



## BR TOUR - OPTION 4

**TOUR CODE : DS- 4**

**TOUR NAME: BOAT RIDE SHOW @ AKSHARDHAM**

Swaminarayan Akshardham at New Delhi explores Hinduism's values and traditions through a variety of media, from a large format film to a multimedia water show. . What is shared is an informative and inspiring journey through an ancient culture's glorious art, values and contributions for the progress, happiness and harmony of all humans. So, depending on each visitor's time, interests, and personal quest, their Akshardham experience becomes unique to them.

Swagatam' – Welcome. The exploration of Akshardham begins with auspicious symbols and prayers for universal peace and harmony. The experience begins with the invocation of the Vedic prayer: आ नो भद्राः क्रतवो यन्तु विश्वतः' - 'Let noble thoughts come to us from all directions'.

Akshardham welcomes people from all directions, backgrounds, faiths and beliefs and teaches everyone to do the same. Built of pink sandstone and marble, the mandir is the spiritual center of the entire complex. The murtis of Bhagwan Swaminarayan, his successors, Shri Radha-Krishna, Shri Sita-Ram, Shri Lakshmi-Narayan and Shri Parvati-Shiva reside in this intricately carved abode. Strengthening the faith of believers, blessing all aspirants and bringing peace to everyone, the Akshardham Mandir is a temple that welcomes all.

Everyone can join in the sacred abhishek ritual. Bathe the sacred image of Bhagwan Swaminarayan as the youthful yogi, Neelkanth, and offer a prayer – for personal strength and spiritual progress, for loved ones, for world



peace, or for anything you may desire. A balanced fusion of ancient wisdom and modern media technology, these exhibitions provide a powerful, soul-stirring experience of Hindu heritage and universal values. A source of education, information and inspiration, they are a fourfold combination of art, science, culture and spirituality.

Sitting on the steps of an ancient step well as the Sun sets, visitors travel back in time to the Vedic era and explore the secret of 'Sahaj Anand' – spontaneous joy. This new water show, opened in November 2014, presents a profound story from the Kena Upanishad using a breathtaking interplay of various media including water, lights, laser, video projection, and fire.

A visit to Swaminarayan Akshardham's two thematic gardens is a conversation with nature and history. Learn about inspiring women, men and children from Hindu culture and Indian history at the Bharat Upavan. Imbibe the wisdom of great minds from around the world at the Yogi Hriday Kamal.

### **Tour Highlights:**

- **Travel with Air-Conditioned Car with experienced driver.**
- **English Speaking friendly guide.**
- **Fountain Show for 24 minutes ( water show )**
- **Cultural Boat Ride for 12 minutes.**
- **Mineral water bottle.**
- **All Entrance, Parking**
- **Akshardham Temple remains close on Monday**

### **Notes:**

- **Commentary language in Hindi, English on request.**
- **Please follow safety instructions while entering and leaving the boat.**
- **Mobile phones are not allowed inside the Akshardham Temple.**
- **Open Gardens, water bodies, and step-well styled courtyard.**
- **The Akshardham Temple has over two hundred murtis, representing many of the spiritual stalwarts over many millennia.**
- **Board a boat ride and sail through thousands of years of ancient Indian history. Experience the lifestyle of the Vedic era.**