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Tamarind executes an engagement in Udaipur

Tamarind's year began with a bang with the planning and execution of an engagement at Taj Aravali, Radisson and Trident in Udaipur for 450 invitees. Guests were welcomed by Manganiyar singers who were stationed in the lobby, followed by a pool party and performance by DJ AJ and One Empire. The engagement function started with a marquee entry along with a saxophonist playing in the background. The highlight of the event was a live performance by Pritam. Tamarind's scope of work included planning, technicals, entertainment, food and logistics.

Tamarind plans and executes a wedding in Doha

Tamarind Global executed a dream-come-true wedding at the Ritz Carlton Sharq Village & Spa, Doha for 400 guests. This was one of the first Indian weddings to take place in Doha and the first one at the Ritz Carlton Sharq Village. The airport experience for each guest was smooth and seamless as they were welcomed in style at the Doha airport. A welcome lunch with a Tannoura performance by the pool was followed by a glamorous black tie “Scotch Soiree” at the newly opened Iris Bar and Lounge, with a Mirror Man, Pixel Poi, juggling cube artist and sax player to entertain the guests. Day two began with the Mehendi at the Spa Garden, with DJ Gaurav, Jonqui Percussionist and an illusionist entertaining the guests. A local Doha souk was set up with henna artists, a spice market, calligraphy stall, tarot card reader, and boat making workshop.

The Sangeet in the grand ballroom followed that evening with family dances and an outstanding performance by the Shine Band. The last day celebrated the grand wedding starting with an energy packed Baraat with Sukhbir, and a serene ceremony set against the beautiful music of Bryden and Parth. The showstopper on the last night was a fabulous performance by Javed Ali on the Al Dana Lawns overlooking the water and beach. Food was managed by Indus Culinary – Marut Sikka and the decor was done by Henna Kapoor. The pre-wedding events and wedding were captured by Karan Siddhu.

Tamarind Global executes a wedding in Jaipur

Tamarind Global executed one more wedding at Fairmont Jaipur, for 600 guests. An energetic band formed the welcome party, featuring 8 Nagada players with dhols. Guests were royally escorted with umbrellas, a flower shower and elephants. Tamarind executed the Myrah, Mehendi, Sangeet and Wedding followed by an after party. The sangeet was choreographed by Farah Khan and Geeta Kapoor. Artists like Acoustic Jazz Band, Periphery Artist, DJ Chetas & DJ Vicky and Manu Raj with his instrumental band set the wedding mood. Along with the artists and performances a few activities like water zorbing, a Turkish ice cream counter, ghoomar dancers and illusionist were also arranged. The wedding was held at Gulmohar Lawns and the highlight was the musical fireworks.

The guests departed with an 11 piece band performance. Tamarind's scope of work included RSVP, hospitality, logistics, overall event and artist coordination. The entire event was captured by Stories, videography was done by Reels and Frames and food was handled by Ritu Dalmia.

Tamarind Global executes a social event in Kochi

Tamarind Global planned and executed the Saffronart Kochi Biennale Retreat. The event was held as a part of the Kochi Muziris Biennale 2018 for 30 people, and comprised exclusive talks and a private walkthrough of the main artworks by this year's curator, Anita Dube. The retreat started with a private lunch at the scenic Brunton Boatyard, followed by a talk with Anita Dube. A Kerala themed traditional dinner ended the day, with entertainment like a Kalaripayattu performance and a special showcase of the makeup done for a classical Kathakali performance. An insightful conversation was held between Mr Dinesh Vazirani (Co-Founder of Saffronart and Chief Executive Officer) and Ms Kiran Nadar (noted Indian art collector and philanthropist).
The last day saw the guests continuing their guided tours of various Biennale venues culminating in lunch at the classic Ginger Café. An auction had been organised later to raise money for the Chief Minister's flood relief fund. The evening ended with an after-party, where DJ Ganesh rocked on till the wee hours.

Tamarind's scope included handling the logistics, ground transport and rooming for Saffron Art's key clientele.

MICE: Trip to Bali

A 3-day Leisure trip was arranged to Bali, Indonesia for 49 employees of Aires Agro Ltd. The guests stayed at Park Regis Kuta. Tamarind's scope of work included air transfers, accommodation and sightseeing of the popular spots and scenes. The itinerary included the sunset Skylight Dinner Cruise, Kintamani volcano tour, water sports at Tanjung Benoa, Tanah Lot for sunset view and Kecak dance and shopping at Ubud.

MICE: T20 Meeting in Mumbai

The 2-day meeting was organised at Taj Mahal Palace, Mumbai for 35 guests where Tamarind's scope included arrangement of hotels, conference and logistics. A full-day conference was arranged followed by a Gala Night.

MICE: An incentive trip to Jaipur

An incentive trip was arranged by Tamarind Global for Tech Mahindra, Mumbai for their 30 employees. The participants stayed at Chokhi Dhani for 1 day and at Vivanta by Taj Sawai Madhopur for 2 nights. The itinerary included Safari by canters and sightseeing at Chokhi Dhani, Sawai Madhopur, Ranthambore Fort, Birla Temple, Trinetra Ganesha temple and other nearby places. Tamarind took care of the entire arrangement of hotels, flights, sightseeing and logistics.

Kerala cycling expedition at Kochi

Tamarind Global organised a cycling tour for 11 guests. The exciting event was held in Kochi and comprised sightseeing through the streets of Kerala on bicycles. Jibran Asif, Director, Abad Hotel flagged off the Cycling Program from the Dutch Bungalow, Fort Kochi. The enthusiasm of the participants was quite contagious. They rode from Dutch bungalow and covered areas like Marari, Alleppey, canal roads, Mattanchery, Andhakaranazhi and a few more. This event was spread over 3 days. In all, the participants were happy to explore God's own country on their own cycles and have an experience of a lifetime.

Tamarind participates in SATTE 2019

Tamarind Global participated in SATTE 2019. The 3-day event held at a new venue - India Expo Market, Greater Noida, Delhi NCR between 16th to 18th January saw participants from across the country. Tamarind had their own stall and also managed the travel desk. The event saw a footfall of over 1000+exhibitors, representation from over 50+ countries, 28 Indian states and 90 cities from across India over 3 days. Tamarind Global was

Tamarind participates in GPS Nagpur 2019

Tamarind Global participated in the annually held Global Panorama Showcase- a Premier Business Networking Event and Business-to-Business trade show in Nagpur. The 2- day event was held between 21st to 22nd January at Hotel Centre Point, Ramdaspeth, Nagpur. Tamarind was represented by Francis Fernandes from Mumbai office and Sameer Kapadi and Satya Chanda from the Pune office.

represented by Louis D'Souza, Chetan Juneja, Prabhakar Kamat, Francis Fernandes, Meenakshi Mishra, Hemant Karande, Darshan Yelgadi and Sonal Sharma.

what's new

Surestay by Best Western - Amritsar

Located 6 km from Golden Temple, SureStay Hotel by Best Western Amritsar is situated in the Ranjit Avenue district of Amritsar. This 3-star hotel offers a 24-hour front desk, room service and free WiFi. Durgiana Temple is 5 km from the hotel and Jallianwala Bagh is 6 km away. The units come with a flat-screen TV with satellite channels, fridge, a kettle, a shower, free toiletries and a desk. With a private bathroom, certain rooms at the hotel also feature a city view. The rooms have a wardrobe.

The daily breakfast offers continental and buffet options. Trilium Mall Amritsar is 3 km from SureStay Hotel by Best Western Amritsar. Sri Guru Ram Dass Jee International Airport is 9 km away.

SCO-30, 97 Acre Scheme, D Block,
Ranjit Avenue, 143001 Amritsar, India

getaway resort of the month

Hilton Shillim Estate Retreat & Spa - Pune

Pawana Nagar, Taluka Maval, Shilimb,
Maharashtra 410406

Designed for healing, this all-villa retreat is a sanctuary for the body, mind and spirit. The 320-acre unspoiled sylvan setting complements the organic, local cuisine, yoga and meditation, individualized spa treatments, Shillim Institute courses and local activities and excursions. The retreat is an inspiration for corporate and social groups. Renew your connection at Hilton Shillim Estate Retreat & Spa.

ROOMS

The all-villa accommodation is spread over the pristine natural landscape of the retreat. With Forest Villas that are surrounded by verdant forest to Valley Villas that offer a panoramic view of the lush green Sahyadri mountain range, choose the space that compliments your individual wellness experience.

DINING

There are seven exciting on site restaurant and bar venues utilizing primarily organic and locally sourced ingredients. Guests can enjoy fine dining whilst maintaining a regime of good nutrition and even customize their experience with 'Dining by Design', which allows them to choose the setting for their unique meal, be it by the banks of a waterfall, or on a lush forest plateau. The Green Table showcases dishes that exemplify the naturalistic culinary philosophy at the very heart of the Hilton Shillim Retreat & Spa.

SHILLIM SPA

The Shillim Spa at Hilton Shillim Estate Retreat & Spa offers among the largest and most comprehensive spa facilities in Asia. This Indian spa retreat encompasses 70 acres and offers a range of exquisite treatments. Discover 17 treatment rooms, a meditation cave and a relaxation center, as well as a salon and yoga pavilion. Hilton Shillim Spa offers a range of rejuvenating treatments for the body, mind and spirit. Each treatment integrates the ancient philosophic, spiritual and artistic wisdom of South Asia, with modern international techniques.

COOKING SCHOOL

The Shillim Institute invites you to team with chefs at the Cooking School to experience the pleasure of cooking. Explore the basics by learning primary skills, hone your expertise by mastering a specific process, or simply learn few tricks of the culinary trade.

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promotion of the month

Prime Plaza - Agra

Prime Plaza Agra is a 4 Star hotel with 165 beautifully-appointed well equipped guest rooms and suites. This new hotel, appointed with comfortable guest rooms will also offers a restaurant, bar, fitness centre and swimming pool. Situated in close proximity to the Taj Mahal, most of the guests can see this famous monument from the guest rooms and the restaurant. The hotel is 4.5 km from Agra Fort and 44 km from Fatehpur Sikri. The Agra Cantonment Railway Station is 7 km away, ISBT Bus Station is 9 km and the Indira Gandhi International Airport is 265 km away.

Dining options include Oasis, an all-day dining multi-cuisine restaurant, Stop by Henry's, a lounge bar with alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages and The Roof Top where guests can enjoy sumptuous grilled options with a view of the Taj Mahal.

C-1, C-2, Fatehabad Rd, Taj Nagari Phase 1,
Impeypura, Tajganj, Agra

top 3 picks

Water Sports Destination In India

Goa

With its long coastline, sandy beaches and bright skies, Goa provides myriad opportunities for adventure enthusiasts to explore the waters in a variety of water sports. Whether you are a relaxed first timer or an adventurous water skiing expert, the waters of Goa have something for everyone. Kneeboarding, wakeboarding, waterskiing or windsurfing in Candolim Beach, kayaking in the mangroves and mini bays, scuba diving on the Grande Islands, St. George Island, Devbagh Island, Pigeon Island, Netrani Islands or white water rafting on the Mhadei and Tilari rivers are some of the exciting options in store for you. You can enjoy jetskiing, paragliding, banana boat rides, flyboarding, yachting and cruising, paddleboarding and snorkelling as well in Goa.

Rishikesh

Only few rivers in the world have the mystique of the Ganges, the living mother Goddess of the India. Rafting on its water of wisdom is certainly an unusual experience. Enjoy and explore the life time experience on a date with mother Ganges. Your first encounter will be the beginning of the addiction. Rishikesh offers medium to rough rapids in the course of river Ganges, with rapids rated class 3 and class 4. The river also offers a number of excellent and challenging rapids to start on a kayaking trip. It doesn't matter if you are an absolute beginner, as you can choose a rapid as per your skills and physical abilities. The Garhwal and Kumaon regions of Uttarakhand are famously known for providing exciting kayaking stretches. Body surfing is a popular sport here.

Andamans

The Andaman Islands are popular amidst adventure seekers due to the variety of water sports one can enjoy here. See the underwater marine life and view the rarest of corals while enjoying snorkelling at the North Bay Island. The islands are renowned for their diverse and colourful corals, and there are numerous scuba diving centres in Andaman from where you can get your PADI certificate and no, you don't have to be a swimmer. Enjoy parasailing, banana boat rides, undersea walks, jet skiing, speed boating, glass bottom boating, and fishing. Snorkeling or diving with a friendly is elephant one of the coolest water sports in Andaman and Nicobar Islands that you can enjoy!

news

MPTB witnessed massive response from the travel trade market at SATTE 2019

Being one of the economically rising states of incredible India, Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board participated in SATTE 2019 to educate and highlight growth in the tourism sector held at India Expo Mart, Greater Noida, Delhi – NCR from 16th – 18th January, 2019. This year, the exhibition has witnessed a tremendous response from the industry with participation from over 1000 exhibitors and representation from over 50 countries and cities from across India. The three-day expo witnessed several exciting partnerships and announcements that promised to predict in new trends of the industry. It provided a platform for all stakeholders in the tourism and hospitality industries to interact and transact business opportunities.

Alphons Inaugurates The First Swadesh Darshan Project In Sikkim

K.J. Alphons, Union Minister for Tourism inaugurated the project "Development of North East Circuit: Rangpo– Rorathang- Aritar- Phadamchen- Nathang-Sherathang-Tsongmo- Gangtok-Phodong- Mangan- Lachung-Yumthang- Lachen- Thangu-Gurudongmar- Mangan- Gangtok-Tumin Lingee- Singtam".

Under this project, the Ministry has developed tourism infrastructure facilities like Tourist Information Centre, Meditation Centre, Organic Eco Tourism centre, Log Huts, Zip Line, Flower Exhibition Centre, Walkways, Souvenir Shops, Cafeteria, Rain Shelters, Wayside Amenity, Last Mile Connectivity, Parking, Public Toilets etc. Inaugurating the project, Alphons appreciated the efforts taken by the state in completing the project and added that Gangtok is incredibly clean that it can match with any city in the world in terms of its level of cleanliness and hospitality.

IHG signs Holiday Inn Goa Candolim

InterContinental Hotels Group (IHG) has signed a management agreement with Tipping Point Hospitality for Holiday Inn Goa Candolim. Nestled amidst two of the North Goa's famed and popular destinations – Candolim and Calangute, the hotel is expected to welcome guests in November 2019. Offering leisure and corporate travellers a perfect stay experience, the newly built, 110 rooms Holiday Inn Goa Candolim will be a 30 minute drive from the city centre and a 60 minute drive from the Dabolim Airport. The hotel is also in close proximity to North Goa's popular entertainment and nightlife destinations and is a 15 minute walk from Candolim beach and Sinquerim fort. In addition to featuring well-designed, fully equipped guest rooms, Holiday Inn Goa Candolim will comprise expansive meeting space and a business centre to meet the rapidly growing MICE demands in the city.

Holiday Inn Goa Candolim will feature an all day dining restaurant and a lobby bar, offering guests some great dining options at the hotel. The hotel will also feature leisure facilities such as an outdoor pool and a gymnasium for guests to enjoy their time during their stay.

Roseate House Gets LEED Gold Rating

Roseate House New Delhi has been certified with LEED - The Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED - INDIA) licensed by USGBC to the Indian Green Building Council to encourage and facilitate the development of more sustainable buildings. The contemporary upscale hotel which caters to the new generation of cosmopolitan guests was evaluated and accorded the 'GOLD' rating. The criteria of selection included parameters like sustainable sites, water efficiency, energy and atmosphere, materials and resources, indoor environmental quality and innovation and design process.

LEED is the most widely used green building rating system in the world and a globally recognized certification and symbol of sustainability achievement. LEED provides a framework to create healthy, highly efficient and cost-saving green buildings.

Apeejay Surrendra Park Hotels launches 'Zone by The Park' in New Town Kolkata

Apeejay Surrendra Park Hotels Ltd., enters New Town Kolkata, the upcoming business district in Kolkata, with the eighth property of its Social-Catalyst brand 'Zone by The Park'. Zone by The Park Kolkata, the 117 room hotel is strategically located adjacent to the Biswa Bangla Convention Centre in the new IT and residential hub of Kolkata. Zone Kolkata will offer great food and beverage options to its guests. It has 3 banquet halls and 2 boardrooms making it ideal for weddings, conferences, events and high-powered meetings. Bazaar, the signature restaurant of Zone, inspired by multi-hued charismatic native markets is located on the 3rd floor with 146 covers. The 24-hour restaurant with interactive service formats and LIVE cooking stations will give guests an unrivalled experience. The hotel also has two bars- The Lobby Bar, an exclusive bar at the lobby level and ten located by the roof-top pool with spectacular views of the surrounding cityscape.

New ibis unveiled in Kolkata with ibis Kolkata Rajarhat

Kolkata has a reason to paint the city red! AccorHotels in partnership with InterGlobe Hotels proudly announces the launch of the coolest economy brand with the opening of ibis Kolkata Rajarhat. Today's traveller demands choice for food, accommodation options and leisure activities, all these are embodied in this brand new property. The latest ibis focuses on nurturing and continuous innovation, sustainability and creating an inviting experience for both guests and employees. ibis Kolkata Rajarhat will act as an archetype for some of the future ibis hotels in India. Thanks to new features including a sleeker and more colourful facade that breaks away from the traditional standardised monochrome exterior and more colourful rooms with wider windows and the much loved Sweet BedTM for an even more comfortable sleep. Sustainability remains at the core of the new ibis design, with all properties constructed using eco-friendly building materials including high-performance, energy efficient glazing and water saving fixtures as well as greener landscaping. ibis Kolkata Rajarhat features a 2,457 sq. ft pillar less meeting space which can further be divided to three smaller rooms with capacity for up to 250 guests, one of the largest MICE banquet spaces for an ibis.

The hotel will also feature a revamped food offering at Spice It, serving home-style international comfort food and regional cuisines. As with all ibis hotels, it will serve India's longest-running breakfast, starting from 4 am until noon.

upcoming festivals

JAIPUR INTERNATIONAL JAZZ & BLUES FESTIVAL

An initiative of Rajasthan Tourism, the Jaipur International Jazz and Blues Festival will showcase bands from various countries including India. It aims to open up the world of jazz and blues, and the different genres, to wider audiences.

When: March 8-9, 2019 Where: Central Park in Jaipur, Rajasthan

GOA CARNIVAL

The colorful Goa Carnival, which began as a local feast by the Portuguese in the 18th century, has developed into the state's most famous event. During the festival, the streets come alive with parades, floats, music, and masked dances. It culminates with the Red and Black Dance, a formal ball in Panaji, where the dress code is red and black. The festivities kick off with a Food and Culture Festival in Panaji.

When: Before Lent each year. March 2-5, 2019 Where: The carnival moves from city to city (Panaji, Margao, Vasco and Mapusa) in Goa. The parade starts out from Panaji.

INTERNATIONAL YOGA FESTIVAL

The International Yoga Festival is a must for anyone interested in yoga! With more than 400 people from over 30 countries, it's grown to become one of the largest yoga gatherings in the world. The festival offers yoga classes from world-class Yoga teachers, evening discussions with some of India's leading spiritual leaders, and other events including vegetarian cooking classes and the Yoga Aid Challenge charity fundraiser. More information and a detailed festival program is available on the website.
When: March 1-7, 2019 Where: Parmarth Niketan Ashram, Rishikesh, Uttarakhand

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