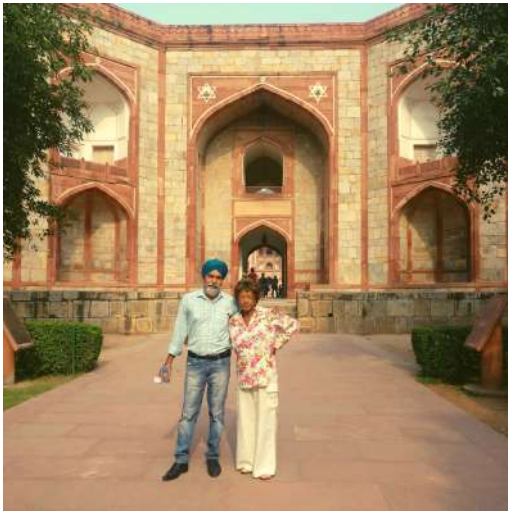




# TIGERPAW ADVENTURES NEWSLETTER

Our newsletter is designed not to spam you,  
but instead created only when there is newsworthy material to report.  
This latest edition covers September 19th to November 19th.



Mildred Smith  
with Guide Paramjit



Mildred Smith  
at Humayun's Tomb

In October 2019, after many delays, the notable and intrepid American educator Ms. Mildred Smith finally arrived. Ms. Smith— 94 years young — took easily to the strains of travelling by car overland through Rajasthan.

Having rescheduled her March 2019 visit to a tribal festival, Ms. Smith was keen on a new discovery, saying that she had, “seen China and Egypt, the two other great civilizations of the world and wanted to see India!”.

It was interesting to interact with a sharp and smart lady from a different era, one who did not use email— she quipped to InderJit that if she had reported her real age initially, TigerPaw might not have taken her! However, we are please to say that TigerPaw managed and we earned Mildred’s praise.





Dear Travellers and Patrons,

We have just celebrated "Diwali" the Festival of Lights in India and the "Dussehra" festival before that.

Both of these signify the battle of good over evil.

This period also marked the commencement of the travel season for the Indian plains and Himalayan foothills.



## AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL ALUMNI GROUP

At the end of October, TigerPaw finally received the American International School Alumni group— a long-planned and highly anticipated trip; all 64 travelers arrived by October 29th. This was a unique trip in more ways than one.

It was comprised of people who lived in India at various times in their youth — largely in the late 60's and early 70's. That made them relatively easy travellers, and those with spouses unfamiliar with India had managed their expectations well!

After a sojourn in Delhi (old and new), we flew to Udaipur, the Lake Palace City, where we explored palaces and temples. From there, the travellers were conducted overland in two Volvo coaches— the best available. Onboard toilets, CB radios as well as hailers, drones, et al. provided the required tech support.

Arriving in Pushkar, the group took in the sights of the zany Pushkar camel, cattle and religious fare, had personalised farm visits for chai, visited elephant camps, and more.





# AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL ALUMNI GROUP

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At the beginning and the end of the trip, small groups of AIS travellers went to tiger country in Corbett National Park, where a successful tiger sighting was reported. One couple went to Spashram RiverMountain Retreat on the holy upper Ganges and enjoyed pristine nature after the hustle and bustle of the AIS Reunion.

The trip— which had taken 18 months of preparation and which was the largest TigerPaw had ever conducted in its 38 year history— was satisfactorily concluded on the 12th of November in New Delhi.



**American International School Alumni group  
in front of Taj Mahal in Agra**





## VIGNETTES:



In the hall of American Embassy School, New Delhi



Saree draping class



Shopping for traditional Indian jewellery



Learning the art of block printing on cotton



A memorable music class by the bonfire



Enjoying the elephant ride



Our expert and professional guides spoke to the group regarding various topics





## SOME HIGHLIGHTS OF THE A.I.S. GROUP

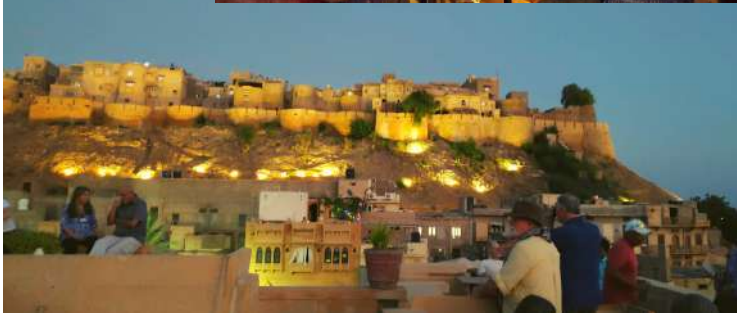
The Camel trek to the dunes of Sam was another highlight, enjoyed by one and all. The wonderful sunset and amusing camels, including Judy Ashley's "Rocket", stayed with everyone long after the trip.



Judy Ashley's friend  
"Rocket" - The Reliable  
Camel



A remarkable evening viewing of the Jaisalmer fort stood out for the group. Situating ourselves at a unique vantage point, the ambience was informed by local food, tea, and dancers, all of which added to the ambience and photo opportunities as the group enjoyed a ringside seat to view the lighting of the Jaisalmer for at night.



In Udaipur there was the fascinating City Palace and scenic boat ride, and in Jodhpur the serene Jaswant Thada cenotaphs from which the incredible Mehrangarh Fort could be viewed.







## SOME HIGHLIGHTS OF THE A.I.S. GROUP

Laura Forrence joined the gypsy dancers when the fire dance was being performed. Her serpentine belly dancing and fire eating earned her the local sobriquet of Naagin– “the Snake Goddess”!



Pushkar had its own highlights, with eclectic sights and events such as the mustache competition, dancers, and camel performances.



A trip to a stud farm not usually open to the public was arranged, featuring prize horses and bulls.



A smiling Kim Waters





# SPASHRAM RiverMountain Retreat

## SPASHRAM RIVER MOUNTAIN RETREAT

After a very late but particularly heavy monsoon, which resulted in the golden bamboo grove sprouting new shoots, visitors from USA, Bosnia, Israel, and India came to unwind and rejuvenate at Spashram.

Here is some of the feedback which best summarizes their experience and the Spashram philosophy – “the spirit of adventure and spiritual adventures!”



**Visitors enjoying spiritual yoga session by the Holy Ganges**



**Visitors getting 'tika' on arrival (Below)**







## Recent testimonials:

I enjoyed every bit of the trip even though some parts of the road journey were scary but the drivers were experts. At no time was I worried for my safety or security. The guides were excellent.

- Ms. Mildred Smith, USA

It is not easy to deal with old India Walas. Tigerpaws did great.

- Judy Ashley, USA

Hi Inder Jit – a long overdue note – and placeholder really to THANK you for hosting our incredible AIS adventure. More to come including photos. I'm just sorry you were under the weather. Yet you totally soldiered on. And honestly, I know the gang is raving about the trip online/WhatsApp. Even tho some also caught the bug – everyone had an amazing journey. Thank you for herding the cats & making it so special. Your staff was wonderful – Devi a rock star, Mohit though new, was really hard working & so responsive. And of course, Juma and our trip to CORBETT (with driver Fajad “SuperKahn”) was incredible– so lucky to see !!

- Kitty Thuermer, USA

All you yoga teachers and other workshop doers...we just spent a week on the ideal retreat location just outside Rishikesh...Spashram, Tiger Paw Adventure, and host/owner Inder Jit Singh where absolutely amazing! Right on the Ganges in an eco conscious environment.

- Janna Saslaw, USA

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

Now, we prepare for 2020! We are developing new destinations and cultural experience such as:

- The Eagle Hunters of Mongolia
- The Jewels of the Sea (Madagascar, Mauritius, Seychelles, the Maldives, the Andamans & the Phillipines)
- The Trans-African Train Journey
- South Africa
- Bhutan, Sri Lanka and Nepal

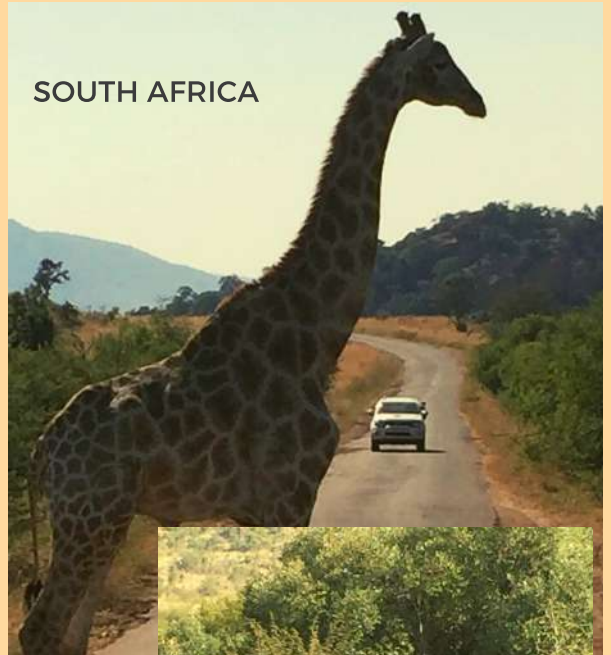




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AIS group at the saree draping class



AIS group interacting with the nomadic women of the Thar

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