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Agra Tour and Impressive Fatehpur Sikri by Amitkumarana

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Fatehpur Sikri is a township situated at a distance of 35 Km from the city of Agra, It was the first planned city in India, which was built by the Mughals and served as the capital of the Mughal Empire in the late 15th century. The construction of this city was started by the Mughal Emperor Akbar and was completed by his son, Emperor Jahangir. Many people visit this historical city during their Agra tours and so, most Agra tour packages include a trip to this site. It is an important landmark in Agra tourism and is one of the three UNESCO World Heritage sites situated in the district of Agra, in the Indian state of Uttar Pradesh (Northern Province).

Even though the Mughals are responsible for making the city of Fatehpur Sikri famous, the city has existed even 500 years before the arrivals of the Mughals. Archeological excavations in the city have shown that it was once an important centre of Jainism and many Jain temples were located in the city. It is a very popular tourist destination and most people visit this city during their Agra tour, to encounter the beauty of the Mughal architecture and also to enjoy the greatness of their engineering and architectural designs. Any Agra tour package will take you to a tour of this ancient city.

The important structures in the city are:

Buland Darwaza (Gate), Jama Masjid (Mosque), Tomb of Salim Chishti (Sufi saint), Diwan e Aam (Public Hall), Diwan e Khaas (Special Hall), Ibadat Khana (Place of Worship), Anup Talab (pool), Khwabgah (Dreamâ€™s House),Panch Mahal, Akbar's residence, Mariam Zamani's Palace, Naubat Khana (house for musicians), Pachisi Court, Panch Mahal (Palace) and Birbal's House (Birbal was the famous adviser of Emperor Akbar, he was renowned for his wit). Each of these structures has an interesting story associated with it and was built for a specific purpose by the Mughals.

The buildings are the finest example of the greatness of the Mughal architecture, which is an amalgamation of Indian, Persian and Islamic architecture. Most of the buildings have been constructed of white marbles and red sandstones, the marbles were imported from Persia and the sandstones were obtained from the Indian state of Rajasthan. Agra tours cannot be complete without visiting this wonderful place.

Many tourists opt for Delhi Agra tour arranged by Delhi based travel agencies and they get to see all the important historical sites in Agra, including the city of Fatehpur Sikri, during such tour. Delhi Agra tour package can be booked online and it will also include a trip to the Taj Mahal and Agra Fort. Even though it does take a lot of time to go on such a tour from Delhi, you must know that itâ€™s difficult to enjoy the beauty of Agra in just a day and so most people who buy Agra tour packages, like to spend a couple of days in Agra so that they can thoroughly explore the city of Agra during their Agra tours.

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