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### **FASCINATING EARTH EXPLORE INDIA OR EGYPT FOR JUST £9.99**

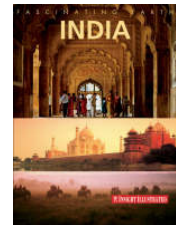
This month, Insight Guides will add two further inspiring destinations to its *Fascinating Earth* series - **Egypt** and **India**. Readers can explore the beauty of the countries from their armchair or, for those lucky enough to visit, the breathtaking photography can serve as a great memento of the amazing sights not captured on camera.



*Fascinating Earth* titles focus on the most captivating countries on the planet, with each beautifully presented book adorned with over 250 inspirational colour photographs and stimulating factual background, capturing the essence of each destination. Also included are 1,000 carefully selected websites offering additional information and a dedicated atlas section.

**Egypt**, with its long and illustrious history, is one of the greatest civilisations the world has ever seen. There is much to discover, from the ancient pyramids and temples to the stunning coral reefs and beaches of the Red Sea coast, and from the biblical mountains of the Sinai to the thriving metropolis of Cairo, Africa's largest city known as the *city that never sleeps*. Learn about the many Pharaohs, in particular Ramses II, the *Pharaoh of Pharaohs*, who fathered 92 sons and 106 daughters and did nothing by half-measures.

Discover the diversity of **India**, from the snow-covered peaks of the Himalayas to the subtropical south, and from the lush green meadows and forests of Kashmir, so often referred to as 'paradise on earth' to the tea plantations of Darjeeling and Assam. Marvel at the Taj Mahal, India's most famous monument, built by the Emperor Shah Jahan as a mausoleum for his beloved wife, who after 17 years of marriage died while giving birth to their 14<sup>th</sup> child in 1629. Approximately 20,000 workers were involved in the construction, which lasted 22 years – just one of many intriguing facts to be found in *Fascinating Earth India*. With a rich and ancient history, India offers an almost endless variety of peoples and places to explore.



*Fascinating Earth India* and *Egypt* will be available in bookshops and on line at [www.insightguides.com](http://www.insightguides.com), priced £9.99. Other titles in the series already available include Australia, China, Ireland, Italy, New Zealand, Scotland, South Africa and Thailand.

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