

# India Anniversary Trip Planning Checklist

A planning checklist for an anniversary trip to India, covering how to pick a route that fits a couple who has likely already traveled together before.

## WHY A CHECKLIST, NOT JUST AN ITINERARY

An anniversary trip is rarely a couple's first trip together, which usually means different priorities than a honeymoon — perhaps a destination neither of you has done before, or a deliberate splurge. This checklist focuses on the route and booking decisions that fit a more experienced traveling couple, sorted by when to act.

## BEFORE YOU BOOK FLIGHTS

- Pick a region you haven't done before as a couple, or revisit a favorite with a deliberate upgrade in pace or comfort
- Decide if this trip is about a splurge stay, a new experience (like a luxury train or a wildlife safari), or both
- Check seasonal windows for your chosen region and aim for its most comfortable months
- Research any milestone-specific packages hotels offer for anniversaries
- Confirm visa requirements and timing for both travelers

## 2-4 WEEKS OUT

- Book your splurge stay or signature experience first, since the most memorable options have the least flexibility
- Reserve any specific add-on you're treating the trip as a milestone for — a private dinner, a particular suite, a unique excursion
- Arrange private transfers and transport to keep the trip low-friction
- If including a luxury train leg or similar fixed-departure experience, lock that in given limited seasonal availability
- Confirm any documentation a hotel might request to apply an anniversary package

## THE WEEK BEFORE DEPARTURE

- Reconfirm your splurge booking and any special requests directly with the property
- Pack for the specific season and region you've chosen, double-checking the forecast close to departure
- Save digital copies of all confirmations so the trip stays low-admin once you land
- Agree as a couple on how much you'll plan versus leave open to spontaneity
- Mention the occasion when booking directly — many properties add a small touch at no extra cost

An anniversary trip is a good occasion to swap a packed itinerary for fewer stops and better rooms — the splurge is the point.

