

Buddhist Special Train



THIS TRAIN WILL BE AVAILABLE IN EURONET BY END OF OCT 2010

The Mahaparinirvan Express is a special tourist train that takes passengers on a spiritual tour through Buddhist India, where Buddhism originated more than 2,500 years ago.

The train gets its name from the Mahaparinirvana Sutra, which contains the Buddha's final explanation of his teachings. Its sacred journey includes visits to the most important Buddhist pilgrimage sites of Lumbini (where the Buddha was born), Bodhgaya (where he became enlightened), Varanasi (where he first preached), and Kusinagar (where he passed away and achieved nirvana).



I. Itinerary

- The itinerary last 8 days/7 nights with a mix of nights onboard and hotels

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Over night stay on-board: day 1,3,4,6,7

Over night stay at hotel: day 2 and 5

- **Destinations Covered:** Delhi - Gaya - Rajgir - Nalanda - Gaya - Varanasi - Sarnath - Varanasi - Gorakhpur - Khusinagar - Lumbini - Gorakhpur - Gonda - Sravasti - Gonda - Agra - Fatehpur Sikri - Agra - Delhi

- **INDIA: Weather, Time,** India is a tropical country with different and extreme climatic conditions which are witnessed from month to month. It is advisable to carry clothes suitable to a tropical climate and medium & heavy woollens during winter time.

- TOUR DATES (Departure from Delhi)

Month	Day
November 2010	13th & 27th
December 2010	11th & 25th
January 2011	8th & 22nd
February 2011	12th & 26th
March 2011	12th & 26th

Itinerary description

Day 1 - Depart Delhi for Gaya	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Welcome at Delhi Safdarjung Railway Station -Departure for Gaya -Onboard dinner -Overnight onboard the Buddhist Train
Day 2 - Gaya / Bodhgaya	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Early morning tea on-board. -Arrive Gaya. Proceed to Bodhgaya -Breakfast at Hotel -Visit Mahabodhi Temple & Niranjana River -Lunch at Hotel -Visit Thai Temple, Japanese Temple & Buddha Statue -Dinner & Overnight stay at the Hotel: Hotel Sujata / Hotel Lotus Nikko / or Similar
Day 3 - Rajgir / Nalanda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Breakfast at Hotel -Visit Bimbisara Jail & Gridhkut hill -Lunch at Hotel: Hotel Sujata / Hotel Lotus Nikko / or Similar -Visit ruins of Nalanda University & Nalanda Museum -Dep. Varanasi by train -Dinner & Overnight stay onboard the Buddhist Train

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Day 4 - Varanasi / Sarnath	<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Early morning tea on-board-Arrive Varanasi. Breakfast, hotel Clarks / HHI / Ramada / or Similar-Visit Sarnath, Dhamekh Stupa & Ashokan Pillar-Lunch at Hotel: hotel Clarks / HHI / Ramada / or Similar-Visit to Ganges's Ghat, Boat ride & Aarti-Dep. for Gorakhpur , Dinner & Overnight stay on-board
Day 5 - Gorakhpur / Kushinagar	<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Early morning tea onboard-Arrive Gorakhpur. Proceed by coach to Hotel at Gorakhpur / Kushinagar-Check-in and Breakfast at Hotel: Hotel Imperial/ Hotel Lotus Nikko / or Similar-Visit Mahaparinirvan Temple, Rambhar stupa & Matakutir Temple.-Lunch & Dinner and Overnight at Hotel: Hotel Imperial/ Hotel Lotus Nikko / or Similar
Day 6- Kushinagar / Lumbini	<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Early morning tea and breakfast at Hotel.-Proceed to Lumbini (Nepal) by bus.-Lunch at Hotel: Royal Residency or Similar-Visit Mayadevi temple & Ashokan Pillar.-Departure for Gorkahpur Railway Station.-Depart to Gonda by train, Dinner & Overnight stay on-board the Buddhist Train
Day 7 - Gonda / Sravasti	<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Early morning tea onboard-Arrive in Gonda. Proceed by coach to Sravasti-Check-in and Breakfast at Hotel: Hotel Pawan /Hotel Lotus Nikko / or Similar-Visit Jetvana Vihara & Pakki Kuti-Lunch at Hotel: Hotel Pawan /Hotel Lotus Nikko / or Similar-Return to Gonda Railway Station-Depart to Agra, Dinner and Overnight stay onboard the Buddhist Train
Day 8 - Agra / Delhi	<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Onboard morning tea.-Welcome to the historic city of Agra. Breakfast.-Visit World famous Taj Mahal.-Departure for New Delhi.-Onboard lunch & Evening Tea.-Arrival at Delhi Safdarung Railway Station.

More about the destinations

[Click here to know more about the destinations:](#)

- Delhi
- Agra
- Gaya
- Bodhgaya
- Rajgir
- Nalanda
- Varanasi
- Sarnath
- Gorakhpur
- Kushinagar

Tour highlights

- Exclusive Train for the Buddhist Circuit Tour

The Buddhist Circuit Special Train is an exclusive air conditioned train for Buddhist circuit destinations and does not carry passenger other than the tourist booked with us for this special tour.

- Security on train

Private Security Guards in each coach for constant & close watch to ensure safety of the passengers.

- Onboard Hygienic Kitchen Car Facility

The passengers can choose from an assortment of sumptuous hot meals (Veg / Non Veg), snacks and cold drinks. Packaged drinking water, tea and coffee are also available to the passengers in ample quantity.

- Onboard Clean and Hygienic Lavatories and Showers

Convenience of the passengers, clean and hygienic lavatories and showers are provide.

- Accommodation

Accommodation in comfortable hotels of the Buddhist Circuit.

- Insurance Cover

All passengers are provided with Travel Insurance Cover for the duration of the tour.

- Medical Facility

In case of any exigency, medical support can be provided through an extensive network of Indian Railways medical facilities.

- Language Guide

On sufficient advance information, tour guides of various languages would be provided for sizeable groups.

- Other Assistance

Tourists are requested to obtain a proper Visa for visiting Lumbini (Nepal) before arriving in India. However, local assistance can be provided in obtaining Visa at the time of entry in Nepal. II. Onboard services



Services Included

- Journey by Exclusive Air-conditioned train.
- All inclusive tour package - accommodation in comfortable hotels, all meals, entrance fees, AC road transportation, insurance, experienced tour escort.
- Extensive coverage of Buddhist sites.
- Visit to Taj Mahal - one of the seven wonders of the world.
- Security on train.
- Hygienic kitchen on train.
- On board clean and Hygienic lavatories & showers (there is no facility of Washing/Bathing inside the cabin of any class of Buddhist Circuit Special Train although there are two bathing/wash room with cubical showers and two toilets in each coach - one Washroom & one toilet in one side).
- Passengers have to share washroom and toilets in every class
- house keeping staff on board, who are responsible for cleaning washroom & toilets after every use
- Visa Facilitation for Lumbini

Name	Class of Service	Class of Service Euronet	fare name	Description
1AC - 4 Berths Adult	1st	1A	1st Cl 4 berths Adult	Air-conditioned Deluxe Cabins with 4 berths each. (18 pax per coach)
1AC - 4 Berths Child	1st	1A	1st Cl 4 berths Child	Air-conditioned Deluxe Cabins with 4 berths each. (18 pax per coach)
1AC - Coupe Adult	1st	FCC	1st Cl 2 berths Adult	Air-conditioned Deluxe Cabins with 2 berths each. (18 pax per coach)
1AC - Coupe Child	1st	FCC	1st Cl 2 berths Child	Air-conditioned Deluxe Cabins with 2 berths each. (18 pax per coach)
2AC - Inner Berths Adult	2nd	2A	2nd Cl 4 berths couchette Adult	Air-conditioned Coaches; compartment with 4 couchettes separated with curtains (46 pax per coach)
2AC - Inner Berths Child	2nd	2A	2nd Cl 4 berths couchette Child	Air-conditioned Coaches; compartment with 4 couchettes separated with curtains (46 pax per coach)
2AC - Side Berth Adult	2nd	2ASB	2nd Cl 2 berths Adult	Air-conditioned Coaches; compartment with 2 couchettes separated with curtains (46 pax per coach)
2AC - Side Berth Child	2nd	2ASB	2nd Cl 2 berths Child	Air-conditioned Coaches; compartment with 2 couchettes separated with curtains (46 pax per coach)
3AC - Three Tier Adult	2nd	3A	2nd Cl 6 berths couchette Adult	Air-conditioned Coaches; compartment with 6 couchettes (64 pax per coach)
3AC - Three Tier Child	2nd	3A	2nd Cl 6 berths couchette Child	Air-conditioned Coaches; compartment with 6 couchettes (64 pax per coach)



Services Not Included

- Items of personal nature like Laundry, medicines, alcoholic drinks etc.
- India & Nepal visa fee.
- Road Transfers to and from Delhi - Safdarjung railway station. Hotel stay in Delhi before & after the trip etc.

III. Individual Fares

Class of Travel	September 2010 till March 2011 (per night)
AC - First Class	US\$ 150
AC - Two Tier	US\$ 125
AC - Three Tier	US\$ 110 (for side Berths) US\$ 105

- Twin Sharing accommodation is only in hotels. On train accommodation is as per coach configuration.
- Children below 5 years (without extra berth) free. For single occupancy in Hotel, US\$ 200 extra for entire trip or US\$ 50 Per Night.
- Additional US\$ 125 per person for confirmed 2 seater coupe/cabin in AC 1st class.

IV. Cancellation terms

No. of days before commencement of Trip*	Total Deductions
45 and above	10% of package cost
44 to 15	25% of package cost
14 to 7	50% of package cost
7 and less	100% of packages cost

**Excluding the day of start of journey.*

V. Specific to this train

TOD: Ticket On Departure

- An e-booking confirmation will be sent to the email address entered in Euronet.
- This confirmation **MUST** be turned into a ticket at the station before boarding the Buddhist Train.

VI. How to book in Euronet

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