

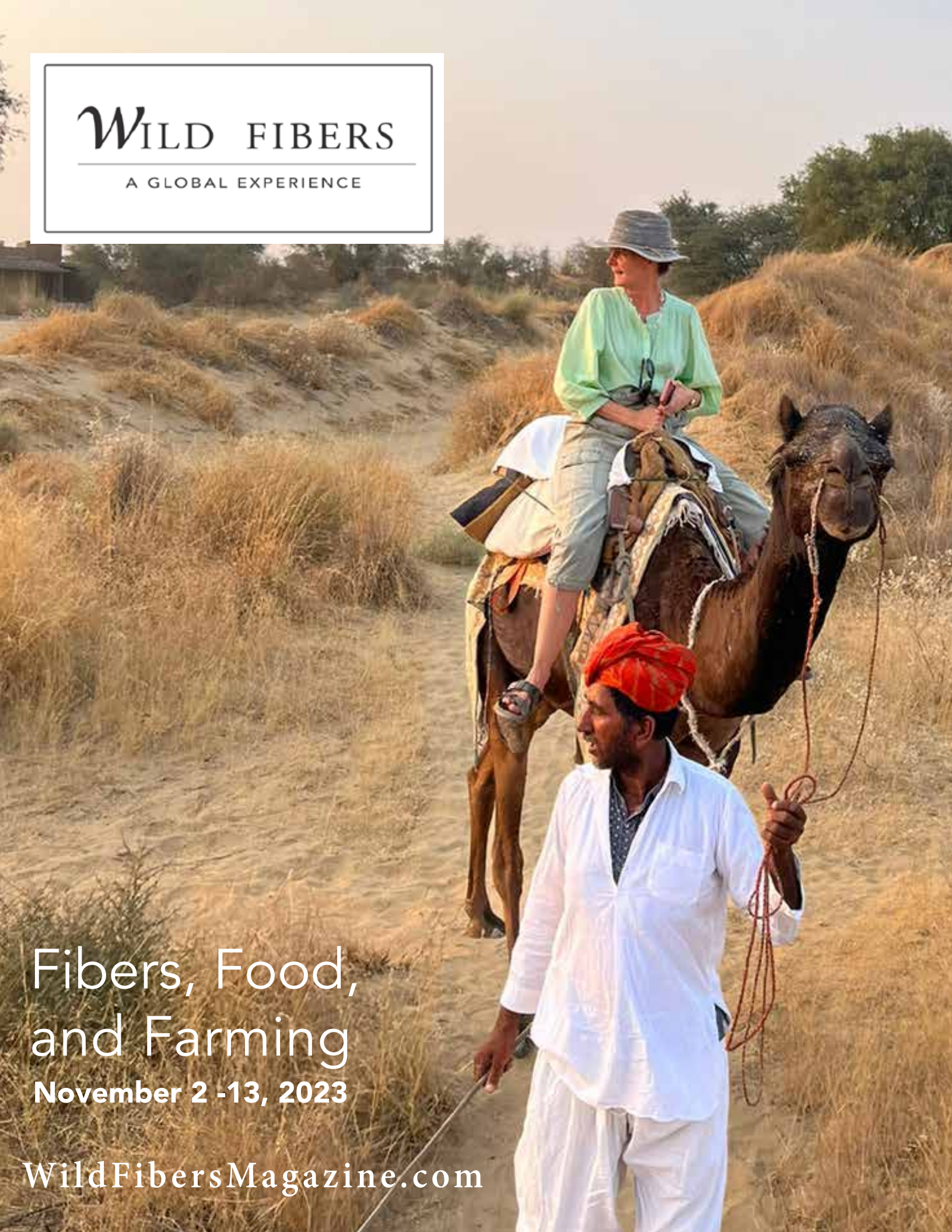
# WILD FIBERS

A GLOBAL EXPERIENCE

Fibers, Food,  
and Farming

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India is both exhilarating and exhausting. It will change you in ways you can't imagine and leave you aching to return.

Our goal is to curate a trip that appeals to more than just the natural fiber enthusiast, but for those who want to engage in local communities. Some of the homes we will visit are not otherwise open to tourists, but we have developed a collection of contacts over the years who welcome the opportunity to share their lives with respectful visitors. No doubt, you will soon feel like family.

#### **November 2**

Arrive Delhi

Private tours of Delhi can be arranged to accommodate individual preferences should you choose to arrive a few days in advance. Otherwise, the day is open to rest and recover from jet lag.

November 3

Fly to Jaisalmer, known as the Golden City, and spend the afternoon visiting the local market and the fort, among the oldest inhabited forts in the world.



#### **November 4**

Day trip to the desert and visit with a camel herder, followed by a village tour. Learn how local homes are constructed, explore ancient water systems, and lunch in a village home.

Late afternoon visit a special school, joining the young children for English class and their traditional musical lessons.



#### **November 5**

After breakfast, we leave for our desert camp where we will enjoy a jeep safari to a local village in the afternoon. Optional evening camel ride through the sand dunes is available.

#### **November 6**

We will have a private tour of the camel research center in Bikaner and learn how camels, historically prized for transport, are now valued for their dairy and wool.

#### **November 7**

Our day begins with a rooftop blockprinting workshop followed by a tour of the largest wool market in Asia. It goes on for miles! Although some of the factories are mechanized most of the work is done by thousands of men and women by hand, toiling away under the hot sun.





#### **November 8**

Our last day in Bikaner is full immersion into local craft and culture with visits to the local markets and a Zari embroidery workshop.

#### **November 9**

After breakfast, we begin our leisurely drive to Jaipur, passing by miles of open farmland until we eventually see the Aravali Mountain Range on the horizon. We will check-in to our beautiful heritage haveli late afternoon. The rest of the day is free to relax or explore the area.

#### **November 10**

Before the heat and the crowds become intolerable we visit Amber Fort, enjoying just a sample of its 200+ rooms and endless corridors. Afterwards, we will visit the world famous Anokhi Museum.

#### **November 11**

After breakfast we depart for Ranthambore National Park, driving through traditional villages, offering a passing glimpse of rural life.

We arrive at our hotel in time for afternoon tea or a visit to the spa.

#### **November 12**

We rise before dawn to arrive in the park as the tigers are just beginning to move. We will spend three hours in a private safari jeep, hoping to spot this magnificent cat that was all but hunted to extinction by royal families for centuries.

In the afternoon, we visit a local textile workshop, specifically created for the men and women who were displaced from their village when the national park was created more than 40 years ago.

We will celebrate Diwali, the festival of lights, one of India's most cherished holidays.



#### **November 13**

With Diwali celebrations lasting until late the night before, you have the option of sleeping in, or for an additional cost, going on a second tiger safari. We will depart late morning for Jaipur and our flight to Delhi, arriving by 6:00 pm. For those who wish to continue on their journey home, kindly book international flights that leave after 10:00 pm. Alternatively, an extra night at The Imperial can be arranged along with an optional one-day trip to the Taj Mahal.





## Tour Price

Price per person sharing \$4,495

Single Supplement: plus \$1,290

A 25% non-refundable deposit is required to secure your reservation.

Full payment is due within 14 days of deposit.

If paying by credit card, a processing fee of 2.5% will be applied.

### **Kindly note:**

This itinerary is subject to change due to any number of situations beyond our control, not the least of which is that this is India.