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AMAN-I-KHAS



A wilderness location and a sensitive connection to Rajasthan's history and culture await guests at Aman-i-Khás, an outpost on the threshold of Ranthambore National Park inspired by lavish Mughal hunting parties of old. Each of the ten soaring guest tents is beautifully furnished and assigned a personal butler. In-between daily Jeep safaris to catch a glimpse of tigers and other wildlife, guests can enjoy rejuvenating spa treatments or a dip in the traditional step-well pool, before drinks around a communal firepit and dinners lit by flickering candles under a canopy of stars.

## Location

- Aman-i-Khás lies in the Aravalli Hills on the fringes of Ranthambore National Park, in rural Rajasthan, Northern India

## Getting There

- International flights arrive at Delhi airport. From here, guests can travel 4 or 6 hours by train with Aman butler service to Sawai Madhopur, then 20 minutes by car to Aman-i-Khás
- Alternatively guests can take a one hour flight from Delhi to Jaipur, followed by a three-hour drive to the property

## Climate

- Average temperatures between October and April peak at 30°C with overnight lows of 2°C in December and January
- May and June are summer season, with peak temperatures reaching 40°C. July, August and September is monsoon season, with sunshine punctuated by heavy downpours and temperatures hovering around 35°C both day and night.

Aman-i-Khas remains closed between June - September



## Accommodation

Set in a sun-dappled landscape of dhok trees and brushwood, each of the ten guest tents rises to six metres in height, its canopy sheltering airy living, sleeping and bathing spaces, divided, Mughal-style, by white cotton drapes.

- 108 sq m with solid floors, hardwood and canvas walls and a sun deck
- Kingsize or twin beds, large daybed, leather drinks chest
- Twin writing desks, dining area, dressing area and living area
- Bathing area with shower, stone soaking tub and separate W.C.
- Air conditioning, ceiling fan, heating

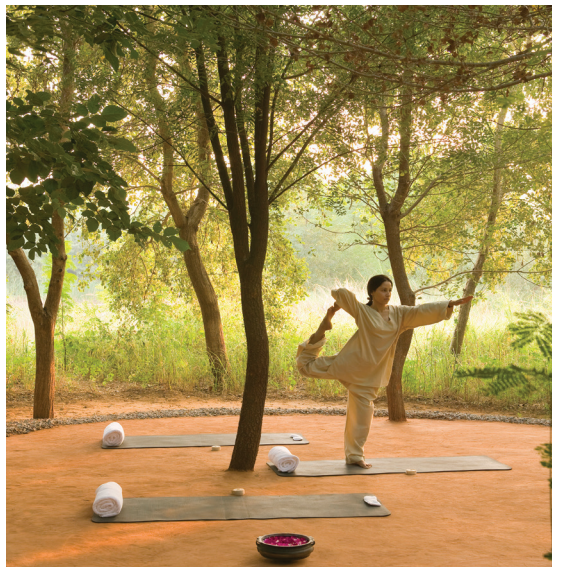
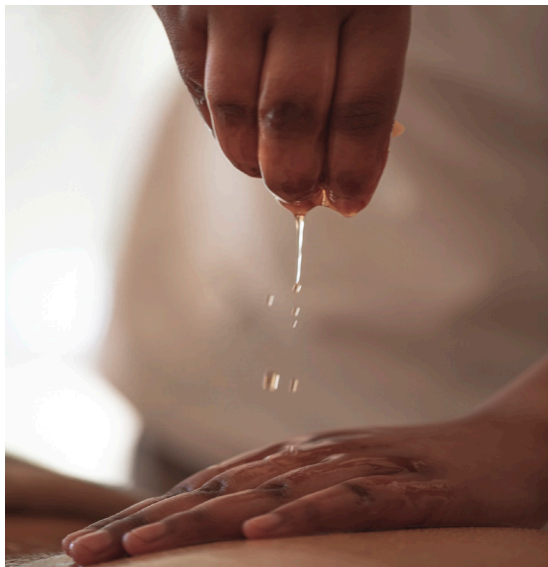
## Dining

### Dining Tent

- Softly lit and furnished with one large central table and several smaller tables
- Indian cuisine and a range of Western dishes are served, with most of the vegetables and herbs grown in the camp's organic garden

### Fireplace

- Surrounded by comfy seating, the firepit is a convivial spot for evening drinks



## Other Facilities

### Lounge Tent

- Furnished with banquettes, reading tables and chairs
- Wide selection of coffee-table books, novels, magazines and board games, along with CDs and personal CD players
- A small range of local handicrafts, fabrics and sundries are available for purchase

### Step well pool

- Modelled on the ancient step-wells traditional to the area
- Surrounded by a sunny terrace with loungers, sheltered by a grove of trees

### Heated Spa Tent

- Two treatment areas, each with twin massage tables, surrounding a small fountain
- Treatments include massages, scrubs and traditional henna art using local herbs and spices



## Activities & Excursions

### Wildlife safaris

- Led by national park-approved guides, 3.5-hour safaris take place twice daily, early in the morning or late afternoon, in open-top Jeeps
- Full-day (12-hour) and half-day (6-hour) safaris can be arranged in advance, offering hours of game viewing across many zones of the national park
- The park is home to tigers, leopards, jungle cats, hyenas, sloth bears, chital deer, antelope, gazelle, crocodile and more than 350 species of bird
- Pre-booking essential. Snacks and drinks are provided

### Ranthambore Fort and the Old City

- Historic fort within the grounds of the national park, 25 minutes' drive from Aman-i-Khás
- Constructed between 944 and 1110 AD with 7km of ramparts, it was the scene of several intense battles

- Individual tours available on request
- Largely forgotten by tourist guides, the atmospheric Old City lies within the outer perimeter walls of the fort. Camels remain the preferred mode of transport and dozens of eclectic shops line the narrow main thoroughfare
- On the way out of the city, guests can stop at the Elephant Temple which pays homage to both Hindu and Jain Gods. If the sadhus are present they will beat their drums and offer blessings for visitors

### Camel safaris and nature walks

- Ride a camel at a leisurely pace through the countryside around Aman-i-Khás
- Explore flora, fauna and ancient monuments on a two-hour, naturalist-led walk in tiger-free territory



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### Banas riverbed experience

- Two hours' away by open-top Jeep, the Banas riverbed becomes a birdwatcher's paradise during the dry season
- Guests can enjoy a half-day excursion, strolling the banks with a naturalist or enjoying a riverside camel ride
- Lunch is served picnic-style in a peaceful spot

### Khandar fort trek

- A scenic 1.5-hour drive takes guests to Khandar fort, dramatically perched on a hill, 300 metres above the plains, and littered with fascinating ruins of palaces, temples and step-wells
- Guests can trek up a winding path to the summit where they can explore the fort and enjoy lunch in a magical location

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