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## PUBLISHER'S NOTE



Dear Reader,

Greetings!

With the season of wedding, planning of honeymoon also geared up. By keeping this in mind we focused on the Romantic getaways. This world is blessed with some of the most beautiful destinations across the globe, each boasting something new to offer newlyweds. Honeymoon in these destinations is everything and a little bit more than you wished for. From unexplored natural bliss to modern pleasures, there are a bevy of options for planning your romantic vacation.

We've put together a handy list for the best honeymoon destinations from around the world, where your partner and you can finally leave everything else behind, soak up each other's company and celebrate the love. Presenting the best honeymoon destinations to plan an incredibly romantic vacation that'll make sure you have unlimited memories.

While moving in hospitality, we focused on hotels from all over the world. To make a honeymoon truly special, it takes some extra planning and initiative.

Don't assume that trip will be romantic just because it's your honeymoon. Do all to make your honeymoon even more romantic by planning memorable activities before you go. Never forget that honeymoon is the beginning of new life together- start

it off on the right foot. Pick a hotel of your partner's favourite taste, get some chocolates delivered to the room or organize a candle-lit dinner as a dinner surprise – the little things all matter on a honeymoon.

In lifestyle you may the most awaiting article what to do to make honeymoon special.

Moreover, we focused on Uttar Pradesh a destination where development is accelerated with the new government of Yogi Adityanath. From the time, Yogi Adityanath took over the reins of Uttar Pradesh as the Chief Minister, the climate of changes appears to have come as a blessing for the betterment of the common man and the poor. Here, we are focusing on the new Economic Development Policy in UP under the guidance of Yogi Adityanath.

Considering the different economic layers of society, the new schemes were carefully drafted and accordingly, the allocations were made for each plans.

According to Yogi Adityanath, the budget allocation was development-oriented and was formulated keeping the "Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas" agenda in mind. His government is firm on fulfilling all promises made in its Lok Kalyan Sankalp Patra.

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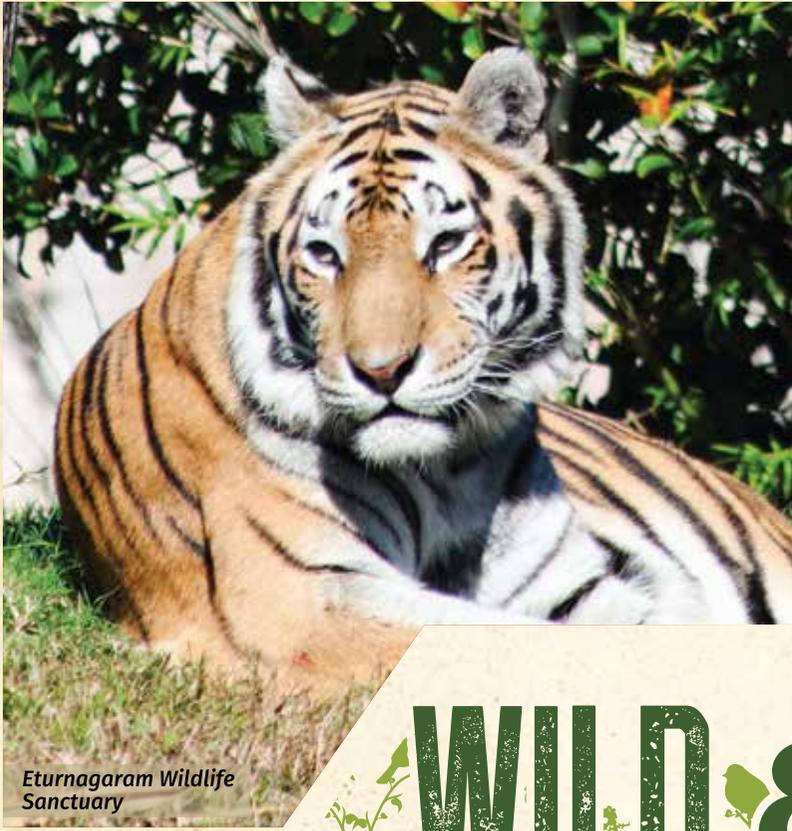
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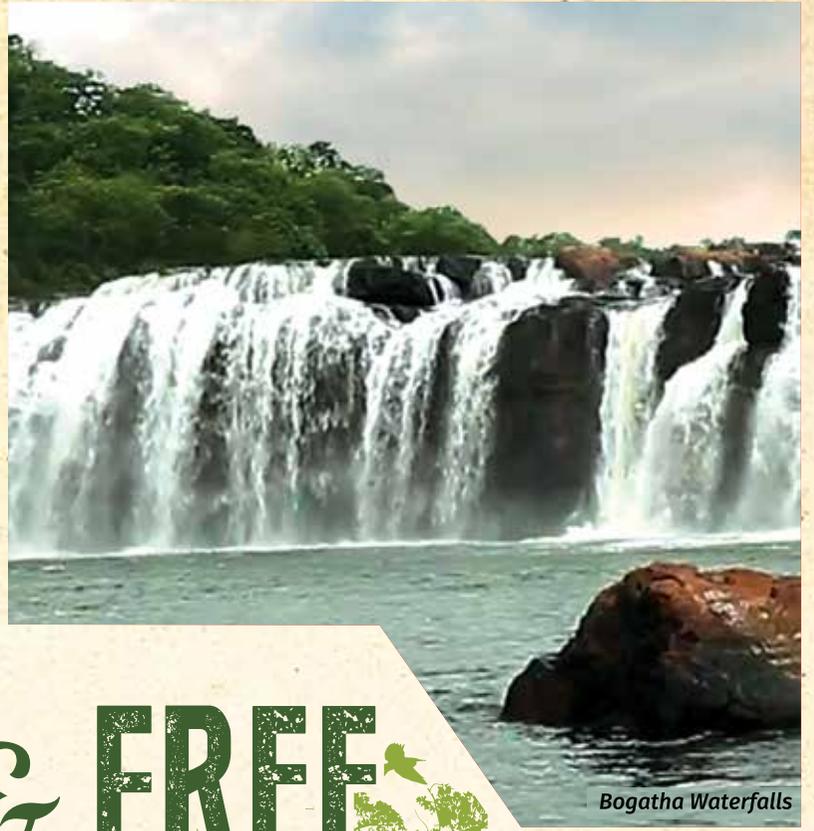
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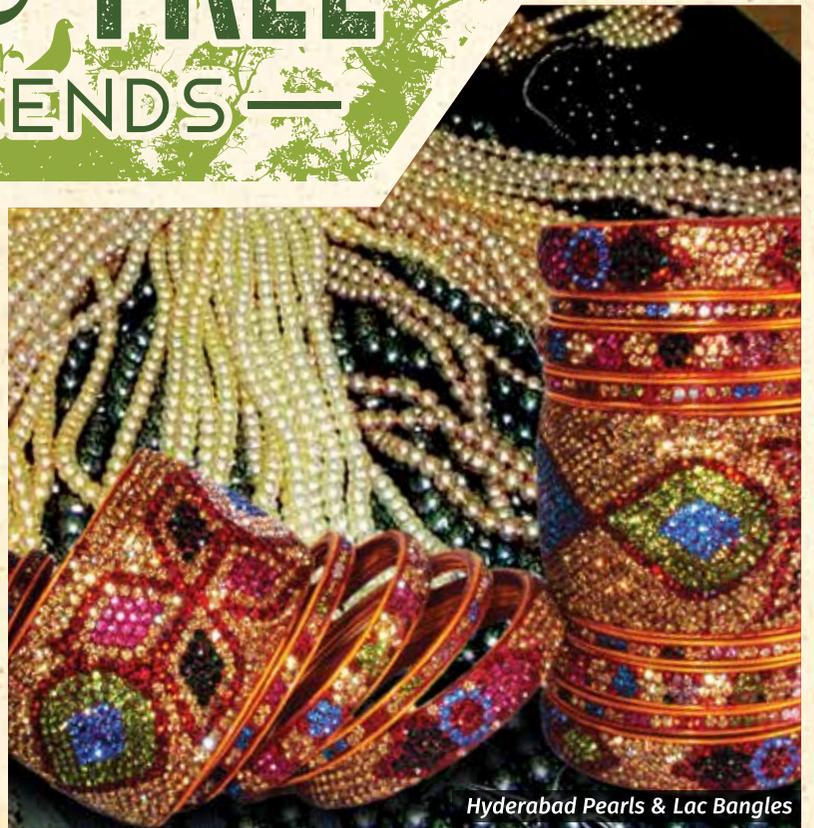
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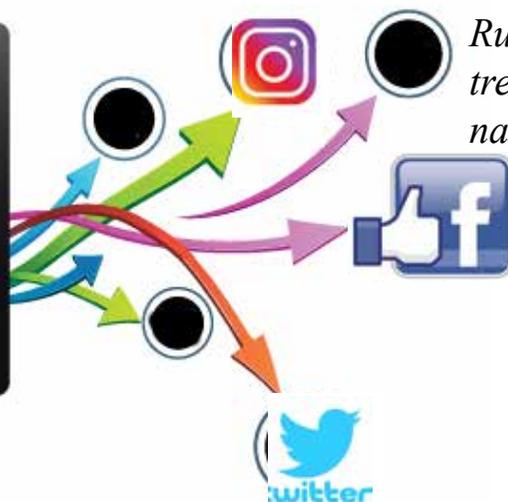
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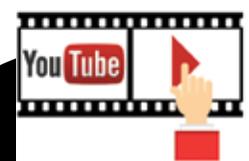
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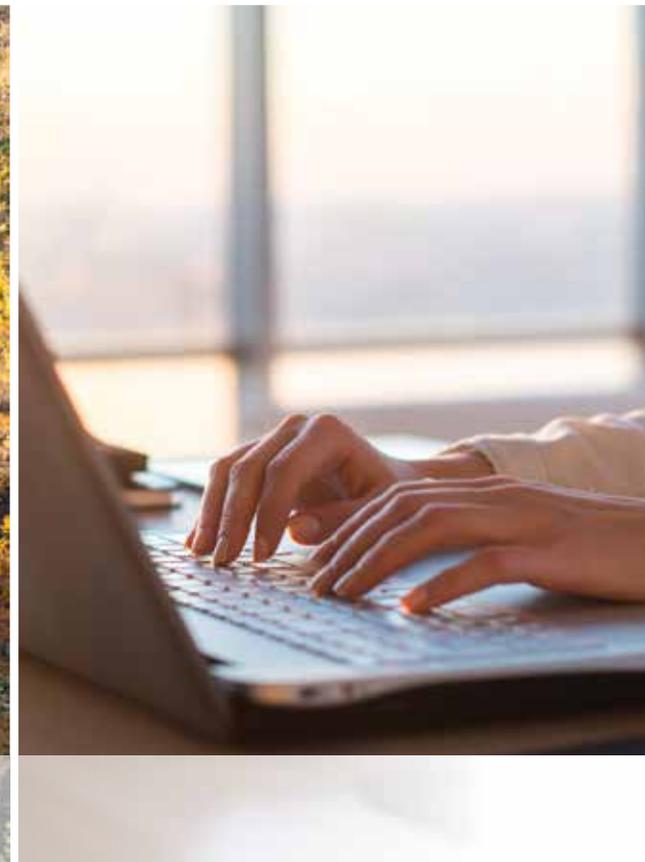


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## International housekeeping week

Fortune park BBD, Lucknow organised and made a environment with the high note of motivation and engagement in talented and hardworking housekeeping team. People who continuous try to provide a very hygienic and safe environment to front and back house guests, Fortune Park BBD did the grand celebration from sep 10 to 16 on the occasion of “International housekeeping week” for them.

They celebrated it with various activities like lamp lightening by HK GSA, Best HK GSA award, blind bed making competition, pushups competition, plantation activity,

discussion on role and presence of housekeeping in upcoming hospitality era, cake cutting on closing ceremony with lots of awards and certificates.

The whole event is created and designed by hotel very young and talented HOUSEKEEPER Abhay saxena. who always working hard toward crafting a talented, self-motivated, technically sound housekeeping work force for upcoming times. Event is highly appreciated by UGM, and corporate housekeeper FPHL and other many hotels housekeeper’s hoteliers.



## Cox & Kings’ Karan Anand accorded with Gold Medal

Mr Karan Anand, Head - Relationships and Supplier Management, Cox & Kings Ltd, was conferred the prestigious Gold Medal for Tourism (Médaille d’Or du Tourisme) by the French government during a special ceremony hosted at the French Consulate in Mumbai. This is the first ever Gold Medal given by the French government to an Indian in the tourism industry.

Mr Anand was awarded the highly coveted gold medal by Yves Perrin, Consul

General of France in Mumbai, for his pioneering contribution in promoting France in India.

On presenting the medal, Yves Perrin, Consul General of France in Mumbai said, “We are pleased to give the gold medal to Mr Karan Anand for his efforts in strengthening touristic ties between our two countries. As the Consul General of France, I would like thank him for his distinguished work towards the promotion of France as a prime tourist destination.”



## Goa Tourism bagged two National Tourism Awards



Goa Tourism carved itself a milestone this World Tourism Day. For the first time in its history, the State has bagged two prestigious National Awards for 2015-16– Most Innovative use of Information Technology: Social Media/Mobile App by Goa Tourism Development Corporation and Best State/UT Comprehensive Development of Tourism (Rest of India)(Third Prize – Joint Winner).

The two prestigious National Tourism Awards were presented to Goa by the Hon’ble President of India, Mr. Ram Nath Kovind at a glittering function at Vigyan Bhavan in New Delhi today. The award ceremony was presided over by the Hon’ble Minister of State (Independent charge) for Tourism, Mr. Alphons Kannanthanam.

The NTA function coincided with the occasion of World Tourism Day, 27th September 2017. The awards were received by the Hon’ble Chairman of Goa Tourism Development Corporation (GTDC), Mr. Nilesh Cabral and Managing Director of Goa Tourism Development Corporation, Mr. Nikhil Desai.



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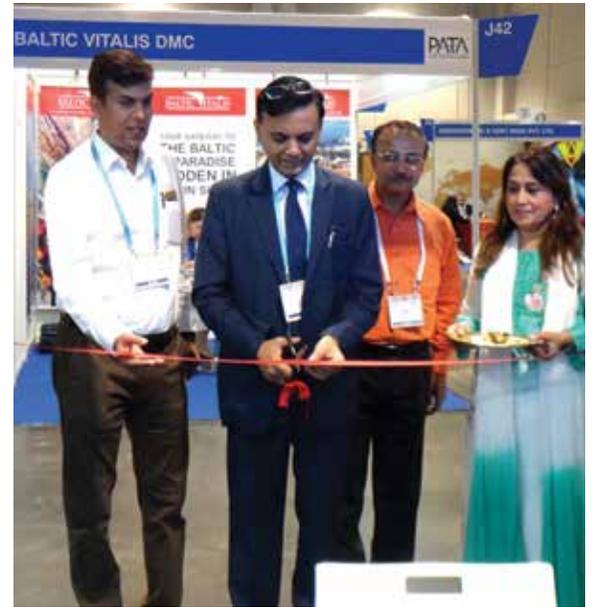
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## Jharkhand Tourism Presence in International Market

Jharkhand Tourism participated at the 40th Anniversary of the Pacific Asia Travel Association, for the first time ever. PATA Travel Mart (PTM) 2017 was held from September 13 to 15 at The Venetian Resort Hotel in Macao.

The central theme for this year Jharkhand Tourism Stall at PTM 2017 was aesthetically designed depicting Lord Buddha and the various Buddhist Relics at Itkhori dated from 200 B.C to 1200A.D. The pillars were a replica of the famous Maluti temple. In addition to this Jharkhand's Wildlife, Waterfalls, Saranda Forests and Netrahat sunset was portrayed.

The Jharkhand Tourism stall was inaugurated at the hands of Mr. Rahul Sharma, IAS, Secretary, Tourism, Art, Culture, Sports & Youth Affairs Dept along with Mr. Rajiv Ranjan, Joint Director, Jharkhand Tourism. Mr. Karun Bansal, Consul (Political, Commerce & Press), Consulate General of India, Hong Kong paid a special visit to the stall on the opening day. B2B meetings were organized between Jharkhand Tourism officials and leading travel agents and tour operators. Press Interviews were also conducted with Jharkhand Tourism officials.



## National Geographic Encounter in Time Square now open its doors

National Geographic Encounter now open to the public in Times Square, with Ocean Odyssey, a first-in-kind immersive entertainment experience that transports audiences on a breathtaking undersea journey from the South Pacific across the ocean to the west coast of North America.

SPE Partners, creators and producers of National Geographic Encounter, has engaged a worldclass global team of Academy, GRAMMY®, and Emmy® Award-winning artists, including the design firm Falcon's Creative Group and the visual effects team behind "Game of Thrones," to produce this never-before-seen experience that is changing the landscape of entertainment and cinema. Through ground-breaking technology, audiences go on a digital "underwater" dive

and come face-to-face with life-size photo-real versions of some of the largest and most interesting creatures of the sea.

"Working on this project has been an extraordinary ride," says Emmy® Award Winner Thilo Ewers, VFX Supervisor on the project from Pixomondo. "We have pushed the boundaries of visual effects by not only developing dozens of unique photo-real underwater species in a completely immersive environment, but also by taking on one of our biggest challenges to date: creating 3D stunning media in 8K resolution at 60 frames per second! National Geographic Encounter is a game-changer in this industry as it melds the boundaries between realtime interactive media and traditional media, and our team is having a ball helping bring it to life."



## The Leeu Collection Appoints 'Knack' Marketing As It's Representative In India

Set in and around picturesque Franschhoek in South Africa's Cape winelands and in the scenic Lake District in England, the Leeu Collection has appointed 'Knack' Marketing as its official representative in India. The appointment

supports the Leeu Collection's strategy to develop the potential of the Indian outbound market. The Cape winelands are considered one of the most precious jewels in the South African crown. An initiative has been taken to introduce this fabulous luxury portfolio of hotels to the Indian market. The Leeu Collection comprises three five-star properties in South Africa: Leeu Estates, a country house retreat and boutique winery in the Franschhoek valley; Leeu House, an equally exclusive boutique hotel in the heart of Franschhoek; and Le Quartier Français, a romantic boutique hotel and three-bedroom LQF Villa, also located in the village of Franschhoek.

Within the Leeu Collection portfolio is our Leeu Spa & Gym, a wellness sanctuary offering expert massages and holistic treatments; the award-winning Mullineux & Leeu Family Wines; Indaba – The Meeting Place, a well-appointed event and meeting venue; Heritage Square, home to Marigold, an authentic Indian restaurant; Tuk Tuk Microbrewery, in collaboration with the Cape Brewing Company; and Everard Read Franschhoek, a contemporary art gallery with a unique sculpture herb and vegetable garden. The Franschhoek valley, with its Cape Dutch heritage and strong French influences, is renowned as one of the world's finest food and wine destinations.





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- Indian Cuisine Lunch or Dinner where available and specified

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(1Night at Lovina Beach +  
3Night at South Bali)

**Inclusion :**

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- Indian Cuisine Lunch or Dinner where available and specified in the program
- Free 1 x 60mins massage or set meal at certain hotel



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**5D4N Discovery**  
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# Romantic Getaway

Months of planning and you've finally tied the knot! Time begin for the most unforgettable, indulgent holiday of your lives.

• **Tarsh Sharma**

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# Switzerland

Switzerland has wonderful characteristic landscape, beautiful towns, refined urban areas, a rich social legacy and a dazzling background for your special night, whether you visit in winter, spring, summer or fall.

In a perfect world suited for a winter special first night, Switzerland offers a portion of the world's debut skiing goals. For a sumptuous ordeal in addition to world-fame slants, set out toward Davos, St. Moritz or Klosters in the Graubunden region of Switzerland.

For a more cosmopolitan special first night, consider taking in the sights of Geneva. A significant part of the city can be investigated by walking: from the shopping territory along the Rue du Rhone to the peaceful patio nurseries at the Jardin Boutique in the International range. You can even experience an execution of established music in the grand nineteenth century Baitiment des Forces Matrices which rests amidst the Rhone.

Zurich's appeal and sentiment will captivate you. This city rests by the River Limmat and allures all guests with its perfectly reestablished structures, impressionistic scaffolds, and eateries with an organization lobby mood and great Swiss food. This is the place for a flawless and

cherishing break - particularly in Spring time.

For a more serene withdraw, set out toward Berner Oberland where perspectives of the Jungfrau, crystalline lakes, châteaux and blossom lined promenades set the phase for picture-idealize remains. On the off chance that driving through Berner Oberland, you can without much of a stretch investigate the

noteworthy town of Gstaad. A humble drive will likewise take you to the shores of Lake Geneva where you can visit the celebrated sundrenched vineyards of Lavaux.

In Switzerland, you will re-catch each other's hearts again and again returning home with enduring recollections of a valued special first night encounter.



# Paris

Paris, the capital of France, is known for its Lights, love, and romance.

It doesn't get more romantic than a honeymoon amid the City of Light's Beaux Arts palaces, graceful Seine river bridges and landscaped gardens. Before Reese Witherspoon and Jim Toth hit the Amalfi Coast, they made a stop in Paris, where they devoted a few days to strolling hand in hand along the French capital's cobbled streets, stopping for a sweet snack at

a crepe cart (sharing a kiss as they waited).

And it is by far the best honeymoon destination for the newlyweds. A day spent sipping cafe au lait in a tiny side street bistro, window shopping along the ritzy Champs Elysees, and visiting Sacre-Coeur Basilica for a jaw-dropping view of the city, and all the while eyeing the Eiffel Tower, is enough to make any pair of honeymooners feel like they're floating on the air.



# Venice

Venice is a glorious cliché, more romantic, more beautiful and more surprising than you could expect. No matter how many photographs or films you may have seen, it is still a jaw-dropping experience seeing Venice's canals and palaces for the first time. That first cruise down the Grand Canal - punctuated by exclamations and photo-snapping - is one of

life's unforgettable experiences.

Visiting Venice is like unwrapping a present for the senses: the toll of church bells, beribboned gondoliers churning their oars, the sharp scent of coffee, glass chandeliers twinkling, and slender, twisting streets suddenly turning onto sun-filled market squares. The

elegant piazzas and glistening waterways of this northern Italian city breathe ancient urban grandeur and romance.

Venice is generally supposed to be just about the most romantic city on earth. And it's true, it really is. Even those who hate clichés can't deny the romance of this unique and captivating place.



# Rome

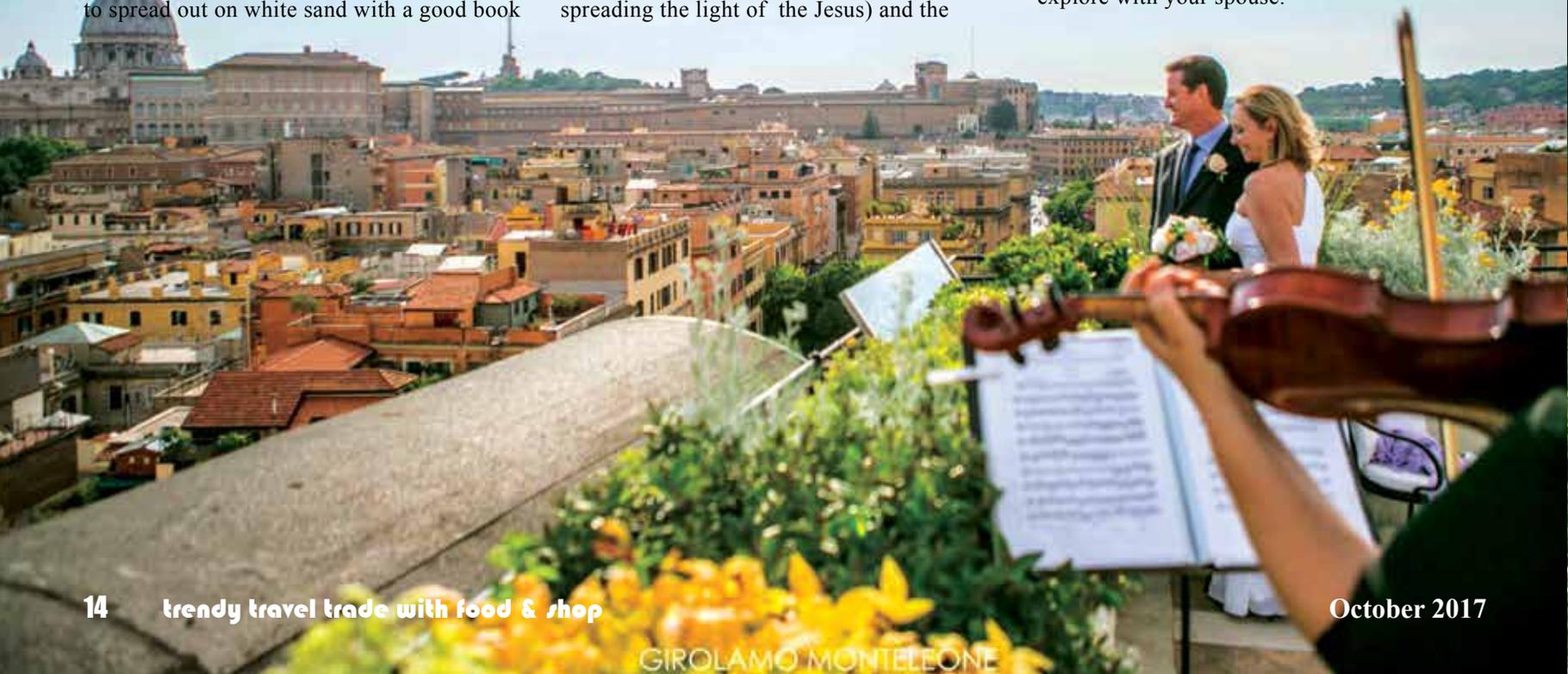
Italy's capital city is a charmer, more so for lovelorn couples. Right from its cobbled streets and landmarks to museums, theaters, and romantic restaurants, Rome is a delight for newlywed couples who come here to enjoy the first few days of their married life. With the Eternal City's balmy Mediterranean climate and millenniums' worth of history, it's no wonder all roads lead here.

While some people want nothing more than to spread out on white sand with a good book

and a cocktail for their honeymoon, there are others that can't stand the thought. If you are one of the latter group who would rather use precious vacation time (honeymoon or no honeymoon) to be out exploring new sights, new cultures and new food, then Rome may be just the honeymoon destination for you.

Religious Christian honeymooners will be more beneficiary by choosing Rome as their honeymoon destination. Cause, the heart of the Christian religion (where the Pope spreading the light of the Jesus) and the

independent country "Vatican City" is located within the city boundaries of Rome has been defined as the capital of two states. It's charm, cultural highlights, artistic heritage, open-air museum, legendary Trevi Fountain, the Colosseum, the Pantheon, the arch of Janus, the Roman Forum, the Milvio Bridge, the Portico d' Ottavia, the Janiculum hill make the city of love 'Rome', a most beautiful places in the world for honeymoon and also ensure you an affordable honeymoon destinations to explore with your spouse.





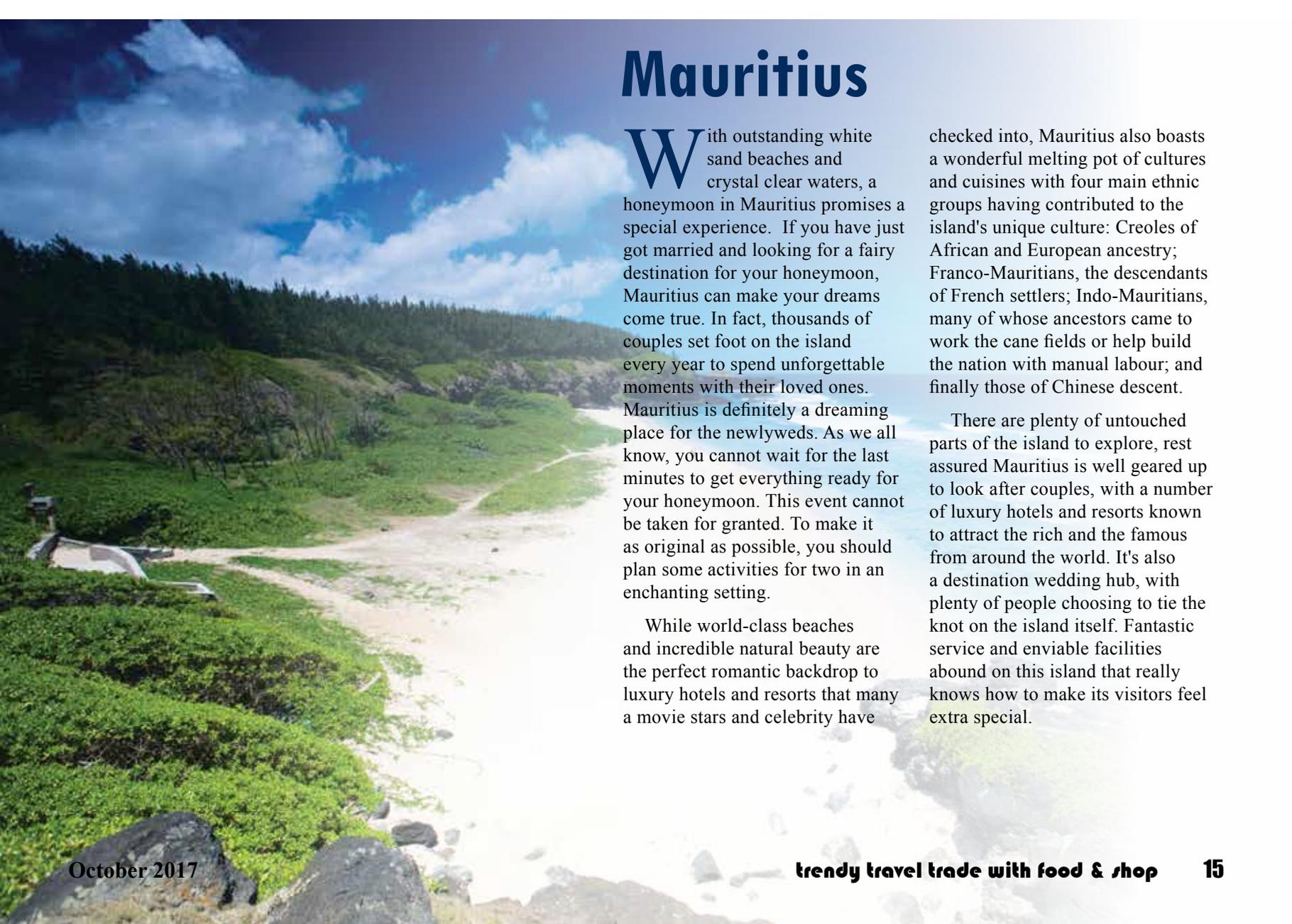
# Maldives

The epitome of a romantic holiday destination, romance is what the Maldives is all about and it delivers on every level.

The Maldives, a group of more than 1,000 castaway islands in the Indian Ocean, is amongst the most sought-after honeymoon destinations for its iridescent waters, pristine coral reefs and powder white sand beaches. It was created for island lovers. Couples who love the barefoot life, who love being together where the only footprints in the sand are their own, who love to relax on magical beaches, who love to do water sports by day and luxuriate in the ultimate creature comforts by night will truly enjoy honeymooning here.

Long walks on the beach may seem like a cliché, but this certainly is not true on a honeymoon in Maldives. Pristine white beaches formed over thousands of years literally beckon bare feet to tread over them. A nation untouched by the hands of modern civilization, the Maldives offer beautiful day and night scenery at the water's edge and beyond. It is not unheard of for newlyweds to spend entire days at the waterfront enjoying the sound of the water and the beauty of the island. The beaches are a perfect venue for picnics, long talks or even a well-deserved nap in the sun.

This is the kind of serene honeymoon haven where magical memories are made every day. Visit Maldives and let some of them be your own!



# Mauritius

With outstanding white sand beaches and crystal clear waters, a honeymoon in Mauritius promises a special experience. If you have just got married and looking for a fairy destination for your honeymoon, Mauritius can make your dreams come true. In fact, thousands of couples set foot on the island every year to spend unforgettable moments with their loved ones. Mauritius is definitely a dreaming place for the newlyweds. As we all know, you cannot wait for the last minutes to get everything ready for your honeymoon. This event cannot be taken for granted. To make it as original as possible, you should plan some activities for two in an enchanting setting.

While world-class beaches and incredible natural beauty are the perfect romantic backdrop to luxury hotels and resorts that many a movie stars and celebrity have

checked into, Mauritius also boasts a wonderful melting pot of cultures and cuisines with four main ethnic groups having contributed to the island's unique culture: Creoles of African and European ancestry; Franco-Mauritians, the descendants of French settlers; Indo-Mauritians, many of whose ancestors came to work the cane fields or help build the nation with manual labour; and finally those of Chinese descent.

There are plenty of untouched parts of the island to explore, rest assured Mauritius is well geared up to look after couples, with a number of luxury hotels and resorts known to attract the rich and the famous from around the world. It's also a destination wedding hub, with plenty of people choosing to tie the knot on the island itself. Fantastic service and enviable facilities abound on this island that really knows how to make its visitors feel extra special.



# Thailand

Filled with picture-perfect scenery and a rich culture, Thailand is a top honeymoon or romantic getaway, honeymoon and wedding destination for good reason.

A luxury honeymoon in Thailand offers the perfect blend of discovery and adventure, twinned with warm and welcoming beach resorts. Thailand is a great honeymoon choice for those seeing more than just a beach, although if a luxury Thailand honeymoon

resort is what you are after, Thailand has them in abundance. Beyond the beach Bangkok is a vibrant and exciting city, steeped in tradition and yet thoroughly modern. The ancient city of Chiang Mai and the Golden Triangle region in the north are the perfect base to discover rich culture, authentic hill tribe villages, trek through beautiful forested mountainous scenery and spend time with elephants.

You'll find a melting pot of contrasting

experiences in Thailand, from the vibrant non-stop city of Bangkok with its temples, Buddhas, floating markets and colourful nightlife; to the stunning beaches of Phuket, Koh Samui, Krabi and Pattaya. Plus, if you want to escape the beaten track, look out for Thailand's hidden gems and discover beautiful unspoilt areas.

Together with thoughtful service and those beautiful Thai smiles, you have the makings of an unforgettable romantic escape.

# Indonesia

With over 17,000 islands, Indonesia is easily the world's largest sprawling chain of volcanic islands. The archipelago not only offers some of the most beautiful beaches and scenic landscapes in the world, but it's also some of the most diverse and exotic nations on earth. The archipelago is home to thousands of islands, many of them still relatively undiscovered, which makes it a great destination for those honeymooners keen to get off the tourist trail and enjoy the luxuries of life.

Indonesia's islands are popular destinations

for honeymoon couples and Bali is ranking as one of the best. Bali might be crowded during summertime, yet the rainforests gather around some private beaches making romantic getaways. Such beaches are found in South Bali; they include Sanur, Legian and Seminykan.

Apart from romance, Kuta beach offers partying opportunities. Bali is not just a beach destination, there is great natural scenery in Ubud, Bali's cultural center, and volcanoes are spread throughout Bali to explore.





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# In Pursuit of Heaven

Tamil Nadu undoubtedly blessed with both natural and cultural aspects. Hence, it is an ideal tourist haven for one and all. To please your eyes, this destination offers several unique and mesmerising tourist attractions.

• Pradeep Kapur

Before beginning, let's familiarise ourselves with some of the aspects of the state. Chennai, the capital city of Tamil Nadu is the fourth largest city in India and also exhibits a perfect blend of ancient and modern culture. Tamil Nadu has a glorious ancient history that dates back over 6,000 years. While in Tamil Nadu, a majority of people love to visit the famous water bodies of the Indian Ocean, Bay of Bengal and Kanyakumari. Tamil Nadu essentially enjoys tropical weather throughout the year.

There are 21 daily flights from Delhi to Chennai and the flight duration is about 2 hours 45 minutes. Chennai is the central-point of travelling whilst travelling to all other parts of the state which can be explored by road or the suburban railway network.

## Best places to visit in Tamil Nadu Chennai

Chennai is the gateway to South India. The city's main attractions are its beaches, temples,

museums, galleries, Old Portuguese style churches, and amusement parks.

**Marina Beach-** It lies on the eastern side of the city, bordering the Bay of Bengal. It is one of the most renowned beaches of Tamil Nadu. It is the longest beach in India and also the second longest beach in the world. Here, one can experience the most captivating view of scenic beauty and the life of its marine locals.

**Covelong Beach-** It is situated at a distance of 40 km from the capital city. It is one of the most captivating and beautiful beaches. Here, one can engage in adventurous water sports like swimming and windsurfing. Don't forget to soak in the beach shacks beneath the cool shade of the palm trees.

**Elliot's Beach-** Elliot's beach is located on the eastern coast of Tamil Nadu. It is one of the cleanest beaches in the capital city and is lined with several cafes and restaurants. This beach is also famous as the night beach, as it is the most preferred spot for youngsters to gather and enjoy in the evening.

**Armenian Church-** It is one of the oldest churches of the Indian subcontinent. With mesmerizing architecture and such a divine aura, its worth to witness in person.

**Sri MahaPrathyangira Devi Temple-** It

falls on the coastline of the Bay of Bengal. The Temple sits on the banks of the Buckingham Canal. This is a magnificent temple built in honour of the goddess- Shri MahaPrathyangira Devi. She is considered to have powers that repel influences generated by witchcraft, and is said to have the power to punish Adharma.

## Yelagiri Hill

It is located at an altitude of 1,110.6 metres above mean sea level and is one of the most popular hill stations of Tamil Nadu. The Yelagiri village is surrounded by orchards, rose-gardens, and lush green valleys. Travel by the winding Ghat-road that has 14 hairpin bends to reach the Yelagiri hilltop. The ride offers panoramic breath-taking views of the hills and its surroundings. The seventh bend is significant, since it offers a panoramic view of the slopes of the mountain and the luxuriant green forests. The highest point in Yelagiri is the Swamimalai Hill, standing tall at 4,338 ft and a popular destination for trekkers and tourists alike.

## Kodaikanal

The name 'Kodaikanal' literally translates to 'Gift of the Forest', but more commonly known as a Princess of Hill stations. Its meadows, long stretch of forests, wood slopes, mighty rocks, bowers and creeks charm the tourists in magical way. Kodaikanal is famous for the kurinji – flowers that blossom once in twelve years. It is a favourite among honeymooners. This charming place is one of the most visited tourist destinations which offers its visitors an array of activities like boat rides, nature walks, hiking, trekking and rock-climbing. The 'Kodai Lake' is a perfect picnic spot for those on a Kodaikanal tour. There's Coaker's Walk which never seems to become old and stale. One of the biggest attraction of a Kodaikanal tour, one can enjoy some of the breath taking views whilst taking the Coaker's Walk.

## Kanchipuram

It is located 72 km from Chennai. Kanchipuram is a destination for pilgrims with almost 1000 temples. It is considered as one of the seven most holy towns of its kind in the country. It is believed that a visit to this town bestows salvation. This is also called as Kanchi or the Temple Town. The main land lays on the northern bank of the Holy





River 'Vegavahi' - a tributary of River Pallar. It is a sacred destination for Buddhists, Jains and Hindus too. It is also famous for hand woven silk sarees.

### Ooty

It is truly referred to as 'The Queen of Hill Stations'. Picturesque and green, 'Udhagamandalam' better known, as Ooty is the most popular hill station in the South. Located in the Western ghats at a height of 2240m, 'Udhagamandalam' is the headquarters for the Nilgiri district, where the two ghat- ranges meet. Nature has been generous with this region, which is by far the most beautiful in the state. Apart from lush coffee and tea plantations, trees like conifers, eucalyptus, pine and wattle dot the hillside in Udhagamandalam and its environs. Ooty with smaller hill stations of Coonoor - 19 kms and Kothagiri- 31 kms are the two other scenic hill stations of this district. Nilgiri is India's first biosphere. It has been declared as one of the 14 'hotspots' of the world because of its unique bio-diversity. Nilgiri truly presents itself as a kaleidoscope of visual treats and guarantees a soul stirring experience.

### Cuisine of Tamil Nadu :

Tamil Nadu is an important part of South India and home to a potpourri of vegetarian as well as non-vegetarian cuisines. It is famous for its exclusive food culture and traditional range

of cuisine, which is more commonly referred to as the 'South Indian cuisine'. The common vegetarian cuisine is Idli, sambar, vada, dosa, upma, rasam, kottu, buttermilk, chutney and curry. The non-vegetarian meal comprises of curry-based dishes of chicken, mutton or fish.

The South Indian cuisine culture also has a whole array of different dishes such as 'Parota'- made of maida with kothu, 'Puliyodarai'- also known as 'Puliyogare', 'Thayirsadam', 'Thogayal', 'Appam', 'Pongal', 'Aviyal' etc. The famous sweet dishes of Tamil Nadu are Payasam, Kesari, Sweet Pongal, etc. which form a major part of the South-Indian cuisine. Whereas, among the Non-Vegetarians- The famous 'Chettinadstyle -Pepper Chicken' is very popular and is one of the best dishes of the city.

### Shopping in Tamil Nadu :

Tamil Nadu is a storehouse of exuberant and famous hand embroidered sarees of various materials and patterns. Almost each district in Tamil Nadu has their own distinctive style of sarees, which can range from cotton to the most glamorous silks. Chennai is known worldwide for its silk, embroidered sarees, hand-woven garments and other handicraft items. 'Poompuhar', the Tamil Nadu Emporium and the 'Khadi GramodyogBhawan' have their shops in all major cities of the state and the country as well. These two agencies extensively promote the handicraft items of Tamil Nadu. They sell exquisite handicrafts of the state and

make it available to a wider berth of buyers. Mahabalipuram is quite popular with people who are fond of collecting fine pieces of sculptures. It is also known for its ancient arts and crafts including carved sculptures of Hindu deities, exquisite woodcarvings and jewellery.

### Time to visit Tamil Nadu

There are three distinct times of rainfall in Tamil Nadu- the southwest monsoon from the months of June to September characterised by heavy southwest winds; the northeast monsoons from the months of October to December, characterised by northeast winds; and the dry season from the months of January to May, namely.

### Connectivity By Air

The Chennai International airport serves domestic as well as international airlines with ample number of flights in and out of the state on a regular basis.

### By Rail

Chennai Central' and the 'Egmore Station.'

### By Road

Tamil Nadu flaunts an excellent road network and is well-connected by the services of private and government buses.



## A walk of nation betterment

The Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Culture and MoS Environment, Forest & Climate Change Dr. Mahesh Sharma along with Shri K.J Alphons, Minister of State (Independent Charge) Tourism inaugurated the ParyatanParv celebrations at Humayun's Tomb, New Delhi.

Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Guest Dr. Mahesh Sharma, Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Culture and MoS Environment, Forest & Climate Change stressed on the close linkage of culture & Tourism in the country and how we need to work on making India's rich cultural heritage as tourism attractions

Shri. K.J Alphons in his address highlighted the need to drastically improve the tourist arrivals in the country. He also said that tourism is needed for two reasons namely providing employment to the people and to become an engine of growth.

Earlier in the day, the 'ParyatanParv' activities began with the flagging of the cycle rally by Smt. Rashmi Verma Secretary, Ministry of Tourism, Government of India from India Gate, New Delhi to Qutab Minar. Approximately 80 cyclists from across Delhi including members of tourism Industry Stakeholders, officials from central Ministries, doctors, teachers, students participated in this rally.

The other activities in the capital included a guided Heritage walk at Humayun's Tomb & painting competition for children etc.

Tourism awareness Walk & Run were



organised in Shillong, Bhubaneswar, Kovalam (Kerala), Hajipur (Bihar), Gurudaspur, Chennai, Guwahati, Mumbai, Ahmedabad, Jaipur, Imphal, Lucknow, Agra, Hyderabad, Gwalior, Bhopal, Panaji (Goa), Delhi. 100's of student from Institute of Hotel Management in the said cities & local stakeholders enthusiastically participated in the Tourism walk & Run. The various State Tourism Departments also joined the celebrations by organising various events like trekking programme, photography contest, essay competitions, sensitization program etc.

In Guwahati, the students took to rowing in the Brahmaputra river spreading the message of Paryatanparv.

The Indian Institute of Tourism & Travel Management, Noida organised a painting competition for school children on the theme "Tourism for All" & "DekhoApnaDesh".

During the inauguration, the Ministry of Tourism launched a special film on the concept of ParyatanParv and a promotional film on the various competitions to be organised during the ParyatanParv across India.

The microsite on the project "Adopt a Heritage", [www.adoptaheritage.in](http://www.adoptaheritage.in), was unveiled during the inauguration of the "ParyatanParv" event jointly by the Hon'ble Minister of Culture Sh. Mahesh Sharma and Hon'ble Minister of Tourism, Sh. K.J. Alphons.

Ministry of Tourism in close collaboration with Ministry of Culture and Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) envisages to develop the heritage sites and monuments to make them tourist-friendly thereby enhancing the tourism potential and their cultural importance in a planned and phased manner. The concept was launched by Hon'ble President of India on 27.9.2017 during the National Tourism Awards and World Tourism Day.

The celebrations will run from October 5-25, 2017 across several cities and iconic tourism destinations in the country. Throughout these 20 days, the 'ParyatanParv' will give an opportunity for the citizens of the country to explore the cultural heritage and enjoy the diverse cuisine, cultural programmes, music, theatre, etc.





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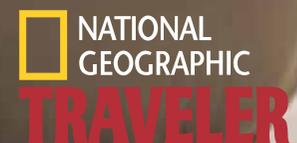
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# Exuberant Nature Beckons – SRI LANKA



Sri Lanka, an island in the Indian Ocean is located to the South of the Indian subcontinent. An Island all with varying landscapes, rainforest, arid plains, highlands, sandy beaches, where different cultures from all around the world brew in and an army of sleeping yet active volcanoes – That's Sri Lanka for you. Our exploration trip of Sri Lanka, which was facilitated by Sri Lanka Tourism took us through this amazing nation which seems to be a small planet in itself. Be it the lively streets of Colombo, or the wildlife of Minneriya National Park, the scenic beauty of NuwaraEliya or the much intriguing Buddhism, which is depicted in the Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic– You have it all in Sri Lanka. We took the opportunity of compiling our detailed itinerary with some Sri Lankan travel add-ones, so sit back and enjoy this treat!

• **Vedika Sharma**



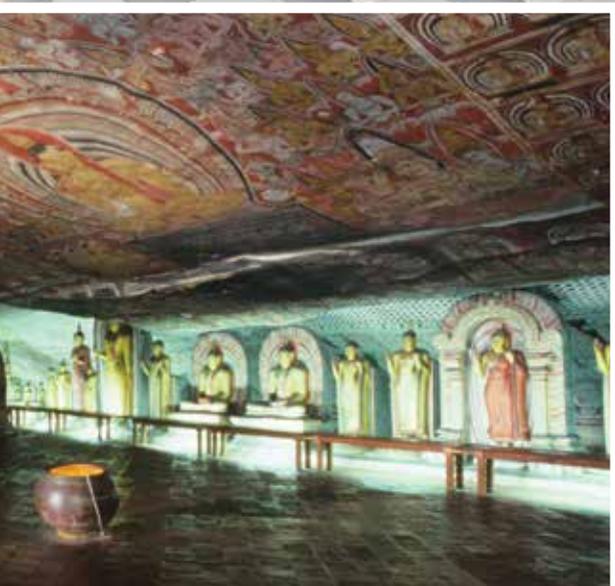
## DAY 1

### Experience the Fascinating City Colombo

Colombo is a fascinating city, not only for its comfortable blend of East and West, but also for its vibrant mixture of the past and the present, with a central cluster of high-rise office blocks and hotels overshadowing red-tiled Dutch colonial-era buildings and sprawling street markets which overflow with high-piled fruit and vegetables, colourful silks and cottons, and deliciously fragrant spices. On its crowded streets stand places of worship, symbolic of Sri Lanka's multiethnic heritage: graceful Buddhist viharas (temples), for instance, stand close to extravagant temples encrusted with Hindu statuary, Muslim mosques with minarets scattered along Colombo's streets.

The city is worth to visit once, without this city in itinerary trip to Sri Lanka will be incomplete towards the main aim of Sri Lankan adventures. Here not only streets, temples mesmerise you but also cream on top of the milk are beaches and extravaganza of adventure must be start or finish here.

In addition I would like to acknowledge, Colombo is a principal port of the Indian Ocean. It has one of the largest artificial harbours in the world and handles the majority of Sri Lanka's foreign trade.



trees, next to beach is the railway track where trains comes and go. Having breakfast over there is just the starting of your memorable trip that is waiting ahead.

## DAY 2

### In Search of History and Wildlife: Dambulla

We travelled 148km from Colombo to Dambulla by road. The roads of the highway must be praised as that was too clean and was in good condition but the only difficulty we face is of traffic as somewhere (in few locations mainly inside colombo) the highways become the main street of each small town it passes through. But that was neglected because of the beauty of the way, it was totally lush green at both the sides and van was running with its speed in between the road of lush green areas. Enroute we stop at restaurant with great lake location and enjoyed coffee front of the lake with cool breeze.

#### First Destination of Dambulla:

##### Dambulla Cave Temple

This cave monastery, with its five sanctuaries, is the largest, best-preserved cave-temple complex in Sri Lanka. It is situated in the central of the country and also known as “Golden Temple of Dambulla”. It is like the peacefulness



of being alone in a sacred cave that many centuries ago was decorated with the teachings of Siddhartha Gautam.

Throughout its rich history, many Buddhist Kingdoms have risen and fallen in Sri Lanka and yet, the cultural vestiges of their greatness still remain to this day.

160m granite outcrop constructed and painted from around 2nd Century BC (Anuradhapura era ) and continued up to the Kandyan era of the 18th Century. The Dambulla Rock Temple had first been constructed during the rein of King Vattagamini Abhaya( 103 BC and 89-77 BC). The Sinhalese often call him as King Valagamba.

To reach there one has to climb around 250 stairs, which are vertical so it took more efforts while climbing. But when we reached there it surprised us with the largest painted caves in the world, more than 22,000 sq. ft. of painted surfaces with many paintings, sculptures, statues of Lord Buddha, his disciples, Kings, Gods etc. dates back to more than 2000 years. And the more surprising was its curved architect that stops rainwater to come inside the caves.

For sure history seekers will love it the most.

#### Second Destination of Dambulla:

##### Local Spice Garden- Luckgrove

Spice of Sri Lanka is as famous as of its beaches. It was like small yard with various spice plantations. There is no doubt to mention each plant have it own medicinal or cosmetics properties. The product which extracted from these plants is also known as ayurvedic product, the original form of which is very rare to find in the market. All I can say that spice plantation tour was very enlighten to get knowledge about the benefits of the spices and origin of its.

We got a chance to have ayurvedic massage too that was too relaxing full of ayurvedic products so no risk of chemical and side effects. It was like pill to charge ourselves with that massage.

If you are ayurvedic lover must go there to explore the small part of ayurvedic products origin.

#### Third Destination of Dambulla:

##### Minneriya National Park

The safari of Minneriya National Park was

too amazing and great fun. Elephants have become a significant part of the park as there are over 700 wild elephants that dwell within the premises. The elephants thrive on the Minneriya Tank; the water sustains the forest and is the main source of survival for all the other animals.

It was wonderful experience spending time with the elephants in their own back yard. We saw around 100 elephants together around to grass fields on the edges of the reservoir from babies’ elephant to the old one. I must say the voyage of elephant will be one of the unforgettable activities for everyone during their trip to Sri Lanka. It was too fascinating and will surely make you fall in love with the wildlife of nature.

The park is also home to two endemic monkeys; the purple-faced Langur and Toque Macaque. The purple-faced Langur and Toque Macaque are some of the most endangered primates in the world. It is entertaining to watch them in their habitat as these lively monkeys always swing on branches and chase each other around the trees.

We had a great guide from the national park service who pointed out all the interesting birds, water buffalo, monkeys, peacock etc and stop and every spot so we could take photos.

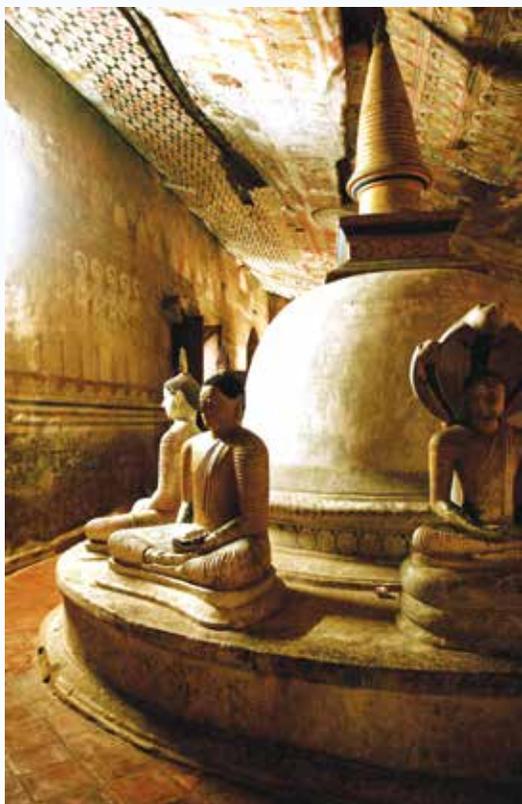
After all this activities, at the end of the day we checked in to Amaya Lake Hotel – Dambulla. It is in front of beautiful Kandalama lake, which is like one of the unique selling point of the property. Tree-laden pathways lead to the pristine beauty of Amaya Lake, nestled along the shores of the Kandalama reservoir. No doubt, it is totally true Amaya Lake is an icon of Sri Lanka’s cultural heritage and hospitality excellence.

If we talk about the accommodation it is fully immersed in the culture and tradition of Sri Lanka. One can feel an array of luxury villas and suites that embody the unique personality of Dambulla. Gaze upon the still waters of the lake and listen to the melodies of indigenous birds, finding inner peace and rest.

## DAY 3

### Walk of Heritage Adventure: Sigiriya

During morning after having our breakfast, we travelled 14km from Amaya Lake Hotel



– Dambulla to Sigiriya Lion Rock. It took us around half an hour to reach there.

On day 3 we have only one activity to do that is rock climbing and that site of lion rock is again one of the heritage sites.

### Sigiriya Rock Fortress

You will be surprised to know it is the fifth century heritage site and one of the most valuable historical monuments of Sri Lanka.

This unique Rock Fortress or "castle in the sky" - a massive monolith of red stone that rises 600ft above ground, derived the name "Lion Rock" as the entrance to the climb to the summit is reached between the paws of a lion. To reach at the top of the Lion Rock one has to climb exactly 1202 steps. But at last you will find it worth to climb that steps because of its central location you can spot the splendid nature view of all corners of the country and that lush green beauty, hills, Buddha statue, temple are as visible as you are on the top mapping the country locations. Especially for the photo lovers it's a perfect location to have amazing scenic background.

But as we all know there is history behind everything. The story of the history of this site is quite interesting to know. Sigiriya has it all — a blood-stained history full of intrigue, astonishing frescoes of bare-breasted maidens painted 15 centuries ago, a wall covered in graffiti that is more than 1,000 years old and, to top it all, Asia's oldest surviving landscape garden.

A Royal Citadel for 20 years in the 5th Century AD - stark and forbidding, haunted by an epic story of murder and betrayal is attributed to King Kasyapa who found hiding here after killing his father more fruitful than meeting the wrath of the people who loved King Dhatusena much more before meeting his rival - Prince Mugalan who had fled to India seeking reinforcements of his Army.

Though, it was established as the stronghold of a rogue king over 1,500 years ago, and today the Sigiriya complex stands as one of the earliest preserved examples of ancient urban planning. Ultimately the rock was unable to save its king, but it succeeded in preserving ancient Sinhalese culture.

After Lion Rock Sigiriya we travelled 90 km to Kandy and reached our destination that is Amaya Hills Hotel - Kandy for overnight stay. It took us around three hours to reach there. It was hilly area evening was quite chilled and misty over there.

We checked in to Amaya Hills Hotel - Kandy which is a tasteful pairing of contemporary luxury with culture.

Nestled in the picturesque hill top, Amaya Hills proudly sets the benchmark for hotels in Kandy. Built along the lines of a Kandyan Palace (Maligawa as locals call it), this beautiful hotel is a tasteful mingling of Kandyan culture paired with the trimmings of contemporary luxury. The hotel overlooks the Hanthana mountain range is the perfect location for crimson sunsets.

The accommodation over here is too great to find serenity while sitting front of the balcony facing the mesmerising views. It can be better to describe as where history and tradition are combined to create a culture, perfectly mirrored in the interior design of the hotel.

## DAY 4

### Path of Serenity: Kandy

It's the time to explore kandy. The rich heritage of the island country is obvious from the attractions of Kandy. Kandy is a world heritage site having been declared as such by the UNESCO in the year 1988. The city happens to hold one of the most sacred places of worship in the Buddhist religion - Temple of the Tooth.

While the old monarchy is represented by the palace and the manmade lake, the influence of the colonial rule is evident in its architecture.

### Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic

Housed in golden-roofed temples clustered on the banks of Kandy's lake, the relic is kept in lavish state, on a throne, in a jewelled casket sat on a solid gold lotus. The relic itself is said to be the left upper canine tooth of Lord Buddha, and is of such sacred significance that it is believed that whoever holds the relic, holds governance of the country. This temple is also known as the Sri Dalada Maligawa.

The revered main temple, the complex includes a series of smaller temples, shrines and museums.

There were thousands of white-clad pilgrims make their way to this hallowed space, bearing lotus blossoms and frangipani for their offerings and prayers, known as pujas. It is essential that you are dressed appropriately, clothes must cover your legs and shoulders and, before entering the holy temple your shoes must be removed.

After temple we travelled 75km to Nuwaraeliya and checked in to Araliya Green Hills for overnight. Amidst majestic mountains, lush gardens and the finest tea, Araliya green hills, a stately century-old manor, takes you back to a simpler time, replete with comfort and serenity; a haven for those seeking the perfect luxury hotel in NuwaraEliya.

The experience of the stay in this property was too good from the beginning of the welcome till checkout. The services and staff need to appreciate to serve guests as god.

While commenting on Accommodation I will add at this hideaway in the mountains, delicate nuances of old-world charm can be vividly captured from the paintings adorning the walls to the earth tones surrounding the room.



best's view you can see in Sri Lanka.

The plains is home to Elk, wild buffaloes, deer and many types of birds and also visited by few leopards.

**Glenloch Tea Plantation**

It was very interesting to know about how we extract tea from tea leaves. There was a guide who us to round the factory and enlighten us with the process and the function of each of the machines (absolutely necessary - there's a withering area, a rolling process, Fermentation/Oxidisation process, drying machine, grading room, etc.) and you end up in a tea-tasting café, on a balcony which gives you a panoramic view of the Mahaweli River valley. Finally, there's a shop.

**Gregory Lake**

Gregory Lake was built under the period of British Governor Sir William Gregory in 1873. This is the most prominent attraction in the city. This lake is very close to the centre and has a lot of attractions making it an ideal family place to spend a restful vacation day. There are pedal boats and walkways.

When you will go there, you will find yourself very close to nature and fall in love with its scenic beauty.

Finally after this we travelled 162km to Negombo and checked in to the Jetwing Blue Hotel. This property offers much indulgence; from fine cuisine, sensuous spa treatments to Ayurvedic healing. And plenty to do too: extreme action or quiet meditation, a myriad wonders both natural and man-made to explore and a wealth of culture and tradition to experience as well. The warmth of care and the exceptionally high service standards you will enjoy sets us apart too.

The stay of this property was good experience in its own. I would highly recommend this hotel to must add on in your itinerary you will love it.

One thing I would like to mention 6km from Bandaranayake international airport. Wild beach, Dutch canal boat rides, colourful and one of the busy fish market. It has a long history of tourism and the colourful streets and shops.

Moreover you will be surprised to know Sigiriya, Dambulla and Kandy all are UNESCO heritage sites.



Nestled 6,200 feet above mean sea level, the plains is located few kilometers from NuwaraEliya town and is accessed passing the Government Potato seed Farm at SitaEliya. The main attraction of Moon Plains is the mini Worlds End at the edge giving a 360 Degree view of the surrounding peaks and towns. The view from the viewpoint was absolutely outstanding layers of hills and mountains through the morning mists will make you astonish you. This is the best of

**DAY 5**

**Heaven of Sri Lanka: NuwaraEliya**

With the packed breakfast we checked out early in the morning now it's time to explore the heaven of Sri Lanka or we can say city of light that is NuwaraEliya. Situated at around 1893m above sea level and surrounded by lush tea plantations NuwaraEliya is the main hill of Sri Lanka and the heart of the tea industry. NuwaraEliya is a good escape for those who miss cool breeze in tropical Sri Lanka at any time of the year. NuwaraEliya offers many activities for tourists including visits to tea plantations golfing, horse riding, boating, hiking and of course exploring the beauty of the landscaped gardens, waterfalls and plateaus.

The hill station of NuwaraEliya is celebrated for its fresh climate, the wonderful scenery all around, and its "Englishness". Wonderful mountain panoramas surround the wide valley, into which fall many lovely but icy waterfalls.

**Moonplains**



# Qufu International Confucius Culture Festival



Friendly Shandong welcomes the tourists to experience The Qufu International Confucius Culture Festival which is held every year between September 26th and October 10th in Qufu City, hometown of Confucius. Confucius (551-479 BC) was born on September 28th in Qufu, Shandong Province.

Celebrations include a grand ceremony of worshipping Confucius, performances at the Temple of Confucius and the Cemetery of Confucius and occasionally a kung fu competition. These performances are often accompanied with ancient music and dance, which are performed in an ornate manner.

Confucius Culture Festival serves not only as a pageant to commemorate the world-famous philosopher, but a chance to introduce a splendid Chinese culture to the whole world.

## MTPA Roadshow in India

MTPA India conducted a four city Roadshow in Mumbai, New Delhi, Bengaluru and Chennai from 28th August to 1st September 2017. The objective of the event was to offer Indian travel partners an opportunity to acquaint themselves with the destination and meet the hoteliers, DMCs and activity companies.

The Roadshow was led by Mr Raj Bhujohory, Chairman MTPA who said, "This Roadshow will serve as a great platform for the Indian tour operators to understand the product offerings and have a meaningful dialogue with the suppliers from Mauritius".

Mr Kevin Ramkaloan, Director,

MTPA, while describing the tagline "Mauritius- It's a pleasure!" said, "Mauritius offers amazing activities for adventure lovers like sky diving, ziplining, quad biking, seakarting, helicopter tours and also a life time experience of walking with the lions. Rum and tea tasting tours are also gaining popularity among the tourists. Those who are sports minded, can enjoy a game of golf at one of the many championship level courses in Mauritius. Indians, while in Mauritius, will definitely enjoy long drives, shopping, night life and delicious cuisine or simply rejuvenate themselves at the world class spas.



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# Rajkot: New Greenfield Airport

**R**ajkot, the fourth largest city of the state of Gujarat is going to get a New Greenfield Airport soon.

The Bhoomi Poojan function of the new airport was presided over by the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on 7th October, 2017.

State Government of Gujarat has proposed a Greenfield Airport at Hirasar, Rajkot as the existing airport is capacity constrained with no further scope for expansion and upgradation due to urbanization and commercial development around the existing airport. The proposed site for the Greenfield Airport measuring 2534 acres is next to the National Highway (NH-8B) connecting Ahmedabad and Rajkot and is located 27km east of the existing Rajkot

Airport. An area of 293.255 hectares was handed over by the State Government to AAI in August this year. AAI has requested State Government to demarcate the boundary of land on ground with necessary peg marking with GPS co-ordinates at reasonable distance since handed over lands are isolated pockets.

It has been decided that the AAI shall take up development works in a phased manner. In the initial phase, development works are proposed to be undertaken at a cost of Rs. 1405 Crores.

The New Greenfield Airport is going to have many environment-friendly features like double insulated roofing system, rainwater harvesting system to recharge the ground water level, usage of eco-friendly local building material, LED lighting, sensor-

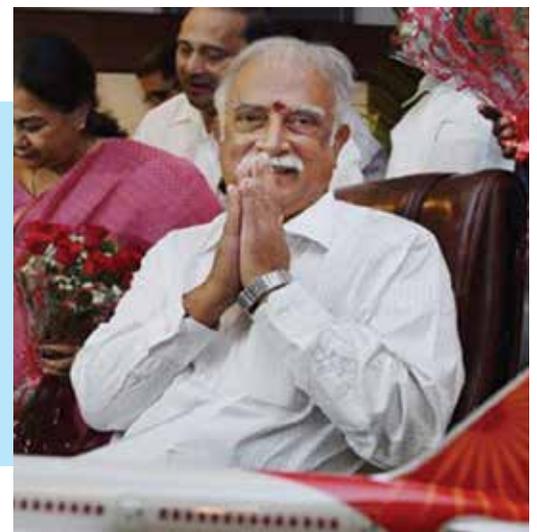
fitted electrical and sanitary fittings, energy efficient chillers, solar power system and a green belt along the periphery of the airport and along the approach road to act as a noise barrier.

The existing Rajkot Airport currently witnesses around 100 movements per week and handled over 4 lakh passengers during 2016-17. Due to non-availability of adequate land, the runway of the existing airport can't be extended further. The new upcoming Greenfield Airport will face no such restrictions regarding expansion of airside infrastructure, will be able to handle A-320 type of aircraft and will be capable of handling both domestic and international operations together.

While addressing the attendees during the Bhoomi Poojan ceremony, Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi highlighted the importance of an airport in achieving development of a region and a state, He mentioned that the present government, for the first time in the history of Indian Civil Aviation since independence, formulated a National Civil Aviation Policy to connect small cities and use the available airstrips across the country. Commenting on the bright prospects of India becoming a world aviation leader soon, the Prime Minister predicted a very good future for the Indian aviation sector. He also brought to light the fact that for the new Greenfield airport coming up between Rajkot and Surendranagar districts, 96% of the land used was barren land of Govt. of Gujarat.



**R**ajkot is the fourth largest city in the state of Gujarat. Since the existing airport has no scope of further expansion and is not positioned well to meet the potential traffic demand, the new airport being constructed by AAI will surely meet the futuristic demands of Rajkot and will further add to the infrastructural development of this expanding city.



**T Shri P. Ashok Gajapathi Raju, Union Minister of Civil Aviation**



**Dr. Guruprasad Mohapatra, Chairman, AAI**

**R**ajkot is the nerve-centre of Saurashtra region in Gujarat, it is befitting that the Hon'ble Prime Minister presided over the Bhoomi Poojan function for the new integrated state-of-the-art Greenfield Airport at Rajkot. This new airport will cater to the commercial, religious and general aviation needs of the people of Rajkot, Surendranagar and will provide a boost to the local economy. It will offer employment opportunities to the people of the region too.

## Holiday options from Jet Airways

Jet Airways has unveiled a host of exciting domestic and international holidays for guests planning their winter getaway.

Attractively priced, with all-inclusive domestic holidays starting at INR 11,390 onwards, JetEscapes Holidays' tailor-made itineraries to a multitude of destinations include return economy airfare, airport transfers, three-star hotel accommodation with

breakfast and sightseeing. Guests need only select their destination and travel dates and let JetEscapes Holidays take care of the rest.

Winter is the ideal time to travel. The weather is pleasant and temperatures cool enough to explore a whole host of unique destinations. It also coincides with the year-ending festive season when a lot of families choose to plan their travel.

Jet Airways' Winter holidays offer extensive choices to cater to everyone's needs. Take advantage of our wide domestic and international network to find exciting holidays that promise to leave a memorable and unforgettable experience.



Jayaraj Shanmugam, Chief Commercial Officer, Jet Airways

## Booming Traffic of Cathay Pacific

Cathay Pacific Airways released combined Cathay Pacific and Cathay Dragon traffic figures for August 2017 that show an increase in both the number of passengers carried and cargo and mail uplifted compared to the same month in 2016.

Cathay Pacific and Cathay Dragon carried a total of 3,079,949 passengers last month – an increase of 3.5% compared to August 2016. The passenger load factor dropped 0.5 percentage points to 86.3%, while capacity, measured in available seat kilometres (ASKs),

and increased by 4.8%. In the first eight months of 2017, the number of passenger carried increased by 0.3% while capacity rose by 2.0%.

The two airlines carried 172,253 tonnes of cargo and mail last month, an increase of 12.0% compared to the same month last year. The cargo and mail load factor rose by 2.2 percentage points to 65.5%. Capacity, measured in available cargo/mail tonne kilometres, was up by 7.5% while cargo and mail revenue tonne kilometres (RTKs)

increased by 11.3%. In the first eight months of 2017, the tonnage rose by 11.9% against a 3.3% increase in capacity and a 9.5% increase in RTKs.

We recorded modest revenue growth in August, despite our operations being disrupted by numerous typhoons in the region, including at our home hub in Hong Kong. The additional capacity we deployed on our European routes enabled strong volume growth during the summer peak, while premium class demand across the network in general remained robust. Headwinds in the form of yield decline persisted in several of our key markets, while geopolitical instability in Northeast Asia necessitated careful capacity management on our Korean routes.

Our cargo business, meanwhile, continued its good momentum. Demand out of our key markets remained strong; tonnage growth was well ahead of capacity growth, with both inbound and outbound sectors sustaining high levels. Overall, our cargo yield sustained an improving trend. Looking ahead, we plan to operate our maximum freighter schedule in order to match the forecast surge in demand from various new product launches.



Ronald Lam, Director Commercial and Cargo, Cathay Pacific

## Citilink Indonesia join Hahn Air Systems' H1

Hahn Air Systems announced that it has signed an agreement with the Indonesian low-cost airline, Citilink Indonesia.

The global consolidation service connecting air, rail and shuttle partners to all major Global Distribution Systems (GDSs) enables Citilink Indonesia to offer its flights to travel agencies worldwide. They are available in all major GDSs under the reservation code H1 without the airline needing to have its own direct

GDS interface.

Citilink Indonesia, a low-cost-carrier subsidiary of Garuda Indonesia, is the latest airline to join Hahn Air Systems' H1-Air partner network, which entails a customer portfolio of more than 70 partners. Based at Soekarno Hatta Airport (CGK) in Jakarta, Citilink Indonesia offers 244 daily flights to 31 destinations including Surabaya (SUB), Batam (BTH), Bandung (BDO), Banjarmasin (BDJ), Denpasar (DPS),

Balikpapan (BPN), Yogyakarta (JOG) and Medan (KNO).

By utilising the H1-Air product, airlines with limited or no GDS connection of their own are able to outsource indirect distribution to Hahn Air Systems. Using the standard GDS ticketing process, over 100,000 travel agents in more than 190 markets can issue the services of these carriers under the code H1 on the Hahn Air HR-169 document.

# Twentieth Anniversary of Qatar Airways

Thousands of people watched in admiration as a Qatar Airways aircraft flew in formation over Doha with the world-famous Red Arrows aerobatic display team, an event taking place as the airline celebrates its twentieth anniversary.

The event, hosted by the British Ambassador to the State of Qatar, His Excellency Mr. Ajay Sharma, and Qatar Airways Group Chief Executive, His Excellency Mr. Akbar Al Baker, included a number of other ambassadors and Ministers.

The thrilling display took place in the skies above Doha as a state-of-the-art Qatar Airways Airbus A350, for which the airline was the global launch customer, flew in formation with the British Royal Air Force's (RAF) iconic Red Arrows. Their distinctive fleet of Hawk jets were on hand to display the speed, agility and precision of the RAF and fly in their trademark diamond nine formation to join in the salute to Qatar Airways and its 20 years of operations.



Akbar Al Baker, Chief Executive, Qatar Airways Group

It has been an honour to have one of Qatar Airways' Airbus A350 aircraft join forces with the world-famous Red Arrows and take part in today's historic fly-by over the impressive Doha skyline.

The Red Arrows have helped Qatar Airways celebrate in style with a thrilling display to mark our twentieth anniversary. In just two decades, Qatar Airways has exceeded all expectations, to rise from humble beginnings to become one of the world's leading and most admired airlines. This year we were named Airline of the Year by Skytrax, which is the fourth time we have won this prestigious award.

I am very proud of all that Qatar Airways has achieved in the past 20 years and as we embark on the next 20 years I look forward to continuing to demonstrate the passion, innovation and award-winning customer service that we have become renowned for.

# Vistara and Japan Airline Ink MoU for Commercial Cooperation

Japan Airlines (JAL) and Vistara signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to pursue commercial opportunities that combine the synergies of both airlines with the aim of providing greater convenience to their joint customers travelling between India and Japan, and through Japan to points beyond.

This mutual understanding between Japan Airlines and Vistara will help the two airlines pursue significant cooperation in the near future, such as codeshare, frequent flyer partnership as well as other operational arrangements, allowing them to leverage each other's network, expertise and assets, subject to necessary approvals from authorities.

Vistara and Japan Airlines entered an 'Inter-Airline Through Check-In' (IATCI) partnership earlier this year enabling customers to enjoy a seamless 'Through Check-in' facility, when connecting to or from a Vistara flight in India (\*) and more than 50 countries across the globe on Japan Airlines' network, using a single ticket.



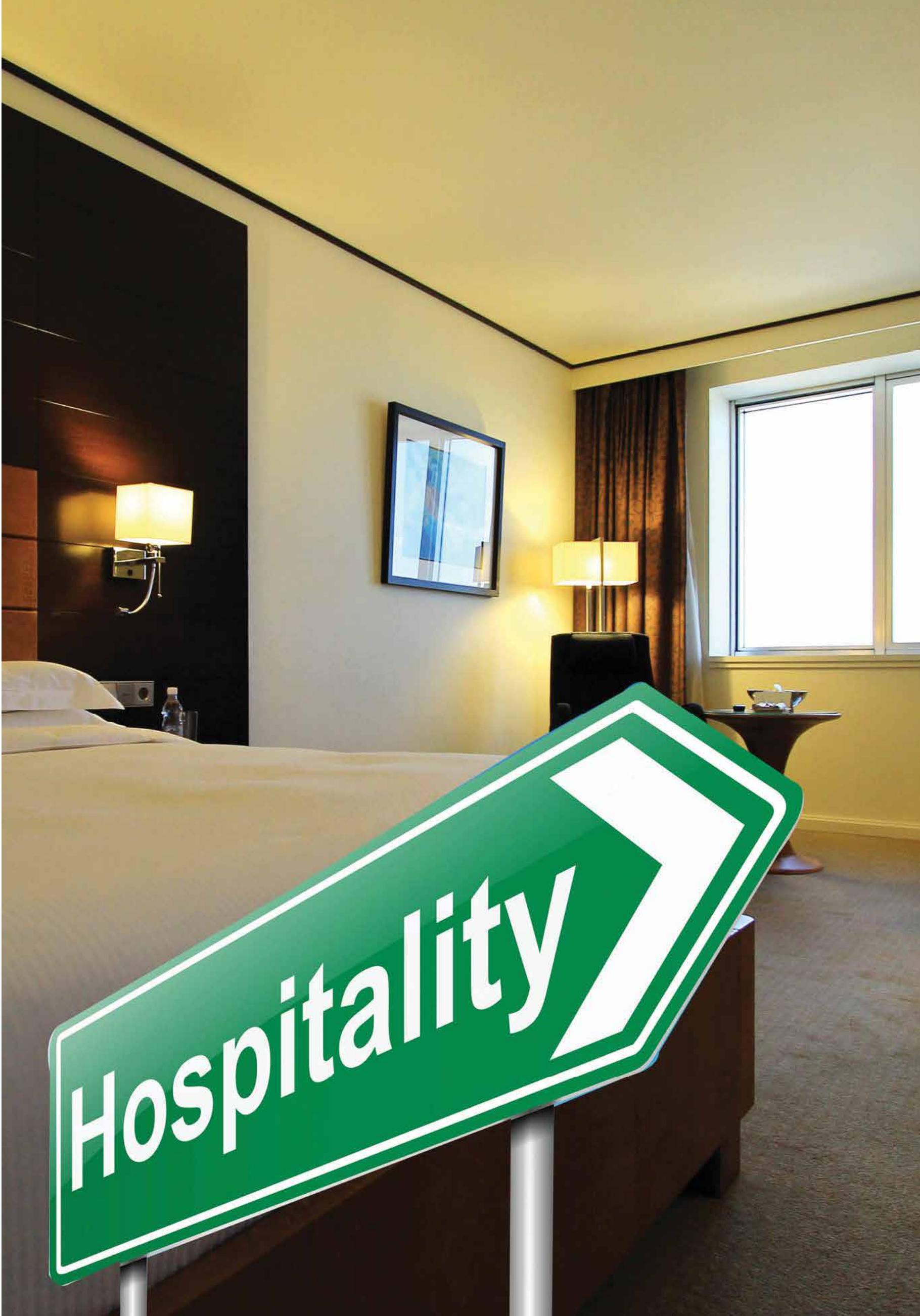
Tadashi Fujita, JAL Executive Vice President

The strengthened partnership with Vistara represents a significant milestone for the two airlines to provide customers better access to destinations between and in Japan and India, and we believe it will open up commercial opportunities on the two airlines' networks.

Vistara and Japan Airlines share a great deal in common, key among which are the focus on excellence in operations and delivery of exceptional service to customers. We're delighted to enter the next phase of our association with Japan Airlines, and we believe that this is only the beginning of many other great offerings to come.



PheeTeikYeoh, Chief Executive Officer, Vistara



Hospitality

# HONEYMOON: A Walk of Romance

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• **Vedika Sharma**

**H**oneymoon is one of the only times in one's life when a person gets to be this free, with this much time for each other and life far from getting in the way. Enjoy the phase by being extra romantic. While most honeymoon destinations are utterly enchanting by themselves, that doesn't mean your romantic efforts should end right there. To make a honeymoon truly special, it takes some extra planning and initiative.

Don't assume that your trip will be romantic just because it's your honeymoon. Try to do things that can make your honeymoon even more romantic by planning memorable activities before you go. Never forget that your honeymoon is the beginning of your new life together- start it off on the right foot. Pick a hotel you know has your partner's favourite taste, get some chocolates delivered to the room or organize a candle-lit

dinner as a dinner surprise – the little things all matter on a honeymoon.

By keeping this beautiful process of bonding for the newly-wed couple in mind, we would like to make it absolutely stress free for you. So, here we have on desk the spoke persons of best luxury, budgetable hotels from different corners of the world to make your honeymoon like a dream of your choice.

## Al Baleed Resort Salalah by Anantara

**W**hile sharing about the hotel location as a perfect destination for dream honeymoon James Hewitson, General Manager, Al Baleed Resort Salalah by Anantara, said "Located on the stunning coast of Southern Oman, Al Baleed Resort Salalah by Anantara is the ultimate escape for a dream honeymoon. As the newest and most luxurious resort in Salalah, Al Baleed Resort Salalah by Anantara is the only resort in the region to offer private pool villas, something that we've learned is quite attractive to our honeymooning guests. We also have a spectacular 250-metre long private beach and three unique restaurants including our signature Asian

restaurant Mekong. And, of course, we have a world-acclaimed Anantara Spa. In addition to luxurious amenities and impeccable service, Salalah in itself is a special place for honeymoon. A honeymoon at Al Baleed Resort Salalah by Anantara offers the perfect balance of relaxation, adventure and romance."

"Aside from the exotic ambiance and Dining By Design, a couple can work with a personal chef to create their menu and then enjoy it at a table setup on the beach surrounded by whimsical decoration and flickering torches with only the sound of the waves in the background as the personal butler serves the meal. We also offer activities such

as massages and treatments in the spa, Spice Spoons cooking classes and wine tastings, horse riding on the beach or just lazing in a private pool villa. Whether it be the creative and romantic setup of the room or the attentiveness



**James Hewitson**

throughout the stay, honeymooners are treated to an incredibly special and personalized experience at Al Baleed Resort Salalah by Anantara meant to make memories for a lifetime." he commented on the specialties which they offer to make honeymoon the memorable and romantic holiday ever.





Saida El Massmoudi

## Atlantis The Palm Dubai

**S**aida El Massmoudi, Director of Weddings, Atlantis The Palm Dubai while focusing on the location of the hotel as a perfect destination for honeymoon couple said “Dubai makes for an ideal location for wedding and honeymoon due to the close proximity to India. With the growing number of connections from tier 2 and 3 cities, Dubai has grown to be one of the popular getaways for couples, especially honeymooners who would like to either spend a relaxed getaway or even stop-over to before they travel beyond. Atlantis, The Palm, situated on the crescent of The Palm Jumeirah, is designed in such a way that each room enjoys unparalleled view of either the Arabian Gulf or The Palm. It is the first entertainment resort that offers the most unique experiences and locations such as one of the

most sophisticated dolphin habitats in the world – Dolphin Bay, the 17 hectare Aquaventure Waterpark, and The Lost Chambers Aquarium, an underwater world of avenues and passageways with over 65,000 marine animals.

In addition, Atlantis is also known as the culinary destination in the region with a collection of world-renowned restaurants including Bread Street Kitchen & Bar, Nobu and Ronda Locatelli. With summer preferential rates we have been successful in attracting Indian travellers to Dubai all year round.”

“Atlantis, The Palm has a number of unique activities that leave guests awe-struck, even more so for couples who plan their honeymoon at Atlantis. Inspired by the Lost City of Atlantis we have two Underwater Suites with floor-to-ceiling glass walls that offer a window into

the depths of The Ambassador Lagoon home to 65,000 marine creatures. Rightly named Neptune and Poseidon, at 1,650 sqft, the three-floor suites offer an intimate and romantic setting for the couple. The suite comes with 24-hr butler service and soaps with 24-carat gold flakes and special arrangements such as special chocolate boxes and fine champagne by Dom Perignon.

In addition, newlyweds can also enjoy an exquisite couples’ spa treatment at Shui Qi Spa. With the help of the concierge, guests can arrange some special surprises for partners such as- a Dolphin bring a gift for the partner, have a romantic dinner set up on the Royal Beach only for the couple or even have a diver hold up a message for the partner during their dining experience at Ossiano- the underwater restaurant that has won several awards for being the most romantic restaurant in Dubai.”

“Offering tailor-made services is something we at Atlantis, The Palm pride ourselves on. The concierge ensures that all pre-arrival requests are taken care of so that the moment the guests step inside the suite, they are pampered and ensure privacy is maintained.

Atlantis, The Palm is the place where one can experience never-before activities and we customize the same to suit each guest’s requirements. The concierge leaves no stone unturned in going the extra mile; be it a ring brought by a Dolphin for a proposal, a Santa Claus skydive to deliver a special gift to a partner during Christmas, a camel ride on the Royal Beach- the team ensures that the guests enjoy a once-in-a-lifetime experience at Atlantis.” She added with respect to the specialty of the hotel to offer and make the moments memorable one.



# Four Season Resorts Bali

**M**arian Carroll, Director of Public Relations, Four Season Resorts Bali while commenting on the location of the hotel said “Unrivalled location on Bali’s sunset coast embraces the vibrant village life and 3-mile beach of Jimbaran Bay, the island’s historic fishing community. A convenient base for exploring Bali: Just 20 minutes from the international airport and cultural sites, and 30-45 minutes from the shopping and nightlife of Seminyak. Ocean-front venues for dining, spa and yoga, and water activities including on-site surf school, water biking, kayaking, SUP and sailing. Honeymooners can experience the serenity, real taste of peaceful Bali.”

To highlight the specialty and the offers to make the moments special she mentioned, “Authentically Bali: Architecture reflects Balinese village concept with a majestic temple and courtyard-style villas located within seven ‘village squares’, each headed by a village chief providing genuine Balinese hospitality.

- Bali’s newest 5-star product, reaffirming position as the market leader with 147 pool villas that present a fresh, contemporary design within an authentic Balinese setting.

- Imperial Villa, setting a new standard as the ultimate tropical sanctuary.

Individual design with 180-degree Ocean views, exclusive in-villa experiences and private venue for celebrations and weddings.

- Both ocean and beach views as 14 hectares (35 acres) of gardens dotted with over 250 shrines cascade down a hill to the ocean’s edge.

- The fun, hip vibe of Sundara, Bali’s most sophisticated beach-club and dining destination. It caters for all – families included – with live music 6x a week, cabanas and daybeds, innovative cocktails, Bali’s Longest Sunday Brunch (6 hours) and the island’s longest beach-front pool (57 metres), adjacent Kids’ Club, and Modern Asian cuisine with a unique Customized Dining concept for dinner.”



Marian Carroll

“Ideal setting for a journey of self-discovery or quality time with loved ones in absolute privacy.

- Respected high priest Aji Ngurah offers guests a deeper understanding of Balinese culture through on-site temple ceremonies, tours, meditation and blessings.

- Legendary service: Some 60% of staff have been with the resort for 20+ years, delivering personalized care and recognition to the many repeat guests.” She commented on “Dream honeymoon with warm hospitality”



# Four Seasons Resort Maldives



**A**rmando Kraenzlin, Regional Vice President and General Manager, Four Seasons Resort Maldives at Landaa Giraavaru while commenting on dream romance said “Romance your way: we’ll set the scene; you craft the script...”

Romance: what does it mean to you? Sunset soirees and candle lit dining? Extraordinary experiences with your one-and-only? Or the simple pleasure of uninterrupted time together? If there’s one thing we’ve learnt in our years of making couples’ dreams come true, it’s that no two love stories are the same – meaning no two romantic celebrations should be either!”

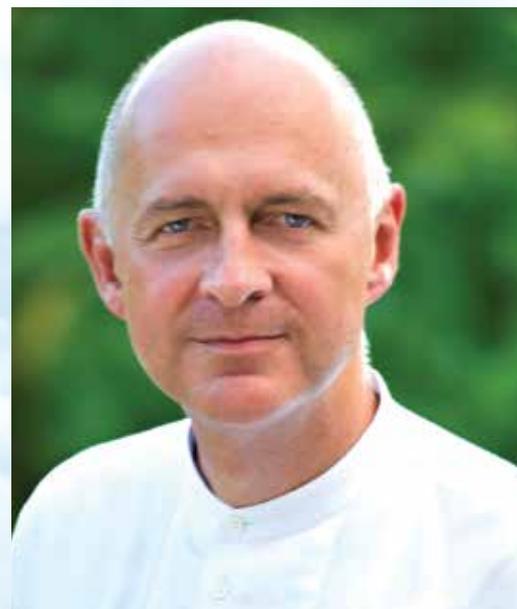
While talking about the Kuda Huraa property he said “A warm welcome and intuitive care awaits at the gorgeous garden island of Kuda Huraa. From the flower-festooned Pool Island to the private enclave of Sunset Beach, our Wedding Specialist extraordinaire and all-round Magic Maker, Evadne, is an expert at transforming the

island’s endless oceanfront venues into one-of-a-kind evening settings for any number from 2 to 200.

Let Kuda Huraa’s Director of Spa, Maxime, arrange pool side massages at the adults-only Serenity Pool, or sail you by moonlight to The Night Spa to experience the wonder of a starlit treatment on your own spa island. If your idea of romance includes getting your adrenaline pumping, talk to Zahir and his team about a programme of shark snorkel safaris, sunset jet-ski tours in search of dolphins, and afternoons marooned on your own deserted island.”

With respect to the Landaa Giraavaru property, he mentioned that “Over at Landaa Giraavaru, our team are on hand to “chauffeur” you and your guests by boat to the Overwater Wedding Pavilion, where the rest of your life begins with a walk down the glass aisle serenaded by the creatures of the UNESCO Biosphere Reserve. Cycle to The Spa & Ayurvedic Retreat in the heart of the island for an Ayurvedic pulse reading with Dr Shylesh to discover your dosha (body type) – then embark on a series of dedicated couple treatments, wellness classes, Anti Gravity Yoga and dosha-specific meals to rediscover the very best version of ‘you’. And while we can’t promise you heaven, we can get you pretty close via a private sandbank barbeque complete with bespoke menus crafted by Executive Chef Jude, sand-carved table, and starlit feasting late into the night ...”

“Enjoy extraordinary events over, next to, or even under the ocean with our amazing

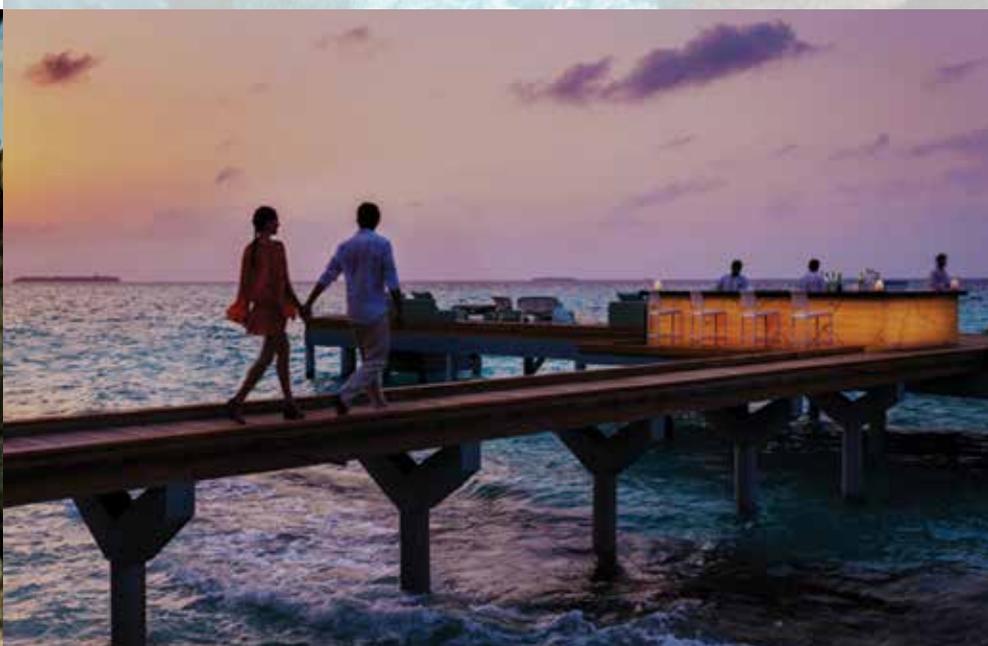


**Armando Kraenzlin**

private ceremonial and dinner venues (underwater exchange of rings, anyone?) Then capture all your sun-kissed memories in a private photo shoot to relive the magic back home. We can even arrange videography, underwater and drone services to tell the story from every angle, above and below the waves.

And because the sea is very close to our hearts here in the Maldives, we’re also delighted to announce our new collaboration with Ocean+Main: an environmentally conscious LA-based company that produces ethical ocean-inspired caftans and tunics. With zero water used in the production of its garments, Ocean+Main has designed a range of beach gowns exclusively for our female bridal, vow-renewing and anniversary guests that not only pay homage to the ocean but help to save it too. From long flowing silhouettes to short beaded creations, free yourself from the burden of travelling with a bulky dress in favour of a gorgeous bridal limited edition gown waiting for you on arrival.

It really is the little things that can make all the difference ...” he added.





Michel Volk

## Four Seasons Resort Mauritius

Michel Volk, General Manager of Four Seasons Resort Mauritius at Anahita said, “Nestled in a tropical sanctuary on the east coast of the island, Four Seasons Resort Mauritius at Anahita offers exclusively pool villa accommodation to rejuvenate and relax. With endless opportunities for adventure and romance, the Resort’s leisure activities range from cycling through the 64 acres of exotic gardens, tennis, complimentary golf on an Ernie Els Design course and a choice of watersports, which includes stand up paddle boarding, kayaking and sailing.

Three restaurants are able to cater to every culinary taste, while in villa dining is available around the clock, seven days a week, for lazy poolside breakfasts or relaxed evenings in. Whether looking to spend sun-soaked days on the Resort’s secluded beaches or discovering the Indian Ocean lagoon on a catamaran cruise or guided snorkelling excursion, Mauritius has something for every couple to enjoy.”

### “After Eight Spa and Gourmet

Discover romance at twilight with our exclusive After Eight and Gourmet experience. Soft evening light welcomes you to an overwater haven at the Spa where your senses will be soothed as you relax by candlelight in tranquil surroundings.

Blended from natural soya wax and essential oils, the specially created candles, once molten, become the base of your massage, enveloping



your skin in comforting warmth. Allow daily stresses to fade away as your body is released of all tension during a rejuvenating 90 minute massage, which will leave your skin looking and feeling brighter.

Following your treatment, embrace your blissful state in the total privacy of the Spa. Gourmet refreshment awaits in the form of a chilled platter of oysters, a selection of salads and exotic fruits, along with a bottle of iced Veuve Clicquot Ponsardin Brut.” he commented on specialty and the offers.

“From a candlelight dinner on the beach to a couple’s massage in an overwater Spa suite, create lasting memories of your stay in whichever way you wish. Select one of our couple’s bath rituals and enjoy your signature soak in the privacy of your private villa, or, allow us to arrange a photo shoot with a professional photographer around the grounds of the Resort. Whatever your desire, our Concierge team are on hand to assist you at any time.” he stated with respect to the “Dream honeymoon with warm hospitality”



# Four Seasons Resort Seychelles



Adrain Messerli

**A**drian Messerli, General Manager of Four Seasons Resort Seychelles said “Four Seasons Resort Seychelles is a remote, hillside retreat that embraces the natural simplicity of treetop living. Covering a secluded area of 170 acres on the southwest coast of Mahé, the Resort comprises 67 villas and suites that descend down a lushly forested incline to

the private, horseshoe beach of Petite Anse.

The signature Villa bathrooms, with a deep-soaking tub that has floor to ceiling glass windows, invite relaxation, while a secluded and spacious outdoor terrace and private pool are the ideal retreat for couples.

At the base of the Resort, black granite boulders, powder-white sand and lush tropical foliage combine with the azure blues of the sea and sky to create a vivid image of beachside perfection.”

## BLISSFUL CONNECTION AT THE SPA-

Focusing on the sacral, heart and crown chakras, this nurturing couple’s ritual promotes connection to one another through deep relaxation. Lay side by side in a private couple’s suite, rejuvenate with a full body massage and exfoliation, then unwind as your therapist conducts facial marma massage to open your

energy fields, allowing you to harmonise the mind, body and spirit. Carefully chosen essential oils awaken your senses before you are left to enjoy a bath in the privacy of the spa suite, with a direct, yet secluded view out to the Indian Ocean.

## FEET IN THE SAND-

Reserve the ultimate table for two with a private dinner together on the white sands of Petite Anse beach. Our team will lay the perfect table in front of the Indian Ocean and serve a special menu exclusive to you.” he mentioned on the specialty and offers to make the moments memorable.

While commenting on “Dream honeymoon with warm hospitality” he said “Caring Four Seasons service will ensure that couples are able to enjoy every moment of their honeymoon in paradise. Our Guest Experience Manager is on hand throughout guests' stays to offer assistance on planning activities or making recommendations for the Resort or destination, while attention is paid to every detail to ensure the highest level of personalised service at every point. From customised restaurant menus to in-villa amenities, honeymooners will be made to feel special at every moment at Four Seasons Resort Seychelles.”





## Golden Tulip Hotels and Resorts, South Asia

**S**hashi Razdan, Director of Operations and Commercials, Golden Tulip Hotels and Resorts, South Asia while commenting on the location of Royal Tulip Kufri said “There is nothing beautiful and romantic than spending your honeymoon amidst the nature. Royal Tulip Kufri offers a breathtaking view of the picturesque Himalayas. Located at 8600 feet above sea level in the charming town of Kufri, Royal Tulip Kufri offers the majestic views of the Himalayas exquisitely spread over acres of Cedar forest range. The location of the hotel is away from the hustle and bustle of city life offering tranquillity to the couple to spend some quality time. If one is travelling during winter, one can witness the whole Kufri district and the Himalayan mountains covered in pristine white snow.”

“Royal Tulip Kufri is a five star luxury property located in the picturesque Himalayas.

We create a hassle free and beautiful experience for honeymooners and are available at the beck and call of our guests. We extend our services that gives the couple the luxury and comfort that they don’t have to worry about anything and can have great time with each other, the package includes pick up and drop from the airport or from the Railway Station, Luxury Suites with room decoration, luxury amenities; a bottle of wine, assorted chocolates & cake and four-course candle light dinner at the roof top. The services also include drinks at the pool to couple spa once during the stay. We also arrange nature walk for the couple, drive in the hills or adventurous sports during their stay at the hotel.” he added.

“Golden Tulip Hotels and Resorts brand is synonymous with efficient services, local flavours and warm hospitality. Royal Tulip is the five star luxury brand under the parent brand and extends premium services, luxury,



**Shashi Razdan**

comfort and warm hospitality to its guests. At Royal Tulip Kufri the newly married couple can expect the unmatched services designed to ensure their comfort and privacy respected.” he mentioned with respect to “Dream honeymoon with warm hospitality”





## Hard Rock Hotel Goa

**V**ikas Sharma – General Manager, Hard Rock Hotel Goa said “Goa has always been a heaven for newly-weds and a romantic getaway for honeymooners. When it comes to great food, great music and warm hospitality, Goa never fails to inspire. Nestled in the heart of North Goa just 1 km away from the famed Calangute Beach, Hard Rock Hotel Goa enjoys pride of place as the first lifestyle music themed resort in India. So if you are looking at taking a romantic stroll along the beach, swirling around the pool with a glass of champagne, indulging in an intimate conversation with your loved one over dinner, working out at the gym together, having a jam session in your room or doing something extraordinary for your spouse, Hard Rock Hotel Goa gives you the perfect setting to make your honeymoon an affair to remember.”

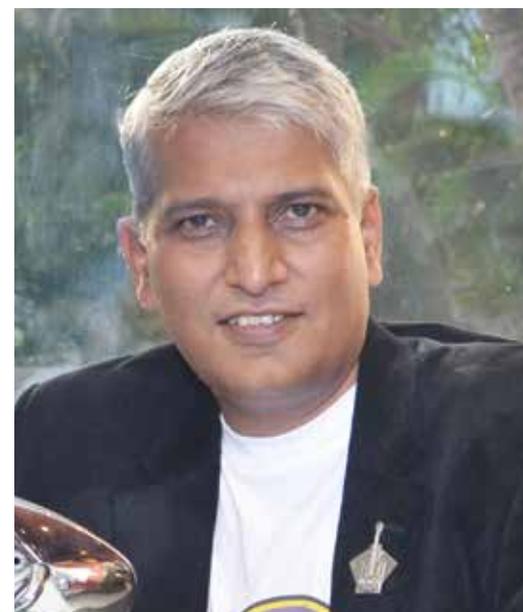
While talking about the speciality of the hotel he mentioned “There is no better way to express love than with a song and we make that happen right here at Hard Rock Hotel Goa. Music being our key differentiator, we focus a lot on music activations at the property. We have a special amenity programme, Sound of Your Stay® for guests where you can pick your favourite fender guitar, mix beats like a professional DJ, download exclusive tracks and create your own playlist. Hard Rock International has further

developed the Sound of Your Stay® program this year by adding WAX, a partnership with Crosley featuring turntables and a curated selection of vinyl records. Guests can relax within the comforts of their room while the turntable makes for easy listening and brings back memories of the good old days.

To further ignite their honeymoon experience, couples can avail of our special Romance Package which includes accommodation in the Rock Platinum Suite, private airport transfers, cake on arrival, special honeymoon T-shirts for the newlyweds, strawberries dipped in chocolate served in the room, candlelight/AI Fresco dinner highlighted by a 4 course menu and a bottle of wine. We also cater to customized events and special requests like themed cakes, room décor, set menu curated by our skilful Chefs, sunset cruises, family gatherings, celebrations and more.

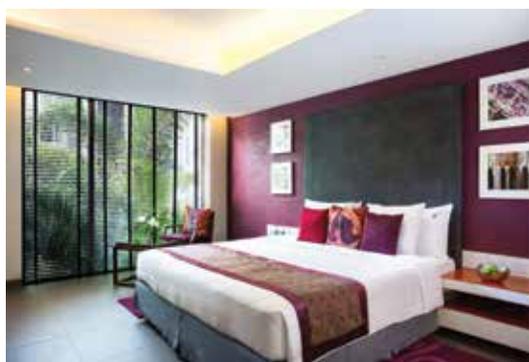
At Hard Rock, we strive to create memories that rock. Our Rock Spa® which is scheduled to open early 2018 will have an array of enticing options for couples from traditional to music-infused treatments; from signature Dream Weaver massages to Rhythm & Motion massages that use music beats and pulses to rejuvenate you and leave you with sweet reminiscences of your honeymoon.”

“We have a dynamic team at Hard Rock who are enthusiastic about the brand and are



**Vikas Sharma**

committed to deliver beyond expectations. Whether a birthday or honeymoon, anniversary or a milestone achievement, our band members go that extra mile to wish the guest at the property and do something special for him or her during their stay. And that’s what defines “Dream honeymoon with warm hospitality”, it’s when you create “WOW” moments for your guests through amplified service.” he added.



# Hilton, kuala Lumpur

Nicholas Chong, Cluster Wedding & OCS Specialist, Hilton, Kuala Lumpur said “Leading 5-star and award winning flagship hotel in South East Asia, Hilton Kuala Lumpur is strategically located just 28 minutes via high-speed train (KLIA Express) connecting KLIA and



KLIA2 airports directly to the hotel. This business and lifestyle hotel showcases stylish rooms and suites, gastronomical excellence, elegant spa and state-of-the-art gym, and magnificent event space in the heart of the vibrant KL Central area.

Hilton Kuala Lumpur is also connected to the Nu Central shopping mall and a short city train journey from city centre sights, including the iconic Petronas Twin Towers, Chinatown, shopping malls and the Lake Gardens.”

“I ensure that I follow up closely with the couples in order to make their dream wedding come true, from choosing the menu to table arrangement, I will always be there every step of the way in making sure that they are stress-free.” he added

“The Hilton brand has been a legendary symbol of hospitality. Our brands are recognized around the globe for unparalleled guest service, delivered by talented team members with a reputation for innovation, integrity and excellence. It is our dedicated team members who strive to make a difference in everything they do that makes us the hotel choice for our guests.” he commented with respect to “Dream honeymoon with warm hospitality”



Nicholas Chong



# Sands China Ltd

Stephanie Tanpure, VP of Sales, Sands China Ltd said “Sands Resorts Macao offers seven hotels giving wedding couples a variety of choices to suit all budgets from our luxury hotels – St Regis, Conrad Macao and Four Seasons Macao to our mid-range hotels, there is something for all potential wedding couples. Plus everything is connected via walkways, so honeymooners don’t even need to leave the resort if they don’t want to, with everything on offer from romantic restaurants to pampering couples spa treatments.

Macao itself is home to over 25 UNESCO World Heritage sites which in themselves make the perfect backdrop for romantic settings and photos, perfectly blending the unique Portuguese and Chinese cultures.

Our resorts The Venetian Macao and The

Parisian Macao with their respective Venetian and Parisian themes are ideal for creating romance with picturesque architectural design features to the half-sized Eiffel Tower and Love Lock bridge.”

While talking about the specialty and offers she mentioned “Sands Resorts Macao offers the perfect venue for couples looking to propose - what better place to propose than a top our half-size replica Eiffel Tower at The Parisian Macao, which also offers a unique outdoor venue space to host cocktails with the Tower as a backdrop. Wedding couples can also say ‘I Do’ while floating in a gondola along our canals at The Venetian Macao. Exclusive to Sands Resorts Macao, couples can also enjoy special entertainment at their wedding reception from our Streetmosphere characters.”

“Whether you are planning a grand event for 5,000 or an intimate affair for a few close friends and family, our expert event planners can cater to your every whim. It’s their pleasure to take your ideas and turn them into reality. And with seven amazing hotels, all of them distinctively different, but all of which offer unique and romantic backdrops, the options are unlimited. Whether you want to base your special day on an existing option or customize it from the ground up, Sands Resorts Macao is an ideal wedding destination whatever style and budget you have in mind. No two weddings are alike, and at Sands Resorts Macao it’s our pleasure to



Stephanie Tanpure

help you create the most wonderful and unique occasion imaginable.” she stated with respect to “Dream honeymoon with warm hospitality”



# Neemrana Hotels

While discussing about the beautiful location of the property for honeymoon, Sandeep Mathur, General Manager, Sales & Marketing, Neemrana Hotels said “Our hotels are situated away from the crowded cities and at pristine environment, and gives couple an atmosphere to enjoy their stay completely with comfort. At Neemrana Fort-Palace we have a specific room designated as Sutra Mahal for honeymooners.”

“We offer a complimentary welcome cake and a glass of wine/champagne. An exclusive space can be booked wherein a candle light dinner with exclusive table service can be arranged on cost.” He commented on the speciality and the offer which make the each

moment a memorable one.

“Staff will help couple to click photographs at exclusive locations in and around the hotel.” he stated with respect to “Dream honeymoon with warm hospitality”



Sandeep Mathur



# The Ritz-Carlton, Bangalore

Antony Page, General Manager, The Ritz-Carlton, Bangalore said “Bangalore is a bustling, urban location with a host of entertainment options, great getaway locations close by, cafes serving artisanal coffee, world class restaurants and the unbeatable Garden City weather that it is famously known for. The hotel is located in the downtown area and honeymooning couples favor it because of a plethora of choices inside the hotel - like great dining, evening sundowners at BANG the rooftop bar, an award winning Spa with a range of redemptive treatments and a plush Couple Suite for co-ordinated treatments, a pool, Salon for quick makeovers and a well-appointed Club Lounge, the veritable ‘Hotel within a Hotel’ experience, where five complimentary meal period offerings, along with the legendary Ritz-Carlton Afternoon Tea leaves a couple with no reason to leave this urban oasis.

The iconic element...the team of ladies and gentlemen make sure, furthermore, that a honeymooning couple is wowed at every step and little surprises and sweet gestures to delight are curated all along the way.

Further to this, we have created romantic moments for couples with rose petal welcome, dining under the stars, a private session with our chef and even cocktails created and named after them.”

On “Dream honeymoon with warm hospitality” he mentioned “The Ritz-Carlton has been associated with a very special element that has elevated this brand above the ordinary with an unmatched refinement in services.

Referring to the teams as ladies and gentlemen, the hotel is known for a dedicated team of sophisticated ladies and gentlemen whose personalized touches have been cited by guests as one of the most memorable in their travel experiences. From crafting an unparalleled in-room experience with caring gestures, the team has, in the past accompanied guests to some lesser known shopping destinations, organized the couple’s favorite memory through close uncovering of details, crafted an eponymous cocktail ...and overall made the human touches more accentuated in the service. Intuitive in their service and warm in their demeanor, honeymooning couples are treated as the most special guests of honour and their time in the hotel is made cherishable with war hospitality.”



Antony Page



# Address Harbour Point: Exceptional Location

Emaar Hospitality Group, the hospitality and leisure business of Emaar Properties PJSC, is highlighting the exceptional location advantage of its Address Harbour Point project located in the heart of Dubai Creek Harbour, the 6 sq km mega-development only 10 minutes from the Dubai International Airport and set by the historic Dubai Creek.

Address Harbour Point is operated by Address Hotels + Resorts, the premium luxury hotel and serviced residences brand of Emaar Hospitality Group, which has several Address projects under development in Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Egypt, Turkey and Maldives.

Featuring 202 luxury rooms and suites,

Address Harbour Point is part of a 1.4 million sq ft development that will also feature Address Residences Harbour Point – an exceptional collection of branded apartments, as well as a range of food & beverage outlets and retail choices.

Address Harbour Point is set apart by its direct views of Dubai Creek Tower, the iconic observation tower designed by Santiago Calatrava as well as the Dubai Creek waterfront, Ras Al Khor Wildlife Sanctuary protected by the UNESCO Ramsar Convention and the Downtown Dubai skyline. A glass pedestrian bridge connecting the two towers also offers vantage viewing points of Dubai Creek Harbour and beyond.



# Friends Day Out

For those seeking a surprisingly different way to spend quality time and unwind with BFFs, look no further than Alila Ubud's newly launched package – Ultimate Friends' Day Out.

Nothing has been spared to create a truly heavenly experience for fun-filled indulgence. Ideal for a group of up to six persons, the experience includes a night's stay in the resort's one and only 252 sqm Two Bedroom Terrace Tree Pool Villa, perched high amid the canopy of the Ubud rainforest. The villa is Alila Ubud's most spacious and luxurious accommodation with a 40 sqm private pool and a large outdoor

terrace, where you can chill out altogether while soaking up the spectacular views.

This Friends' retreat also comes with a decadent package of wellness and F&B, including breakfast, lunch and dinner, free flow of wine and bubbles, and unlimited spa treatments that will leave you feeling utterly pampered and preened.

Slip off whenever the mood takes you to Spa Alila, whose all-natural therapeutic and beauty treatments offer something to please everyone, from manicures, pedicures and radiant facials to signature massages designed to deeply relax and rejuvenate.



# Alila Yangshuo to Re-Open

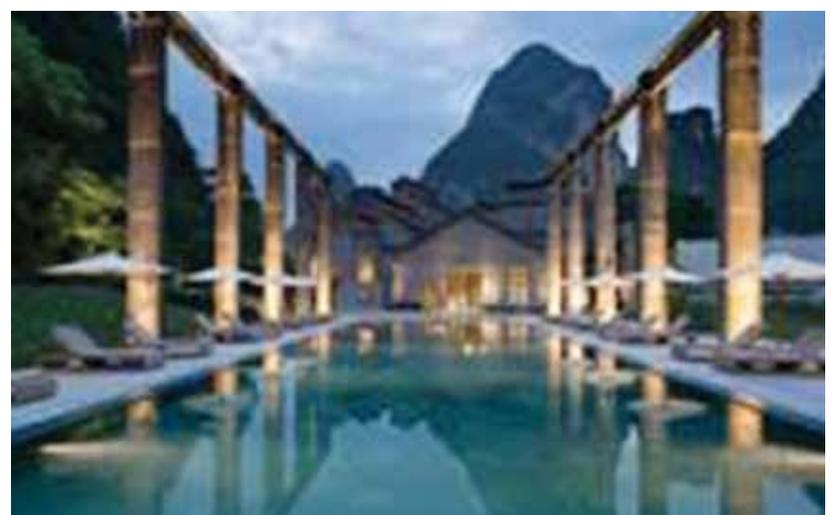
Alila Yangshuo, an adaptive re-imagination of an old sugar mill turned modern retro resort, opened after 7 years in the making with much anticipation. Sadly, the following days brought torrential rains and floods, triggering the highest water levels ever recorded in Yangshuo. Our team has worked tirelessly to restore the hotel to its pristine condition and we are delighted to

announce that Alila Yangshuo will re-open on 28 October 2017!

Since the catastrophe, we have been overwhelmed by the outpouring of support and well wishes from guests who were there on opening day. We are similarly heartened by the travel industry's show of support and recognition of our services. Alila Yangshuo has been honoured with the Golden-Pillow Award

for being one of "China's 10 Best New Hotels in 2017".

Enjoy autumn festivities at Alila Yangshuo where we will be unveiling crafted activities for your pleasure. Your patronage makes our day, and our team looks forward to welcoming you from 28 October for an Alila Experience that's Surprisingly Different!





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## Amazing Views of Dubai Creek

Emaar Hospitality Group, the hospitality and leisure subsidiary of Emaar Properties, is offering an exceptional waterfront lifestyle with spectacular views of the Dubai Creek, the Downtown Dubai skyline and the Ras Al Khor Wildlife Sanctuary, with its upcoming Vida Harbour Point hotel.

The seventh upcoming hotel project in the UAE under Vida Hotels and Resorts, an upscale lifestyle hotel and residences brand, Vida Harbour Point is located in The Island District of Dubai Creek Harbour, a 6 sq km mega-project developed as a joint venture between Emaar Properties and Dubai Holding.

Located by the banks of the historic

Dubai Creek and overlooking a world-class marina, Vida Harbour Point is the second hotel project by Emaar Hospitality Group in Dubai Creek Harbour, having recently unveiled Address Harbour Point, a premium lifestyle hotel and serviced residences to be operated by Address Hotels + Resorts.

Vida Harbour Point will have 275 thoughtfully designed rooms that reflect the Vida ethos of delivering a refreshingly different upscale lifestyle experience for the new generation of business executives, entrepreneurs and leisure travellers. The hotel will uphold the vintage design approach typical of all Vida hotels that embrace warmth, simplicity and creativity in design-led spaces.



## Ladies Night in Dubai

Enter the most sophisticated ladies' night in Dubai with the launch of Nobu Noir. The only place to be seen every Monday evening from 8:30pm until 11pm, the Japanese Peruvian hotspot will be serving complimentary cocktails and a selection tapas for 40AED throughout the evening in the setting of the stylish bar.

With three complimentary drinks per person, ladies can choose from a selection of signature cocktails including the exquisite Lychee Martini, Mia Margarita and the Blossom Blues, a rosemary and ginger infused Pisco concoction. In addition, 'geishas' can order from the Tails and Tapas menu throughout the evening, offering dishes such as Spicy Miso Tuna Tacos, Black Cod Butter Lettuce and Yellowtail Sashimi for AED 40 per dish.

Set to the backdrop of Nobu's sleek, stylish decor and dynamic atmosphere, Nobu Noir, taking place in Nobu's bar, will deliver live entertainment all evening with a DJ set from David DeLuca, serving up funky old school anthems and early 2000's R&B hits, as well as a live performance from Australian X Factor finalist Jaymie Deville.



## One & Only Legend Reborn Late 2017

The legendary One&Only Le Saint Géran will set new standards of ultra-luxury on the island of Mauritius when it is reborn and welcomes guests back at the end of the year following a multimillion dollar investment. One&Only has unveiled an advance preview of some of the resort's exciting designs including exquisite new two- and three-bedroom suites and multiple interconnecting rooms for friends or multigenerational families travelling together.

Long hailed as the legendary iconic luxury retreat in Mauritius, One&Only Le Saint Géran will retain what guests have always loved - a sense of exclusive seclusion on its own private peninsula with a beachfront and calm lagoon unlike any other resort on the island. The resort's colonial-style architecture will be lovingly preserved and will incorporate stylish design references to traditional Mauritian lifestyle and architecture such as local plantation manor houses, sugar cane kilns and soft palm-thatched roofs.



**Lifestyle**



# What to do on Honeymoon??

Honeymoon a fresh start to strengthen your marriage, the most romantic phase of your life full of drama, comedy and tragedy, something that every couple looks forward to. And, if you are still unsure about that what to do most romantic and special on your honeymoon, then here is your enlightenment chart.

• **Komal Arya**

**B**efore experience a myriad of these flavours, why not catch the first trailer, with some fantasy elements? Of course, making love, candles are all common but try some more unexpected

ideas to heat up the honeymoon. However, planning trip may leave you wondering with what to do during your honeymoon other than just sleeping in a bed together and making love. Let your relationship

scale new heights with this list of exciting things that you must do on your honeymoon. These things will give you loads of happy memories that you can cherish forever.





## Sunrise

**W**atching the sunrise together is simply blissful as it gives you a sense of belonging, a sense of happiness and feeling to start the life afresh with loads of positivity. So, wake up early, visit the place to witness the most spectacular sunrise or stand together in the balcony, watch the sunrise with hand in hand. Think about new beginnings and about this being the first of many sunrises together. After the sun comes up, order room service for breakfast and snuggle back in.

## Order In

**W**hen it is honeymoon, it is inevitable that couple are going to have some amazing sex and would even spend a whole day in bed. So, why not make “bedtime” a little more fun and pleasurable? If a couple is staying in a hotel then order breakfast, lunch and dinner all in bed as of their taste. This will not only make honeymoon days more pleasurable but couple can also surprise your partner with their favorite food delivered right on the bed every time he or she would like to munch on something.

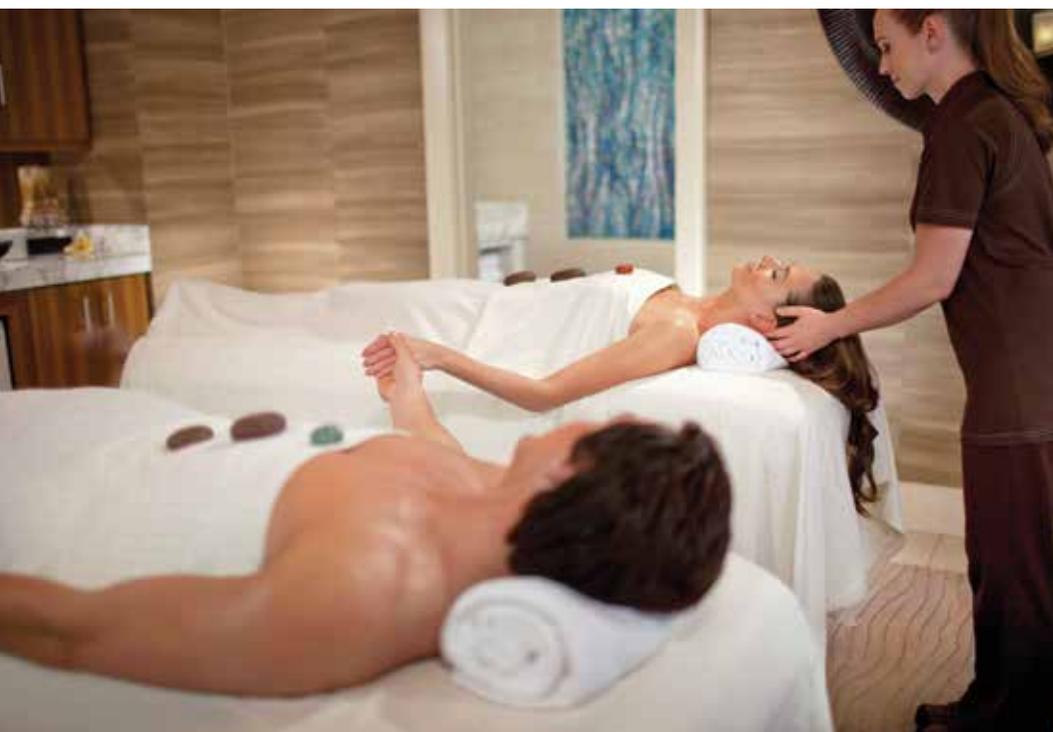


## Spend Time with Each Other

**T**his may sound contradictory, but one of the best things a couple can do on their honeymoon is just relax, cuddle, and romance each other without having to worry about anything else. First two days of your honeymoon should be spent just relaxing on the beach or by the pool. This will give relaxed and care free time to just talk to each other and begin to get to build relationship.

## Romantic Atmosphere

Put your favourite romantic music on a playlist, gather candles, massage oil, and room fresheners to create an amazingly romantic atmosphere in room.



## Couple's Massage

Couples massages—they're really romantic – and honeymoon is the best time, convince your partner to head over for one with you. Book a long session so that it takes up the entire evening, and then cuddle up together once both relaxed and rejuvenated.

## Go on an Adventure

Everyone has something in mind that they always wanted to try, but never had the courage to do before. Whether it's bungee jumping or something as simple as getting over their fear of roller coasters, both you and your partner should pick one thing to get your adrenaline going. The feeling of overcoming your fears will make you feel exhilarated.





## Capture the Moments

Couples are usually big fans of enjoying what's around them instead of going shutter crazy, but when you're on your honeymoon, you can afford to be a little more involved with each other. Take lots of pictures – whether its secret shots of your partner caught in a candid moment or selfies together at cultural attractions. The memories will help you re-live your honeymoon later.

## Fantasy

Everyone have fantasy something funny and sexy to do. Let's discuss your fantasy make it come true. Come more close and get to know each other desires.



## Music and Dance

If a street performer is putting on a show, grab your partner and have a dance. This is especially fun if it's a cultural performance, and you join in with the musicians or dancers, being a good (if uncoordinated) sport.

## Read Book Together

Take a sexy romance novel with you and read out loud to your partner. Maybe this is the perfect time to start “Forbidden”. Any romance novels that are pretty steamy can help with setting the mood.



## Do Crazy Things and Silly Things

There's nobody around. So get on with doing anything you feel is crazy. Pillow fights are definitely a good idea.





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# CM Yogi Adityanath's Dynamic Approach for the Economic Development of Uttar Pradesh

'Sabka Sath Sabka Vikas' the new mantra of PM, will be the guidelines for Yogi to work for the upliftment of its masses with the benefits of developments reach to the last person in the queue.

• **Vedika Sharma**

From the time, Yogi Adityanath took over the reins of Uttar Pradesh as the Chief Minister, the climate of changes appears to have come as a blessing for the betterment of the common man and the poor. Here, we are focusing on the new Economic Development Policy in UP under the guidance of Yogi Adityanath.

Considering the different economic layers of society, the new schemes were carefully drafted and

accordingly, the allocations were made for each plans.

According to Yogi Adityanath, the budget allocation was development-oriented and was formulated keeping the "Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas" agenda in mind. His government is firm on fulfilling all promises made in its Lok Kalyan Sankalp Patra.

Many ambitious and welfare schemes have been launched for the development of the citizens of his state.



# Doors of Opportunities

Uttar Pradesh is one of the most populous states in India with more than two million inhabitants. No doubt, Uttar Pradesh is always on number one in many terms ranging from agriculture to business, from pilgrimage to wonder of world "Taj Mahal". A state, where we see each sector deeply as a nation in its own. With a GDP of Rs.14.46 lakh crore (US\$230 billion), it marks its position as a second largest Indian state by economy. The state has several historical, natural, and religious tourist destinations, such as Ayodhya, Agra, Varanasi, Allahabad, Kaushambi, Ballia, Shravasti, Gorakhpur, Chauri Chaura, Kushinagar, Lucknow, Jhansi, Bareilly, Budaun, Meerut and Mathura. In order to take the GDP on higher level of the scale, Yogi Adityanath went to the depth of each issue before drafting the new economic path for the development of Uttar Pradesh.

Considering the rich tourism potential of the state and its multiplier effect on the economy, infrastructure development has been given high priority, in order to attract national and international tourists as well as investors to the state. Hence, Yogi focused on implementing the MoU, which was signed between UP government and Airports Authority of India (AAI) for the development of no-frill airports/civil enclaves at Agra, Allahabad, Bareilly, Kanpur, Faizabad, Meerut and Moradabad. Sanctioning of funds comes nearly

two years (2016) after the MoU was signed. The Yogi government agreed to provide the required land and logistic support for the development of airports.

UP government has sanctioned the remaining amounts of Rs. 121 crore to Allahabad, Rs. 64.94 crore to Agra and Rs31.31 crore to Kanpur Nagar to develop civil enclave at the airports there. Recently, the Centre had given in principle approval to the proposed Jewar airport in Greater Noida, which would entail an investment of about Rs 20,000 crore. It would serve as an international airport in the national capital region (NCR) to decongest the existing New Delhi airport in future. The Central Government of India has launched an ambitious scheme named Ude Desh Ka Nagrik (UDAN) scheme. This scheme was launched in for providing the facility of air travel for the common man of the nation who can not afford the costly air tickets. Under this scheme, the state government of Uttar Pradesh has taken some decisions like Air Travel Facility will be provided to the common people at Rs. 2500 from Lucknow to Allahabad, Agra, Bareilly; the aircraft of 20 seaters will be used for the air travel; Aviation Industry will be promoted and subsidy will be provided in fare.

In order to accelerate infrastructure development, Yogi Government has focussed on expanding road network. Apart from focusing on existing roads to widen, he also focused on

developing roads in the village areas as well with extra budgets. He allocated Rs. 451.58 crore for connecting villages with link roads and construction of small bridges. This is the big initiative ever taken by the UP government for better connectivity of the villages and far flung areas.

Considering the convenience of general public, daily commuters and working people, he also took initiative to start metro project in the major cities. With this project

in Uttar Pradesh, he will not only provide public connectivity but also enable cities to handle the increasing population pressure for the future. The formalities regarding Metro Rail projects in Allahabad, Meerut, Agra, Gorakhpur, Jhansi, Varanasi and Kanpur has started. In Lucknow metro services at few locations has already been started. Finally, with the speed of Developing Airports, Air Connectivities, Infrastructure and Ease of Transport, Yogi Adityanath unlocks the door for

the bright future of UP. This in turn will also boost up employment in the state. Through these major

development schemes, CM Yogi is all set for "Sabka Sath Sabka Vikas".





# Agriculture Development

**T**he major source of subsistence for the people of UP is agriculture. Therefore,

agriculture sector has been given priority for development.

New government is more concerned and sensitive to the needs of farmers, and taking

every possible step to improve their condition and augment their income. The Chief Minister has come up with various schemes, as support of government to the

farmers in order to boost farm income and intended to double the agriculture income by 2022.

For fulfilling all promises made in its Lok Kalyan Sankalp Patra, he is leaving no stone unturned to fulfill it. He stopped fund allocation to “wasteful Projects” of the previous government and used the same budget for farm loan redemption scheme, where it was actually needed.

To redeem debts up to Rs 1 lakh of 86 lakh small and marginal farmers, till the date 31st March 2016, the state government proceeded to fulfill its poll promise by making a provision of Rs 36,000 crore within the budget.

**A large number of steps have been taken by Yogi Adityanath to solve all the major and minor issues faced by all categories of farmers. These are:**

- The state government has proposed to set up 300 custom hiring centres and 582 farm machinery banks under the sub mission on Agriculture Mechanisation, so that small and marginal farmers can

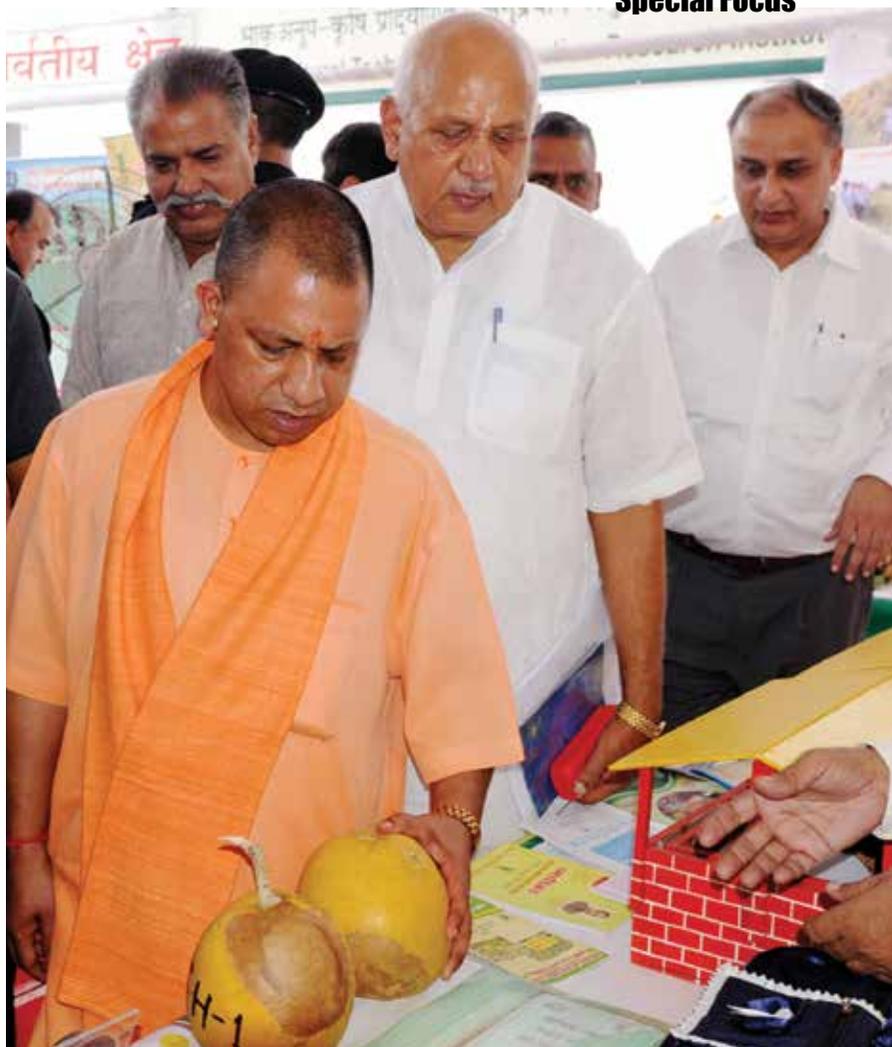


procure farm equipment on hire and subsidy basis.

- There is a proposal to implement bio-agriculture programme through traditional agricultural development scheme under the National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture in 30 districts including all the district of Bundelkhand. It is noteworthy that 2367 ponds have already been constructed in Bundelkhand.
- Safeguarding the interest of potato growers, the government give them double concession on transport of their produce. Under it either 25% of the transport cost or Rs.50 per quintal of potatoes, whichever is less, will be given.
- To do away with the delay in payment of cane prices to sugarcane farmers, the Yogi Adityanath government has got ensured clearance of Rs. 23843.76 crore out of Rs. 25386.87 crore outstanding against the sugar mills.
- The government has launched a toll free number 1800 121 3203 on which Sugarcane farmers can register their complains to get immediate response with regard to their problem.
- Distribution of Kisan Credit Cards has been accelerated to

save the farmers from clutches of private money lenders. So far, 14.06 lakh credit cards have been distributed.

- As many as 1061 new borings have been completed resulting in an additional irrigation potential of 4244 hectares.
- 94 percent work has been completed in 99 villages covered under the water shed area development programme.
- Besides treating sodic land, 61 water drainage nullahs have been renovated resulting in solving the problem of water logging in an area of 45000 hectares.
- Sodic land with an area of 10121 hectares has been made cultivable by using gypsum. Besides, distribution of urea has been made more transparent.
- 25,271 sugar cane growers, who were not so far entitled to supply their produce, have been made members of the cane societies for the first time at their doorstep.
- Out of 233.25 lakhs farmers, 102.39 lakh farmers have been provided soil health cards.
- Under the “Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay Kisan Samridhhi Yojana” a provision of Rs. 10 crore has been made for improving ravines, sodic



land and water logged areas, treating the land allotted to farm labourers and providing them source of livelihood.

- During this period, 1,08,000 hectares of land was reclaimed by UP Bhumi Sudhar Nigam (UPBSN) under World Bank supported projects.

- Under “Uttar Pradesh Solar Pump Scheme”, the Uttar Pradesh Government will provide free solar pumps to the farmers of the state for energy efficient irrigation. Government will distribute 10000 solar pumps to the farmers.



# Education and Youth Development



Among several other things, education is one of the top priorities of the Yogi Adityanath government in Uttar Pradesh. Citizens of Uttar Pradesh are fortunate to have a CM like Yogi, who understands the importance of Education of the Youth.

With the installation of the Yogi government we can see a crystal clear picture of the Education system in UP. On his instructions a large number of training programmes have been started for teachers to improve quality of education. Moreover, stress is being laid on practical knowledge. The programmes, which have been started for education reform, will make the students more knowledgeable.

According to CM he wants to create an education system that is not only modern but will also promote "Nationalism".

### The steps taken by the Yogi Adityanath government mainly include:

- To check use of copying and unfair means in exams the Yogi government has instructed officials to launch a crackdown on the cheating

mafia. Scores of FIRs have been registered against a number of students, teachers and other anti-social elements involved in the business of cheating. The CM also ordered a review of fee structure of private schools in the state and put a brake on the arbitrary fee hike by them.

- He had asked officials to prepare an education roadmap to enroll more students in schools, check copying in examinations and introduce foreign language options from class 10.
- Uttar Pradesh plans to introduce English and Sanskrit in government schools from





**their employment:**

**Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana**

Skill development of educated youth has been one of the top priorities of the central as well as state government, in order to develop the job oriented skills in educated youth. This will help in providing employment.

The Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana is a central government's ambitious scheme under which the unemployed youth are provided training at PMKVY Centers. Youths are provided training in various fields by which they can that get many job opportunities.

Shri Yogi Adityanath has started implementing the scheme in the state. PMKVY Centers are being opened in the state. Now CM Yogi Adityanath has taken some new decisions regarding this scheme. Under the scheme:-

- Yogi Government will provide jobs to about 10 lakh youths in the upcoming 5 years.
- The youth of the rural areas of the state will be made more skilled from employability point of view.
- Agreement will be made with big companies under the Kaushal Vikas Yojana and vocational Education.
- Different companies will provide the chances of jobs to the youth by providing them training.

nursery instead of Class 6 as part of a broader overhaul of the state's education system that will blend nationalist and modern curricula.

- Yoga will be made a part of the physical fitness program, which is compulsory in the secondary school education of Uttar Pradesh. This is just an initiative to keep everyone fit.
- There shouldn't be any inferiority complex among children in primary schools. For this, yogi government is providing uniforms of good quality, shoes, books and copies to all school children.
- All the schools have been directed to adopt the NCERT books and CBSE pattern from secondary education.
- Educational institutions should be run for at least 220 days instead of 120 in an year.

For the youth, he focuses more on employment with good training programmes of different fields. Moreover, he allocates the budget to open such training programmes. Uttar Pradesh State Government has decided to provide jobs to all the unemployed youth of the state.

Yogi Adityanath government will make jobs available to 70 lakh youths in the next five years under skill development mission.

*CM Yogi Adityanath has launched an ambitious plan for the all round development of UTTAR PRADESH following the new mantra of Honb'le PM, "Sabka Sath Sabka Vikas".*

He indicated plans to move ahead with its 'one district-one product' scheme to create more employment opportunities. Yogi Government wants to develop the state on the lines of 'one district-one product' as there is no encouragement for the carpet industry of Bhadohi,

lock industry of Aligarh, brass industry of Moradabad, saree industry of Varanasi. By keeping this in mind he focused on the link of one district with one product.

**He came up with many schemes for the welfare of youth and**



# Trends of Honeymoon

As travel has become more of a necessity than a luxury, the definition of a honeymoon has also undergone quite a change. While it's still a way for newlyweds to spend time with each other, the concepts of second honeymoons and babymoos have become quite a trend in India.

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## 1. The Local Touch

Travelers are no longer interested in just being simple observers. Our clients always expect an authentic experience each time, with local guides who know the culture inside-out to spending time getting immersed in the country's culture. Wine tours, foodcations,

walking tours, these have become more than just words, with honeymooners actively seeking out such experiences.

## 2. Personalization: The little things really count

Personalization doesn't have to be a big deal.

For instance, when it's a couple on their honeymoon, the airhostess congratulating them or finding a little note on their pillow when they reach the hotel, can make all the difference to their vacation. There's also an increasing demand for local and authentic experiences that allow traveler's to enjoy a





level of personalization, like an intimate safari experience that gives them a chance to experience it from close quarters.

### 3. Self-Drive Holidays

Self-drive holidays have seen an upsurge with today's travellers wanting to explore more on their own, and they will just continue to gain traction as new-age voyagers are constantly looking for authentic experiences. With an adventurous and thrilling vibe to the idea of experiencing the trails firsthand, self-drive holidays are a hit with not just experienced travellers but also youngsters. The most beautiful and exotic getaways to trend in 2017 are Europe, New Zealand and UK that offer some breathtaking driveways. USA and Australia are expected to see a fair amount of tourists too.

### 4. Unexpected pairings

Travelers are seeking out unique and adventurous experiences, the crazier the better. As a result, they are combining destinations and experiences that are very different from one another. For instance, a luxury camping experience with some polo lessons thrown in or a luxurious massage in the middle of a safari.

### 5. Enjoy the Exotic

Travelers in general, and especially younger travelers, are heading for more exotic places that can provide unique experiences. So whether it's glam ping in a tree house or taking private polo lessons in the middle of a camping trip, today's travelers are limited only by their imagination.

### 6. The luxury angle

Whether it's a luxurious resort in Bali or sumptuous safari experience in Africa, honeymooners are sparing no expense for the kind of vacation they want.

Viren Batra, CEO & Co Founder of nirvana excursion said, "A honeymoon is always a special journey, and as such, travelers are always looking for different experiences and moments that they can remember for the rest of their lives. That's why; we always aim to give them unmatched experiences that they can always treasure, regardless of the requirements, preferences or budget."



# Fashion Starts Here: India Runway Week

The Indian Federation for Fashion Development (IFFD) hosted the extremely anticipated ninth season of India Runway Week at The DLF Place Saket, New Delhi.

## • Vedika Sharma

As they acknowledged to promote new & emerging talent along with renowned names in the industry; the day 1 of the India Runway week highlighted the fashion trends of the upcoming winter festive season where a mix of six prominent and imminent designers showcased the wisdom of fashion through their collections.



The first day of India Runway Week W/F 2017 was opened by James Ferreira, one of the most prominent names in the Indian Fashion Industry followed by Kaynaat by Aanchal Sawhney, Isabis Couture by Parul M Dhawan. Bollywood Diva Shriya Saran stunned the audience with her gorgeous

looks in amazing collection by Kavita Agarwal. The closing show of day 1 of the India Runway Week Winter Festive was presented by Varija Bajaj who showcased "The Flower Child" and Bibi Russell- an internationally acclaimed fashion designer from Bangladesh who showcased her love for Khadi and

her collection was a tribute to Mahatma Gandhi.

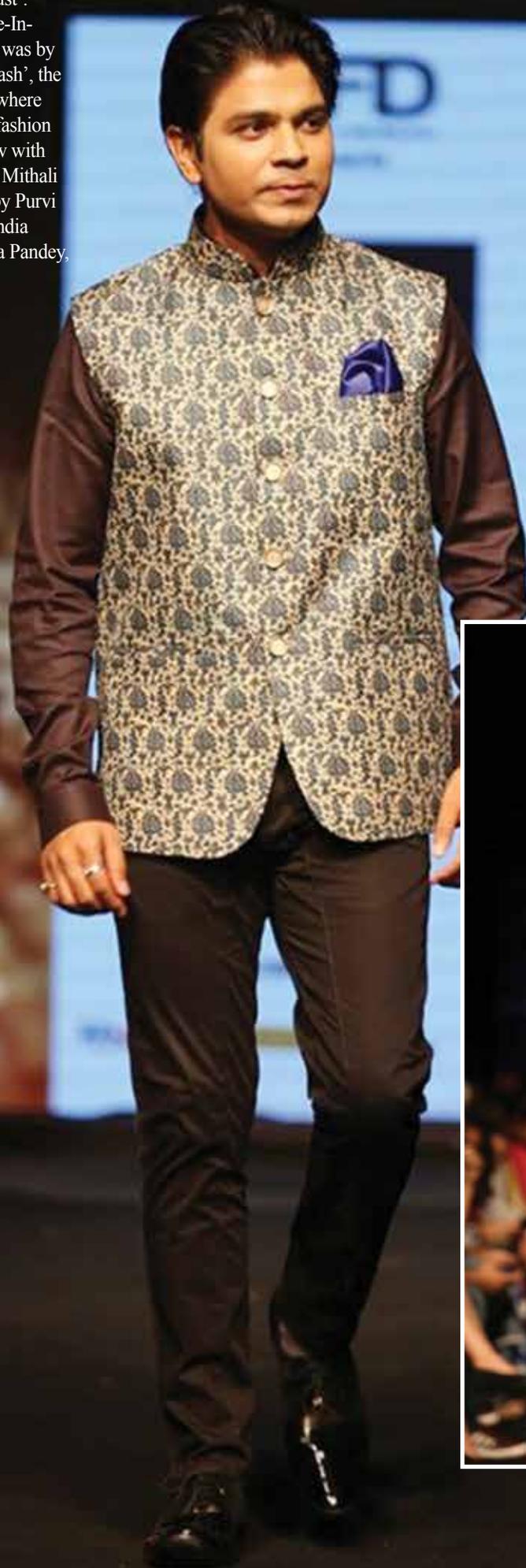
The designers who showcased their designs are James Ferreira, Kaynaat by Aanchal Sawhney, Isabis by Parul M Dhawan, Kavita Agarwal, Varija Bajaj and Rajasthan Khadi by Bibi Russell.



Just like the splendid and successful shows of day 1, the day 2 of India Runway Week W/F 2017 was opened by amazingly talented Apash by Aparna and Shruti where Singer Ankit Tiwari mesmerized everyone by his voice while walking the ramp for the designer duo. Followed by Rav by Vashu who presented his Nakshatra collection, Élan by Rahul & Vidhu showcased 'Samhitha Collection', Vintage Loom by Ashina Chharia, showcased her latest travel themed collection 'Wanderlust'. Shibani Dandekar walked the ramp for Tweek-In-One by Niti Sehgal. The next lined up show was by designer Sehrish Kabir who presented 'Dilkash', the show was followed by Nikheil & Rivendra where Ukrainian model Alexandra Kutas, the first fashion model with a disability, who graced the show with her appearance. Indian Cricket team Captain Mithali Raj who looked amazing in the La Styliste by Purvi Roy who presented Quirky Formalwear at India Runway Week Winter Festive 2017. Niharika Pandey,

Varanasi Weavers and Artisans Society supported by AIACA, SoCHE also presented their collection for the audience. Casio presented Street Style Show by Fashion Bloggers, renowned jewelry designer Akassh K Aggarwal by Shubhashini Ornamentials presented Rangyatra with Geeta Kapoor being the show stealer; the show followed by Rajdeep Ranawat and Kaaisha by Shalini.

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**A**s show was headed towards its finale, each show was getting striking and majestic. The third day of India Runway Week W/F 2017 was opened by Nisha Singh with her collection 'Her Majesty', followed by JM by Jyoti Munish, Saima Kashif, Getup by Shweta & Moumita; Singer Shibani Kashyap graced the show with her presence and voice for Designer Duo Rajat & Sumit who showcased Indian Modern Boho collection. The next lined up show were Sai Dham's (NGO) Neo Tribe, Sulakshna Jasra, Sangeeta Swati and AvraChic by Shalini Bisht. Paksh by Sudhir Nayak's collection speaks of modern vision of a practical, back to basic attitude and Ridhi Dogra walked the ramp for designer Miku Kumar who dedicated the collection to the 'Royal style diary for the princess in you'. Designer Sadan Pandey presented 'Illuminate' and Beauty queen Lopamudra Rautspread her charm at IRW W/F 2017 for Gazal Mishra. Pinessaa by Neha and Shivangi, Indian August, Actress Saiyami Kher sizzled the ramp for Designer Priyal Bhardwaj at India Runway Week 2017. SHREE showcased their four magnificent collections and of course the most awaited grand finale of the India Runway Week was presented by Saaj by Ankita.

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# Prediction for October 2017 by Poonam Sethi

“The more you give, the more you receive” is the motto of renowned Tarot card reader and holistic healer, Poonam Sethi, lives by. She has studied Feng Shui and Tarot card reading at several institutions across the globe and has, through extensive self-study, practice and perseverance, mastered the art of guiding people from the present into the future to precision.



## ARIES

You won't feel capable of mastering the steps it takes to succeed, but someone or something will come along that will help you or make your work easier. There will be small gains in your finances. You may have problems with your legs but avoid surgery; a little rest will do wonders.

Lucky color: Peach  
Lucky number: 6



## TAURUS

A sudden surge in your business or career and a call from a lover will come as a much-welcomed surprise. Expect to hear some good news soon. You will have good luck in metaphysical pursuits, mending hurt feelings and attracting romance. You will suddenly become very health conscious and interested in New Age therapies.

Lucky color: Indigo  
Lucky number: 7



## GEMINI

A business proposal or the possibility of a new avenue to pursue or follow up on will soon be presented. A letter or package you've been waiting for will arrive. Financial gain will come through time investments, speculations or a well thought out plan of action.

Lucky color: Purple  
Lucky number: 4



## CANCER

The work that you ordinarily love to do will become an unbearable chore and you will be frustrated. You will suddenly come into more money but you will have to be more assertive or you'll lose out. Wait a while before you invest your money in property. Watch out for constipation or hemorrhoids.

Lucky color: Lemon Yellow  
Lucky number: 1

**LEO**

Your financial situation will be especially good because you will acquire money through a new project, business deal or settlement. You will have bouts with inconsolable depression or nostalgia over a lover who is gone. New avenues will spring from old, in both your business and your personal affairs.

Lucky color: Magenta  
Lucky number: 2

**VIRGO**

A fixed attitude, unworkable environment, or unpleasant experience will come to an end and in its place will come a new perspective, sudden insight or an uplifting turn of events. You will want to share your deepest feelings but will keep them to yourself because you can't find an 'outlet'.

Lucky color: Jade green  
Lucky number: 5

**LIBRA**

You will have to deal with very unpleasant people or circumstances in your work and will feel that you are wasting your time and effort. A lover will call and a sweetheart will arrive or many admirers will pursue you. You could experience a lack of energy or fatigue.

Lucky color: Olive Green  
Lucky number: 8

**SCORPIO**

Some areas will be at a standstill while you wait for things to develop. You may also be considering a new line of work or money making venture. The entry of a third person could mess up your relationship but don't make any hasty decisions. You will get relief from legal problems.

Lucky color: Green  
Lucky number: 9

**SAGITTARIUS**

You will try to put off work for a while or schedule business appointments for a later date or you will want to work in a human potential profession that motivates others through self-actualization or creative interaction. Get in touch with your feelings. Expect a postponement or delay in affairs concerning finances, but the money is forthcoming.

Lucky color: Pink  
Lucky number: 5

**CAPRICORN**

You're going to be over worked and over tired but will complete the project (s) you set out to do successfully. There could also be a change of residence. You will be apprehensive about your financial condition due to a setback, loss of income, or something you counted on falling through. Be determined to get what you want; the goal is within reach.

Lucky color: Brown  
Lucky number: 8

**AQUARIUS**

You will come together with someone to discuss a business idea or venture that could improve or market your work. You will feel uplifted, renewed and in a sociable mood. Someone will help you collect money that is owed to you, or you'll soon begin a new enterprise (or retrieve a past one) that will bring in more money or supplement your income.

Lucky color: Red  
Lucky number: 8

**PISCES**

You will soon be receiving money from something that was held up or that you should have gotten in the past more than anticipated. You will be unfulfilled with your present partner and will want to come together with someone else. If already involved you will wish your partner would be more loving.

Lucky color: Ink Blue  
Lucky number: 3

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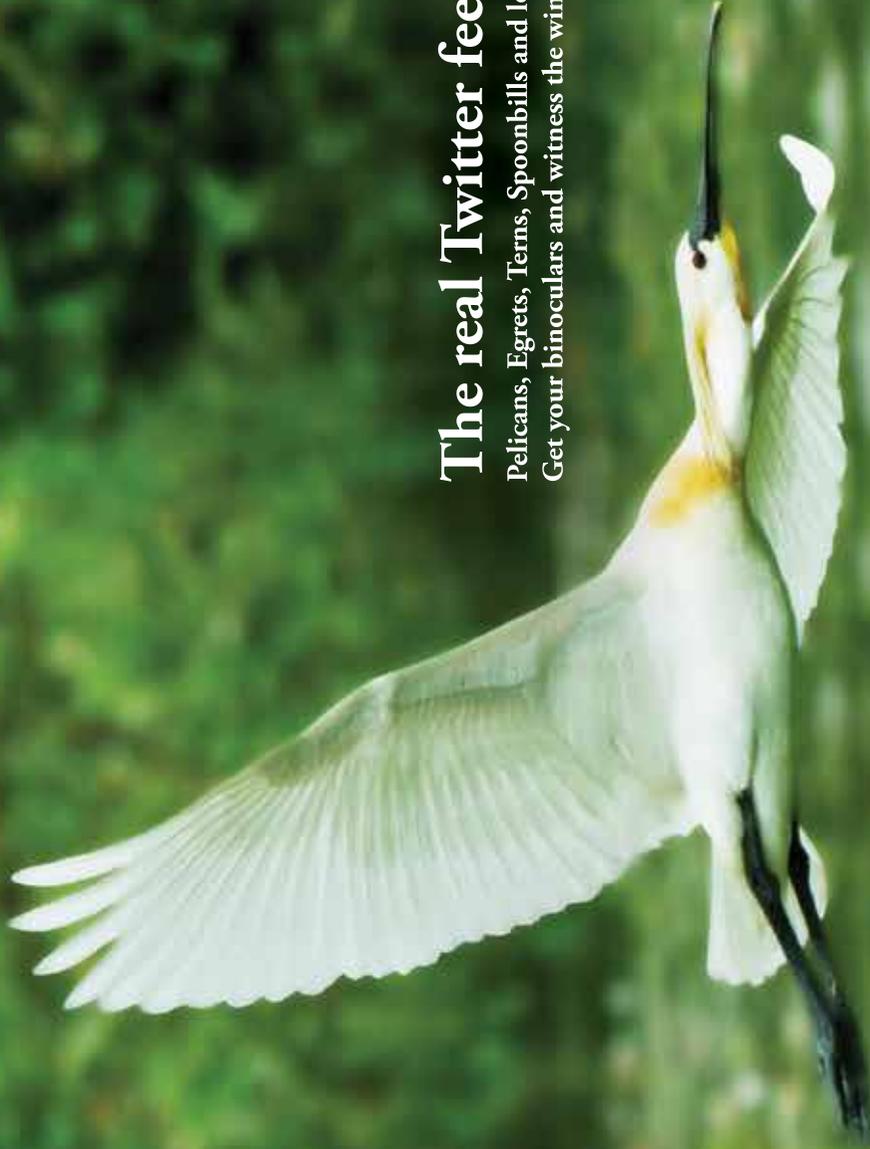


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