

3000 Years of Jewish India

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Picture yourself in southern India, the only place on the planet where Jews have always lived in peace.

It's a beautiful, cool night, and you are walking in the footsteps of the Jews who first arrived as spice traders 3000 years ago, and settled there 2,000 years ago. Today you can still explore their centuries old synagogues, traditions, and neighbourhoods.

Perhaps you are on a private, luxurious houseboat making your way through misty canals and the serene waterways known as "the Backwaters." With more time, continue on to the Taj Mahal and the Golden Triangle, explore exotic Khajuraho, spend an extra weekend in Mumbai, visit still more wonders of southern India ... or head for a mountain retreat or one of the world's top beaches.

Unique to Burkat Global, Dr. Shalva Weil, senior researcher at the Hebrew University, Jerusalem, will be the scholar in residence for our 2017 tour, traveling with us and teaching our group. In the United States, Dr. Weil has lectured at Stanford University and Westchester Reform Temple in Scarsdale, New York. Throughout, Dr. Weil will share her decades of research, knowledge and experiences living among the Bene Israel Jews in India as well as the Indian Jewish community in Israel.

Working with Dr. Weil, Burkat Global will supply pre-tour reading and video lists, maps and timelines to help prepare you to get the most out of your 3000 Years of Jewish India journey. We do promise though... there will be no quizzes.

This trip is for everyone, of any background. Our travellers have ranged in age from 23 to 80. They have been Jews and non-Jews, mobile and less mobile, from across the United States, Germany, the UK, Canada, and Israel. There is as much walking as you want, but there is always a handy tuk tuk (auto rickshaw) available if you prefer to ride. You will meet interesting people and make great friends!

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