

Varanasi to Patna Downstream
MV GANGA VILAS
Varanasi – Ghazipur – Buxar – Patna
7 nights / 8 days Cruise

Day 1

EMBARKATION: 04:00 PM

ARRIVE VARANASI (D)

Embark the ship at the Jetty in Varanasi.

Dinner & overnight onboard Ganga Vilas

Day 2

VARANASI (B/L/D)

After breakfast we visit the excavation site of Sarnath, the seat where Lord Buddha gave his first sermon after attaining enlightenment in Bodhgaya. Return to the ship for lunch. Thereafter, visit the Ghats by walk to experience the activities and hustle-bustle in the by-lanes. Continue to the riverside and witness the evening “Ganga Aarti” ritual.

Dinner & overnight onboard Ganga Vilas

Day 3

VARANASI – EN ROUTE TO GHAZIPUR (B/L/D)

Today we sail full day towards Ghazipur enjoying breakfast and lunch onboard. Ghazipur was established by the British East India Company in 1820 as an opium factory. It still produces the drug for the global pharmaceutical industry. We anchor en route to Ghazipur.

Dinner & overnight onboard Ganga Vilas

Day 4

ARRIVE GHAZIPUR (B/L/D)

A further sailing in brings us to Ghazipur while we enjoy breakfast and lunch onboard. Post lunch visit to the Tomb of Lord Cornwallis, one of the major figures of Indian and British history.

Dinner & overnight onboard Ganga Vilas

Day 5

GHAZIPUR – BUXAR (B/L/D)

Today we sail to Buxar a prominent town of western Bihar, bordering the State of Uttar Pradesh. Enjoy breakfast and lunch onboard. Upon arrival in Buxar visit the Ram Rekha Ghat. It is associated with a legend from the epic *Ramayana* that after killing the demoness Tadka, Lord Ram to cleanse himself from the sin of killing a woman, took a bath in the Ganges here. Also visit the Sita Ram Upadhyay Museum, named after a local resident who had donated his personal collection that include archaeological objects, coins and manuscripts.

Dinner & overnight onboard Ganga Vilas

Day 6

BUXAR – GHAGHRA MOD (B/L/D)

Enjoying breakfast on board we sail towards Ghaghra Mod, the confluence where River Ghaghra meets River Ganges.

After lunch enjoy a walk in the riverbank village.

Dinner & overnight onboard Ganga Vilas

Day 7

GHAGHRA MOD - PATNA (B/L/D)

Sailing in the morning enjoying breakfast we arrive in Patna, the capital of the State of Bihar. Patna is one of the oldest continuously inhabited places in the world founded in 490 BCE as Pataliputra. Post lunch proceed for a sightseeing tour of the Golghar and Patna Museum.

Dinner & overnight onboard Ganga Vilas

Day 8

PATNA DISEMBARK (B)

DISEMBARKATION: 08:00 AM

Following breakfast disembark the ship and transfer for your onward journey.

Important Note:

- The itinerary maybe readjusted due to local conditions and days of the week, in order to avoid closure of monuments/museums. Last minute sailing adjustments may also occur. The exact time for each activity will be announced or posted by the onboard tour staff.
- The letters in parentheses indicate the included meal of the day B=breakfast, L=lunch, D=dinner.
- As per government restrictions, from Varanasi to Patna, no liquor will be served on board.
- In Varanasi, due to the location on the holy river, non-vegetarian food is not served onboard.
- Satellite phones & drone cameras are not allowed in Varanasi, please ensure the same, while traveling to Varanasi.

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