and Rtn. Divya Gupta (Rotary Club of Ahmedabad Asmita), through their firm Experiential Travelling. It is specially designed for youths from Rotary Community, Rotary member families and their friends, offering them an opportunity to explore India's

culture, history, and lifestyle in a safe and enriching environment.

The program is organised with the same care, values, and zero-tolerance

safety standards that guide Rotary Youth Exchange programs.

cation Form: You can apply using the RYE Step Camp Application form, or reach out to

us for the camp application form. Last date to apply is November 30, 2025.

Click here to access the latest form.



# **Camp Schedule**

The detailed program will be shared with camp participants at a later stage, but here's a preview of cities and places the campers will explore:

#### 📍 Ahmedabad – Heritage Capital of Gujarat

Ahmedabad has emerged as an important economic and industrial hub in India. It is the second-largest producer of cotton in India, due to which it was known as the 'Manchester of India. More than 600 year old Walled City of Ahmedabad founded by Ahmed Shah has been declared India's first World Heritage City, recognising heritage value of the walled city's unique heritage.



- Adalaj Stepwell
- Gandhi Ashram
- · Akshardham Temple
- Old City Walk

## Udaipur – The City of Lakes

Udaipur is also known as the 'City of Lakes'. It is the historic capital of the kingdom of Mewar. It was founded in 1559 by Udai Singh II of the Sisodia clan of Rajputs. It remained the capital city till 1818 when it became a British princely state, and thereafter the Mewar province became a part of Rajasthan when India gained independence in 1947. Udaipur has seven lakes surrounding the city.



- · Jagdish Temple
- · Lake Pichola Boat Ride

# 📍 Jaipur – The Royal Pink City

Jaipur is the capital and the largest city of the Indian state of Rajasthan. Jaipur is also known as the Pink City due to the dominant colour scheme of its buildings.

Jaipur was founded in 1727 by Sawai Jai Singh, the ruler of Amer, after whom the city is named.

- Birla Temple
- Amber Fort
- Hawa Mahal
- City Palace
- Jantar Mantar







# 📍 Agra – Mughal Marvel

Agra is a city on the banks of the Yamuna River in the Indian state of Uttar Pradesh, With a population of roughly 1.6 million, Agra is the fourth-most populous city in Uttar Pradesh and the twenty-third most populous city in India. Agra's notable historical period began during Sikandar Lodi's reign, but the golden age of the city began with the Mughals. Agra was the foremost city of the Indian subcontinent and the capital of the Mughal Empire.



- Taj Mahal
- Agra Fort
- Artisan Craft Experience

#### 📍 New Delhi – History & Modern India

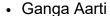
New Delhi, formerly known as Indraprastha, is the capital of India and a part of the National Capital Territory of Delhi (NCT). New Delhi is the seat of all three branches of the Government of India, hosting the Rashtrapati Bhavan, the Sansad Bhavan, and the Supreme Court.

- Qutub Minar
- India Gate
- Gurudwara Bangla Saheb
- · Asia's Oldest Market, Chandani Chowk
- Humayun's Tomb

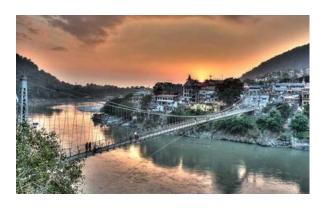


## Pishikesh – Spiritual & Adventure Finale

The glorious attraction of Rishikesh is none other than the great river Ganges, running rapidly throughout the city. In ancient times and still, so many yogis, rishis, sages, and sannyasis were attracted to Rishikesh to practice yoga in this peaceful location. Rishikesh is a holy town with so many Ashrams and it is famous for yoga worldwide. Rishikesh is now world-famous as the Yoga Capital of the world. Every March, a week long International yoga festival is hosted by Rishikesh.



- Local Markets and Spritual Ashram
- · White-Water Rafting on the Ganges



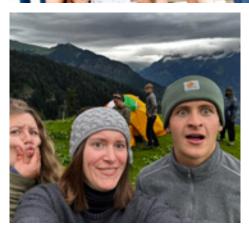
# Glimpses of Discover India Adventure Camp, July 2025





























#### **Cultural Immersion & Activities**

- Traditional Indian Welcome Ceremony (Tilak & Aarti)
- Mehendi / Henna & Rangoli Workshops
- Indian Costume Day Saree Kurta Turban Dressing
- · Rajasthani Folkdance Performance
- Temple, Market & Community Interaction
- Elephant Ride at the Ramparts of Amber Fort Royal Experience
- Rickshaw Ride through Chandni Chowk Old Delhi Heritage Trail

# Adventure and Spirituality

- Rishikesh Rafting Adventure Team spirit & thrill
- Walk on the Ganga Ghats Inner reflection
- Evening Aarti Ceremony Music, fire, prayer
- Silence Hour / Reflection Journal Self-discovery

# Safety and Code of Conduct

We follow Zero Tolerance Safety Standards

- √ 24/7 Supervision & Head Count Protocol
- ✓ Separate Accommodation for Males & Females
- ✓ Respect for Culture, Fellow Participants & Local Laws
- X No alcohol, drugs, vaping
- X No risky independent travel

Your safety is our responsibility. Your behaviour is your responsibility.

# Are you ready to Discover India?

Join this once-in-a-lifetime cultural journey

# **Experiential Travelling**

Travel | Observe | Experience | Learn

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