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# Journeys Beyond & Vivada Cruises



The *Journeys Beyond* program offers high-quality, authentic experiences that take travelers to places beyond the ordinary, to inspire and to provide life-long memories and immersive, enriching experiences. Well priced cruise options are offered with pre- and post- cruise stays that offer a variety of inclusions and great value.

Enjoy an authentic voyage along the sacred Ganges River and experience this colorful and culturally rich country. Few other places offer such astounding variety, a mesmerizing cultural tapestry and sensory overload of sights, sounds and aromas as India. A country full of mystery, enchantment, intrigue and beauty in every direction.

Kolkata based Vivada Cruises was established in 1966 and is the largest inland waterways company in India.

## MV PARAMHAMSA

- 52 guests in 26 staterooms
- 28+ crew members
- Built in 2007
- Length – 55 m, width – 12 m, draft – 1.5m
- Speed – 12 knots (maximum)
- Registered under Indian Registry of Shipping
- Refurbished in 2017 to current, 4 star modern standards

## LIFE ON BOARD

- Intimate ship with casual on board atmosphere
- Casual, relaxed dress code
- Open-seating dining
- Choice of regional and traditional cuisine as well as varied western dishes prepared by talented chefs on board. No beef dishes served.
- Personalized service
- Live onboard entertainment
- Welcome & Farewell receptions
- Enrichment lecturers offer fascinating talks and informal chats to share insight into regional food, culture, history and traditions
- Morning yoga classes
- Ayurvedic & Naturopathic treatments available at an additional cost
- Shoe cleaning service after shore excursions
- Laundry service available at an additional cost
- Nature viewing, sun lounging and star gazing on the Sun Deck
- Elevators are available
- Smoking is permitted in designated areas only
- Gratuities are not included in your fare.  
Guests can pay in Indian Rupees or add to their onboard account. Suggested amounts are: 485 Rupees (approx. CA\$10) per person per day for shipboard staff and 365 Rupees (approx. CA\$8) per person per day for local guides and transport providers.

## CUSTOMER ATTRIBUTES

- Active professionals
- Experienced travellers
- Adventure seekers
- Looking for a cultural and spiritual experience
- Yoga enthusiasts
- Couples and singles travelling with friends and peer groups
- Retirees and semi-retirees looking for longer immersive journeys

## EXPERIENCE

- Truly authentic Indian cultural experience
- Highly experiential itineraries with unique insight into life along the river Ganges
- Local destination experts taking care of all your sightseeing arrangements



## VOYAGE INCLUSIONS

- All meals on board
- All-inclusive shore excursions covering all entrance fees
- English speaking guides escorting groups of no more than 20-24 guests
- Transfers to/from the ship in Kolkata (airport or hotel)
- Complimentary transportation into towns and villages
- Complimentary non- alcoholic beverages throughout the ship including local beer & wine at lunch and dinner
- All day complimentary light snacks (fruit, cookies, pastries, sandwiches and salads) in the Lounge
- Cultural performances on board
- Cooking classes
- Complimentary Wi-Fi in the public areas

## ACCOMMODATION

All 26 staterooms measure 180 square feet and feature French balconies with panoramic floor-to-ceiling windows, welcome flower arrangement on arrival, premium mattresses, fine linens and duvet covers, private bathrooms with shower and bath amenities, bath robes and slippers, in-room safe, individual temperature control, hair dryers, tea and coffee maker, tablets (instead of TV) and more. Bottled water is replenished daily. Ten staterooms are located on the Main Deck and 16 staterooms are located on the First Deck. 18 staterooms with fixed twin beds and eight staterooms with two twins which convert to a queen size bed.

The electrical current on board is 220V and guests are asked to bring an appropriate converter for their electronic devices.

## DINING

Breakfast and lunch are served buffet style while dinner is more formal, a-la carte multi-course meal in the Restaurant. The Lounge offers all-day service of light snacks including fruit, cookies, pastries, sandwiches and salads.

## DESTINATION/ITINERARIES

- Standard 7 night Kolkata Roundtrip – visiting Kalna, Mayapur, Matiari, Azimganj, Baranagar, Murshidabad, Shantipur and Chandannagar
- 8 night up stream cruise from Kolkata to Farakka – visiting Barrackpore, Chandannagar, Bandel, Shantipur, Kalna, Mayapur, Katwa, Matiari, Azimganj and Malda
- 7 night downstream cruise from Farakka to Kolkata – visiting Malda, Marshidabad, Azimganj, Mayapur, Katwa, Matiari, Shantipur, Kalna, Barrackpore and Chandannagar
- 10 night Kolkata to Simariya (on request) – ideal for guests wanting to visit Varanasi

## OPTIONAL LAND PROGRAMS

Available pre or post cruise

- 6 nights /7 days Golden Triangle – visit Delhi, Agra and Jaipur (sample hotels include: full board – Imperial in Delhi, Mar Vilas in Agra, Raj Vilas in Jaipur. CP plan – Sheraton New Delhi, Mughal in Agra, Rajputana in Jaipur)
- 7 nights / 8 days Kerala – visit Kochi, Munnar, Thekkady, Kumarakom and Kovalam (sample hotels include: Crowne Plaza in Cochin, Chandy's Windy Woods in Munnar, Spice Village in Thekkady, Coconut Lagoon in Kumarakom, The Leela in Kovalam)
- 4 nights /5 days Eastern Himalayas – visit Bagdogra, Kurseong and Darjeeling

Land programs are flexible and can be customized based on client's requirements. Long stay program of up to 30 days can be organized by Vivada and Journeys Beyond.

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