

# Sail the Ganges with Jeremy Paxman

A trip to India is a bombardment of all five senses. You will discover this for yourself on a luxury 15-day tour of the Golden Triangle and the Ganges. On this extraordinary five-star voyage down this sacred river, you will be accompanied by our special guest, the irrepressible Jeremy Paxman, one of the UK's favourite journalists and broadcasters. Jeremy will share his knowledge of India and the factors which led to the fall of the British Empire in an exclusive talk and Q&A session. He will also host an evening of drinks aboard the sumptuous *Ganges Voyager II*.



Experience life on the Ganges

## ITINERARY

FROM **£5,499\*pp for 15 days**  
DATES **November 28–December 12, 2019**

### WHAT'S INCLUDED

- ◆ Talks and activities with Jeremy Paxman
- ◆ Return flight from London (regional airports on request)
- ◆ Seven nights' all-inclusive cruise on *Ganges Voyager II*, including fine wines and spirits
- ◆ Two nights at the five-star Oberoi New Delhi
- ◆ Two nights at the five-star Oberoi Rajvilas
- ◆ One night at the five-star Oberoi Agra, overlooking the Taj Mahal
- ◆ 15 small private group excursions
- ◆ 31 exquisite meals
- ◆ All transfers and travel

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◆ **Day 1 New Delhi**  
Depart the UK.  
◆ **Day 2 New Delhi**  
On arrival you'll be greeted by a Uniworld representative and transferred to the opulent Oberoi, where you can enjoy splendid views of the city.



◆ **Day 3 New Delhi**  
Head out on an expert-led tour of India's captivating capital. Your day will end with dinner at The Oberoi. *B, D*  
◆ **Day 4 Agra**  
You will travel south to Agra, site of the monumental Taj Mahal,

commissioned by the Mughal emperor Shah Jahan to house the tomb of his favourite wife, Mumtaz Mahal. You will watch the sun set over the jewel in India's crown before checking in to the Oberoi Agra. *B, L*

◆ **Day 5 Jaipur**  
Rise early and return to the Taj Mahal to witness the white marble aglow with the rosy tinge of dawn. You will then travel to the 'Pink City' of Jaipur, where you will check into the Oberoi Rajvilas. *B, L, D*



◆ **Day 6 Jaipur**  
You will visit Jaipur's



Amber Fort and City Palace before spending the afternoon exploring independently, with shuttles on hand to ferry you to and from the city's shopping district. *B*  
◆ **Day 7 Jaipur, Kolkata**  
From Jaipur, you head to Kolkata to check into your luxury suite aboard *Ganges Voyager II* for your cruise along the Ganges in the company of Jeremy Paxman. From river dolphins and rice paddies to remote villages and temples,

this is the real India. Tonight, Jeremy will give an exclusive talk. *B, L, D*  
◆ **Day 8 Kalna**  
After marvelling at the splendid Hindu temples, you will walk through the colourful local market with your guide. *B, L, D*  
◆ **Day 9 Matuari**  
You will visit the Matuari master craftsmen who have been a fixture in the artisan village for hundreds of years. *B, L, D*  
◆ **Day 10 Murshidabad, Baranagar**  
Take an excursion to

Murshidabad City, a buggy ride to Katra Mosque and a stop in Baranagar village. Tonight, you'll enjoy a delicious dinner on board, accompanied by a lively Bollywood-style show. *B, L, D*

◆ **Day 11 Mayapur**  
Today, at the home of the international Hare Krishna movement, you'll visit the Temple of the Vedic Planetarium. *B, L, D*  
◆ **Day 12 Bandel, Chandannagar, Kolkata**  
Today you'll take a boat

trip to the former French colonial outpost, Bandel. *B, L, D*  
◆ **Day 13 Kolkata**  
Your tour of this captivating city includes a visit the famous flower market. Join Jeremy to see legacies of the British Raj and see Mother Theresa's home and museum. Tonight Jeremy will host an evening talk and Q&A session before a farewell meal. *B, L, D*  
◆ **Day 14 Kolkata**  
Transfer to the airport for your flight home. *B, L*



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## HIGHLIGHTS

### Join Jeremy Paxman

The broadcaster and author will accompany you on your voyage and share his knowledge gleaned from writing books and TV series focused on the British Empire. He will join you on excursions, give talks on his career and India, offer a Q&A session and host a drinks reception.

### Sail in style

You will sail in incredible style and comfort on the *Ganges Voyager II*. With spacious suites, French Balconies, high-ceilings, rain showers, hand-painted murals and superb service, this accommodation is more akin to a five-star hotel.

### Golden Triangle

Delhi, Agra and Jaipur – which form the Golden Triangle – offer a perfect introduction to this amazing country. Old Delhi is home to bustling bazaars, the Jama Masjid mosque and the Red Fort. Jaipur, known as the 'Pink City', is home to the exquisite Hawa Mahal, or 'Palace of the Winds'.

### Sunset and sunrise at the Taj Mahal

You'll have two unique chances to visit Agra's crowning glory, the Taj Mahal. You will see the 375-year-old masterpiece as the sun sets, and return to watch the sun rise there the next day.

### Sail the Ganges

India's mightiest river has tremendous significance in Hinduism. You'll have the chance to experience life as it's lived along the banks – a view few visitors are lucky enough to see.

## MEET OUR EXPERT



### JEREMY PAXMAN Journalist, broadcaster and author

An award-winning journalist, author and broadcaster, Jeremy Paxman became the anchorman of the BBC's nightly news analysis programme *Newsnight* in 1989, a post he held for 25 years. He has also been the inimitable host of *University Challenge* since 1994. Jeremy is the author of numerous documentaries and television series – including on the history and legacy of the British Empire. He has also written ten books including *The English – A Portrait of a People*; *The Victorians and Empire – What Ruling the World Did to the British*.