



# INDIAN ELEPHANT CONSERVATION PROGRAM

- Learn about Indian Culture
- Experience Wildlife SoS
- Conservation with Sloth Bears and Elephants
- Enjoy Bird watching on Yamuna River
- Visit Taj Mahal

Experiential  
Pathways

## DAY 01 – WELCOME TO INDIA!

Arrive into Indira Gandhi International Airport (DEL) in Delhi and meet your program leaders who will be with you for the duration of the program. Head to the hotel and settle in, relaxing after your long flight.

## DAY 02 – INTRODUCTION TO WILDLIFE SOS

Drive from Delhi to your new home in Agra. Today is your first day at the Agra Bear Rescue Facility (ABRF). Drop your bags at your room and head out to ABRF, where you will meet with the Wildlife SOS team members and watch a documentary about the history of dancing bears and the rehabilitative work of Wildlife SOS with both sloth bears and the Kalandar community. Wildlife SOS members talk you through the different responsibilities you will have over the next several days, including your work with rescued circus elephants.

## DAY 03 - CONSERVATION SERVICE WITH SLOTH BEARS

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Spend the morning at ABRF monitoring bear behavior, washing and preparing their food, feeding and cleaning their dens. You'll also design and construct an enrichment structure for a bear enclosure as a group.

## DAY 04 – ELEPHANT CONSERVATION

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Get paired with an elephant to walk, feed and bathe the elephants and brainstorm bear enrichment construction designs and ideas before heading back to the house.

## DAY 05 – BIRD WATCHING ON THE YAMUNA RIVER

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Embark on a morning bird watching tour by boat on the serene Yamuna River and try to spot exotic bird species. Come ashore for a driving safari in search of wild antelope, hyenas, porcupines, and more! Head back to ABRF for your group's plans for the enrichment structure design before construction. Build the enrichment structure with the help of Wildlife SOS staff members and take joy in watching the bears play on their new jungle gym.

## DAY 06 – LAST DAY OF CONSERVATION WORK

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Soak up every minute of your morning walk with the elephants as well as the group's last time preparing food, feeding, and bathing the elephants. You've helped improve the lives of these remarkable elephants and bears. Head to nearby Sapera Village where men used to work as snake charmers. Gather in the village courtyard for an evening of music and dancing.

## DAY 07 – THE TAJ MAHAL

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Get up early and catch the Taj at sunrise as the colors of the marble shift and change with the light. Head to breakfast afterward with your group before visiting Agra Fort. Finish your tour and head back to the ABRF to bid goodbye to your friends at Wildlife SOS. Pack your bags and drive back to Delhi, where you'll spend your last night in India.

## DAY 08 – NAMASTE, INDIA!

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We genuinely hope your time spent here, the experiences you've shared, and the things you've reflected on will stay with you for a lifetime. After some final group photos with Team India, your Program Leaders will take you to the airport for your departure as you say goodbye and reflect on your adventure.