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Team building in Antalya

W Goa- Wedding Destination

Anantya Resort, Kanyakumari

Celebrate Dussehra in Kullu

tamarind news

Tamarind Global planned and exeuted a fun filled weekend for the EO in Mumbai, at the JW Marriott, Sahar. In addition, our teams are gearing up for mega events in Hyderabad, Udaipur, Jaipur and Mumbai. Watch this space from more!

Should modern to-be-wed couples opt for outdoor celebrations or indoor events? What if a client wants their personal chefs and catering set up in a hotel? What should one keep in mind before opting for exotic locations for a lavish destination wedding? Throwing light on all these questions were participants of the first panel discussion titled SHIFTING TRENDS IN DESTINATION WEDDINGS: New Locations, New Demands, New in Luxury. Mahesh Shirodkar, MD Tamarind Global was on the panel discussion at the 2017 WeddingSutra Grand Engage and Photography Awards on 24th August.

A New Wedding Destination!

W, Goa

WED YOUR WAY

W GOA

From the ideal proposals to the dreamiest honeymoon, why not say "I do" with the picture perfect backdrop? Let your most outrageous dreams come true with the ultimate destination as we call the "EDGE OF CELEBRATION" Enjoy a ceremony having the iconic Chapora fort as a backdrop and a first kiss that overlooks an unbelievable expanse of the Arabian Sea. The bride, groom and guests will never forget the festivities that follow.

RESORT OVERVIEW

EXPLORE. EXPERIENCE. RETREAT

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- First W HOTEL in India Designed by Design Wilkes
- 25 acres of tropical paradise
- Beachfront location
- Shadowed by the magnificent historic legacy of the Portuguese Chapora Fort on Vagator Beach.
- 109 Rooms | Suite | Villas
- 4 Dining venues
- First CLARINS Spa in India
- GREAT ROOM WET® - outdoor pool
- FIT - state-of-the-art gym
- Wired – Business center
- Whatever/Whenever® (really)!

Additional room inventory will be added phase two of the opening.

SET THE SCENE

FUN starts before the BIG DAY. Let us plan the ultimate Hen's or bachelorette experience. Get pampered from manis to martinis to blowouts while getting your GLOW at SPA by CLARINS. From access to Goa's best Nightlife spots to exclusive sessions with our Mixologist at WOOBAR.

Set the stage for your big moments in style. It'll be a day to remember.

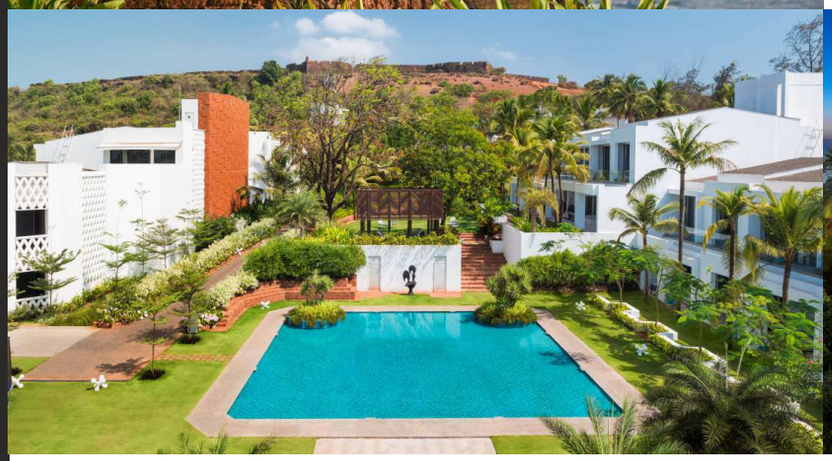
- W Insider to help plan the 'Big Night Out'
- VIP table at WOOBAR
- Bar-be-cue at Villa by Chef de Cuisine
- Signature packages with exclusive Vitality Pool Access @ Spa by Clarins

THE STAGE IS READY

For that perfect setting, the day where all vows will be witnessed by your friends and family. A ceremony to make those ultimate memories and sharing moments that stay for lifetime.

The best part is, that you don't even have to lift a finger. We've got you covered. Our wedding specialist will look after every detail and make sure no one forgets this day of your life.

- Approximately 6000 Sq Ft space of GREAT ROOM with Pre-function area
- Several outdoor spaces for well crafted personalized experience



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What's New

Sept 2017

Fairfield by Marriott, Jodhpur

Travel with confidence at Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott® a hotel with outstanding service for an easy and comfortable stay-at an exceptional value. The hotel is always ready to welcome you to the thoughtfully designed guest rooms and suites with plenty of room to work and relax. Free Wi-Fi throughout the hotel will keep you connected during your stay and the fitness center will help you stay on track. Spread out in the vibrant lobby, with spaces to gather, relax and work.

- Free breakfast, now with more hot choices like scrambled eggs, sausage and oatmeal, plus favorites including fresh fruit and yogurt.
- Spacious and contemporary guest rooms to work or relax with well-lit work area and ergonomic chair.
- Complimentary high-speed Internet access in all guest rooms and free Wi-Fi throughout the hotel.
- Fitness Centre

Opposite New High Court, Near Shatabdi Circle,
Vijay Raje Nagar Jodhpur 342013 India

Local Attractions

Mehrangarh Fort- Umaid Bhawan Palace- Jaswant Thada- Balsamand Lake- Mandore Garden- Jai Narain Vyas University- Barkatullah Khan Stadium- National Law University

Check with us for sightseeing tours!

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getaway resort of the month

Anantya Resort, Kanyakumari

State Highway 45, Kaliel Village, Chittar Lake,
Kanyakumari District, India

Anantya Resorts is located at a distance of 37.2 km from the Green Field Airport and 65.2 km from the Kanyakumari Railway Station. The prominent tourist attractions like Vivekananda Rock Memorial, Thiruvalluvar Statue, Padmanabhapuram Palace, Thanumalayan Temple, Vattakottai Fort and many others

Anantya is a quiet lush tropical retreat nestled within 1000 acres of rubber plantations. Anantya is perched on the banks of the Chittar Lake where the Western Ghats give way to Alli Kulams and Tamara Kulams (Lily and Lotus Ponds) in beautiful Kanyakumari district. At Anantya, shades of green and hues of blue stretch as far as the eye can see. The peace, tranquility and calm of water and picturesque Anantya will recharge and rejuvenate you. Come experience infinite holidays at Anantya. Discover for yourselves why Anantya is Travancore's Best Kept Secret.

ROOMS & SUITES

All of Anantya's 21 Villas face the lake and have gorgeous views of the water. The Villas seamlessly blend the outdoors and the indoors. Rustic local finishes of mudwalls, exposed brickwork, handmade tiles on sloping roofs and rubble masonry mesh with carefully selected furniture to create a refined space to retreat and relax.

Anantya's design is inspired by Laurie Baker and Geoffrey Bawa's ideals of minimalism, eco friendliness and trueness of materials. Carefully constructed to leave a minimal eco footprint we have used reconditioned tiles and stone pillars, locally procured rubble and brick, sewage treatment and water saving, contour constructions and many other techniques.

DINING

The dining reflects the palates of our international clientele. Our chefs have crafted dishes inspired by Indian, Continental, Italian, Mexican and Asian cuisines. We also feature a number of local delicacies on our menus. For guests taking advantage of our ayurvedic or yoga packages, we offer a more 'Sattvic' cuisine. A Sattvic diet is the traditional term for a yoga diet or sentient diet which focuses on foods that have 'Sattva Guna', (literally translated to 'pure benefits'). A Sattvic diet leads to clarity of mind and offers maximum benefit to the body.

ASTITVA AYURVEDA

'Astitva,' in common usage means 'existence.' But, in ancient Sanskrit, it stands for the attainment of the complete potential of every thing. In its purest form it is the attainment of god himself. Experience complete and holistic wellness! Anantya Travancore has teamed up with the Pankajakasthuri Group, a renowned name in the field of Ayurveda, to provide authentic and traditional Ayurvedic spa services. The Group, which runs the Pankajakasthuri Ayurvedic College and Hospital has a history of providing Ayurvedic services for many generations. Enjoy a tailor made, revitalizing and therapeutic treatment in our beautiful spa rooms that overlook the calm lake water.

EXPERIENCES

Anantya's location offers a great opportunity to experience the heritage and cultures of both the southern states of Kerala and Tamil Nadu. In "God's Own Country," Kerala, you can explore Kerala's famed beaches, tropical rivers, backwaters and lakes, and enjoy the world-acclaimed therapeutic Ayurvedic massages. In Tamil Nadu, you can immerse yourself in the rich tamil culture by visiting ancient temples and observing unique temple processions and festivals. You can journey to some as yet undiscovered and secluded beaches. Or, travel to the surreal edge of the Indian subcontinent where three seas merge to offer you spectacular sunrises and sunsets.

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promotion of the month

Hyatt Regency Chennai

Hyatt Regency Chennai is a modern business 5 star hotel located centrally, close to prime business districts, IT corridors, consulates and 15 kms away from Chennai International airport. Epitomizing South India's artistic traditions, this luxury hotel in Chennai brings a warm feeling with a dash of cosmopolitan glamour for business and leisure travelers. Explore the charming streets of Chennai and enjoy an energizing experience of Hyatt Regency.

What Makes a Seamless Stay?

Refreshing rooms: 325 aesthetically designed guestrooms and suites, with Regency Club Lounge as well as a top-floor presidential suite.

Fine Dining with Native Chefs: Inventive Italian cuisine at Focaccia, authentic sushi at Yakiniku, Flavorful Chinese at Stix and a three meal buffet at Spice Haat.

Relaxing features: Outdoor pool with sundeck, rejuvenating Siddh Spa, fully equipped 24 hour fitness center keeps you fit and healthy.

365, Anna Salai, Teynampet
Chennai, India

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destination news

Hong Kong Tourism Board hosts India travel mission

Targeting growth in the leisure and MICE segments from India, Hong Kong Tourism Board (HKTB) recently organized its annual travel mission in India from August 21 to 25 covering four key markets of Chennai, Mumbai, Kolkata and New Delhi. Around 31 Hong Kong trade partners participated in the programme with an aim to engage directly and continue to build strong relationships with the Indian trade and develop new and attractive itineraries for the India market. The 4-city travel mission will enable Indian travel trade to get insights into what Hong Kong has to offer different groups of travelers. India is now among the top 15 source markets for Hong Kong in terms of visitor arrivals. Over the last three years,

Hong Kong has seen a rise in younger travelers aged between 25 to 45 years within the leisure segment. Key consumer target segments include families, young travelers and MICE groups in key markets of Mumbai, Delhi, Bengaluru, Chennai and Kolkata.

Dubai Cruise Tourism sails on tranquil waters for the 2017/2018 season

The media interaction segment during the Dubai Cruise Tourism Roadshow revealed the need to educate the Indian audience about cruises by bolstering the direct marketing initiatives. Dubai Cruise Tourism witnessed a successful season with an increase of 15% as compared to the previous season. Over 6, 25,000 cruise tourists visited the city via a total of 157 ship calls in tandem with their strategic goal of welcoming 1 million cruise tourists to Dubai by 2020/21 cruise season. The Dubai Cruise 2017/2018 season is set to commence on 25th October, with the arrival of cruise ship Sea bourn Encore. India contributes to 12% of Dubai's total visitors as it remains the top source market and sees India emerging as an important market for cruise tourism as well.

Karnataka promotes festival tourism

The Department of Tourism, Government of Karnataka, plans to promote tourism through special tour packages for the upcoming Dussehra festival. The department, through its arm Karnataka State Tourism Development Corporation (KSTDC), will launch the 'Dasara Special Tour Package' in the Golden Chariot, the only luxury tourist train in South India, run by KSTDC, to promote this state festival. The first trip will run from September 23 to 25, and the second from September 29 to October 1. The train will depart from and arrive at the Yeshwantpur railway station in Bengaluru.

Nepalese air provider spreads wings with first jets.

A Nepalese company that provides chartered helicopter services has taken delivery of its first ever jet aircraft. The new Bombardier CRJ Series aircraft – two CRJ200s and one CRJ700 – will allow Shree Airlines expand the scope of its operations, including the launch of new regional flights. The company serves various types of traveller, from religious pilgrims to humanitarian groups. “The launch of our new regional jet service with the CRJ200 and CRJ700 aircraft represents a significant milestone in our growth journey,” said Anil Manandhar, corporate manager of Kathmandu-based Shree Airlines. “The CRJ Series aircraft will allow us to improve domestic transportation, and will be a key asset in helping Shree Airlines expands its operations to the regional markets in the future.”

top 3 picks

TOP-3 -BEACH OUTINGS FOR TEAM BUILDING

BATANGAS BEACH IN MANILA

Batangas is a very popular beach location in the Philippines. Located in Southern Luzon, people come in throughout the year for its diving spots, pristine waters, fine, white sand beaches and awesome beach resorts. Three hours away from Manila, this place is a premiere membership resort club, which combines the homey feel of actually living in a village while offering a majestic view of the sea and an array of luxurious resort-like services. This relatively quite and secluded resort in Manila weaves you towards meaningful team building and rejuvenating relaxation. You can also enjoy activities such as snorkeling and scuba diving in the clear waters of the Batangas. Some other Batangas beach resorts great for team-building activities are Casa Astillero and the Lilly beach resort.

NOVARAFT, ANTALYA IN TURKEY

Tantalya is a beautiful Turkish resort city with a yacht-filled harbor and blue water beaches. Gateway to Turkey’s southern Mediterranean region, Antalya is known as the Turquoise Coast because of its blue waters. Antalya has many tourists’ attractions ranging from pristine beaches to fabulous architecture. Antalya also has a variety of team building activities on offer. One such place in Antalya is Novaraft that offers team-building activity of the adventurous & adrenaline seeking nature. This company specializes in a series of adventure sports like river rafting, canyon rafting and jeep safari. The only place where rafting is done in Antalya is the Köprüçay River which passes through Köprülü Canyon National Park.The river runs through the national park and offers breathtaking views of nature and the Taurus Mountains.

MAHABALIPURAM, CHENNAI

The beguiling beach of Mahabalipuram is one of the favoured destinations for a team outing especially if you are looking for a location in the south of India. About an hour’s drive from Chennai, Mahabalipuram is an ideal location where you can take in the amazing coastal sights and partake in some quality team building activities. Amidst breath-taking scenery, the company can engage in exciting games of beach soccer, human foosball and employee skill enhancing activities. Mahabalipuram beach is home to a number of classy beach resorts where team bond activities can be held. The Chariot Beach Resort even has paintball facilities to bring out a little bit of fun competitive spirit within the employees. The resorts also offer plenty of water sports for the employees to engage in.

hotel news

Taj Hotels Palaces Resorts Safaris organizes its first India Sales Mission

Taj Hotels Palaces Resorts Safaris in-order to reinforce and strengthen its ties with the travel trade and familiarize them with its latest offerings, organised the first edition of its Sales Mission at Taj Lands' End Mumbai on 7th Sept. The Sales Mission saw participation from 39 Taj hotels including two overseas properties from Dubai and Bhutan. Prior to Mumbai, the two day sales mission concluded successfully with 700 participants in Delhi. In Mumbai, around 250 travel trade partners engaged in business sessions with the 39 participating hotels and enhanced their knowledge about them. Elaborating more on the Sales Mission Renu Basu, Global Vice President - Sales, Taj Hotels Palaces Resorts Safaris, said, “We have been conducting other outreach programmes like one-on-one meetings and small trade seminars to engage with the travel trade. This is the first time we have initiated a platform of this scale by organizing this sales mission where 39 properties have come under one roof to meet the travel trade. These sales mission give our esteemed customers an opportunity to interact with multiple properties to enhance and develop more business ties than in usual one-on-one business meets. Considering that Mumbai and Delhi are the top inbound source markets for Taj hotels, the sales mission was concentrated in these two cities this year. Similar sales mission was organized in Dubai last year. Notably, the US and UK are top inbound source markets for Taj hotels.

Mercure elevates midscale sector in the Maldives

AccorHotels has unveiled plans for a new midscale Mercure resort in the Maldives, which will include several facilities that are more usually associated with the luxury sector. Located in Gaafu Alifu Atoll, a 55-minute flight from Malé, Mercure Maldives Kooddoo offers 68 villas, 43 of which are over-water and 25 of which are on the beach. Twenty of the villas feature a private six-metre-long swimming pool, with the top room category being the “sunset over-water pool villas. There are also several F&B outlets, including an over-water tapas restaurant, plus a PADI dive centre, multiple water sports, a 50-metre swimming pool, tennis and badminton courts, a kids' club and fitness centre. The launch of the new Mercure resort follows the recent opening of Dhevanafushi Maldives Luxury Resort, which will be managed by AccorHotels and rebranded as a Raffles in 2018.

Hilton forays into pilgrimage towns in India

Hilton has announced the signing of a management agreement with Trillion Real Estate & Properties Private Limited for a new DoubleTree by Hilton property in Shirdi, Maharashtra. Scheduled to open in Q1 2019, DoubleTree by Hilton Shirdi will be located at Shirdi's historical town centre, marking Hilton's entry into the popular pilgrimage destination. The latest addition increases Hilton's pipeline of hotels in India to 19 properties. According to Dianna Vaughan, Senior Vice President and Global Head, DoubleTree by Hilton, DoubleTree by Hilton Shirdi will mark the brand's sixth property in the pipeline in this burgeoning market. “As the first upscale hotel in Shirdi, we look forward to delivering exceptional experiences to guests beginning with our signature, warm DoubleTree Cookie welcome,” she said.

Shangri-La Hotel, Colombo Set to Introduce a New Level of Luxury in Sri Lanka

Shangri-La Hotels and Resorts announced that Shangri-La Hotel, Colombo is set to open later this year in December 2017 and the hotel will begin taking bookings from September 2017. Shangri-La Hotel, Colombo will be the second property in Sri Lanka for the luxury Asian hospitality group – joining Shangri-La's Hambantota Golf Resort & Spa, which opened in June 2016 – and is anticipated to be one of the most prominent hotel launches in Sri Lanka in nearly 30 years. Located at One Galle Face along the Galle Face Green promenade, which is the most exclusive address in Colombo, Shangri-La Hotel, Colombo will offer uninterrupted Indian Ocean views in most of its 500 guestrooms and suites and 41 serviced apartments. The hotel sits on 10 acres of land that will also soon accommodate an office tower, two residential buildings and a high-end shopping mall, bringing a new level of luxury to the thriving, metropolitan city of Colombo. The hotel is a 40-minute drive from the Colombo Bandaranaike International Airport.

Hyatt Regency Lucknow Opens in Northern India

Hyatt announced opening of Hyatt Regency Lucknow, the first Hyatt-branded hotel in Lucknow, capital of the northern state of Uttar Pradesh in India. Hyatt Regency Lucknow is the 27th Hyatt-branded hotel in India and further expands the company's brand presence in South Asia by offering enriching, authentic and diversified brand experiences for guests. “The opening of Hyatt Regency Lucknow marks a significant milestone for the Hyatt Regency brand as it continues to expand its footprint throughout India,” said Kurt Straub, vice president, operations for India at Hyatt. “Not only is the hotel strategically located for business travelers visiting Lucknow, it is also well positioned for leisure guests who are interested in enjoying a journey through the Uttar Pradesh Heritage Arc of Lucknow, Agra and Varanasi.”

upcoming festivals

KULLU DUSSEHRA

Unlike other Dussehra celebrations in India, effigies of Ravana aren't burned at this week-long festival. On the first day, Goddess Hadimba is carried from the temple in Manali down to Kullu, where she's taken to the palace and blessed by the royal family. She then goes to Dhalpur and is joined by the idol of Lord Raghunath (Lord Rama, the presiding deity). Hundreds of gods and goddesses from all over the Valley come to meet them, and they're carried in procession to Dhalpur Maidan where they stay until the end of the festival. The fair grounds are alive with exhibitions, cultural performances, and vendors from across India. On the last day, the chariot is pulled to the Beas River, where a pile of thorn bushes is set on fire to depict the burning of Lanka.

Where: September 30-October 6, 2017. When : Dhalpur Maidan, Kullu Valley, Himachal Pradesh.

MARWAR FESTIVAL

The Marwar Festival celebrates the culture of Rajasthan's Marwar region. It's held for two days over the full moon, in memory of the state's medieval heroes. The highlight of the festival is classic folk music and dance, which brings alive the myths and legends of the area. The festival also includes horse riding, horse polo -- and bizarrely -- camel tattooing. The festival provides a deep insight into the rural life of the people of Rajasthan. The dance postures which involve folk dancer carrying pots on their heads are a treat to the eye. These performances are usually held at the Umaid Bhawan Palace in Mandore and Mehrangarh Fort.

When: October 4-5, 2017.
Where: Jodhpur, Rajasthan.

SAMSARA HIMALAYAN EDITIONC

Samsara Himalaya Edition is a new platform for bringing together wellness and psybient (chilled out psychedelic) music lovers from all over the world. As well as encompassing the Bir International Yoga Festival conducted by AryaMarga Yoga, it will feature a wide range of natural health and wellness practitioners and teachers. Modalities include yoga, qigong and tai chi, reiki, Ayurveda, and Chinese and Tibetan acupuncture. Visitors will also be introduced to sound and vision healing. All of this will be decorated and conducted under the general understanding of the five Elements that form the Universe and each one of us. Samsara Himalaya Edition will be held in and around the environs of the Tibetan section of Bir Village, in the heart of Himachal Pradesh , 64 kilometers from Dharamshala, the residence of the Dalai Lama.

When: October 22-31, 2017.
Where: the Tibetan section of Bir village, Himachal Pradesh.

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