

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE JAIPUR AREA, INDIA

LOCATION: Jaipur, the capital of the state of Rajasthan, is located in northwestern India. The city is situated in a fertile valley surrounded by rugged hills. Elevations are about 1,430 feet above sea level. Buildings in the old walled city are painted pink in a gesture of welcome. The old palace of the Maharaja is now the Rambagh Hotel.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	10:40	11:14	12:00	12:48	13:28	13:49	13:40	13:06	12:21	11:33	10:52	10:29
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	8:34	9:18	8:54	9:18	9:06	7:05	4:37	4:37	7:17	9:35	9:41	8:53
AREA OF BLUE SKY	70%	76%	76%	78%	83%	65%	33%	30%	58%	86%	88%	77%
LOW FOR MONTH	39°	41°	50°	61°	69°	73°	73°	72°	69°	58°	47°	41°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	48°	52°	61°	71°	79°	81°	78°	76°	74°	66°	55°	49°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	72°	77°	88°	98°	104°	102°	93°	90°	92°	93°	84°	75°
HIGH FOR MONTH	80°	87°	98°	107°	111°	110°	103°	97°	99°	99°	92°	83°
FROSTY MORNINGS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	1%	38%	90%	97%	97%	66%	53%	77%	77%	11%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	33%	26%	19%	15%	18%	32%	60%	67%	52%	28%	28%	33%
DRY DAYS	94%	93%	96%	96%	93%	78%	51%	51%	75%	94%	97%	97%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	97%	96%	97%	97%	94%	87%	67%	68%	85%	97%	99%	97%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.08	0.06	0.05	0.04	0.09	0.36	1.27	1.35	0.52	0.09	0.02	0.04
SNOWY DAYS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
THUNDER DAYS	4%	5%	5%	9%	16%	26%	29%	28%	17%	6%	2%	3%
FOGGY DAYS	4%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	3%	0%	0%	1%	2%

COMMENTS: Jaipur residents see the year as having three seasons. The hot season runs from the middle of March until the full breaking of the rains of the southwest monsoon. The rainy season runs from late June through the end of September. The dry season starts at that time and runs through early March. This is the season of the northeast monsoon. Almost everyone agrees that it is the most pleasant of all the seasons. The terms "southwest monsoon" and "northeast monsoon" are general ones, and are commonly used throughout northern India to describe the rainy season and the dry one. In actuality, winds are generally out of the east during the dry season, and out of the northwest during the rainy season. These are the upper air winds. Surface winds are strongly affected by local topography, and may be considerably at variance with upper air winds. From April through June, strong local winds pick up considerable dust and sand and move it with great force. This can make conditions very unpleasant.