

ORIGINS

POLO IN THE LAND OF ITS BIRTH

INTRODUCING A GRAND POLO ADVENTURE!



HUN-TRÉ POLO TOURS
WASHINGTON, DC - LONDON - IMPHAL - BUENOS AIRES

November 23 to November 30, 2014
2 Nights New Delhi, 5 Nights Imphal
Domestic Airfare Included



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AN ANCIENT WORLD OF POLO OPENS UP TO THE WORLD

Join a first-ever unique, exotic polo adventure to Manipur, the birthplace of modern polo! *Origins* is an unforgettable polo adventure in its capital Imphal (via New Delhi) as international teams including the USA Team from the USPA play in the 8th International Manipur Polo Tournament at the world's oldest living polo field, on the world's original polo pony.

Hun-tré! Polo Tours is an international venture of Edward Armstrong Polo. Hun-tré (*houn-tray*) is the umpire's cry in traditional Manipuri polo, meaning "Play Ball!"

AMENITIES

- Pickup and Transfers in and out of airports
- Flights between New Delhi and Imphal
- Daily car service to all events and locations with chauffeur
- Knowledgeable guides to all events
- Room with private bathroom in 4-star hotel in New Delhi
- Room with private bathroom in 3-star hotel in Imphal
- Restaurant, 24 hour room service
- Western and Indian Breakfast included
- Laundry service
- Wi-Fi Internet

HIGHLIGHTS

- Polo matches every afternoon
- Play a game of Manipuri sagol *kangjei* in traditional garb
- Take a lesson in *arambai*, the equestrian darts of the Manipuri cavalry
- Inspect the construction of the new Nature Pony Preserve



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"We were blown away by the incredible hospitality - at the very place where polo was founded! By far, the horses were the highlight. We were amazed not only by their size but by their toughness as well."

- Mason Wroe. Captain, USA Polo Team organized by the USPA, Manipur Polo International 2013

"I loved how the local people were so genuinely excited about polo! The staff and guides were wonderful, catering to our every need. We were treated like foreign dignitaries!"

- Peter Blake. Team Member USA Polo Team organized by the USPA, Manipur Polo International 2013



A NOTE ON TRAVEL TO MANIPUR

Best time to visit: Sept to April.

Thanks to the valley's elevation of almost 3000 feet, the weather in Imphal, the capital of Manipur, is hospitable throughout the year. November is pleasantly warm during the day and cool evenings call for a light jacket.

Our travel partner, Thomas Cook International®, will oversee all our travel and hospitality needs. We will send you a detailed note on travel to Manipur upon your registration.

Book before for August 31
at \$2750 p.p.double
\$3025 pp single



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Day 1 - Arrive Delhi

Arrive Delhi by flight. Meet, assist and transfer to the Hotel. Later have dinner at the hotel.
Overnight.

Day 2 - Delhi-Imphal

This morning after breakfast, depart for Imphal by flight. Arrive Imphal, assist and transfer to the Hotel. Catch your first polo game at Mapal Kangjeibung polo ground. Later, attend a Sangai Tourism festival event and have dinner at the hotel.
Overnight.

Day 3 - Imphal

Today after breakfast visit Kangla Fort, the abode of the former Maharajas of Manipur. In the Afternoon enjoy a game of Polo. Evening is at leisure or attend a Sangai Tourism festival event.
Overnight.

Day 4 - Imphal

In the morning after breakfast take a 2-hour ride on the Manipuri ponies in the hills surrounding Imphal. Proceed for an excursion to the largest fresh water lake in the North east- Loktak Lake in Sendra Island near Imphal (48kms one side / 1 Hr approx). After lunch at the resort, explore the colourful lakeside fishing village of Thanga.

LOKTAK LAKE: Set atop Sendra Island is said to be the largest fresh water lake in the entire

Day 5 - Imphal

Today after breakfast shop at Imphal's famed Sana Keithel, the traditional all-women's market that served the loyalty of Manipur. In the afternoon enjoy a game of Polo. Evening is at leisure.

Day 6 - Imphal

Today after breakfast inspect the construction of the new nature pony preserve in Heingang village. In the afternoon enjoy the finals and attend the colourful closing ceremony of the tournament. Evening is at leisure.

Day 7 - Imphal - Delhi

This morning after breakfast, check-out and leave for Delhi by flight. Arrive Delhi in time for an Indian lunch and transfer to airport for the flight to onward destination.

PRICES

SPECIAL INAUGURAL PRICE: \$2950 pp double; \$3225 pp single

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