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Spectacular wedding by Tamarind

The Lalit, Mangar

Alila Fort Bishangarh, Jaipur

Ganesh Chaturthi

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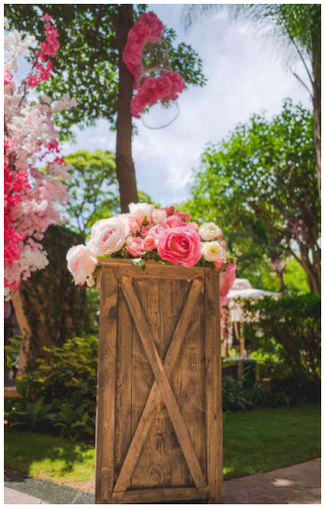
An open house evening was hosted by Tamarind Global Mumbai, as a celebration of our new offices in Lower Parel. We were overwhelmed by the wonderful support shown by our hotel friends and partners who showed up in full strength and celebrated with us!

Radisson Blu invited the Tamarind Team for hi-tea and presented us with a Top Selling Partner Memento - thank you, Radisson!

A wonderfully warm and energetic wedding that took place in Bangalore and Mumbai was managed by the Tamarind team, who pulled out all stops to create an unforgettable experience for all! The bridal couple exchanged garlands in a lotus carved out of ice, to soul stirring live chants accompanied by the Ganga Aarti.



What's New

Now Open

Alila Fort Bishangarh, Jaipur

Perched magnificently upon a granite hill, the bold, striking architecture of Alila Fort Bishangarh appears seamlessly sculpted from the surrounding rustic terrain, overlooking 360-degree views of the impressive Rajasthani landscape. Located at Bishangarh Village in the Jaipur District, barely 6 km off the Delhi-Jaipur National Highway, Alila Fort Bishangarh is easily accessible from both Delhi and Jaipur. It is 180 km (3 hours) from Indira Gandhi International Airport, New Delhi and only 55 km (1 hour) from Jaipur Airport. Once off the highway, the quaint drive to the fort passes through the rural landscape of Bishangarh village, offering guests hints of the colour and simplicity of the native lifestyle. Sitting within close proximity of two major cities, the hotel serves as the ideal base to explore Jaipur's innumerable tourist attractions.

With much care given to the ecological restoration, the resort still features the fort's original two-metre-thick walls and its battlement turrets and arches. Over the duration of its transformation, the soul of the fort has been passionately brought to life.

Off NH-8 At Manoharpur, Bishangarh,
Tehsil, Shahpura Jaipur -303103, Rajasthan, India

Banquet Lawns -Swimming Pool- Juice Bar- Gym- Club For Kiddies- Restaurants- Bar- Cigar Room- Wine Cellar- Coffee and Tea Lounge- Grand Banquet Hall- Conference and Meeting Rooms- Terrace- Library- Spa- Living Boutique- Concierge- Bathroom- Bathtubs- Television- Wi-Fi Internet Access- Minibar- In-Room Safe

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getaway resort of the month

Park Hyatt Goa

Quintessentially Goa

What Makes Your Stay Remarkable:

- Pousada-style guestrooms and suites: 248 beautifully appointed rooms including 12 suites each offering a spa-inspired bathing experience and scenic views
- Enriching Culinary experiences: Five restaurants, including a signature fine-dining Goan restaurant, Casa Sarita and Palms, a seafood restaurant on the beach
- Rejuvenate at Sereno Spa: a 36,000 square-foot destination spa with private treatment rooms and outdoor pavilions.
- Kid's zone – Camp Hyatt: An exclusive adult supervised play area for kids and toddlers.
- Picturesque wedding venues: A luxurious and personalized celebration of your love.

Set within 45 acres of landscaped gardens with glimmering waterways and lagoons, the Park Hyatt Goa resort showcases charming Indo-Portuguese style guestroom and suites, combining elegance with distinctive regional character. True to the Park Hyatt brand, Park Hyatt Goa Resort and Spa epitomises understated luxury and gracious service in an intimate sanctuary, offering guests an experience that is distinctively inspiring.

ROOMS & SUITES

Introducing rooms with a view - Choose from soothing pool views to the scenic views of the Arabian Sea; the picturesque lagoon view and rooms with a lush garden ahead. At the luxury accommodation in Goa, choose from 248 pousada-style guestrooms and suites that seamlessly blend understated elegance with regional charm. Relax in the unique spa-inspired sunken baths or enjoy the scenic view of shimmering lagoons, the pool or the sea from your private veranda or balcony.

DINING

At the Glasshouse on the Ganges, broadly, they serve a North-Indian cuisine as well as authentic Tehri Garhwal cuisine with a few Continental dishes at random, to suit a range of tastes and palates. South Indian, Italian and Chinese dishes are also often added to enrich the range of the buffet.An exceptional dining experience awaits you at our 5 star restaurants in South Goa. Village Square is an al fresco dining area and offers a selection of elegant restaurants serving an array of cuisines. Our signature restaurant Casa Sarita serves authentic Goan cuisine while Da Luigi showcases a selection of Italian fare. Enjoy the robust flavours of Indian food at Masala or celebrate a special occasion at the scenic beachside restaurant Palms. Whether it is breakfast, lunch, dinner or everything in between, experience our gracious service and passion for the culinary art.

SERENO SPA

Revel in a unique and luxurious spa experience at Sereno Spa at Park Hyatt Goa Resort and Spa. Here, ancient Ayurvedic and yogic healing traditions are infused with the revitalizing allure of the Arabian Sea. This award-winning Sereno Spa is a renowned health and wellness oasis that offers holistic treatments through a blend of customized therapies. Your visit promises to be a transformational experience, integrating mystical traditions and philosophies of old world India with the contemporary spa principles of aromatherapy and energy healing.

ACTIVITIES

From relaxing on the beach or shopping at a flea market, there are a host of exciting things to do and places to visit in Goa. Spend your day basking by the swimming pool, while younger guests can enjoy an adventure at Camp Hyatt. The Fitness Centre is available 24 hours a day while our Yoga Programme is conducted every morning. Hone your culinary skills at our Cooking with Master Chefs' class or take the intriguing Horticulture Tour with the resident expert.

EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

Get inspired and host unique events at the resort's brilliant gardens, private beachfront and lush lawns, or choose from the beautifully appointed indoor banquet spaces. The regal Salcete is a 4,030-sq-ft wood-panelled ballroom that can accommodate 370 guests in theatre-style seating. An exclusive entrance with a high pillar-less ceiling adds to the feeling of grandeur. Picture a romantic sunset wedding ceremony overlooking Arossim Beach, followed by a magnificent dinner dance reception in the Salcete Ballroom.

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promotion of the month

Vivanta by Taj, President – Mumbai

Soak in the space that's a hot favourite, in Colaba, close to South Mumbai's main business district. Standing tall in SoBo's posh Cuffe Parade. With nothing short of the coolest bar and speciality restaurants that the city has to offer. The chic rooms feature free Wi-Fi, flat-screen TVs, desks and safes, plus minibars and tea and coffeemaking equipment. From refreshingly colourful abstract art, to upholstery in contrasting shades of pastel yellow, green and blue, the rooms radiate warmth that both soothes and engages your senses instantly. The luxe suites add separate living areas, and upgraded suites include dining areas. Room service is available 24/7.

Discover the most happening restaurants, which open to the lobby to create an enticing food zone offering the best in world cuisine. Technology is woven through it all. Vivanta by Taj – President, Mumbai is one of the best 5-star hotels in Mumbai, and has all the entertainment and connectivity options that today's traveller requires.

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destination news

Strong Growth for Indian Domestic Tourism

A total of 1.61 billion domestic tourism trips were registered by India's Ministry of Tourism in 2016, compared to 1.43bn in 2015, marking year-on-year growth of 12.7%. The most popular states in terms of number of domestic tourist visits during 2016 were Tamil Nadu (343.8 million), Uttar Pradesh (211.7m), Andhra Pradesh (153.2m), Madhya Pradesh (150.5m) and Karnataka (129.8m). Maharashtra (116.5m), Telangana (95.2m), West Bengal (74.5m), Gujarat (42.3m) and Rajasthan (41.5m) completed the top 10. These 10 states accounted for more than 84% of the total number of domestic tourist visits within India in 2016. Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh have maintained the top three rankings from 2015, while Madhya Pradesh overtook Karnataka into fourth place, with year-on-year growth of 93%.

Government to sell stake in Air India

Finance Minister, Arun Jaitley, said that the cabinet had given "in principle approval for the disinvestment" of the flag carrier. Jaitley will now head a group tasked with implementing the sale. On the surface, Air India may not seem like an especially appealing investment opportunity. The debt-laden has been losing market share to rival airlines such as IndiGo, and now handles only about 12% of Indian traffic. But the rapid growth of the Indian aviation sector could make investors more optimistic; India's domestic air traffic is increasing at consistent double-digit pace, and the tourism-friendly policies of Narendra Modi's government are driving improvements in inbound and outbound travel. Air India also reversed a decade-long series of losses last year, when it achieved a rare profit.

International visitor arrivals to India increased strongly in May 2017, driven by the rising popularity of the country's e-tourist visa scheme.

According to data from India's Ministry of Tourism, the country welcomed a total of 630,000 overseas arrivals last month, up 19.5% year-on-year. Once again, neighbouring Bangladesh was the largest feeder market for India in May 2017, accounting for 29.7% of the total arrivals. The US (14.4%), UK (6.8%), Malaysia (3.6%) and China (2.9%) completed the top five visitor source markets. The number of visitors arriving in India on e-tourist visas also rose sharply in May, up 55.3% year-on-year to a total of 68,000. This accounted for 10.8% of total arrivals.

Tourism sector is not attracting expected investment despite friendly policies: Rashmi Verma

The tourism sector is not attracting investment as expected despite numerous measures taken by the government in the recent years to deregulate and make policies and procedures investor-friendly. Making a keynote at the third Tourism Investors Meet 2017 by FICCI in Delhi, Rashmi Verma, Secretary - Tourism, Government of India, said that real action has to come from states who own the land. Land has to be made available to investors in a transparent fashion. Many states are taking proactive action, but are lagging behind, she said. Verma said that one reason for lack interest of investors in hotel investment in India is long lean season. However, that is changing fast. Sharing the latest foreign tourist arrivals for May 2017 which is considered a lean month, she said there has been over 19% growth in arrivals and foreign exchange earnings, which shows a change in trend. She conceded that world-class infrastructure is missing in many destinations despite all the efforts on the part of the government.

top 3 picks

TOP-3 -GETAWAY RESORTS NEAR DELHI/ NCR IN LUXURY SEGMENT

THE WESTIN, SOHNA

Nestled within the tranquil surroundings, located within easy driving distance from Gurgaon and New Delhi, the resort is just 60 minutes from Indira Gandhi International Airport and 40 minutes from the central business district of Gurgaon. Spread across 37 acres of lush green land with state-of-the-art elegant design, the resort is a perfect weekend getaway near Gurgaon to let guests discover unparallel facilities to relax and rejuvenate amidst the countryside. Revive your body and soul with an invigorating session at the Heavenly Spa by Westin™, power up at our advanced WestinWORKOUT® Fitness Studio or enjoy a plethora of varied, international and Indian dining options at your discretion.

THE LALIT, MANGAR

Nestled in the middle of Mangar Bani Valley, a verdant and beautiful forest grove with a captivating natural ambience, The LaLiT Mangar is an experiential 5-star hotel. With a green cover housing around 6 lakh trees in 677 acres, the valley is an oasis of retreat for city dwellers. Using special rammed earth architecture, the hotel is exquisitely designed with natural raw materials like earth chalk and gravel in layers. The LaLiT Mangar provides enough and more opportunities to indulge. For the outdoorsy soul, activities like rock climbing – under expert guidance, cycling and well planned picnics amidst the valley are available. For others, a chance to sun bathe for hours, enjoy rustic style pleasure in rural activitiesor, maybe head for natural therapies at Time Reversal Spa. The LaLiT Mangar welcomes you to experience the sound of silence.

THE TAJ GATEWAY RESORT DAMDAMA LAKE, SOHNA

The Gateway Resort Damdama Lake Gurgaon welcomes you to a nature inspired sanctuary for the urban nomad. The resort is located just 45 km from IGI Airport Delhi, on a sprawling 20 acres of land in the bosom of the Aravalli hills, near Damdama Lake. Recharge your mind with a brisk walk through acres of lush greenery, listening to a symphony conducted by birds. Soak in the crystal waters of the pool or get active with extreme adventure sports facilities in the resort and beyond, or indulge in a morning of golf with the mini-putting greens. Find your escape. Enjoy smart, spacious rooms along with experienced staff trained to give you a home-away-from-home experience. Gateway Resort Damdama Lake serves some of the choicest traditional and international cuisines. Our menu covers it all. We have flavours from across the world. From the sinfully decadent to healthy active foods. So whatever your palate and body crave for will be there.

hotel news

Indian Hotel Sector on the rise

India's hotel sector performed strongly in May 2017, with rate and occupancy growth leading to a sharp rise in revenue per available room (revPAR). According to the latest monthly data from STR, India's nationwide occupancy increased 5.4% year-on-year to 61.4% in May, which marked the highest absolute occupancy level for a May in India since 2007. And this extra demand is allowing hoteliers to hike their rates; India's average daily rate (ADR) climbed 3.5% to INR5,406.77 (approx. US$84) in May. These two factors combined to raise nationwide revPAR by +9.1% to INR3,319.71. RevPAR has now increased 4.2% during the first five months of 2017, driven by strong domestic tourism and rising affluence among India's growing middle class. Specifically in May, hotel demand was supported by the Indian Premier League cricket and the African Development Bank annual meetings in Ahmedabad.

Royal Orchid Hotels adds one more hotels to its Portfolio

Royal Orchid Hotels announces the opening of 1 more hotel under its brand 'Regenta' in Deharadun, Uttarakhand slated to open on 25th June, expanding to 44th hotels. Regenta LP Vilas is one of the luxurious and best hotels in Dehradun with spacious rooms and lush green lawns. Spread over a lakh sq. ft. area with a capacity to cater 4000 people, this hotel is centrally located among other Dehradun hotels within the city and are situated very near to the famous business hub Selaqui, International airport and Railway Station. The hotel comprises of 74 well furnished rooms overlooking a picturesque view of the forest welcoming every guest to experience the tranquility of nature and luxury put together. The rooms are thoughtfully designed ensuring comfort to the needs of every guest; while, providing the best modern amenities such as spacious bed, worktables and sofa, separate shower with the basic toiletries, etc. for a remarkable leisure experience. This hotel also features a multi cuisine restaurant and a bar. The hotel is also, first of its kind to offer luxurious and spacious venue to host any kind of event.

90% of classified hotel rooms in the country will be under 18% GST: Rashmi Verma

Rashmi Verma, Secretary Tourism, Govt of India said that 90% of the classified hotel rooms will have a tax incidence of 18% or below in the new GST regime. She was speaking at a GST workshop organised by Hotel and Restaurant Association of Northern India. She said that only 10% of the hotel rooms will fall in the highest slab of 28%. She asked industry stakeholders to try and bridge the gap between declared and actual tariff and also try to unbundle all additional services from the tariff to remain in the threshold bracket of 18%. The tourism ministry has set up a GST desk to clarify any queries. The cell will work as a bridge between GST working group and the industry.

Hilton expands its pipeline in Sri Lanka

The company has penned an agreement to manage the 140-room DoubleTree by Hilton Weerawila, which is scheduled to open in the first quarter of 2018. This follows a major agreement for six new Hilton and DoubleTree hotels in Sri Lanka, signed by the company in April this year. Located on the banks of Lake Weerawila in the Hambantota district, close to several national parks and the town of Tissamaharama, DoubleTree by Hilton Weerawila will become the first DoubleTree to open in Sri Lanka, and the first upscale hotel in Weerawila. “As tourism in Sri Lanka continues to grow, expanding our footprint in developing towns, including Tissamaharama, supports our mission to be the world's most hospitable company by being in destinations where our guests want to travel,” said Guy Philips, Hilton's senior vice president of development for Asia & Australasia.

The Leela receives top accolades at EazyDiner Foodie Awards 2017

The Leela Palaces, Hotels and Resorts takes pride as it brings home top accolades for culinary excellence in the capital region at the second edition of EazyDiner Foodie Awards 2017. Held at The Leela Ambience Gurugram Hotel & Residences, the glittering award ceremony recognised and rewarded the best and the brightest for making outstanding contributions to the dining universe of the Delhi-NCR region. The Leela Palace New Delhi's all day dining restaurant – The Qube - won the coveted Vir's Critic's Choice Awards for 'Best Sunday Brunch' and its famed French-Italian restaurant - Le Cirque won the People's Choice Awards for 'Best European Restaurant'; The Leela Ambience Gurugram's Michel Koopman, was selected 'General Manager of the Year' in Vir's Critic's Choice Awards and the all day dining restaurant - Spectra – won the People's Choice Awards for 'Best Café.' Commenting on the awards, Rajiv Kaul, President, The Leela Palaces, Hotels and Resorts said, “We are delighted that The Leela properties in the Capital region have achieved stellar recognition for their culinary excellence and outstanding dining experience. We are thankful to Vir Sanghvi and our discerning guests for their appreciation for our mission to bring memorable dining experiences.”

upcoming festivals

SNAKE BOAT RACE

The Nehru Trophy snake boat race is undoubtedly the most exciting boat race of the year in Kerala. This race is held in memory of India's late Prime Minister, Jawahar Lal Nehru. An impromptu snake boat race was held in 1952 when the Prime Minister visited Alleppey. Apparently he was so impressed with the welcome and the race, he donated a trophy. The race has continued on ever since. It takes place annually on the second Saturday of August and around 70 boats usually participate in it. This year will be its 65th edition.

When: August 12, 2017 Where: Punnamda Lake, Alleppey in Kerala

JANMASHTAMI

The festival of Krishna Janmashtami, also known as Govinda, commemorates the birthday of Lord Krishna. In Mumbai, on the second day, an extremely fun part of the festival involves people climbing on each other and forming a human pyramid to try and reach and break open clay pots filled with curd, which have been strung up high from buildings.

When: August 14-15, 2017 Where: Throughout India. One of the best places to experience the festival is in the city of Mumbai. Celebrations take place at hundreds of locations throughout the city. The huge ISKCON temple complex, in the beach side suburb of Juhu, also runs a special cultural program. The most elaborate rituals are performed at Mathura in northern India, where Lord Krishna was born and spent his childhood.

GANESH CHATURTHI

The spectacular 11 day Ganesh Chaturthi festival honors the birth of the beloved Hindu elephant-headed god, Lord Ganesha. The start of the festival sees huge, elaborately crafted statutes of Ganesha installed in homes and podiums, which have been especially constructed and beautifully decorated. At the end of the festival, the statutes are paraded through the streets, accompanied by much singing and dancing, and then submerged in the ocean.

When: August 25 to September 5, 2017 Where: Mostly in the states of Maharashtra, Goa, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh. One of the best places to experience the festival is in the city of Mumbai.

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