

In the Footsteps of the Buddha: CIMC Pilgrimage in India and Nepal

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January 19 – February 1, 2025

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS:

February 1-2, 2025: *Building Love: Agra, the Taj Mahal and the Agra Fort*

February 2-5, 2025: *Exquisite Caves: Ajanta and Ellora*

1	January 19	Sunday	Pilgrimage begins in Delhi at 12:00 pm (noon)	Delhi
2	January 20	Monday	Fly from Delhi to Varanasi	Varanasi
3	January 21	Tuesday	Varanasi	Varanasi
4	January 22	Wednesday	Varanasi – Bodh Gaya	Bodh Gaya
5	January 23	Thursday	Bodh Gaya	Bodh Gaya
6	January 24	Friday	Bodh Gaya – Rajgir	Rajgir
7	January 25	Saturday	Rajgir – Nalanda - Rajgir	Rajgir
8	January 26	Sunday	Rajgir – Vaishali	Vaishali
9	January 27	Monday	Vaishali – Kesariya – Kushinagar	Kushinagar
10	January 28	Tuesday	Kushinagar – Lumbini	Lumbini
11	January 29	Wednesday	Lumbini	Lumbini
12	January 30	Thursday	Lumbini – Kapilavastu – Sravasti	Sravasti
13	January 31	Friday	Sravasti – Lucknow (by road)	Lucknow
14	February 1	Saturday	Lucknow – Delhi for Departure Pilgrimage ends in Delhi at 12:00 pm (noon)	Delhi Airport
			OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS	
14	February 1	Saturday	Lucknow – Agra (by road)	Agra
15	February 2	Sunday	Agra – Delhi for Departure* or Overnight in Delhi for <i>Exquisite Caves</i> extension	Delhi
16	February 3	Monday	Delhi – Aurangabad (flight)	Aurangabad
17	February 4	Tuesday	Aurangabad	Aurangabad
18	February 5	Wednesday	Aurangabad – Delhi for Departure**	Delhi Airport

There could be minor changes to this itinerary based on a variety of considerations.

* The optional *Building Love: Agra, the Taj Mahal and the Agra Fort* extension will end on the evening of February 2, 2025. You should book your departure on a late-night flight that day, or on an early-morning flight on February 3, 2025.

** The optional *Exquisite Caves: Ajanta and Ellora* extension will begin on February 2, 2025, and will end with a flight back to Delhi on February 5th. You should book your departure on a late-night flight that day, or on an early-morning flight on February 6, 2025.