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the splendour of the moon, the stars, the rising sun
the winds, the sky, the vegetation, the animals, birds,
rivers, trees and mountains
together form the beauty of nature

GO WILD

Wake up to the jungle's roar
Go on a Wild journey. Really wild. Through thick forests. Dense
grasslands. Watch lions basking in the sun.

Or, tigers watching you. Ride on an elephant's back high above the tall grasses and experience the jungle come to life. See birds that have flown to India all the way from Siberia to escape its minus zero degrees temperature to hatch their young ones. And lose yourself in the colourful delights of

those, which are native to the country.

Walk in the dense Western Ghats. One of the most biologically diverse places on earth. Witness insects scurrying around, the arboreal animals jumping from one tree branch to another, examine its flora and revel in its fauna.

In the majestic Himalayas in the north get up close to mountain animals. The north-east beckons you with its pride—the one-horned rhino. Further deep get in the company of Mahseer fish (their weight reaching 54 kg or 119 pounds). Then there is the world-famous Mangrove forest of Sundarbans hiding within its maze the Royal Bengal Tiger. In the west walk in the company of the King of the Jungle, the Asiatic Lions. Find tigers in abundance in Central India. And in south visit its national parks to see the serene elephants. While the seas are filled with tantalizing marine life.

Rest assured that India's wildlife would never cease to amaze you. [Click Here](#)

With 104 national parks to choose from wildlife is roaring in India. Some of the most popular names would include Gir National Park (famous for Asiatic Lion in West), Kaziranga National Park (One horned Rhino; Northeast), Sundarbans (Royal Bengal Tiger; East), Jim Corbett (Tiger; Himalayan foothills), Pench (Tiger; Central India), Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary (Migratory Birds; West), Eravikulam (Nilgiri Thar and Elephants; South) and many others.

SOI Regal Offer



Deccan Odyssey - 50% off on Luxury Train Journey

Book a Double Occupancy Cabin and your Companion Travels Free, aboard the Deccan Odyssey - a journey that will take you through India's rich heritage, and enliven it with romance, adventure and style. The luxury rail tour with the Deccan Odyssey is a lifetime experience that juxtaposes traditional with the contemporary and is beautifully presented through vintage cabins, gastronomic cuisines and lively off-board entertainment.

Maharashtra Splendor (8D/7N)

Destinations covered: Mumbai – Nashik – Ellora Caves – Ajanta Caves – Kolhapur– Goa – Sindhudurg - Mumbai

Dates of Departure: 16th March and 13th April, 2019

Maharashtra Wild Trail (8D/7N)

Destinations covered: Mumbai – Ellora Caves – Aurangabad –
Pench (Ramtek) – Tadoba – Ajanta Caves – Nashik – Mumbai

Dates of Departure: 4th and 11th May, 2019. [Click Here](#)

Insignificantly Significant



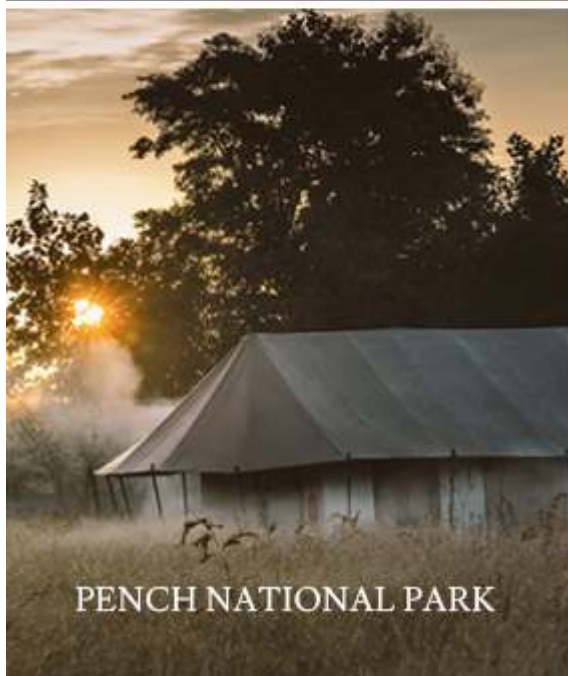
Up in the Himalayas

India is amongst the few countries that can rightfully claim to be home to the elusive Snow Leopards. Found in the upper reaches of the Himalayas in the states of Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Sikkim and Arunachal Pradesh the sight of these 2-foot tall animals depends on a combination of perseverance, chance and plain luck.

Still it is an opportunity that one should always bank upon, if not anything than to understand why they are at the receiving end of the struggle for survival between humans and animals. Numbering not

more than 450 to 500 and inhabiting sparsely vegetated climes the Snow Leopard tour also makes for an adventurous journey into a rarely visited eco-system. [Click Here](#)

Experience India



Crisp morning on the periphery of jungles

Wake up to a serene morning, to the bird's chirping and to the jungle coming to life.

From the excitement of tracking the footprints of tigers to the

relaxing ambience of the fairytale resort situated on the dry riverbed surrounded by aged ancient trees it's a vacation that's made only in dreams.

There is lot to engage in Jamtara Wilderness Camp apart from jeep safaris into Pench National Park to spot its famous residents. For one you can visit the nearby Jamtara village to experience a typical rustic lifestyle. As you interact with them you will find their warm smiles taking away all your inhibitions. Ride in the creaky medieval bullock cart that groans as the wheels make turns. Choose from any one of the 10 luxuriously decked tented accommodations for an utterly exquisite stay or sleep at night outside under the gazing sky comfortable inside the mosquito net.

Jamtara Wilderness Camp is situated in the tribal heart of Central India in Chindwara district of Madhya Pradesh and could be a good base of explore rustic lifestyle. Nagpur and Jabalpur are two other important centres nearby.

The SOI Edge



We only get you the best one

There is a world of difference between a driver and a better driver... and it has little to do with driving. Of course, our drivers are safe but what imparts them the edge is the small things they have been professionally trained to do. One, they are extremely courteous, always striving to make guests feel at home in a foreign land.

If not conversant then at least they possess a good understanding of the English language. They know their jobs and most importantly are

aware when to speak and when to keep quiet. Alert to the needs and can come up with win-win solutions. For example, during one such journey the guests suddenly felt hungry much before the scheduled stopover. Our driver got them fresh fruits instead of the spicy affair that's preferred by the Indians, which might have been suitable for them. [Click Here](#)

Know Your Advisor



From a veteran agriculturist to a travel enthusiast, Venugopalan or Venu, as he is popular in the fraternity since last 25 years, brings you a whiff of fresh air to your tour. Known for the deep knowledge of history and

culture he is especially a master in getting you the local perspective to events and architecture. Having travelled extensively, he is particularly keen on taking visitors on a tour of India's Northeast (comprising of eight states) and Rajasthan. [Click Here](#)

SOI @ World



Encounters with the wild

As your jeep moves through the jungles at an unhurried pace you, not even for once, stop from marveling at the sheer beauty of Sri Lanka's flora and fauna. Situated not many degrees latitudes north of the Equator, its hot and humid climate has turned the country into one big resort, which is known apart from sun, sand and sea for its enchanting wildlife.

With three national parks vying for attention in this tiny island nation the choice to skip the one is difficult. Better still starting with Yala National Park visit all of them and get a chance to have close encounters with spotted deer, wild boar and wild elephant in addition to a wide variety of birds. With an average of one leopard per square kilometre Yala has the highest density of leopards in Asia, which makes spotting the wild cat fairly easy. The other places you can visit include UdaWalawe, famous for its Elephant Transit Centre and Sinharaja Biospheric Reserve, which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site known for its rich bio-diversity. [Click Here](#)

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