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Once used by the Maharajah of Alwar as his base for tiger-hunting expeditions, today Amanbagh’s lush compound shelters guests in a modern-day Mughal palace, carved out of local pink marble and sandstone, with scalloped arches and cupolas paying homage to India’s golden age. A sanctuary in the arid Aravalli hills, 90 minutes from frenetic Jaipur, the property is surrounded by mature palm, fruit and eucalyptus trees, which shade the emerald-green pool. Beyond the palatial Suites, spa and gardens, guests will discover welcoming villages, majestic forts and ruins, and the jungle of Sariska National Park, where tigers still roam free.

Location

- Amanbagh is located at the foot of the Aravalli hills in Rajasthan, northwest India
- The property lies around 90km northeast of Jaipur, and around 140km north of Sawai Madhopur, the stopping-off point for Amanbagh’s sister property in India, Aman-i-Khàs

Getting There

- Amanbagh is served by the airports of New Delhi, Mumbai and Jaipur
- From New Delhi, it is possible to travel to Amanbagh by car, train or helicopter (the property has its own heliport) – though most guests take a flight to Jaipur, then a two-hour journey by private car
- Flights from Delhi to Jaipur depart several times daily and take between 45 and 60 minutes; flights from Mumbai depart several times daily and take an hour and 40 minutes
Accommodation

Laid out across two storeys, Amanbagh’s Suites and Pavilions all enjoy private outdoor spaces and an aesthetic that references the property’s regal past. Vaulted entrances, domed ceilings and scalloped windows provide the framework for the palatial interiors, which feature intricate lattice screens and green Udaipur marble. Living areas are furnished with daybeds and writing desks, while the kingsize beds, raised on plinths, are surrounded by majestic Mughal arches.

6 Courtyard Haveli Suite 125 m² 1,345 ft²
8 Garden Haveli Suite 125 m² 1,345 ft²
8 Terrace Haveli Suite 163 m² 1,754 ft²
15 Pool Pavilion 203 m² 2,185 ft²

Courtyard Haveli Suite
• Private courtyard with an outdoor dining area
• Located on the ground floor near the main pool

Garden Haveli Suite
• Located on the ground floor, near the pool, with views of the garden
• Private terrace and courtyard with outdoor dining area

Terrace Haveli Suite
• Upper-floor location with views of the main pool or mountains
• Separate dressing room
• Spacious terrace with outdoor dining area

Pool Pavilion
• Spacious garden courtyard with a private nine-metre pool
• Covered outdoor dining and lounge area
• Spacious separate dressing area with twin walk-in wardrobes
• Separate shower and W.C. in addition to the large ensuite bathroom
Dining

The Restaurant
Capacity: 36 indoors; 36 outdoors
• Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner
• A grand setting, with soaring ceilings and colonnades, overlooking the tree-shaded pool
• Seasonal menus centre on produce from Amanbagh’s two-acre organic garden
• Traditional Rajasthani dishes are combined with chefs’ favourites from across India, all of which can be tailored to suit individual tastes

The Library Terrace
Capacity: 10 seated
• Informal dining venue on the upper floor of the main building, cooled by the breeze during hotter months

The Rooftop
Capacity: 20 seated
• Sweeping views from an elevated position above the tree canopy
• Private dining venue ideal for small parties

• Ideal for small groups or romantic dinners for two, dining either from the restaurant menu or a pre-arranged, private set menu
Other Facilities

Library
• Contains a variety of reference books on Indian history, arts, culture and wildlife, as well as a selection of novels, magazines, newspapers, audio CDs and board games

Boutique
• Stocks a selection of regional silverware, jewellery, textiles and fashion

Relaxation and Fitness

Swimming pools
• The central 33-metre pool is surrounded by lush gardens, with a 12-metre wading pool just beyond
• Drinks and snacks are available poolside throughout the day

Spa
• Highly skilled therapists offer a range of therapies, from facials and massage to henna art and Ayurveda
• Wellness Immersions of up to 21 nights provide a personalised programme of Ayurvedic healing, comprising diet, movement and meditation drawing on millennia of history
• Yoga and meditation can be practised within Amanbagh’s grounds, or at scenic spots in the countryside

Croquet
• A handcrafted croquet set is available for guests’ use in the garden
Activities & Excursions

Cow dust tour
• One of Amanbagh’s most popular activities, the cow dust tour involves a Jeep ride into the local village in the afternoon, when cows, goats, sheep and buffalo are being herded home, or at sunrise to the scent of cooking fires being lit as the village comes to life
• Guests always receive a warm welcome from Amanbagh’s neighbours, who will often offer chai in their homes

Cultural excursions
• Amanbagh is surrounded by ancient sites, from the forts of Ajabgarh and Pratapgarh to the temple town of Neelkanth and the spiritual site of Narayani Mata
• Legendary Bhangarh is also within easy reach – a town built in the 16th century, then swiftly abandoned after being cursed by a court magician
• Further afield, day trips can be arranged to the temples of Virit Nagar, or to Agra and the Taj Mahal, stopping at the famous Abhaneri step well en route

Hiking, cycling and camel rides
• Enjoy the one-hour walk to the stone King’s Throne, used by the Maharajah of Alwar on hunting expeditions in the 19th century
• Somsagar Lake, Neelkanth and Narayani Mata are excellent options for keen hikers
• Experience the countryside around Amanbagh by camel, or in a camel-drawn cart
• Guests can use Amanbagh’s Firefox mountain bikes or Indian-made Atlas Gold models to cycle the area; guides are also available

Wildlife
• Take an early-morning or afternoon safari into Sariska national park, 35 minutes’ drive from Amanbagh, for the chance to spot tigers in the wild
• Somsagar lake is a 45-minute walk from Amanbagh, and Mansarovar lake is a 40-minute drive away; both are excellent bird-watching sites
• Enjoy a leisurely elephant safari at Dera Amer, between Amanbagh and Jaipur

Jaipur
• Amanbagh can arrange bespoke day trips to Jaipur, guiding guests to the boutiques and bazaars that best suit their needs, and navigating the Pink City’s greatest sights

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