

JOURNEYS *with Nikki*
Experience India.
With an American of Indian ancestry.

Activity Level - Easy



FOODIE PARADISE- DELHI, BANGALORE, MUMBAI
COOKING CLASSES, STREET FOOD, FINE CUISINE, FOOD WALKS, ALL ROADS LEAD TO FOOD!

INTERNATIONAL AIR FARES INCLUDED IN JOURNEY!!!!

14 DAYS, 13 NIGHTS

Journey starts and ends at New Delhi

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EXPLORE *cultures* OF THE WORLD with JWN

- We are Experiential travelers. We want to experience authentic cultures of the world on our own terms.
- We stay in hotels that afford us comfort (Boutique hotels, Heritage hotels, 3 or 4 star hotels), we travel with ease through carefully designed historical, cultural and nature tours that allow the perfect mix of exploration, experience and downtime. The **JWN** traveler does better than Time Travel!
- Every journey with JWN offers you very local experiences. Attend a wedding! Ride a bullock cart! Learn how to cook local Indian food! Dine with a local family! Be draped in local dresses! Learn local handicrafts and take home unique souvenirs!



“Travel opens your heart, broadens your mind, and fills your life with stories to tell.”

DISCOVER YOURSELF!

EXPLORE *foods* OF INDIA
with JWN

Introduction to this journey:

On this journey, chef hosts from three different parts of the country will teach you local delicacies. You will experience food streets, street food, local markets and all enjoy hidden culinary delights.

Indian food is known worldwide for its unique combinations of flavours. This is mostly because of the spices that Indians use in their cooking. Indian curries, chutneys and bread occupy a special place in every food connoisseur's mind (and taste buds, might we add). Any true lover of Indian food would tell you there is a considerable difference between north Indian and south Indian dishes, mainly owing to the difference in taste and the spices used. While wheat is a staple in northern India, the south favours rice.

North Indian food finds representation in many restaurants throughout the world. Buttery naans and rotis, with butter chicken curry and accompanied by a tall glass of lassi, is most first-timers' image of Indian food. However, Indian food goes way beyond the naan-butter chicken combination. There is something for every occasion, every season, every ailment and every palette in Indian food.

Think Indian food; what comes to mind are hot, steaming samosas dipped in mint chutney, aloo tikki, kebabs and biryani. Most of these are a part of the north Indian cuisine. South Indian cuisine is quite different from these.



FOODIE PARADISE

DELHI, BANGALORE, MUMBAI

14 D/ 13N | 12 GUESTS

#NORTH INDIA | HISTORY | CULTURE | CUISINE BOLLYWOOD

ACTIVITY LEVEL: 3 – 5 (ON A SCALE OF 10)

“Food brings people together on many different levels. It’s nourishment of the soul and body; it’s truly love.”

– Giada De Laurentiis



**FOODIE PARADISE
ITINERARY**

Day 1: Delhi - A Glimpse into History

- Morning: Embark on a guided tour of Old Delhi, exploring the iconic Red Fort, the majestic Jama Masjid (India's largest mosque), and bustling Chandni Chowk market.
- Afternoon and early evening: North Indian cooking class
- Dinner: Enjoy the food you cooked with local family

Day 2: Delhi - Exploring Mughal Marvels

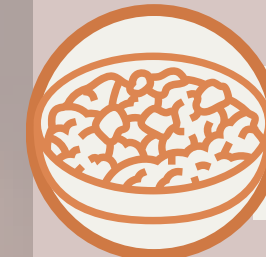
- Morning: Guided tour to see some of Delhi's iconic architectural marvels
- Afternoon and early evening: Gujarati/ North Indian street food cooking class
- Dinner with your cooking host

Day 3: Old Delhi exploration

- All day: Visit local markets and get a sense of spices etc. This day is dedicated to all things food – cooking classes, street food, a culinary walk in Old Delhi

Day 4: Day trip to Agra

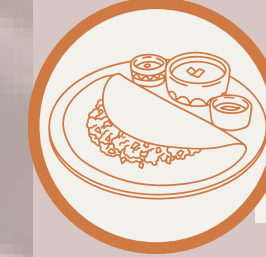
- Early morning train to Agra
- Visit the Taj Mahal
- Visit the local markets
- Lunch at Food Street
- Evening train back to Delhi



DAY 1,2,3 - DELHI



**DAY 4 - AGRA
TAJ MAHAL**



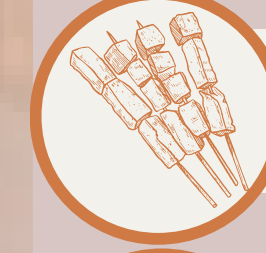
**DAY 5,6,7 -
BANGALORE**



**DAY 8-11
MUMBAI**



**DAY 12 - SULU
VINEYARDS**



**DAY 13 - MUMBAI
GUIDED TOUR**



**DAY 14 - RETURN TO
DELHI**

***PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS A TENTATIVE ITINERARY AND IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE.**



Day 5: Delhi to Bangalore - A Modern Metropolis

- Morning: Catch a flight to Bangalore, India's "Silicon Valley."
- Afternoon: Explore the city for the rest of the day.
- Night: Night walk. Street Food at Avenue Rd

Day 6: Bangalore – Cultural Fusion

- Morning: Visit the local vegetable markets and buy ingredients for cooking (City Market, Russel Market)
- Afternoon: Immerse yourself in Bangalore's diverse culture at the National Museum, showcasing India's rich heritage. In the afternoon, visit the Bangalore Palace, a stunning example of Tudor-style architecture.
- Early evening: South Indian/ Coorgi food classes
- Night: Dinner and evening with local family. Perhaps a movie in a local theatre

Day 7: Bangalore - A Cultural Fusion

- Morning: Cooking class with local hosts
- Lunch out on your own
- Afternoon: Explore Markets, Church St
- Evening – Cultural event/ Movie

Day 8: Bangalore to Mumbai -

- Morning: Early morning flight to Mumbai. Settle in to hotel
- Afternoon: See nearby sights.
 - Gateway of India: This majestic archway, built by the British Raj, serves as the symbolic entrance to Mumbai. Enjoy stunning views of the harbor
 - Marine Drive: Enjoy a scenic stroll or a refreshing breeze at Marine Drive, also known as the "Queen's Necklace." Witness the beautiful cityscape bathed in golden hues at sunset.
- Evening: Indulge in a fine-dining experience at a renowned Marathi restaurant. Savor delicacies like Puran Poli (flatbread stuffed with sweet lentil paste) and Misal Pav (sprouted lentil curry with bread).



Day 9: Mumbai: A Morning of Street Food Delights

- Start your day: Guided Mumbai street food tour. Explore the bustling lanes of Mohammed Ali Road in the morning, a haven for Muslim street food vendors. Savor piping hot samosas, melt-in-your-mouth kebabs, and the iconic Keema Pav
- Afternoon and evening: Maharashtrian food cooking classes
- Dinner: With your chef host and family

Day 10: Mumbai: Unveiling Regional Flavors

- Morning: Explore the bustling Crawford Market, a historical landmark and a paradise for food lovers. Browse through stalls overflowing with fresh spices, exotic fruits, and local delicacies.
- Afternoon: Explore Colaba Causeway, a street lined with cafes and restaurants offering global cuisines.
- Evening: Enjoy a unique "Bohri Kitchen" experience. This community-run initiative allows you to dine in a traditional Bohri Muslim home, savoring their rich culinary heritage. Feast on dishes like Daal Chawal (lentil and rice) and Mutton Rogan Josh (braised lamb curry).



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Day 11: Mumbai: Sweet Endings and Culinary Exploration Options

- Morning: Indulge in a delightful breakfast spread at a local cafe. Sample piping hot Masala Chai (spiced tea) with buttery buns or savor the classic combination of Poha (flattened rice flakes) and Jalebi (syrup-soaked deep-fried batter).
- Late morning: Maharashtrian cooking class, ending with lunch
- After lunch and Evening: Enjoy shopping and explore on your own
- Dinner on your own

Day 12: Day trip to Sulu Vineyards in Nashik (3 hrs drive)

Day 13: Guided tour of Mumbai's iconic places, including foodie cafes

Day 14: Departure Mumbai

- Fly back to Delhi and then home or catch an international flight directly from Mumbai

The following experiences are additionally earmarked for this trip, as per availability

- Indian wedding
- Shopping for Indian attire
- Dress up women in a traditional sari, and men in a kurta pyjama
- Spend time at Prithvi theatre, hang out of film stars! Possibly watch a cultural event here

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JWN EXPERIENCES - FOODIE PARADISE

*“If you really want to make a friend, go to someone’s house and eat with him...
The people who give you their food give you their heart.” - Cesar Chavez*

Your time in both Delhi, Bangalore and Mumbai will be divided between exploring the food scene of the city in every way (spices, food markets, cooking classes, foot streets etc), seeing the beautiful old architecture and learning how to cook different regional foods. As time and schedule permits, we will dive head first into as many of the options as feasible and possible.



VISIT TO SPICE MARKET



ATTEND THE CHANGING OF GUARD



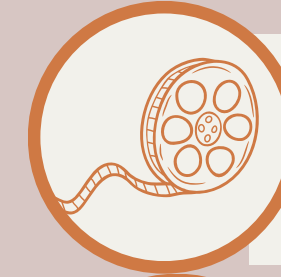
VISIT A LOCATION FROM ‘SLUMDOG MILLIONAIRE’



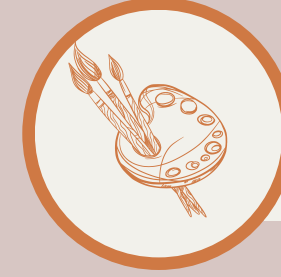
COMMUNITY KITCHEN



VISIT DHOBI GHAT (LARGEST OPEN AIR LAUNDRY IN WORLD)



WATCH A MOVIE ON THE OLDEST BOLLYWOOD SILVER SCREEN



ADMIRE STREET ART



STREET WALKS WITH LOCALS



ATTEND AN INDIAN WEDDING!!!



VISIT MARINE DRIVE



FOOD TOURS



TRAVEL THE LOCAL TRAINS

“Don’t be that person who is too busy when you are young and then too tired when you are old.”

WHY TRAVEL YOUR NEXT JOURNEY

with *Nikki*

Explore the world, one destination at a time

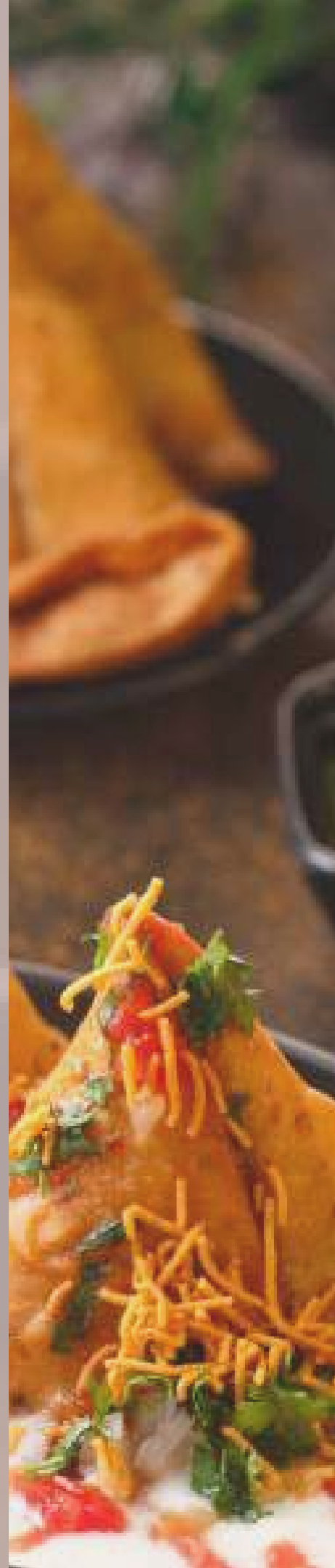


- **Nikki (Nikhat) Powell** is an Indian by birth, and has lived several decades in India.
- Using the canvas of Cinema, Nikki has been a teacher and storyteller all her life. **An established storyteller.** And we all know how good storytellers can grip us. Nikki is an **award winning filmmaker.** She is a **warm and hospitable human being,** an **excellent organizer** who is also an **outstanding communicator.** She’s got your back covered!
- She has **lived in the US** with her American husband for the past 10 years and is familiar with both the Indian and American cultures. Having lived in different parts of US, she has **experienced** different parts of the country.
- She speaks **fluent English,** as good as any native. She also speaks **fluent Hindi,** the national language of India and a spattering of other local languages.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- **Why do you call your tour a ‘journey’?**
 - We believe the journey IS our destination. It is not about seeing a particular monument or sight, but the whole experience of getting there that is important. At JWN, we love seeing our guests grow as they travel with us, learning about a new culture, new traditions, a new language, making new friends, and most of all, learning more about themselves and challenging themselves.
- **I’ve heard that India can be very challenging to a foreigner. How will I be able to navigate this?**
 - When you travel with JWN, we have you covered. Nikki or a JWN partner will travel with you from Day 1 through Day last and help you learn the ropes. JWN will take care of the logistics, guide you with cultural nuances and help make your journey smooth. Having lived in India several decades, Nikki is familiar with all things Indian, and brings a unique perspective of both cultures to your journey.
- **Is it safe for a foreign woman to travel to India?**
 - By staying informed, taking precautions, and respecting local customs, women can have a safe and enjoyable experience when visiting India. JWN helps show you the ropes for all this.
- **Is India friendly to foreigners?**
 - Indian people are known for their warm hospitality and friendliness towards tourists.
- **Why should I choose JWN for my tour?**
 - JWN is the only company we have found that covers your international air fare. It also covers ALL meals (except the last dinner), ALL domestic transportation and offers unique local experiences that would normally be inaccessible to foreign tourists. JWN hosts have lived in both countries and are fluent with customs and cultures of both countries, forming the perfect bridge for your experience. JWN has an extensive Indian network that can provide most every kind of option.



14D/13N ALL-INCLUSIVE COST USD 8,555



INTERNATIONAL AIR FARES INCLUDED IN JOURNEY!!!!

WHAT'S INCLUDED IN THE 'ALL-INCLUSIVE COST'?

INTERNATIONAL AIR FARE - NEW YORK (OR LA) TO LOCAL AIRPORT IN INDIA AND BACK
* When booked at least a month prior to Day 1 of Journey itinerary

- Local Airport transfer to hotel
- **All accomodation, as per itinerary**
- Twin occupancy, 3 - 4 star hotels
- **All meals listed in itinerary**
- Entry ticket costs to monuments
- Local transportation, as per itinerary
- **Domestic flights**
- Professional, local guides
- All experiences
- Lunch with a local family
- *as per availability
- **FREE TIME** to explore built into every journey

NOT INCLUDED IN COSTS

- Travel insurance
- Items of a personal nature
- Last day dinner
- Optional excursions and tours, activities not listed above
- Gratuities and tips for personal services
- Drinks

What you should know to
PLAN YOUR TRIP



CANCELLATION POLICY

Cancellations prior to 30 days from Day 1 of the Journey

- Get 80 % refund (minus non-refundable deposit)

Cancellation between 30 days and 15 days from Day 1 of the Journey

- Get 50 % cash refund
- 90% cash voucher for same trip till one year
- 80% cash voucher for any other journey till one year

Cancellation less than 15 days from Day 1 of the journey/ In case of no show

- No refund

THIS JOURNEY REQUIRES A MINIMUM OF 6 GUESTS



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Let's get to know each other and see if we're a good fit for each other! 😊



RESERVE YOUR PLACE ON THE TOUR

Choose your payment option and reserve your spot on the journey with a non-refundable deposit of USD 500.

JWN will take a maximum of 12 people on a tour!

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