



## Itinerary

### 4 Day Varanasi Experience

**\*IMPORTANT NOTE: This is the default version of the tour itinerary. Any extra nights, optional tours or other amendments, will not be visible on this version. If you have booked extras, Please contact [info@myholiday2.com.au](mailto:info@myholiday2.com.au) for a personalised version of your itinerary\***

#### DAY 1: Arrive Varanasi

On your arrival in Varanasi, our Executive will welcome you at the airport and introduce our Driver to you. Then you will be transferred to your hotel and relax. Rest of the day free to explore the city on your own. Note: Generally the check in time at the hotels is at 12 pm. After check in, the rest of the day is free at your own leisure.

**MEALS:** None

**OVERNIGHT:** 3 or 4 Star Hotel, Varanasi

#### DAY 2: Varanasi Boat Rides & Walking Tours

**Dawn boat ride:** This morning ready at around 5am at your hotel. The subah, or morning, is for Banaras! Get up at the crack of dawn with us for this amazing boat journey. As the sun rises you will see those who flock to the riverside for morning worship. Along the way you will hear about the interesting history of the ghats and their patronage by the Maharaja's who built them. The adventure ends with a short walking tour around Tulsi ghat's hidden sun temple. After this walk, come back to your hotel and relax. Then afternoon be ready for another adventurous walk in the hidden alleys of Varanasi.

**Northern Bazaars & hidden alleys walk:** Few tourists ever wind their way through the bazaars in the Northern alleys of the old city where you will find hidden alleys leading directly through the sacred zone of Banaras to the oldest buildings of the city. As you enter the lanes of the Northern part of the city you will get to peep inside the shops, temples and lives of people who have never left their street for years. This bazaar has so many twists and turns we even get confused, but that is what makes it so great. You have an opportunity to learn tradition, culture & history of Varanasi and it offers a different experience.

**Evening Aarathi Boat ride:** In the evening, you can enjoy and witness the Aarathi ceremony on the River Ganges. It is a spectacular 'must-see' event. Catch an early evening boat ride with us experiencing the mystical worship of the Ganges River. Come and hear about the rituals that have been used for centuries inside temples and in shrines along the river. The magical quality of the evening is showcased with a trip to the eerie cremation grounds of Manikarnika, which burn 24 hours a day. All this coupled with a historical walk around the local area will remain with you forever.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT:** 3 or 4 Star Hotel, Varanasi

#### DAY 3: Varanasi Free Day

Today spend a full day at your own leisure to further explore the magic of Varansi. Wonder along the many ghats and spend hours people watching as they go about their daily activities.

**MEALS:** Breakfast

**OVERNIGHT:** 3 or 4 Star Hotel, Varanasi

#### DAY 4: Departure

Unfortunately, your Varanasi experience has come to an end. You will be transferred to the airport for your departure home.

**MEALS:** Breakfast