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About the city

Delhi is located at 28°61'N 77°23'E, and lies in Northern India. According to the 2011 census, Delhi's city proper population was over 11 million. Delhi has been given special status of NCR (National Capital Region). Delhi is surrounded by various cities like Ghaziabad, Noida, Greater Noida, Gurugram, Sonapat, Faridabad. The name Delhi is derived from the word "Dhilika". King.

The city of Delhi actually consists of two components: Old Delhi, in the north, the historic city; and New Delhi, in the south, since 1947 the capital of India, built in the first part of the 20th century as the capital of British India. Delhi, India, designated a World Heritage site.

While Delhi just not being the Capital of India, it is also a Historic City with major magnificent attractions that fascinates travelers and tourists from all over the world.



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As it is the hub of major Commercial aspect, Delhi is full of countless tourists' attractions and places of interests. While Delhi is being explored by people from all over the world, Delhi is considered to be in the Golden Triangle Tour Circuit of India while Delhi Tourism marshals plenty of cultural programs and shows. The thrilling excursion tours to the major attractions of Delhi, the Heritage Walks, the Evening Tours, Shopping Tours, Food Tours and plenty of them awaits for the travelers. While Delhi is a fusion of history and modernity, till now, the narrow lanes, old havelis, colorful bazaars, rickshaws, the architectural monuments fascinates all.

While in the modern terms, the well - planned extensive metro network of Delhi, the elite malls, entertainment aspects, luxurious residential complexes and sporting facilities is what one really needs to explore.

Delhi ranks fifth among the Indian states and union territories in human development index. Delhi has the second-highest GDP per capita in India.

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The sultanate of Delhi was established in 1206 post when the warrior of Afghan, Muhammad of Ghori captured the Rajput Town in 1192. Later in 1398, Timur invaded Delhi and the tenure of the sultanate came to an end. With the establishment of the Mughal Empire by Babur was acknowledged with his victory in the battle of Panipat in 1526.

While Agra was the capital for quite a few Mughal Emperors until Shah Jahan built the walls of Old Delhi in 1638 and made it the capital of the Mughal Empire. Later the final invasion of Delhi by done by British in 1803 AD and by 1911, the capital of British Raj was shifted from Calcutta to Delhi.

Being the center of government activities, Delhi was then announced as the Capital of India post Independence in 1947. Delhi as it is a blend of history and modernity; it is divided in two parts, Old and New Delhi.

Climate

Delhi faces high variations between summer and winter temperatures. The summer stretches from April to July with average temperatures near 37 °C (98.6 °F), the skin can get dry and sunburnt if one is exposed to the Delhi heat for long. It is advisable to cover the head with a pure cotton scarf, carry sunscreens and chap sticks and of course drink lots of liquids, the monsoons from July to September with average temperatures near 29 °C (85 °F), the monsoons are a pleasant time in Delhi. It can get very humid after the rains but people welcome it wholeheartedly. Even a light shower can lead to major traffic snarls, due to water logging in almost all the roads in Delhi and the winter commences from October till March September with average temperatures near 10 -12 °C (50 °F,), the winters, though short-lived, the temperature can drop down to 4 degrees. If it rains during the winters, the winds get extremely chilly making one prone to cold and fever. The winters are influenced by the snowfall in the northern regions of Jammu and Kashmir and Shimla result in cold waves in Delhi.



Culture



Delhi's culture is very rich and diverse. The diverse culture and people consist of various cuisine, art, craft, dance and music. Many Delhiites love to dance in clubs which is a part of western influence. The deep rooted influence of Indian culture and western culture makes Delhi more fascinating. Being Delhi the capital city of India, where people from all over the country have come and settled. Therefore, the culture of Delhi represents the culture of all the states of India in parts. In other words, it is a kind of synthesis and reflection of the culture of India, as a whole.

Culture



Being the capital of India, New Delhi has also become the main center of politics, from where all the decisions are made and policies passed. Still another aspect of the culture of Delhi is the numerous fairs and festivals celebrated in the city. It is interesting to note that the culture of Delhi also shows some influence of the people of Haryana, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Punjab, since these states border the capital city.

There are international churches in the city. For Roman Catholic, lots of expats go to the Carmel Convent in Malcha Marg.

The Delhi International Christian Fellowship meets at the British School on Sundays at 9:30 for a service and Sunday School and is Interdenominational. Both have busy outreach programmes.

— Arts & Crafts

The capital of India is not only known for its rich historical background but also for some exquisite arts and crafts. In fact, the arts and crafts of Delhi have been patronized since the times of the royals. As a cultural center of its time, Delhi attracted the best of painters, musicians and dancers.

— Cuisine

There is no such thing as typical cuisines of Delhi. This is so because there is no specific identity of the city. With time, people from different areas of India came and settled, making Delhi an assortment of sorts. Slowly and gradually, Delhi assumed some of the aspects of the identity of all the types of people living in it, making multiple identities for itself.

— Lifestyle & Customs

Delhi is multi-cultured and multi-linguistic city with people from almost every parts of India. Delhi shares its borders with Haryana and Uttar Pradesh. The influence of these states can be found in the language and lifestyle of Delhi. People of Delhi are called "Delhi-ites". Delhi-ites are very advanced and open to embracing new customs and changes but at the same time they are very conscious of their culture. People of various caste, creed and culture live here with peace and harmony. This shows the "Unity in Diversity" among the people of Delhi. Growth of infrastructure, new avenues of business and employment have beckoned people from all parts of the country to migrate to Delhi in search of better livelihood. Today, Delhi holds the burden of additional population from other states like Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Haryana and Uttranchal.

— People

Majority of people in Visakhapatnam are Telugu. Along with that we can find Odia, Hindi, Tamil and Malayalam people also. Visakhapatnam has a Cosmopolitan culture. English is also used widely in Vizag because a significant amount of Anglo-Indian people live here. The people of Vizag are very modest, helpful and amicable.

— Communication and Languages

There are several languages in Delhi, which are spoken by various groups of people residing in the city. These languages in Delhi have been adapted from the different regions of India and they have blended smoothly with the city's rich culture. The Constitution of India has stipulated the usage of Hindi and English to be the two languages of communication for the Central (Federal) government. You will find a majority of people in Delhi communicating in Hindi. Hindi is the official language of Delhi. As the city is dominated by the Hindu population, However the language is split up into several interesting dialects, which are popular among the people.

Celebrations



There are various festivals for every religion in India and for giving due respect to each one of them, India is declared as a secular state. There are no discriminations based on religions and every religion is celebrated with the feeling of brotherhood, equal joy and enthusiasm. Shops and market places are filled with various varieties of festival goodies and the festival sale is a blessing for any and every Indian!!

National holidays:

In India, three days are designated as national holidays:

Republic Day (26 Jan)

Independence Day (15 Aug)

Birth of Mahatma Gandhi (2 Oct)

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

January	February	March	April
Lohri	Maha Shivratri	Holi	Easter
Pongal, Makar Sankranti	Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti	Gudi Padwa	Ramzan Id/Eid-ul-Fitar
Republic Day		Ram Navami	Mahavir Jayanti
May	June	July	August
Buddha Purnima	Bakri Id/Eid-ul-Adha	Muḥarram	Independence Day
Maharashtra Day			Raksha Bhandan
			Parsi New Year
			Onam
September	October	November	December
Ganesh Chaturthi	Gandhi Jayanti	Guru Nanak Jayanti	Christmas
Janmashtami	Dussehra	Diwali (Deepavali)	

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RED FORT

The Red Fort or Lal Qila is a historic fort in the city of Delhi in India that served as the main residence of the Mughal Emperors. Emperor Shah Jahan commissioned construction of the Red Fort on 12 May 1638, when he decided to shift his capital from Agra to Delhi. Originally red and white, Shah Jahan's favourite colours, its design is credited to architect Ustad Ahmad Lahori, who also constructed the Taj Mahal. It was constructed between May 1639 and April 1648. On 15 August 1947, the first prime minister of India, Jawaharlal Nehru, raised the Indian national flag above the Lahori Gate. Every year on India's Independence Day, the prime minister hoists the Indian "tricolour flag" at the fort's main gate and delivers a nationally broadcast speech from its ramparts. The Red Fort was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2007 as part of the Red Fort Complex.

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The Qutb Minar, also spelled as Qutub Minar and Qutab Minar, is a minaret and "victory tower" that forms part of the Qutb complex, a UNESCO World Heritage Site in the Mehrauli area of Delhi, India. Qutb Minar was 73-metres tall before the final, fifth section was added after 1369. The tower tapers, and has a 14.3 metres base diameter, reducing to 2.7 metres at the top of the peak. It contains a spiral staircase of 379 steps. The Minar is surrounded by several historically significant monuments of the Qutb complex. The surfaces of both are elaborately decorated with inscriptions and geometric patterns; in Delhi the shaft is fluted with "superb stalactite bracketing under the balconies" at the top of each stage. In general minarets were slow to be used in India, and are often detached from the main mosque where they exist.

QUTUB MINAR

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HUMAYUNS TOMB

Humayun's tomb is the tomb of the Mughal Emperor Humayun in Delhi, India. The tomb was commissioned by Humayun's first wife and chief consort, Empress Bega Begum, in 1569-70, and designed by Mirak Mirza Ghiyas and his son, Sayyid Muhammad, Persian architects chosen by her. It was the first garden-tomb on the Indian subcontinent, and is located in Nizamuddin East, Delhi, India, close to the Dina-panah Citadel, also known as Purana Qila, that Humayun found in 1533. It was also the first structure to use red sandstone at such a scale. The tomb was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1993, and since then has undergone extensive restoration work, which is complete. Besides the main tomb enclosure of Humayun, several smaller monuments dot the pathway leading up to it, from the main entrance in the West, including one that even pre-dates the main tomb itself, by twenty years; it is the tomb complex of Isa Khan Niyazi, an Afghan noble in Sher Shah Suri's court of the Suri dynasty, who fought against the Mughals, constructed in 1547 CE.

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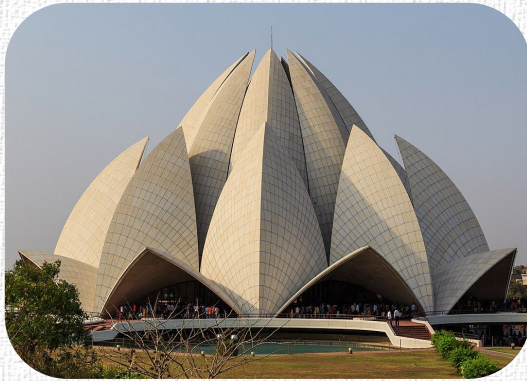


INDIA GATE

The India Gate is a war memorial located astride the Rajpath, on the eastern edge of the "ceremonial axis" of New Delhi, formerly called duty path. It stands as a memorial to 84,000 soldiers of the British Indian Army who died in between 1914–1921 in the First World War, in France, Flanders, Mesopotamia, Persia, East Africa, Gallipoli and elsewhere in the Near and the Far East, and the third Anglo-Afghan War. 13,300 servicemen's names, including some soldiers and officers from the United Kingdom, are inscribed on the gate. Designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens, the gate evokes the architectural style of the triumphal arch such as the Arch of Constantine, in Rome, and is often compared to the Arc de Triomphe in Paris, and the Gateway of India in Mumbai.

Following the Bangladesh Liberation war in 1972, a structure consisting of a black marble plinth with a reversed rifle, capped by a war helmet and bounded by four eternal flames, was built beneath the archway. This structure, called Amar Jawan Jyoti, has since 1971 served as India's tomb of the unknown soldier. India Gate is counted amongst the largest war memorials in India and every Republic Day, the Prime Minister visits the gate to pay their tributes to the Amar Jawan Jyoti, following which the Republic Day parade starts.

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LOTUS TEMPLE

The Lotus Temple, located in Delhi, India, is a Bahá'í House of Worship that was dedicated in December 1986. Notable for its flowerlike shape, it has become a prominent attraction in the city. Like all Bahá'í Houses of Worship, the Lotus Temple is open to all, regardless of religion or any other qualification.

The building is composed of 27 free-standing marble-clad "petals" arranged in clusters of three to form nine sides, with nine doors opening onto a central hall with a height of slightly over 34.27 metres and a capacity of 2,500 people.

The Lotus Temple has won numerous architectural awards. A 2001 CNN report referred to it as the most visited building in the world.

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NATIONAL CRAFT'S MUSEUM & HASTKALA ACADEMY

The National Handicrafts and Handlooms Museum commonly known as National Crafts Museum in New Delhi is one of the largest crafts museums in India celebrates the rich, diverse, and practising craft traditions of India. Situated in a large campus at the corner of Pragati Maidan, opposite the majestic Purana Qila, the museum was designed by the renowned architect Charles Correa.

It is run by the Ministry of Textiles, Government of India. At present the Museum collection consists of over 33,000 specimens in various crafts, acquired over a period of 60 years collected from various states of India named as Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Delhi, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal. The collection reflects the continuing traditions of handicrafts and handlooms.

The Museum has Lota Shop and Lota Cafe. The Café Lota offers a range of vegetarian and non-vegetarian Indian cuisine with regional flavours. The café has received excellent reviews of food connoisseurs.

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**SHRI BANGLA SAHIB
GURUDWARA**

Gurudwara Bangla Sahib is one of the most prominent Sikh gurdwara, or Sikh house of worship, in Delhi, India, and known for its association with the eighth Sikh Guru, Guru Har Krishan, as well as the holy river inside its complex, known as the "Sarovar." It was first built as a small shrine by Sikh General Sardar Baghel Singh in 1783, on the bungalow donated by king Raja Jai Singh of Amer, who supervised the construction of nine Sikh shrines in Delhi in the same year, during the reign of Mughal Emperor, Shah Alam II.

It is situated near Connaught Place, New Delhi on Baba Kharak Singh Marg and it is instantly recognisable by its golden dome and tall flagpole, Nishan Sahib. Located next to it is the Sacred Heart Cathedral.

In all Sikh Gurdwaras, the concept of langar is practised, and all people, regardless of race or religion may eat in the Gurdwara kitchen (langar hall). The *Langar* (food) is prepared by *gursikhs* who work there and also by volunteers who like to help out. At the Gurdwara, visitors are requested to cover their hair and not to wear shoes. Assistance to foreigners and visitors with Guides, head scarves, and shoe-minding service can be found inside the compound and are available free of charge.

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RASHTRAPATI BHAVAN

The Rashtrapati Bhavan is the official residence of the President of India located at the Western end of Rajpath in New Delhi, India. Rashtrapati Bhavan was the creation of architects of exceptional imagination and masterfulness, Sir Edwin Lutyens and Herbert Baker. It was Sir Lutyens who conceptualized the H shaped building, covering an area of 5 acres on a 330 acre estate. This mansion has a total of 340 rooms spread over four floors, 2.5 kilometres of corridors and 190 acres of garden area. In terms of area, it is the largest residence of any head of state in the world.



DELHI HATT

The **DILLI HAAT** provides the ambience of a traditional Rural Haat or village market, but one suited for more contemporary needs. It transports you to the magical world of Indian art and heritage presented through a fascinating panorama of craft, cuisine and cultural activities.

While the village haat is a mobile, flexible arrangement, here it is crafts persons who are mobile. Located in one of the most important commercial centers of South Delhi, opposite INA market.

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AKSHARDHAM TEMPLE

Swaminarayan Akshardham (New Delhi) is a Hindu temple, and a spiritual-cultural campus in New Delhi, India. Also referred to as Akshardham Temple or Delhi Akshardham, the complex displays millennia of traditional Hindu and Indian culture, spirituality, and architecture.

In Swaminarayan Akshardham New Delhi, similar to its predecessor Swaminarayan Akshardham in Gandhinagar, Gujarat, the main shrine is the focal point and maintains the central position of the entire complex. There are various exhibition halls which provide information about the life and work of Swaminarayan.

The complex features an abhishek mandap, Sahaj Anand water show, a thematic garden and three exhibitions namely Sahajanand Darshan (Hall of Values), Neelkanth Darshan (an IMAX film on the early life of Swaminarayan as the teenage yogi, Neelkanth), and Sanskruti Darshan (cultural boat ride). According to Swaminarayan Hinduism, the word *Akshardham* means the abode of Swaminarayan and believed by followers as a temporal home of God on earth.

Weekend Getaways



HOTEL - MUD FORT - KUCHE SAR

71 kms from Delhi - Kuchesar is well known for the Mud Fort, built by the Jat rulers in the mid-18th century. It has been excellently preserved and transformed into one of the most exotic heritage hotels in India. Hotel Mud Fort Kuchesar retains elements from the British era and continues the traditional Indian mantra of hospitality "**Atithi Devo Bhava**" and is one of the most famous weekend getaways.



NEEMRANA FORT PALACE

120 kms from Delhi - Nestled amidst greenery and enriched with the grandeur of history, Neemrana is undoubtedly the best place near Delhi for one day trip. Neemrana Fort Palace takes a lot of pride in being a premier heritage hotel of Rajasthan as also a unique hotel of India.

Take a peek into India's historic and royal past at the 15th century Neemrana Fort Palace. Take a camel ride around the fortress to explore the lush green surroundings. Due to Neemrana's Japanese Zone, there are many restaurants that serve authentic Japanese cuisine. Treat yourself to scrumptious sushi and bao during your visit.

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TAJ MAHAL - AGRA

210 kms from Delhi – Home to one of the 7 wonders of the world, the Taj Mahal, Agra is a sneak peek into the architectural history with other UNESCO World Heritage Sites as Agra Fort and Fatehpur Sikri. History, architecture, romance all together create the magic of Agra and hence makes for a must-visit for anyone living in or visiting India.

Located on the banks of river Yamuna, History fanatics, as well as architecture buffs, can have a ball here with the sheer expanse of the Mughal art and culture on display.



**RAJAJI NATIONAL
PARK**

242 kms from Delhi – Rajaji National Park is situated in the state of Uttarakhand, now known as Uttarakhand. The picturesque beauty and rich biodiversity of the park serve as its major attractions for both nature lovers as well as wildlife enthusiasts. In the year 1983, Rajaji Wildlife Sanctuary of Uttaranchal was merged with Motichur and Chilla wildlife sanctuaries and made into Rajaji National Park. The park has been named after Late Sri C. Rajgopalachari (also known as Rajaji), a famous freedom fighter and first governor general of India . Rajaji National Park of India spreads over an area of 820.42 sq km and is open to visitors only from Mid-November to Mid-June.

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NAHAN - HIMACHAL PRADESH

249 kms from Delhi - The impressive hamlet of Nahani, cradled amidst the snow-covered Shivalik Himalayan Range, is one of the many picturesque hill stations in Himachal. Away from the dreary life of the crowded cities, it is blessed with lush green meadows, amazing weather, winding trails, vintage temples, gorgeous lakes, and a dreamy and romantic vibe. For those seeking some dose of adventure, Nahani makes a good base for treks in the upper echelons of Himachal, from where you can trek to the Churdhar Peak. Also, the renowned Sikh temple, Paonta Sahib Gurudwara lies at an hour's drive from Nahani and makes for a calm spiritual retreat for all the distressed souls.



DEHRADUN

254 kms from Delhi - Nestled beautifully in the Doon Valley in the foothills of Himalayas, Dehradun is one of the best weekend getaways from Delhi. Dehradun is bestowed with enduring rivers, undulating streams, mountains, valleys, and vivid landscapes. Famous for offbeat adventurous activities like paragliding, skiing, river rafting, trekking and angling, then Dehradun is a great option. Clock Tower, Chetwode Hall, Chandrabani Temple, Tapovan, Tibetan Temple, Tapkeshwar Temple, and Malsi Deer Park are the places to visit.

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MUSSOORIE

287 kms from Delhi – Mussoorie is one of the most popular hill stations in Uttarakhand and also one of the best weekend getaways from Delhi. It was founded by a British official in 1820 who along with other Britishers used to use this destination as a summer getaway. The pleasant weather lures hundreds of tourists to this tranquil and scenic hill station. Apart from being a hub for nature-loving, honeymoon couples, adventure-seeking or heat escaping tourists this 'Queen of the Hills' is also known for its excellent educational institutions.



NAINITAL

300 kms from Delhi – Nestled in Kumaon Hills, Nainital is a hill station boasting the unique, eye-shaped Naini Lake. Famously called the 'City of Lakes', this beautiful town offers a tranquil break from your monotonous routine. The city offers a range of activities for you to explore. If you have an adventurous streak, there are several hiking trails and trekking points in and around it. Nainital- Betalghat Trek, Nainital- Kilbury Trek and Snow View Trek are some of the popular hiking trails.

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SHIMLA

342 kms from Delhi - The trendy hill station of Shimla is one of the most sought after tourist destinations owing to its unique colonial history, trekking options, forested hills, pleasant weather, and Himalayan ranges. Popularly known as the 'Queen of Hills', Shimla is certainly one of the most popular hill stations in Himachal. Whether it's the bustling Mall Road that is dotted with shops, restaurants, and local eateries or the peaceful hamlet of Chadwick Falls or the ancient Jhakhoo Temple dedicated to Lord Hanuman, Shimla remains a popular vacation spot. Here, you can engage in camping, trekking, ice skating, paragliding, skiing, and white water rafting, among other things.



KUFRI

357 kms from Delhi - The picturesque town of Kufri is also one of the popular weekend getaways from Delhi for skiing on snow-clad slopes, go-karting, yak and horse rides, and other winter sports. This small hill station also serves as the starting point for most of the treks to Manali and Shimla. The small hamlet is one of the must-visit hill stations in Himachal for all those who are looking to rejuvenate themselves from the distress of city life.

Transportation



More than half of local population in Delhi is dependent on local transport for commuting purposes. The means of transport in New Delhi are many, ranging from cheapest trains and buses to expensive taxis. Below mentioned transport options are not recommended for foreigners.

Buses

The most popular mode of public transport in Delhi is buses, transporting about 60 percent of daily commuters. Buses in Delhi are cheap and the network of bus routes is extensive. They are, however, probably the least comfortable way to travel. They tend to be quite crowded and don't always have air conditioning.

Taxis

The taxis are mostly operated by private operators and Indian tourism. They are available for both local and outstation purpose. Taxis are easily available in the city and are preferable if one is travelling more than a few kilometres, or on an especially hot or rainy day when an open-sided rickshaw may be uncomfortable. Taxis can be arranged either at a roadside taxi stand or by calling any of the radio taxi services in the city. Another option is making use of ride-hailing applications such as Uber, Ola, Rapido etc.

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Auto Rickshaw: Auto rickshaws (or tuk-tuks) are very popular in Delhi. They are great for short distances in the city and are generally waiting outside every metro station, market and attraction. Prices can go up at night, in the rain, and if there are more than two passengers. Rickshaw drivers (and just about everyone else in Delhi) tend to try and overcharge foreigners. It's best to agree on the price before you hop get in.

There are two kinds of rickshaws in Delhi – cycle rickshaws and auto rickshaws (three -wheelers).

Cycle rickshaws are powered by the driver pedalling in front while passengers ride on a covered bench behind the driver. They have been phased out in certain areas due to the strain they place on traffic, but they are an inexpensive way to travel short distances.

Auto rickshaws are partially enclosed motor vehicles that can be hailed from nearly every street corner in the city. They can comfortably fit up to three passengers, plus the driver in front. They are cheaper than taxis, and, because of their smaller size, can usually negotiate heavy traffic a bit faster.

Transportation



Delhi Metro: The most efficient way to move around the city is by metro. Delhi has an excellent system that has won international awards – it is one of the very best metro systems.. It’s extensive, clean, safe, inexpensive, and air-conditioned. The first car in the moving direction of the train is reserved for ladies. The Delhi Metro is a rapid transit system serving Delhi and its satellite cities of Ghaziabad, Faridabad, Gurugram, Noida, Bahadurgarh and Ballabgarh, in the National Capital Region of India.

Most of the expats are provided with private company car and driver during their stay in India. Expatriates living in Delhi will be able to drive legally using an international driving permit, but unless you are very confident, driving is not recommended.



Food stores



Modern Bazaar: Find all your dairy, meat, personal care and grocery needs in Modern Bazaar. The place boasts of an impressive collection that packs everything from American Garden to Aashirvaad. You can even order all you need online. Store locations are as below;

Cyber Hub Gurgaon Shop No.1, Building No. 10, Cyber Hub DLF Phase-2, Gurugram, Haryana, 122001

East Of Kailash F-11, East Of Kailash, Near Kailash Colony Metro Station, South Delhi, Delhi, 110065

DLF Phase -1 Gurgaon Shop No. 23,24,25 Arjun Marg Shopping Mall DLF Phase -1, Gurgaon, Haryana, 122001

Kailash Colony A-11, Kailash Colony, Next to Shroff Eye Clinic, South Delhi, Delhi, 110065

Saket LGF- 04, Near Lift Lobby A, Select City Walk, Saket, South Delhi, Delhi, 110017

New Friends Colony 7, Community Centre New Friends Colony, South Delhi, Delhi, 110065

Basant Lok 18-B, Basant Lok, Community Shopping Centre, South Delhi, Delhi, 110057

Defence Colony D-20, Shiniwas Puri, Block D, Defence Colony, New Delhi, South Delhi, Delhi, 110024

Noida Sector - 63 Hush Food Mall, H-1A, 41-44, Near Metro Piller No. 368A, Sector 63, Noida, U.P.-201301,

Green Park A-4, Green Park (Near Mercedes show room), South Delhi, Delhi, 110016





Foodhall: Foodhall is a premium lifestyle food destination. Foodhall has a wide variety of international and pan - indian cuisine. Well stocked in Fresh produce, dairy and packaged foods, Foodhall boasts of an extensive frozen section and a good delicatessen selling cheeses and poultry. One can also choose from the impressive array of breads, snacks, desserts and savories, both Indian and International. Store locations are as below;

Foodhall@DLF Promenade

Level 1, DLF Promenade Mall, Nelson Mandela Road, Vasant Kunj 2, New Delhi – 110070

Foodhall@MKT

Lower Ground Floor@The Chanakya, Intersection of Satya Marg & African Avenue, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi – 110021

Foodhall@Two Horizon

Two Horizon Center, 1C & 1D Ground Floor, Sector 43, Golf Course Road, DLF 5, Gurugram – 122002, Haryana



Le Marche: Le Marche is a complete food store. It has a wide range of products ranging from the basic, everyday groceries like staples and spices to exotic imports from across the globe. The extensive meats section has a wide range of fresh and marinated meats, poultry and seafood, among other products. Store locations are as below;

- Khasra no. 712/1, Main chattarpur mandir road, opposite DLF farms, near zara farm, Chhatarpur, New Delhi, Delhi 110074
- 58, Munirka Marg, Basant Lok, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi 110057
- SG 107, Galleria Market, DLF Phase IV, DLF Galleria, Gurugram, Haryana 122009
- UNIT No. 60, GOOD EARTH CITY CENTRE, Sector 50, Gurugram, Haryana 122002
- South Point Mall -Golf Course Rd, DLF Phase 5, Sector 53, Gurugram, Haryana 122002
- Shop No.18, Community Centre, New Friends Colony, New Delhi, Delhi 110025



Spencers : We provide this experience via online grocery shopping in Gurugram. Look no further when you're looking to buy groceries online. Our wide product range caters to multiple categories right from food, personal care, fashion and home essentials, to even electricals, and electronics. While our first ever hypermarket was launched in 2000, we have expanded to 120 stores in the brick-and-mortar format in over 35 cities. Today, our customers also have the delight of online shopping in Gurugram. Store location is as below;

- MGF Megacity Mall 26, Mehrauli-Gurgaon Rd, A Block, Maruti Housing Colony, Sector 28, Gurugram, Haryana 122002
- Old Railway Road, Sector - 4 & 7 Crossing, Jai Cinema Complex, Gurugram, Haryana 122006
- S 307, API Ansal API Palam Corporate Plaza Block C 2, Sector 3, Village Salai Alwardi, near Bestech Park View, Flats, Gurugram, Haryana 122017
- SCF-78, Sector 14 Main Rd, DLF Colony, Market, Gurugram, Haryana 122001
- Block C, Ardee City, Sector 52, Gurugram, Haryana 122003
- Pacific Mall Ghaziabad Suite - IV, Plot-1, Sahibabad, Plot Alpha, Sahibabad Industrial Area Site 4, Sahibabad, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh 201005



Ichiba: Ichiba, A newly opened Japan, Korean, Mexican, Italian, and Indian food store in South Point Mall, Gurugram. They have a wide range of food, drinks and confectionery products. You can find the healthy foods, snacks, finest beverages, hottest sauces, cheese and irresistible bakery products. Store location as South Point Mall, Sector 53, Golf Course Road, Gurugram. Timings: 10 AM to 9 PM

Epicure Food & Wine: Located at Lower Ground Floor in South Point Mall, Gurgaon, Epicure boasts a wide range of fresh meats, seafood, appetisers, imported wines, Korean food items and more... They also have imported Korean noodles, and sauces there. Location: Lower Ground Floor, South Point Mall, Golf Course Road, Gurugram Haryana. Timings: 10:30 AM to 9 PM

Kim's Mart: An International Convenience Store in Gurugram, Kim's Mart deals mainly in Korean, Japanese Food products and selected Fish and Meats including imported items. Visit them to get fresh and hygienic high-quality grocery products.

Location :: F3GV+76C, Golf Course Rd, A Block, DLF Phase 1, Sector 28, Gurugram, Haryana 122002.

website: <https://ksfoods.co.in/kims-mart/>



Seela Korean Food Mart: Its a hidden gem of Korean food lovers in Gurugram, They have the best Korean food items. Get premium Korean Grocery, Poultry, Sea Food, Confectionery products, frozen meat under one roof. Don't miss their great collection of vinegar drinks, imported noodles, and raw food from Korea.

Location: LG-14, South Point Mall, Golf Course Road Gurugram.

Website : <https://seelamart.in/>

Needs Market: Needs Market, a division of Le Millennia Supermart, and a pioneer in online grocery shopping in Gurugram With a range of products catering to your daily requirements for grocery and staples, personal care, beverages, fruits and vegetable, and much more, we have become an all-purpose **online shopping store**, bringing to you everything you need.

Location :Shop No. C, 001, Supermart-1, DLF Phase IV, Gurugram, Haryana 122009A

Website:<http://needsmarket.in/>





SPAR HYPERMARKET- :SPAR has been engaging and innovative hypermarket in India, it includes vegetable, food shopping, staples, household essentials & personal care products.

Location: MGF Metropolitan Mall – Metro Station, MGF Metropolis Mall, Mehrauli-Gurugram Rd, near Lower Ground, Maruti Housing Colony, Sector 28, Gurugram, Haryana 122022

BG FOOD MART : BG Food Mart caters to the Korean expat community and food enthusiasts looking for authentic Korean ingredients. The place offers a range of Korean packaged foods like ramen, wafers, frozen meat and the likes

1a, Safdarjung Enclave, Block B 7, Arjun Nagar, Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi, Delhi 110016

1hi 110017



Debon Gourmet Store : Debon in Delhi reveals a large store that comes packed with a wide range of frozen meat items. Debon trades into a wide assortment of fresh and frozen meat products, cold cuts, sea food, imported cheeses, fruits and vegetables, breads, desserts, beverages, groceries and different varieties of freshly made ready to eat meals. Store location D1, Alaknanda Shopping Complex, opp. Lord Mahavira School, Sector 28, Noida, Uttar Pradesh 201301. Website : <https://www.debon.co.in/>

Natures Basket: Nature's Basket is a grocery outlet that offers a wide range of fresh and organic food products. It is a one-stop destination for all your grocery needs. It offers a variety of products ranging from fruits and vegetables, dairy and bakery items, snacks and beverages, health and wellness products, and much more. The store also provides a convenient online shopping experience with home delivery services. It is a trusted name in the grocery industry and strives to provide customers with a hassle-free shopping experience. Location : DLF Avenue Saket -135, Saket District Centre, District Centre, Sector 6, Saket, New Delhi, Delhi 110017

Shop No S-12(b), 2nd floor, Plot No. A-3, Select CITYWALK, District Centre, Saket, New Delhi, Delhi 110017





Yamato Ya: Yamatoya deal mainly Japanese Food and selected Fish/Meats including imported items.

Khasra No-317/276, Opp-Kuldeep House, Lane No-3, Champa Gali, Westend Marg, Saidulajab, New Delhi-110030

Boom Plaza, 2F, Sector-57, Gurugram, Haryana. [Website :http://yamatoya.in/](http://yamatoya.in/)

Organic food stores

Tomato Project Organic store : Tomato Project has been run by a Japanese owner. Vegetables are stocked from the farms where owner herself visited frequently and checked its quality. We provide you fresh, reliable, safe, and tasty vegetables

Location: A1/212, Huda, Sushant Lok 2, Sector 55, Gurugram, Haryana 122011

Hasora Organic Store: Organic store in Gurugram. Fresh and healthy fruits and vegetables every day. Both Indian and Japanese items available grown and sourced directly from farms around Gurgaon, Delhi and Rajasthan. We want to bring joy and happiness to people's lives through high quality and organic food."

Website : <https://hasora.in/>

Location: GF144-146 Sushant, Vyapar Kendra Rd, Sushant Lok Phase I, Gurugram, Haryana 122022

Organic food stores

1. **Dubdengreen** (Shahpur Jat) offers organic groceries, such as, grains, pulses, condiments, brown sugar, jaggery variants and derivatives, honey, jams, squashes, pickles, tea and coffee.
<http://www.organicbounty.com/>
2. **The French Farm** (Gurgaon; Phone: Roger Langour at 9810166196 or 26359701) stocks chicken, duck, quail, pork, guinea fowl, lamb, organic vegetables and eggs. They do free delivery for orders over 330 rupees.
3. **Namdhari** (New Friends Colony, Phone: 41327690) supplies safe, organic and fresh, vegetables and fruits.
<http://namdharifresh.com/>
4. For organic vegetables, you can also contact Mrs. Kanu Somany who has her own organic garden at kanu_somany@yahoo.com
5. **Tribes** (Gol Dak Khana, Phone: 23731214) has a section devoted to natural foods with “assured organic” certification.

Exotic cheese shops

1. **Gogia's Departmental Store** (INA Market Sarojini Nagar; Phone: 24624809, 24624929) has a wide variety of Camemberts, Cheddars, Gouda, Edam, Feta or Gorgonzola. This shop also has Stilton, Gruyere and Swiss cheese among many others.
2. **Allied Fruits and Florists** (Khan Market, Phone: 41757003) stocks exotic cheeses like Denmark's Havarti, Sweet Colby and the Limburger from Belgium.
3. **Flanders Dairy** (South Extension, DLF Plaza-Gurgaon, Phone: 26253789) stocks Gouda, Italian Bocconcini (mozzarella) and Scamorza.
4. **Fortune Gourmet** (Vasant Kunj, Phone: 65642270) has an extensive and impressive range of cheese including the hard Romano or Grana Padano (Parmesan) and Mediterranean Haloumi.

Banking



Currency : The official unit of currency is Indian Rupee.

Coins come in denominations of 1, 2, 5, 10 & 20 rupees. Notes come in 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 500 and 2000 rupees denominations. Foreign currencies can be exchanged at hotels and Government approved vendors throughout the city.

Delhi being one of the famous commercial centres of North India, Banks has offices of the major National, International and government banks in Delhi. Please check with the bank on their business hours as they can vary from 09.00Hrs to 18:00Hrs on weekdays and 9:00Hrs to 18:00Hrs on Saturday. All banks are closed on 2nd & 4th Saturday, National and Public Holidays. A good ATM network, Internet banking and credit cards are available 24Hrs throughout the city. Some of the reputed banks are listed -



Banking

STANDARD CHARTERED BANK: Narayan Manzil, 23 Barakhamba Road, New Delhi - 110091 .

CITIBANK: Ground and 1st Floor, DLF Capitol Point, Baba Kharak Singh Rd, Connaught Place, New Delhi, Delhi 110001

HDFC Bank: No 22, Sunder Nagar Market, New Delhi

HSBC BANK: R-47, Block R, Greater Kailash Enclave I, Greater Kailash, New Delhi, Delhi 110048

Opening a Bank account: As a foreign national employed in India, binding to the India foreign exchange and Income tax law, you are restricted to open one bank account per city. Our relocation consultant will guide you in opening your personal bank/ savings/ checking/ credit card account. Each bank will have variety of different benefits, which is entirely your personal choice.

Note: In most of the banks AADHAR CARD is a MANDATORY document

Utilities



Internet (WIFI) / Telephone

Internet Service Provider: There are very few broadband service providers like Airtel, Jio & ACT FIBERNET available in NCR

How to use the telephone: The two major telephone subscription providers are MTNL, Reliance and Airtel. The prefix for MTNL lines is “2”, whereas for the Airtel lines the prefix is “4”.

e.g. - 24141234 MTNL number)

e.g. - 48801234 (Airtel number)

The mobile numbers are the same 10 digit numbers and code is “+91”

To dial local number from landline: Dial the 8 digit number (e.g. - 24141234)

To dial outside New Delhi number from landline: Dial STD code of the particular city followed by the number (e.g.- 022 12345678)

To dial Delhi local number from mobile phone: Dial 011 (New Delhi code) followed by the 8 digit number. (e.g - 011 23456789)

To dial outside New Delhi land line number from mobile phone: Dial "0" followed by the STD code of the city and the number (e.g.- 022 23456789)

To dial outside New Delhi mobile number from a mobile phone: Dial the mobile number (e.g.- 98110 00000)

To make an international call: Dial "00" or "+"- country code - area code - followed by the number (e.g. - 00 16 045 12345678 or +1 645 12345678)

General Food & Hygiene

One important concern that people have moving into a new country is how to maintain health of their family. Certain precautionary measures should be taken to insure that your family stays healthy. In preparing this section, conflicting procedures and recommendations were given. In all cases the most conservative procedure is suggested.



Drinking Water and Ice: All water must be boiled and filtered before drinking or using for oral hygiene. Filtering water before boiling removes sediments or particles, which can shelter microorganisms from heat. Bring the water to a boil for 15 minutes and then cool, filter and store in cool containers. This will effectively kill Hepatitis “A” virus and most bacteria. Cysts and bacteria are devitalized after a one-minute boiling roll.

Following boiling, cover the container with a lid and let the water cool. When the water has cooled pour the water into clean water bottles for storage. Do not filter the water after boiling as this can contaminate the water. Instruct your household helps to make ice from this source and not from the tap.



Meat and Fish: These should always be cooked thoroughly to prevent ingestion of tapeworms, trichinosis and other disease causing organisms. A pressure cooker is excellent for this use. Always be sure to purchase fish fresh. Most people do not eat fish in the monsoon season (June, July, August) since quality of fish cannot be guaranteed.



Salads, Fruits and Vegetables: All fruits and vegetables that cannot be peeled must be thoroughly washed and soaked in a solution of cold boiled water with a few drops of Chlorine bleach or Betadine or Potassium Permanganate solution for 20 minutes. These should be brushed gently with a vegetable brush or a soft cloth then rinsed in boiled water and air dry on drainer. Some expatriates recommend the use of a disinfectant, available at any chemist –primarily marketed to sterilize baby bottles and pacifiers, to sterilize food products as well. For all green leafy vegetables the leaves should be separated and soaked in a Chlorine bleach or Potassium Permanganate solution for at least 20 minutes and rinsed thoroughly in potable water.

Hospitals



Indraprastha Apollo Hospital: Sarita Vihar , Mathura Road ,New Delhi
Website: <https://delhi.apollohospitals.com/>
T + 91-11-26925858, 26925801



East West Medical Center: 38 Golf Links, Archbishop Makarios Marg, New Delhi
Website: www.eastwestrescue.com
T + 91-11-47222500



Fortis Escorts Heart Institute: Okhla road, Sukhdev Vihar Metro Station, New Delhi
Website: <https://www.fortisescorts.in/>
T + 011-47135000, 011 2682 5013





Max Multi Speciality Centre: N 110, Block N, Panchsheel Park North, Panchsheel Park, New Delhi.

Website: <https://www.maxhealthcare.in/>

T: +91- 11 4609 7200



Primus Super Speciality Healthcare: Chanakyapuri, New Delhi

Website: <http://www.primushospital.com/>

T +91-11-6620 6630



India Spinal Injuries Centre: Vasant Kunj Rd, opp. Vasant Valley School, IAA Colony, Sector C, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi, Delhi 110070

Website: <https://www.isiconline.org/>

T +91-11- 42255225





Fortis Hospital: Vasant Kunj, New Delhi
Website: <https://www.fortishealthcare.com/>
T +91-11-42776222/6221

Tower A, Unitech Business Park, Block – F, South City 1, Sector – 41, Gurugram,
Haryana – 122001. T – **+91-124 4921021 | +91-124 4921021 | +91-124 4921021**

INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

In addition to your regular health insurance, you might want to purchase an insurance plan that guarantees your evacuation to premium health care in an emergency.

For this information, kindly contact:

East West Medical Center: B-28, Greater Kailash, Part I New Delhi , T: +91- 11 -29243701, 24699229

97, Manek Shaw Road, near Anupam Gardens, Sainik Farms, T: +91- 11 -29554348/49

Peaditric Hospital – Madhukar Rainbow Children’s Hospital in Malviya Nagar
Website - <https://www.rainbowhospitals.in/>

Pathology Labs- Both of these labs will come to your home or work and are very professional. Results are usually emailed within 24 hours. They also have locations across Delhi you can visit if you prefer.

- Dr. Lal Path Lab <https://www.lalpathlabs.com/>
- Dr. Dangs Lab <https://www.drdangslab.com/>
- IMG <https://www.img.com/>

Fine Dining



Khan Market

WOK in the Clouds (Multi Cuisine)
The Big chill (Continental)
The Blue door Cafe (Coffee Shop)
Sly Granny
Andrea's Bar & Brasserie

Vasant Kunj

Jamies Italian
Smoke House Deli
TGI Friday's (Continental)
Mamagoto
Fujiya (Japanese)

Lodhi Road	Elma's Brasserie The All American Diner The Lodhi GUPPY (Japanese)
Defence Colony	Swagath (South Indian) Sushi – Moets (Japanese) 28 Capri Italy (Italian) Aka Saka Seoul Restaurant
Greater Kailash II	Bennigans (American) Diva - (Italian) Shibuya Food & Bar Chungwa – (Chinese) Youmee

Chanakyapuri

Leela Palace
Bukhara Restaurant
Spicy Duck – Taj Palace
Ottimo at West View (Italian)

Aerocity

AnnaMaya
KHeer –Roseate House
K3, JW Marriot
Kampai
Pling Bar
Honk, Pullman

Connaught Place

Sarvana Bhawan (Authentic South Indian)
Odeon Social
United Coffee House
The Embassy
Fuji (Japanese)
Tamra, Shangri La's Eros Hotel

RECREATION



Delhi Golf Club:

This is the oldest golf club in Delhi, established by the British in 1931. One can tee off from the shadows of the Lodhi Dynasty tombs or get held up because a peacock decides to perch itself on the green. It has ultra restrictive membership, with well over a waiting period of over 50 years for prospective members. Located near Oberoi Hotel, Delhi.

Website: www.delhigolfclub.org



Delhi Gymkhana Club:

Originally called the 'Imperial Delhi Gymkhana Club', club is located in the heart of Lutyens Delhi on Safdarjung Road, occupying 27.3 acres. The Library is as old as the Club, two Squash Courts in the club. It is opposite race course.

Website: <https://delhigymkhana.org.in/>



The Pavillion - DLF Golf & Country Club: Facilities at the sports complex here include a clubhouse offering mouth-watering grub, a swimming pool with a swim-up bar & three splash pools for your toddlers, tennis facilities which also includes training classes, squash courts, horse riding, a gymnasium and a health club offering steam, sauna, jacuzzi, yoga and aerobics.

Website: www.dlfgolfresort.com/index.asp





Delhi Network: Is a non-profit organization that support expatriates living and working in New Delhi. Newcomers' coffee mornings are held every Tuesday at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, from 9:30 to 11:30. Monthly meetings are on the third Tuesday of every month, also at the Hyatt from 9:30 to 11:30 am. Membership is only open to foreign passport holders, and while it's open to men and women, the coffee meetings have an almost all female attendance.

Website: <http://www.delhinetwork.net/>



The American Welcome Association: The AWA, founded originally as the American Women's Club, and later known as the American Welcome Association, has been serving Americans living in New Delhi since 1947. Membership is open to all American citizens (and to spouses of American citizens) and entitles them to participate in the services and activities sponsored by the AWA. They are located within the American Embassy Compound, Panchsheel Marg.

Website: <http://www.awadelhi.org/>



Gurgaon Connection: It is a social community for expatriates who live or work in Gurugram. GC facilitates networking, and information exchange to enhance the experience of living in India. Through social events and special programs, GC provides a platform for integrating into and learning about the community. We welcome all foreign passport holders.

Website: <https://www.gurgaonconnection.net/>





Inter Nations: A place where international people meet, connect, and exchange information. A welcoming community of open-minded individuals who share your experiences. A secure space full of useful advice from fellow expats and knowledgeable locals. A world of opportunities to network and find friends who will explore your new surroundings with you - wherever you are in the world. You've just found that place. Welcome abroad, welcome to InterNations!

Website: <https://www.internations.org/>

Night life

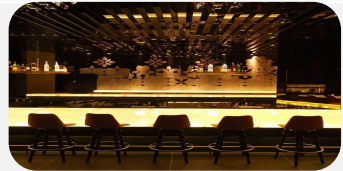
Delhi has a number of options of Night Clubs/ Lounge and below are mentioned some famous Night Clubs/ Lounge



Privee – Shangri-La's Eros Hotel, New Delhi

Address: 19, Ashoka Rd, Janpath, Connaught Place, New Delhi, Delhi 110001

Phone: +91- 85952 02020



Keya Delhi

Address: 122-124, DLF Promenade, Vasant Kunj II, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi, Delhi 110070

Phone: +91-9650255777



Kitty Su

Address: The Lalit Hotel, Barakhamba Rd, opp. Modern School, Connaught Place, New Delhi, Delhi 110001

Tel – 011 44447666



Story Club And Lounge - The Westin Gurugram

Address: The Westin Gurgaon New Delhi 1, MG Road Sector 29, New Delhi, NCR, Gurugram, Haryana 122002

Phone: 0124- 4977777



My Kind of Place:

Address: Taj Palace, New Delhi, Lobby Level 2, Sardar Patel Marg, Diplomatic Enclave, New Delhi, Delhi

Phone: [011 6656 6162](tel:01166566162)

<https://www.tajhotels.com/>



Toy Room - Aloft Hotel

Address: H42F+XC Aerocity, Indira Gandhi International Airport, New Delhi, Delhi

Phone: +91-7303694120



Key - Hotel Samrat

Address: Samrat Hotel, Plot No 50B, Plot No. 50B, Kautilya Marg, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi, Delhi 110021

Phone: +91-9319159998



SoHo Delhi - The Ashok Chanakyapuri

Address: Hotel Ashok, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi, Delhi 110021

Phone: +91- 9540708585



Diablo Mehrauli

Address: Diablo Qutab Garden, H-05, 12, Kalka Das Marg, Mehrauli, New Delhi, Delhi 110030

Phone: +91- 9319301333



Dear Donna – Qutub Hotel

Address: A Block, Ground Floor Qutub Hotel, Shaheed Jeet Singh Marg, Qutab Institutional Area, New Delhi, Delhi 110017

Phone: +91- 9139636363



Chica – Bhikaji Camaplace

Address: One Golden Mile, Block A, Netaji Nagar, New Delhi, Delhi 110023

Phone: +91-9990019981



Bohca – Qutub Residency Hotel

Address: Qutub Residency Hotel, 81, Sri Aurobindo Marg, Adchini, MMTC Colony, Adchini, New Delhi, Delhi 110017

Phone: +91-9139626262

Shopping Market



The following is just a list of the main markets in Delhi, the shops suggested under each heading are only a rough guide as shops change rapidly. Recently many more articles of interest to expats have been appearing all over town. We suggest you take a walk and have a look around from time to time.

Chandni Chowk

The most famous shopping area in Delhi was built by the Mogul emperor Shah Jehan, in front of his Red fort. It's vast area. Wear modest clothing and put your money in a safe place. A book titled 'Ten Easy Walks in Old Delhi' will show you around some of the more interesting shopping areas around Chandni Chowk, the book includes maps for each walk.

Connaught Place

The shopping center of New Delhi, as designed by Lutyens and Baker, this huge area will take several trips to fully appreciate. The traffic moves one way clockwise around the circle and either in or out on most of the spokes of the wheel. Many people take taxis to avoid the tight parking situation.



Janpath

There are very small roadside shops along this road selling all sorts of handicrafts, clothing, shawls, leather bags, papier mache items. It is popular with tourists. Also, one must start bargaining with 50% of the price and then work the upwards.

Defence Colony Flyover Market

Between defence colony and Iajpat nagar is a big road called Lala Lajpat Rai Marg. Right under the flyover, using it for a roof, is a shopping arcade. You can enter the service road on the Defence Colony side and drive towards the tracks. Items available here are Beer / Wine, Clothing, Restaurants, Toys, Musical Instruments.



Hauz Khas and Hauz Khas Village

The village is an old section next to the Deer Park between Aurobindo Marg and Africa Avenue, with small boutique-sized shops and restaurants. A number of upcoming local dress designers have boutiques here. It is quite interesting to visit and perhaps buy. Take a walk to the reservoir: it's pretty there-down the road and through the arch. There are also lots of little restaurants.

Defence Colony Market

Also a popular market. Items available are Art supplies, Chemists, Clothing, Dry Cleaners, Film processing, Flowers, General stores, Hardware, Leather goods, Restaurants, Stationary, Toys.



Greater Kailash Part – I, M – Block Market

The market is on four sides of a long rectangle, with the usual sort of park in the middle. Parking is along the road in front of the shops. Items available here are Antiques, Chemist, Clothes, dry Cleaners, fabrics / bed linens, Supermarkets, household necessities, lamps, Meat, Photographers, Restaurants, Shoes, tailor, Toys

Lajpat Nagar

A self-sufficient market, visited more by locals. Items available here are Carpets, Furniture, Furnishing Fabrics, Clothes, Electronics, Handicrafts, Paper Mache, Restaurants, Shoes, Toys.

Shopping Malls



DLF Promenade Mall

Address: 3 Nelson Mandela Road, Vasant Kunj Mall Road, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi, Delhi 110070



DLF Emporio

Address: 4, Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj II, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi, Delhi 110070



Ambience Mall

Address: Plot No, 2, Nelson Mandela Marg, Ambience Island, Vasant Kunj II, Vaant Kunj, New Delhi, Delhi 110070



DLF Promenade Mall

Address: 3 Nelson Mandela Road, Vasant Kunj Mall Road, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi, Delhi 110070



DLF Emporio

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Ambience Mall

Address: Plot No, 2, Nelson Mandela Marg, Ambience Island, Vasant Kunj II, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi, Delhi 110070



Rcube Monad

Address: Najafgarh Road, Shivaji Marg, Rajouri Garden Extension, Rajouri Garden, New Delhi, Delhi 110027



DLF Avenue Saket

Address: A4, Press Enclave Marg, Saket District Centre, District Centre, Sector 6, Pushp Vihar, New Delhi, Delhi 110017



Select CITYWALK Mall

Address: A-3, Saket District Centre, District Centre, Sector 6, Pushp Vihar, New Delhi, Delhi 110017



The Chanakya Mall

Address: Yashwant Place Commercial Complex Opposite Chanakyapuri Post Office, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi, Delhi 110021



Airia Mall

Address: Sector 68, Gurugram, Haryana 122101



Pacific Mall

Address: Najafgarh Rd, Tagore Garden, Tilak Nagar, New Delhi, Delhi 110018

Online Furniture Store



Retail Outlets



Immigration



Having an Indian visa is necessary for all foreigners visiting India. Visas can be obtained through Indian Missions. There are options for both Regular Visa and e-Visas.

Types of Visas:

Employment Visa

If an employed individual is relocating to India within his/her existing organization. This visa is recommended for employment. You need to submit an appointment letter from your company along with employment contract and application form to the Indian Consulate in the host country along with other necessary documents.

Dependent Visa/Entry Visa

All family members coming for long term with main applicant must obtain an Dependent/Entry Visa.



Business Visa

This Visa is issued to individuals who wish to setup their business or attend meetings or internal in house training in India.

Tourist Visa

The tourist is a multiple entry visa valid for a period of 180 days, granted for purpose of tourism, visit to family friends are covered by this visa.

All expatriates who arrive in India on Employment/ Dependent and Business visa valid for a period more than six months, need to register themselves with the respective Foreigners Regional Registration Office, within 14 days of arrival. The permit can be obtained by registering at Foreigner Regional Registration Office.

Now all the FRRO services are done online. It is mandatory for all members of the family to be present in India while the application are under process. The FRRO/FRO may call for interview if required.

FRRO Process and Documents Required - Delhi

Formula consultant will assist you with this process and following are the notes for your reference –

- Scanned Passport size photo
- Employment contract.
- Passport copy along with arrival stamp.
- Company certificate of incorporation.
- Salary Certificate (format will be provided by FG immigration consultant).
- Request letter (format will be provided by FG immigration consultant).
- Letter of Undertaking (format will be provided by FG immigration consultant).
- Hotel confirmation letter/long term apartment lease to be attached as an address proof along with Form C.
- Educational certificate copy

Formula Immigration consultant will make necessary arrangement for filling of the application as now all the FRRO services are online.

Foreign Regional Registration Office (FRRO)

Office of the commissioner of Police
East Block, Block VIII, Level II
Sector – 1, R.K. Puram
New Delhi – 110066
Tel: +91-011-26711384

Please note that the FRRO authority will fine the respective individual for failure to comply with this request within 14 days after arrival and any such fine/penalty imposed will be payable by Individual.

After completion of registration process, the FRRO issues a residential permit and you are now officially become resident of Delhi.

Pet Relocation



Moving to a new city, state, or country can be pretty exciting, but it can also be very stressful. We recognize our clients' need for the safe and worry-free transportation of their four-legged family members.

During air travel, pets are housed in a pressurized air-conditioned compartment, just the same as people travel in, only it is quiet and dark and the animals can sleep.

In Domestic flight of AirIndia, your pet can travel in the cargo hold. The pilot should be informed in writing prior to the flight there is a live animal in the cargo hold and he adjusts the temperature in the hold for the same. Pets below 10 weeks of age are not allowed to travel by flight. The charge for your pet traveling on the aircraft depends on the weight of your pet and differs from airline to airline.



Housing



Types of Housing and prime expat locations

Neighbourhoods in Lutyens Delhi and South Delhi are preferred by the expatriates while identifying housing options. Neighbourhoods in “Lutyens Delhi” like Chanakyapuri, Sunder Nagar, Jor Bagh, Golf Links, still maintain their historical charm, but unfortunately do not have many modern housing options available. The neighbourhood here is well planned and less congested. It has well maintained parks, which can be used by the children to play and the commercial vehicles has limited access to the inner roads of the area, making it pretty safe to walk around in the neighbourhood.

In recent times a lot of expatriate population has ventured out to relatively newer neighbourhoods in South Delhi, like Vasant Vihar, Shanti Niketan, West End and Anand Niketan. These neighbourhoods have the advantage of being close to the Embassy Area as well as to the International Schools. In addition to this, these neighbourhoods are relatively closer to the domestic and International Airports and the suburban city of “Gurugram”. The Expat localities have independent houses and independent floors. Some of the newly constructed apartments are well planned and luxurious with modular kitchen and modern fixtures and fittings. Very few apartments come with a well laid out terrace garden and a ground floor apartment would come with a basement which could be used as a multi-utility area.

Farm Houses are also an option that expatriates like to explore. Though the concept of a farmhouse is very novel, the challenges of managing and maintaining the farmhouse robs it of its charm. Electricity, water, security, distance from schools and city center are some of the everyday challenges that can be a deterrent to making it a preferred location to live in.

Restaurants, supermarkets, convenience stores, entertainment options are in proximity to all these areas.

There are public parks like Lodhi Garden on Lodhi Road close by to the residential colony of Jor Bagh, Nehru Park (Chanakyapuri) where it is a pleasure to go for walks in the morning or evening.

Location plays a vital role in choosing the right place to live. Please consider the following carefully:

General Information

- Unfurnished apartment lack all basic household and kitchen appliances including air conditioners. These can be sometimes negotiated with landlord. Furnished apartments are very few and furniture is not always up to expat quality.
- There are very few Hotel service apartments in Delhi.
- Temporary accommodation for few months is rarely available.
- Due to lack of space some buildings have open areas such as balconies or terraces, a garden is rare.
- A vacant property many not always be very pleasant at first sight since more landlord's do not start refurbishing until an agreement has been signed.
- Club house amenities may not be available in the same society complex.
- The apartment rent does not include the utility/ and common area maintenance charges. The same can be negotiated with the landlord's
- The utility monthly payment will have to be made directly to the vendors. Please note that there is always a due date for making payments.
- Utility setup cost is additional and to be borne by the tenant

When considering a property, keep in mind the following:

General appearance of the property and its location

- Layout of the property
- Condition of all electrical appliances supplied including air conditioners and other available white goods etc.
- Provision for Electricity backup, is it a generator backup or a UPS(Partial backup) and annual maintenance
- Water Storage tank capacity
- Check humidity/mildew damage
- Gas connection - It is a gas bottle or a PNG line
- Municipal water supply - Common meter or separate meters
- Is the telephone, internet wiring is done by the landlord in advance

Before you sign a lease here are the things to consider

- There is no multiple listing available in India. There are handful of professional housing agents that represent various properties and have to be contacted individually to obtain a nearly complete listing of rental properties available. Typically there are two realtors involved, one representing the landlord and one represents tenant. Sometimes there could be more than 2 or 3 realtors involved in a particular housing transaction.

- Advance rents : Monthly, Quarterly or half yearly (can be negotiated in some cases)
- Security deposit: 2 to 3 months rent (negotiable) with advance rent as stated above.
- Short term lease not available, minimum lease length is for 11 months.
- Lock in and Diplomatic clauses – typically 1 year for a new high end property with one to two months’ notice for termination.
- Tax payment: Tax withheld by the lessee on the monthly rental anywhere between 10 to 33%. In case of personal lease then Tax applicability is 5%
- At times, a token to be paid in order to secure the apartment
- An increase in 7 - 10% in monthly rentals on completion on every year.
- GST applicable on rent payable by the Lessee

Other cost

- Local realtor commission is one months rent payable by tenant upon closing of the property depending on the property and location. Sometimes, the landlords pay half months to one month rent to the realtor.
- Formula recommends registering and stamping the Lease Agreement/Leave and Licensing agreement at stamping authority. The stamp duty is 2% on the average rent of whole term. However it is mandatory to register the lease which is more than 11 months and the cost of registration is borne equally by both the parties.

Furniture Leasing

- Furniture can be leased on short or long term contracts. A minimum 30 days time frame should be given to the vendor and an advance payment would be required to secure the delivery depending on the contract terms.

Household Assistance – Maid Services

Hiring household help is a common practice in India for both local and expats. This is a highly unorganized sector in India. The best way to identify household help is through references or from a repatriating family. The next option is to tap your resources at the expatriate networks, once you move into your house; the community watchman will assist you in finding a maid. There are a few local agencies that provide assistance in finding household help but they can be unreliable. As per their standards they have to conduct background checks and police verification but this is not accomplished in most cases. The concept of a nanny is not very popular and maids typically assist with child care once attuned and trained to the needs of the family. If you are an expatriate, the household help tends to demand more money as salary. It is also common for them to request you for a loan or small sums of money on a daily basis for traveling, food, etc. Please try and refrain from giving them money apart from their salary and festival bonuses. Always keep your valuables locked and supervise them as much as possible.

Note: Police verification is mandatory for the domestic help hired

Service Apartments

As the demand for service apartments is on the increase and they are in short supply, it becomes absolutely necessary to book an apartment well in advance – Formula recommend at least two to three months in advance.

Household insurance



Although it is not possible for one to guard one's home and family from all possible risks, but one can take steps to help one tide over unexpected events which totally shatters one's life and dreams. Four public sector players and few private players offer household policy.

PUBLIC SECTOR



PRIVATE SECTOR



Household insurance

Who can apply for this policy?

This policy is suitable for all as a householder whether you are a landlord or a tenant. Policies can be issued for a maximum period of one year. You can choose between a comprehensive cover and a separate cover. Under the home insurance policy, there are ten sections. If you opt for a comprehensive policy, all these 10 get covered at one go. If you opt for a separate policy, you can pick and choose the sections on which you want coverage.

What it covers

Broadly, the policy insures you against loss or damage to your house and its contents, including jewellery and other valuables and domestic appliances, third party liability and even loss of baggage during travel. Some of the more important sections for which coverage is provided are briefly outlined below:

Fire and Allied Perils: Covers loss or damage to building and contents due to fire, lightning, impact, damage, explosion etc.

Burglary and Theft: Covers loss or damage to building and contents due to burglary or theft during normal course of occupancy and even if the house has been unoccupied.

Audio and Audio Visual Appliances: A comprehensive coverage for your appliances like television covering or damage caused by fire, burglary and theft, mechanical or electrical break-down as well as legal liability up to specified amount.

Jewellery and valuables: Covers loss, destruction and damage to jewellery and valuables anywhere in India due to Accident and or misfortune.

What is in and what is out

- Damage as a consequence of war, invasion, act of foreign enemy, hostilities (whether war be declared or not) civil war, rebellion, revolution etc.
- Any damage due to confiscation, commandeering, requisition or destruction by order of any government or lawfully constituted authority.
- Depreciation and damage caused by wear and tear or gradual deterioration.
- Damage to property and contents due to pollution of any kinds.
- While declaring the value of the contents, one should ensure that there is no under insurance: In case the actual value of the insured property at the time of loss under Fire Benefit is found to be greater than the sum insured opted by you then the claim would stand to be reduced in the same proportion.
- There are some clauses under the policy which are subject to excess, in such a case the insured has to bear the specific proportion of excess. The excess is that part of the claim which the insurer shall not bear.



What you should know when filing for a claim:

- When the claim is large one, the insurance company will send a surveyor to check the damage. This will either be an individual or firm licensed by the Insurance Regulatory Development Authority.
- Remember that whenever there is any claims immediately inform your insurance company. Private insurance companies have toll free numbers. Besides informing the company on phone, make sure you inform the insurance company through a written letter to avoid any future hassles.
- In case of a fire, the fire brigade report is a must before filing any claim.
- If the cause of damage has been a flood or earthquake, you may have to prove that the natural calamity did occur.
- In the case of a theft, a first information report (FIR) from the police is mandatory. Further, the insurance company may want to wait till the police have given a final investigation report. You will have to prove that the burglary did not occur because of any carelessness on your part.
- Where goods are concerned, such as televisions and music systems, keep the cash memo to show how much you paid for it and when. As for jewellery you have to provide details like weight and design.
- In the case of glass, you have to prove that malafied intent and not your child slamming a ball into it caused the damage.

schooling

With India gaining popularity globally, Delhi, the capital, stands to gain a lot and this fact is clearly reflected in terms of education. Delhi, today, is considered a desirable destination to pursue education and is a favoured educational destination among many nationalities. The schools and other educational institutions in Delhi are either run by the NCT government or by private organizations.

The medium of learning is usually English or Hindi and these schools are affiliated to either the Indian Certificate of Secondary Education (ICSE) or the Central Board for Secondary Education (CBSE). Delhi also has several international schools and preschools available, offering both British and American curriculum. The American school early childhood education center has a program for three to five year.

Below are mentioned the schools for the children. You can contact the school, administration for specific requirements.



The British School

Address: Dr. P Jose Rizal Marg, Chanakya-puri, New Delhi 110021

T +91-11-40664166

Email: thebritishschool@british-school.org

Email: admissions@british-school.org

thebritishschool@british-school.org

Website: www.british-school.org

and hr@british-school.org and



American Embassy School

Address: Chandragupta Marg, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi 110021

T +91-11-26888854

Email: admissions@aes.ac.in

Website: <https://www.aes.ac.in/>



**Lycée Français
International de Delhi**

Lycée Français International de Delhi

Address: 2, Doctor APJ Abdul Kalam Road, New Delhi, Delhi 110011

T 011 3041 9550

Email: contact@lfidelhi.org

Website: <https://lfidelhi.org/>



German School

Address: EP16/17 Chandragupta Marg, Chanakyapuri Entry via connecting road at Primus Hospital, to, Dr Jose P Rizal Marg, New Delhi, 110021

T 011 2611 2193

Email: schulleitung@dsnd.de

Website: www.dsnd.de/home.html



DPS International Saket

Address: P-37, Birla Vidya Niketan Marg, Sector 6, Pushp Vihar, New Delhi, Delhi 110017
T 011 2956 1187

Email: dpsi@vsnl.net

Website: <https://www.dpsi.ac.in/>

Metro Delhi
International
School



Metro Delhi International School

Address: Metro Delhi International School, All India Prayer Fellowship, Mission Hospital Road,, Shahurpur, Fatehpurberi Post, Sat Bari, New Delhi, Delhi 110074

T +91 88 601 5 0178

Website: <https://www.mdiss.net/>

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GLOBAL SCHOOL **NOIDA**

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Amity Global School

Address: Amity Global School, A Block, C Block, Sector 44, Noida, Uttar Pradesh 201301
T 0120 439 9150

Email: info@agsn.amity.edu

Website: www.amityglobalschool.com/noida/Default.aspx



The Magic Years (Vasant Vihar)

Address: 4, Olof Palme Marg, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi - 110057

T +91 11 26140317

Email: info@themagicyears.com

Website: www.themagicyears.com



Bee Hive

Address: K-85, Block K, Kalkaji, New Delhi, Delhi 110019

T + 91 -9266599995, 011- 65999995

Email: beehivedelhi.kalkaji@beehive.org.in.



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Step

Nursery

School

Address: Plot No. 1, Block N, Panchsheel Park North, Panchsheel Park, New Delhi, Delhi 110017

T + 011 26494130

Email:

info@sbspp.org

Website:

<https://www.sbspp.org>



HappyFeet Play School

Address: E-71, Vasant Marg, Block E, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi, Delhi 110057

T + 011 2615 4984

Email: happyfeet100@gmail.com

Website: <https://www.happyfeetplayschool.com/>



The American Embassy School

Address: Chandragupta Marg, Chanakyapuri
New Delhi 110021

T + 011 2688 8854

Email: admissions@aes.ac.in

Website: <https://www.aes.ac.in/>



Wonderland

Address: New Moti Bagh, Block C 4, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi, Delhi 110021

T +91- 85878 45552

Email:

info@wonderland.edu.in

Website: <https://www.wonderland.edu.in/>



The British School

Address: Dr. P Jose Rizal Marg, Chanakya-puri, New Delhi 110021

T +91-11-40664166

Email: admissions@british-school.org and hr@british-school.org and thebritishschool@british-school.org

Website: www.british-school.org



Early Years, Pathways

Address: 2, Hemkunt Colony, Greater Kailash

T + 011-49063975

Email: admissions.gk@pathways.in

Website: <https://www.pathways.in/>

Following are suggestions to assist you in making the best decision:

- Ask friends where they send their children and why.
- Call the schools you are interested in. Make an appointment to visit the school. Ask the admissions-in-charge to arrange for you to visit classrooms and speak with the teachers during your visit.
- Take time before the visit to list your priorities and questions.
- During the visit be attentive to how the child's questions and behaviour are handled. What is the interaction between staff and your child? Is your child made to feel welcome?
- Inquire about the teacher/student ratio and the teachers' credentials and teaching experience.
- Inspect the facilities. Look at safety features and overall sanitary conditions. Are the toys and equipment age-appropriate and adequate?
- Ask for a complete list of all fees before you register. Registration fees and subsequent school fees are non-refundable.
- Ask about transportation vehicles. How old are the buses or vans? Do not hesitate to ask about occupancy numbers and supervision.
- Ask about meal plan facilities
- Educating your child in a foreign country can provide a wonderful exposure to many different cultures and be a rewarding experience for both you and your child.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS



EMERGENCY & IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Police	100
Women Helpline Cell Number	1091
Ambulance	102
Child Helpline	1098
Fire & Rescue	101

Pharmacy	
Netmeds	Shop from Netmeds online pharmacy. https://www.netmeds.com/ .
Apollo Pharmacy Ltd.	Order medicines from Apollo 24*7 app and get it delivered to your doorstep for free. https://www.apollopharmacy.in/
TATA 1mg	Shop from TATA 1mg online Pharmacy. https://www.1mg.com/
IGL/PIPED GAS	https://www.iglonline.net/english/Default.aspx

Blood Banks	
AIIMS	011- 26594438
Safdarjung Hospital	011-26168470
Indarprastha Apollo Blood Bank	011-71792011
Indian Red Cross Society	011-23711551
Cooking Gas	
Indane	1800 2333 555 Delhi - 011- 49936156
Bharat Petroleum	1800 2333 555
Hindustan Petroleum	1800 2333 555
IGL/PIPED GAS	https://www.iglonline.net/english/Default.aspx

Water Supply	http://delhijalboard.nic.in/home/delhi-jal-board-djb
Central Control Room cum Consumer Centre	1916
Telephone Complaints	https://mtnldelhi.in/
For MTNL (Landline/Broadband/Mobile)	11130 / 1800 22 1130
Airport Enquiry	https://www.newdelhiairport.in/
Domestic (Terminal I)	0124-6838410
International (Terminal II)	0124-4797300
International (Terminal III)	0124-4797300

Railway Enquiry	https://www.irctc.co.in/nget/
General Enquiry	139
Tourist Enquiry	https://tourism.gov.in/about-us/indian-tourism-offices
Delhi Tourism	https://www.delhitourism.gov.in/delhitourism/index.jsp
Uttar Pradesh Tourism	https://www.uptourism.gov.in/en
Himachal Pradesh Tourism	https://himachaltourism.gov.in/contact/
Rajasthan Tourism	https://www.tourism.rajasthan.gov.in/

Just Dial For Food	https://www.justdial.com/Online-Food-Ordering-Service
Zomato Food Delivery	https://www.zomato.com/
Swiggy Food Delivery	https://www.swiggy.com/
Zepto Grocery Delivery	https://www.zeptonow.com/
Dunzo Food & Grocery Delivery	https://www.dunzo.com/delhi
Blinkit Grocery Delivery	https://blinkit.com/
Swiggy Instamart Grocery Delivery	https://www.swiggy.com/swiggy-instamart

Ask For Any Information:

Just-Dial services

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Electrician/Plumber/Carpenter/ Cleaning services

9811557711 /011-41643061

Post office

<https://www.indiapost.gov.in/>

Courier Service - Blue Dart

**18602331234
<https://www.bluedart.com/>**

Courier Service - Borzo

<https://borzodelivery.com/>

Courier Service - Porter

<https://porter.in/>

Courier Service - Delhivery

<https://www.delhivery.com/>

Radio Cabs -Meru Cabs

<https://www.meru.in/>

Radio Cabs - Uber

www.uber.com

Radio Cabs - Blu Smart

<http://blu-smart.com/>

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