

Deer Park/Plum Village Peepal# Pilgrimage February 2025:

In the Footsteps of the Buddha - A Pilgrimage retreat through India and Nepal led by the Plum Village Monastics of Deer Park Monastery and Dharmacharya Shantum Seth

February 9 – February 22, 2025

#Peepal (Ficus religiosa) is the species of tree under which the Buddha awakened in Bodh Gaya

Sponsorship: For every 6 people who sign up for the pilgrimage, one monastic is sponsored free on the pilgrimage. You are also welcome to independently sponsor a monastic to come on the pilgrimage.

● ITINERARY

| No. | Date | Week Day | Travel | Night Stay |
|-----|-----------|-----------|--|-------------------|
| 1 | 9-Feb-25 | Sunday | Pilgrimage begins in Delhi at 12:00pm (noon) | Delhi |
| 2 | 10-Feb-25 | Monday | Fly Delhi - Varanasi | Varanasi |
| 3 | 11-Feb-25 | Tuesday | Varanasi | Varanasi |
| 4 | 12-Feb-25 | Wednesday | Varanasi - Bodhgaya | Bodh Gaya |
| 5 | 13-Feb-25 | Thursday | Bodhgaya | Bodh Gaya |
| 6 | 14-Feb-25 | Friday | Bodhgaya - Rajgir | Rajgir |
| 7 | 15-Feb-25 | Saturday | Rajgir - Nalanda - Rajgir | Rajgir |
| 8 | 16-Feb-25 | Sunday | Rajgir - Vaishali | Vaishali |
| 9 | 17-Feb-25 | Monday | Vaishali - Kesariya - Kushinagar | Kushinagar |
| 10 | 18-Feb-25 | Tuesday | Kushinagar - Lumbini | Lumbini |
| 11 | 19-Feb-25 | Wednesday | Lumbini | Lumbini |
| 12 | 20-Feb-25 | Thursday | Lumbini - Kapilavastu - Sravasti | Sravasti |
| 13 | 21-Feb-25 | Friday | Sravasti - Lucknow by road. | Lucknow |
| 14 | 22-Feb-25 | Saturday | Fly Lucknow-Delhi/drive to Agra for Extension | Departure/Agra |
| 1 | 23-Feb-25 | Sunday | Agra-Delhi late evening. Departure | Delhi (for Caves) |
| 1 | 24-Feb-25 | Monday | Delhi - Aurangabad by flight | Aurangabad |
| 2 | 25-Feb-25 | Tuesday | Aurangabad | Aurangabad |
| 3 | 26-Feb-25 | Wednesday | Aurangabad - Delhi by flight | |

There could be minor changes in the itinerary based on a number of variable factors