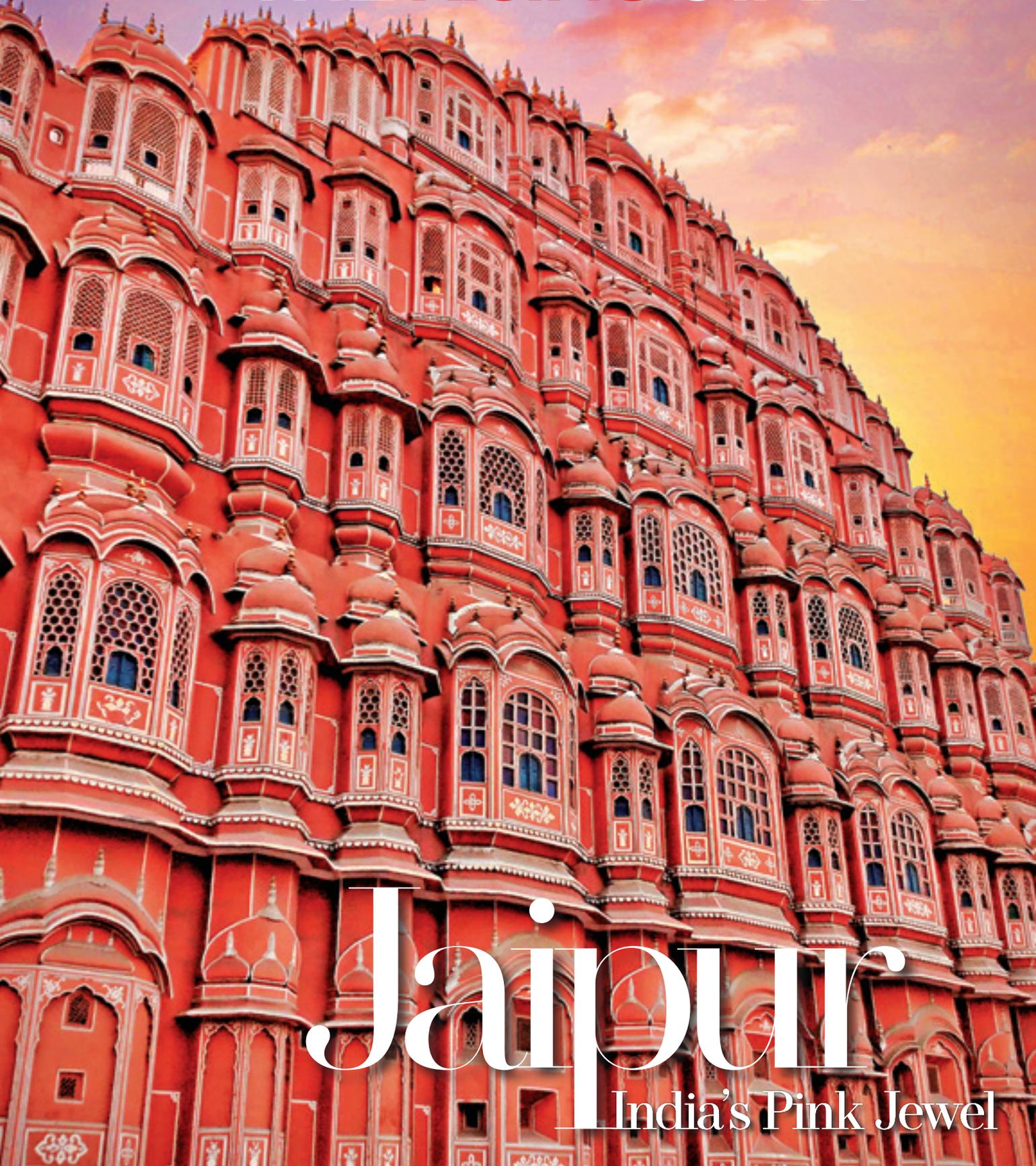




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Dear Readers,

Warm greetings from Star Air and welcome to the July edition of our esteemed in-flight magazine, 'The Rising Star'.

As we soar through the skies of opportunity, I am delighted to share some exciting updates with you.

Firstly, I am proud to announce the successful proving flight of our new Embraer E175, which reaffirms our commitment to excellence and safety. The rigorous testing and evaluation of this state-of-the-art aircraft further demonstrate our dedication to providing you with the best travel experience possible. In line with our continuous pursuit for innovation, we are thrilled to celebrate the first revenue flight of our E175 aircraft. This remarkable feat signifies a new era for Star Air and showcases our dedication to offer cutting-edge technology and unmatched comfort to our esteemed passengers.

Moreover, I am delighted to share the news of our much-awaited expansion with the launch of our newest destination; Jaipur. This vibrant city, rich in history and culture, is now within reach of our valued travellers. We are thrilled to connect even more of Real India, opening up endless possibilities for exploration and creating memorable journeys.

We are also proud and excited to introduce the Star Air Business Class experience, which is also the first business class service to be offered by a regional airline in India. With meticulous attention to detail and focus on exceptional service, our business class offers a truly elevated travel experience, setting new standards within the industry. We are proud to redefine regional air travel, ensuring that our passengers enjoy utmost comfort, care and convenience.

As we embark on these remarkable ventures, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to our loyal passengers, dedicated staff, and valued partners who have supported us on this incredible journey. Your unwavering trust and enthusiasm have been instrumental in our success. I invite you to sit back, relax, and enjoy the captivating articles, insightful features, and engaging content within the pages of 'The Rising Star'. May this magazine accompany you on your travels, providing inspiration and entertainment throughout your journey with us.

Thank you for choosing Star Air as your preferred airline. We remain committed to Connecting Real India and look forward to welcoming you on board again soon.

Warm regards,

**SANJAY D. GHODAWAT**

Chairman

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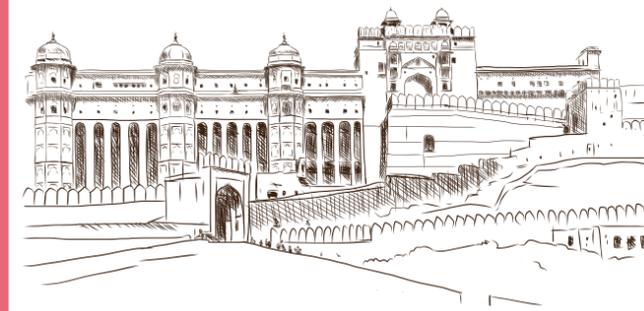


# Jaipur

## India's Pink Jewel

Jaipur is a vibrant and culturally rich city in Rajasthan. The Pink City is known for its magnificent palaces, forts and temples. Its rich history and culture attract tourists from all over the world.

Text by: **SCOTT DSOUZA**



### A LESSON IN HISTORY

In the early 18<sup>th</sup> century, when the kingdom of Amer was facing threats from the Mughal empire, Jai Singh II decided to build a new capital that was located farther away. The new capital was designed by Vidyadhar Bhattacharya and the buildings were made of pink sandstone, which was easily available in the region. Later, the city was named Jaipur after Jai Singh II and was inaugurated in 1727.



Star Air has regular flights to Jaipur from Bengaluru and Belagavi. Log on to <https://www.starair.in/> to book a flight to Jaipur.

**KNOW YOUR CITY**

Jaipur quickly became a centre of art, culture and commerce after its inauguration. The Pink City is home to many magnificent palaces, forts and temples, all of which were designed in the Rajasthani and Mughal styles. Over the years, Jaipur became a major centre of trade and commerce, as it was known for its handicrafts, textiles and precious stones. The city is also a centre of learning and it is home to several prestigious institutions, including the Jantar Mantar observatory, which was built by Jai Singh II.



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**TREAT FOR YOUR EYES**

**Amer Fort** - This magnificent fort is located on a hilltop and it offers stunning views of the city. Tourists can explore the palace complex, which includes a museum, gardens and several temples.

**City Palace** - This magnificent palace complex was the seat of the Maharaja of Jaipur and it includes a museum that showcases the history and culture of Rajasthan.

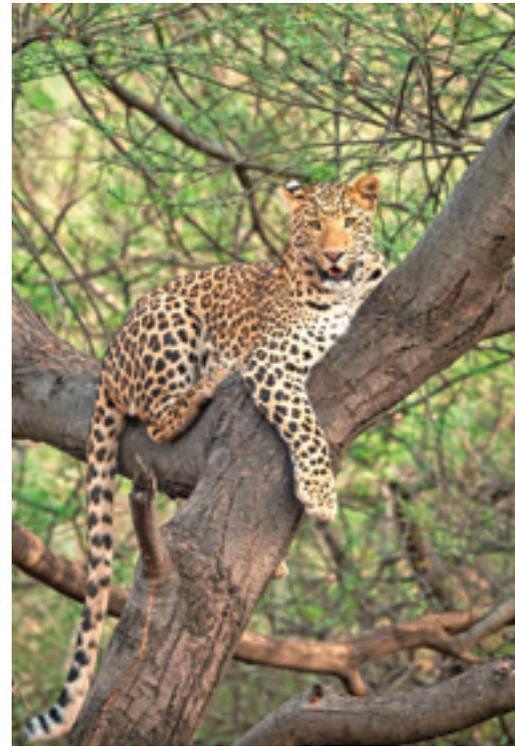
**Hawa Mahal** - Also known as the 'Palace of Winds', this iconic building is a popular landmark in Jaipur. Its unique design features a facade with 953 small windows, which were designed to allow cool air to flow through the building.





### TANTALISE YOUR TASTE BUDS

**Dal Baati Churma** - This is a popular Rajasthani dish that consists of lentil soup (Dal), baked wheat balls (*baati*) and a sweet crumbled mixture of wheat flour, sugar and ghee (*churma*).



### TRYST WITH NATURE

**Jhalana Safari Park** - This park is located in the heart of Jaipur and is home to a large population of leopards. Tourists can take a safari and spot these elusive cats in their natural habitat.

**Sambhar Lake** - This is India's largest inland salt lake, about 80 km from Jaipur. The lake is a popular spot for birdwatching as it is home to various migratory birds, including flamingos, pelicans, and cranes.

**Nahargarh Biological Park** - This nature reserve is home to a wide variety of flora and fauna, including tigers, leopards and several species of birds.



**Ghewar** - This is a popular dessert in Rajasthan that is made with flour, ghee and sugar syrup. It is typically served during festivals and special occasions.

**Pyaz Kachori** - This is a popular street food in Jaipur that consists of a deep-fried pastry filled with spiced onion and potato filling.



### TIME IT RIGHT

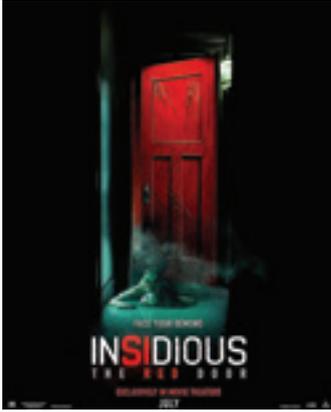
The best time to visit Jaipur is during the winter months, from November to February, when the weather is cool and pleasant.★





# Watch List

Catch the very best of the upcoming movies and series slated to release in the next two months.



## INSIDIOUS: THE RED DOOR

**Synopsis:** Dalton starts his new life at his dream college. However, things take a turn for the worse when his past comes back to haunt him.

**Genre:** Horror, Drama

**Release Date:** 07 July 2023

**Playing in:** Cinemas



## ROCKY AUR RANI KI PREM KAHANI

**Synopsis:** Two people belonging to different walks of life fall in love and decide to get married. However, they face various hurdles along the way from their family members.

**Genre:** Drama, Romance

**Release Date:** 28 July 2023

**Playing in:** Cinemas



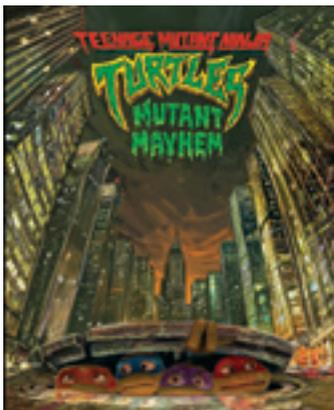
## BARBIE

**Synopsis:** Barbie's life changes when she is expelled from Barbie land. However, she decides to embark on an adventure to find true happiness.

**Genre:** Fantasy, Adventure

**Release Date:** 12 July 2023

**Playing in:** Cinemas



## TEENAGE MUTANT NINJA

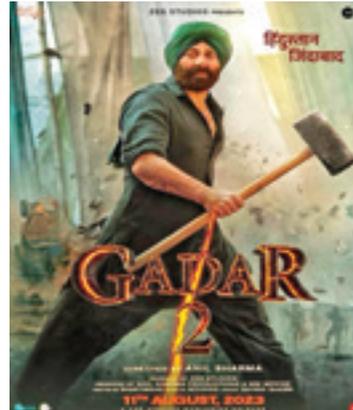
### TURTLES: MUTANT MAYHEM

**Synopsis:** Four mutant turtles leave their lair and set out on the streets of New York to fight crime and be accepted by the people as normal teenagers.

**Genre:** Action, Animation

**Release Date:** 04 August 2023

**Playing in:** Cinemas



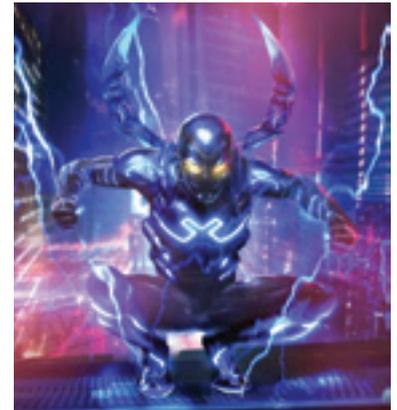
## GADAR 2

**Synopsis:** Tara Singh travels to Pakistan during the Indo-Pakistani War of 1971 in order to rescue his son and bring him safely back to India.

**Genre:** Action, Drama

**Release Date:** 11 August 2023

**Playing in:** Cinemas



## BLUE BEETLE

**Synopsis:** Jaime Reyes finds himself in an odd situation when an alien relic of biotechnology attaches itself to him and bestows him with an incredible suit of armour.

**Genre:** Action, Superhero

**Release Date:** 04 August 2023

**Playing in:** Cinemas★



# What the Stars Reveal

Find out what the stars reveal for the coming months.



## Aries

(March 21 – April 19)

Trust your intuition to lead the way, and take that leap of faith if you are considering a career shift. You will be at peace in your marital relationship. You may get a chance to go overseas as well. An element of your home and family life needs your attention.



## Taurus

(April 20 – May 20)

Students preparing for competitive exams will come across good results. All the hard work or efforts you are putting into your career will be answered. Value your non-tangible skills enough to receive what they are truly worthy of.



## Gemini

(May 21 – June 20)

You need to commit to living life on your own terms. You might feel bored and exhausted from your daily routine at the office. Get ready to step into a powerful, responsible but delicate role and be the change you want to see.



## Cancer

(June 21 – July 22)

If you are a businessman, you might face competition and may not see much profit. You need to get a grip on your work-life balance and improve things before it's too late. You will witness a significant change in both your familial ties and love relationships.



## Leo

(July 23 – August 22)

You will reach new heights in business and your long-due business proposal or ideas will be accepted. People at work will recognise and admire your special talents. You and your family members will be surrounded by positivity and harmony.



## Virgo

(August 23 – September 22)

Avoid relationships as any partnership or business proposal is most likely to fail. You might soon find a career that you love. Minor health-related issues like headaches, digestive problems, and eye irritation might be there.



## Libra

(September 23 – October 22)

Your partner will demand more time and effort from you. You are likely to be in a role that influences people, even if in a completely non-glamorous way. You might suffer from indigestion, skin issues, and stress.



## Scorpio

(October 23 – November 21)

You will see unexpected money gains and a risk taken by you will soon pay off in the most spectacular way. You will face some problems in your relationship. Expect yourself to dive deeper into your field of work.



## Sagittarius

(November 22 – December 21)

You will see good results in your career and will get new job opportunities. Your love life will suffer and you will face many problems on that front. You and your family members will be healthy and you will also see a boost in income.



## Capricorn

(December 22 – January 19)

Both your working life and love relationship require your attention. Spend time on your career and start taking steps towards making it better. Financially, both profits and expenses will increase.



## Aquarius

(January 20 – February 18)

You might come across a few challenges in your career. You should handle your finances with care and thorough planning. You might face a few health issues.



## Pisces

(February 19 – March 20)

You might come across high expenses and will have slow gains. You will face problems in your career and with your family members. Students may experience uneasiness in their endeavours.★

Know Your Crew

# Gliding towards New Horizons

A big city girl with even bigger dreams—Sakshi Narang, Senior Cabin Crew, talks about how Star Air fulfilled her wish to fly.



**What made you choose to become a cabin crew member and what motivates you in this profession?**

It was my childhood dream to become a cabin crew member and that's why I put in extra effort to create a comfortable and safe environment for passengers. I'm motivated by the chance to represent Star Air and provide passengers with a genuine service that ensures that they will fly with us again. It's rewarding to know that I'm making a positive impact on their experience.

**What do you think are the most important qualities or skills that a cabin crew member should possess?**

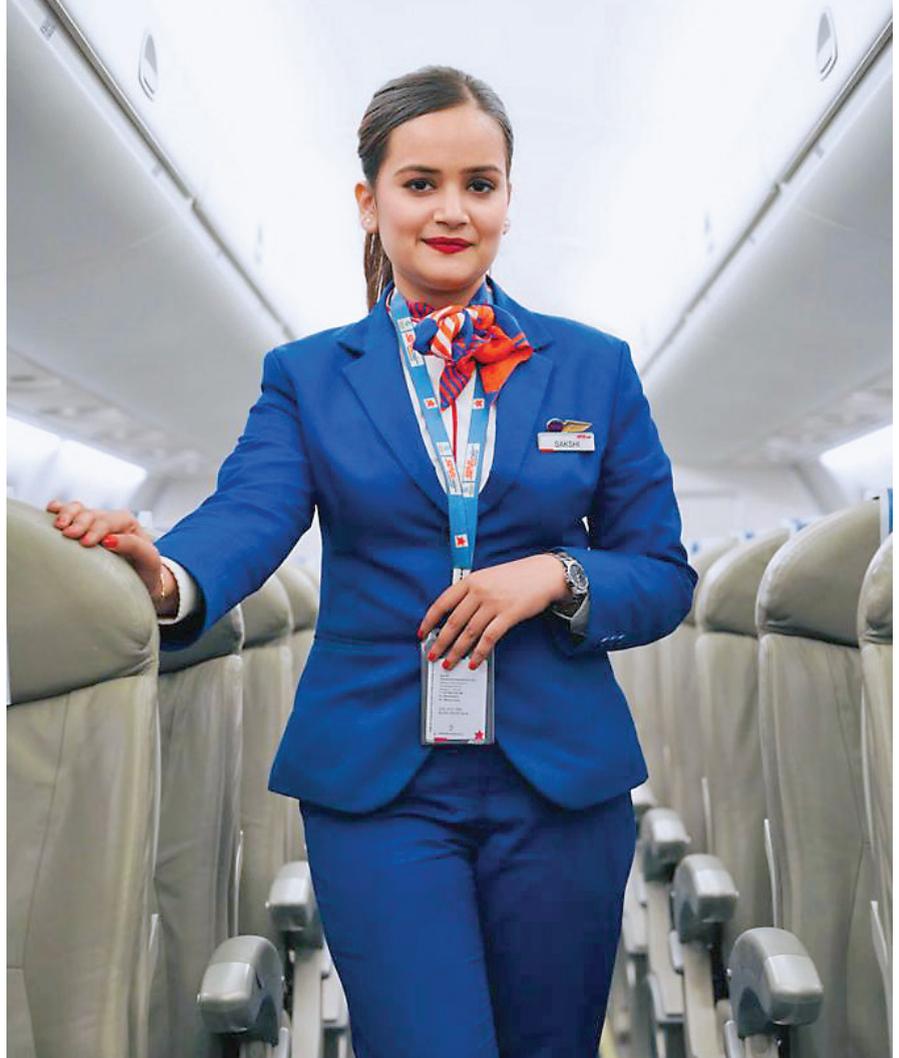
The most important qualities a cabin crew should have are customer service skills. Cabin crew members represent the airline and are the face of the airline so they should know how to talk with the passengers politely and even firmly depending on the situation. They should also make it a point to learn about the basic things before the mandatory training they receive from the airline.

**Were there any challenges you faced during your career and how did you deal with them?**

I worked at the Hindon Airport which was a defence airport and we were not allowed to depart a flight after 1730 hours in the evening. On more than one occasion we couldn't depart on time due to operational reasons and because of that, I witnessed passengers miss their final exam or some medical emergencies at their home. During such occasions, I make it a point to remain calm, listen to the passenger and help them in any way I can.

**What does an ideal day in your life look like?**

When I'm at work, my day starts with a BA test which is a breath analysis



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test after which I'm briefed about the flight and informed about important things like my captain, the crew, flight timings and the number of passengers we are expecting in every sector of the aircraft. Before we take off I conduct a few pre-flight checks to ensure all the equipment and services are secured properly at their location.

**Can you describe any specific training or certifications you have obtained related to cabin crew duties?**

Yes, immediately after I started flying I got an appreciation letter from instructors for my grooming as they appreciated my grooming standards.

**Can you tell us about your experience working as a cabin crew member for Star Air?**

Working for Star Air as Senior Cabin Crew will always be an unforgettable experience for me as my team members are so good at the ground level as well as in the in-flight department. I never really feel like I am at my workplace because Star Air feels like a family. I started from a customer service executive and Star Air gave me a chance to fulfil my dream. I never thought I would become a Senior Cabin Crew that too in such a short period of time. I have spent four amazing years with Star Air and I hope to continue for many more.★

# Chasing Rainbows

Unveiling India's Top Trekking Havens

Text by MUZNA SAYED



## Chembra Peak, Kerala

Tucked away in the Wayanad district of Kerala, Chembra Peak is a captivating monsoon trekking spot. The trail takes you through tea plantations, dense forests and picturesque meadows. The highlight of the trek is the heart-shaped Chembra Lake, which remains in its full glory during the monsoon season. The misty surroundings and glistening greenery make this trek an unforgettable experience.



## Dudhsagar Falls Trek, Goa

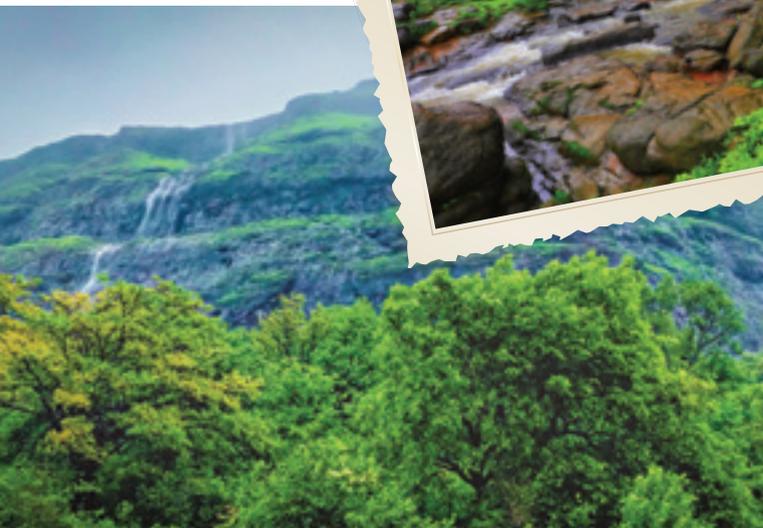
Dudhsagar Falls, one of India's tallest waterfalls, offers a unique monsoon trekking experience. Located on the Mandovi River in Goa, this trek allows you to witness the cascading milky-white waters in all their splendour. The trek takes you through lush forests, streams and rustic villages, offering a perfect blend of adventure and natural beauty.



## Kudremukh Trek, Karnataka

Kudremukh, meaning 'Horse Face' in Kannada, is a popular monsoon trekking destination in Karnataka. The mist-covered peaks, dense forests and rolling meadows create a mystical ambiance. The highlight of this trek is the breathtaking view of the Kudremukh peak, resembling the face of a horse. The monsoon season adds an element of charm, with rain-kissed landscapes and gushing streams along the trail.





### **Rajmachi Fort, Maharashtra**

Nestled in the Sahyadri mountain range near Lonavala, Rajmachi Fort offers a picturesque trekking experience during the monsoon season. The trail passes through lush green forests, trickling streams and gushing waterfalls. The fort itself has a rich historical significance, adding to the allure of the trek. At the summit, you can soak in panoramic views of the spellbinding valleys, mist-covered peaks and the surrounding landscapes.



### **Nongriat Trek, Meghalaya**

The Nongriat trek also known as the Living Root Tree Bridge trek is one of the most beautiful tangible heritage sites which attract people from all over the world. The base camp for the Nongriat trek is Cherrapunji, which is about a two-hour drive from Shillong. The highlights of the trek are the beautifully constructed man-made root bridges which have stood the test of time.★



### **The Valley of Flowers, Uttarakhand**

The Valley of Flowers is a popular destination in Uttarakhand. The base camp is located about 10,000 feet above sea level and the trail takes you through captivating meadows filled with a variety of alpine flowers, making it a paradise for nature lovers. The Valley of Flowers has steep slopes and narrow paths which make it a thrilling challenge.





# Jaipur

## Station launch

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Star Air, the regional airline based in Bengaluru, is thrilled to announce the launch of its inaugural flight S5 169 from Belagavi to Jaipur and S5 170 from Jaipur to Belagavi on May 15, 2023. The flight will be operated on an Embraer E145 aircraft, featuring 50 Economy Class seats in a lavish 1-2 seating layout with a spacious 31" seat pitch offering passengers a comfortable and convenient flying experience.

"I believe that connecting Belagavi and Jaipur by air is not just about bridging the geographical distance but also about fostering connectivity and creating new opportunities. This endeavour has the potential to unlock immense economic and cultural growth for both regions," said Mr. Shrenik Ghodawat, Director, Star Air.

"We are excited to launch our inaugural flight from Belagavi to Jaipur,"

said Mr. Simran Singh Tiwana, CEO of Star Air. "Our mission is to provide affordable and convenient air travel options to the people of India, and this new route is a testament to our commitment. We look forward to serving our passengers on this exciting new route."

Belagavi and Jaipur are two culturally rich cities located in India that offer a myriad of tourist attractions and



experiences. The launch of a new flight connecting these two cities has opened up a whole new world of opportunities for students, traders, merchants, working professionals across the two cities as well as travellers seeking to explore the beauty and cultural heritage of both places.

Belagavi is famous for its historical sites, ancient temples, and scenic beauty. One of the most famous tourist attractions in Belagavi is the Belgaum Fort, a massive structure that dates back to the 13th century. The fort is known for its intricate architecture and beautiful carvings. Another popular tourist attraction in Belagavi is the Gokak Falls, a magnificent waterfall located on the Ghataprabha River. The waterfall is a must-visit destination for nature lovers and adventure enthusiasts.

Jaipur, known as the Pink City due to the colour of its buildings, is famous for its rich history, colourful markets, and stunning palaces. One of the most famous tourist attractions in Jaipur is the Hawa Mahal, a palace with intricate lattice work and a stunning façade. Another popular tourist destination in Jaipur is the Amer Fort, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that dates back to the 16th century. The fort is known for its beautiful architecture, stunning gardens, and intricate carvings. With this new flight route, we aim to make this city more accessible and convenient for passengers travelling from Belagavi and nearby regions.

Passengers can book their tickets for the inaugural flight and subsequent flights on the Belagavi-Jaipur route on the Star Air website or through their preferred travel agent. Star Air is committed to offering its passengers a safe and comfortable flying experience, with enhanced health and safety measures in place in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Government of India and regulatory authorities.★

### Belagavi (IXG) To Jaipur (JAI) Flight Schedule

FROM	TO	DEP	ARR	DAYS
Belagavi	Jaipur	08:55	11:10	Mon, Wed, Fri
Jaipur	Belagavi	11:35	13:50	Mon, Wed, Fri



# E175 Proving Flight

Star Air, a leading regional airline, has completed a successful proving flight for its newly acquired Embraer E175 aircraft.



Flight S5 170 departed Bengaluru International Airport at 13:42 hrs on May 9, 2023 and landed at Hyderabad International Airport an hour and fourteen minutes later. The return flight S5 171 departed Hyderabad at 17:03 hrs and landed back at Bengaluru at 18:45 hrs.

The Embraer E175 is a state-of-the-art regional jet with advanced technology, exceptional fuel efficiency; and a spacious cabin that can comfortably accommodate up to 76 passengers. The aircraft is equipped with advanced avionics, including fly-by-wire controls and a glass cockpit, which provide a high level of safety and operational efficiency.

The proving flight was conducted by a team of highly experienced pilots and engineers along with DGCA officials who thoroughly tested the aircraft's performance and systems as well as the airline's procedures, SoPs and compliance with regulatory requirements. The flight demonstration covers all aspects of a flight such as takeoff, climb, cruise, descent and landing, and various flight modes, to demonstrate the aircraft's capabilities in different scenarios as well as operational preparedness of the ground teams in dealing with regular operations as well as contingencies.

Following the successful completion of the proving flight, Star Air is now ready to begin commercial operations with the Embraer E175. The aircraft will be deployed on regional routes; providing passengers with a comfortable and efficient travel experience.

"We are thrilled to have successfully completed the proving flight for our new Embraer E175 aircraft," said Captain Simran Singh Tiwana, CEO of Star Air. "This aircraft is a game-changer for our regional operations, and we look forward to providing our passengers with a superior travel experience. We are committed to operating at the highest standards of safety, and the successful proving flight is a testament to our commitment."

Star Air is a leading regional airline operating in India with an all-jet aircraft fleet, and a deep focus on providing affordable and convenient travel options to its passengers. With the addition of the Embraer E175 to its fleet, Star Air is well-positioned to expand its network and provide an even better travel experience to its customers.★

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# E175

## First Commercial Flight



Star Air, the aviation arm of Sanjay Ghodawat Group, announced recently that it will begin operations of the Embraer E175 jet on the Bangalore-Hyderabad-Jamnagar route, becoming the first regional connectivity scheme (RCS) operator to offer business Class on this route.

"With the introduction of E175, Star Air becomes the only operator offering a Business Class product on UDAN-RCS routes, setting a new standard for regional air travel. We are also one of only three carriers offering a Business Class in India," said Shrenik Ghodawat, Director of Star Air.

"We are thrilled to introduce the E175 jet aircraft on the Bangalore-Hyderabad route, offering our passengers the highest level of comfort and convenience," said Captain Simran Singh Tiwana, CEO of Star Air.

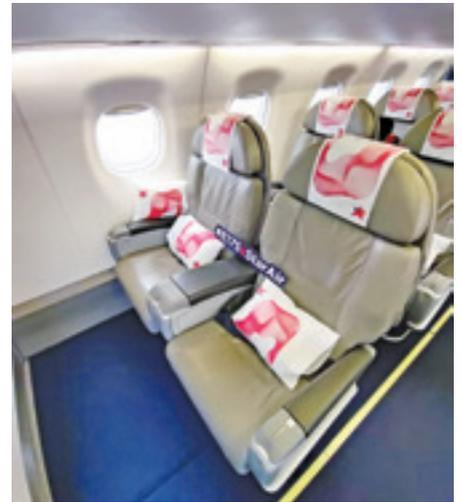
As the affluence and purchasing power of Indians from tier 1 and tier 2 cities and towns continue to rise, Star Air recognizes the need for a premium travel option for those seeking greater comfort and convenience on regional routes. That's why we're proud to offer our Business Class service to passengers travelling to and from regional destinations.



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The Embraer E175 is a state-of-the-art regional jet that is known for its fuel efficiency, low noise, advanced technology and has a spotless safety record. Its interiors are equipped with state-of-the-art features, offering 12 Business Class seats in a 1 - 2 seating layout with a luxurious 36" seat pitch and 64 Economy Class seats in a 2 - 2 seating layout with a spacious 31" seat pitch. The seats are ergonomically designed and will offer ample legroom and space to recline, and thanks to no middle



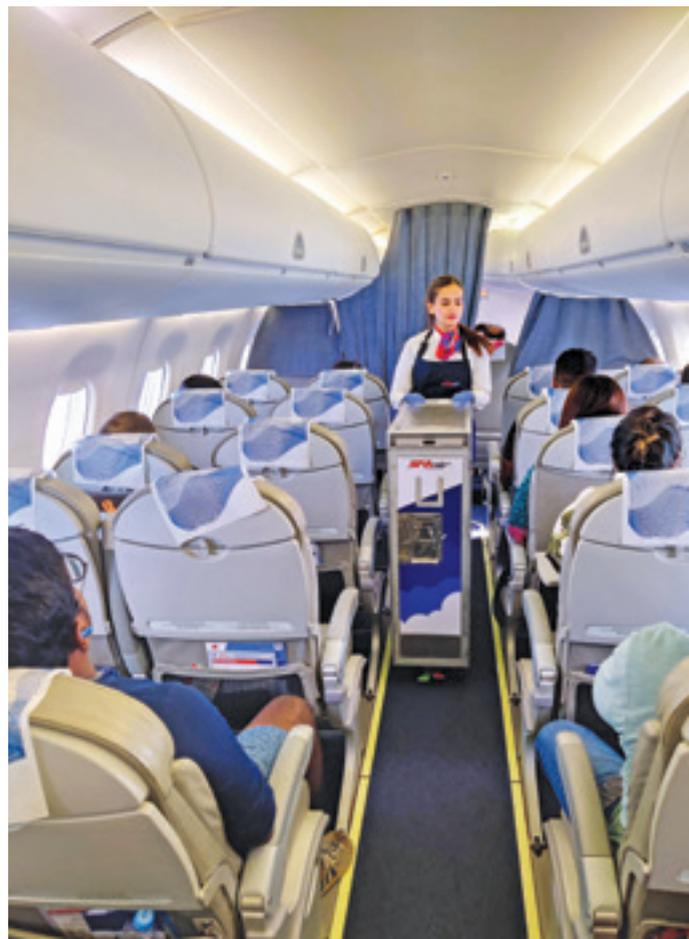


## 📍 Embraer E175

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Bengaluru	Hyderabad	07:05	08:05	Tue, Thu, Sat, Sun
Hyderabad	Bengaluru	20:15	21:25	Tue, Thu, Sat, Sun
Bengaluru	Jamnagar	14:35	16:55	Tue, Thu, Sat, Sun
Jamnagar	Bengaluru	11:20	13:50	Tue, Thu, Sat, Sun
Jamnagar	Hyderabad	17:20	19:40	Tue, Thu, Sat, Sun
Hyderabad	Jamnagar	08:35	10:50	Tue, Thu, Sat, Sun

seat; providing an unparalleled level of comfort.

Business Class passengers will enjoy complimentary seat selection, a generous 20 kg baggage allowance, priority check-in and boarding, allowing you to breeze through the airport without hassle. Once on board, they will be treated to a premium in-flight meal service complete with hot meals and cool beverages, served by our friendly and professional cabin crew.★





# Charting a New Course

Star Air and Embraer Sign Pool Program Services Agreement for the Airline's Expanding Embraer Fleet.



Star Air and Embraer have joined hands in a significant partnership to ensure support and maintenance services for Star Air's expanding fleet of Embraer E175s and existing E145s. The two entities have signed a Pool Program Services Agreement, solidifying their commitment to delivering uninterrupted operations and enhanced customer experience.

Under this agreement, Embraer will provide comprehensive support solutions to Star Air's aircraft. As the fleet expands, Embraer will ensure the availability of high-quality, genuine spare parts, logistics support, and technical assistance, thereby optimizing aircraft performance and reducing maintenance-related downtime and ensuring the fleet remains in optimal condition.

"We are happy to announce our collaboration with Embraer through this Pool Program Services Agreement. This strategic partnership represents a significant milestone for us as we continue to expand our operations and aim to provide unparalleled services to our customers. Embraer's reputation for excellence and their commitment to customer satisfaction make them the perfect partner for us," said, Captain Simran Singh Tiwana, CEO of Star Air.★





# Wings of Opportunity

Unveiling the Stories of Cabin Crew Earning Their Wings

Cabin crew is a dream for many who are passionate about travelling. Beyond the allure of glamorous uniforms and jet-setting lifestyles, there is a significant milestone that marks one's entry into the world of aviation—earning your wings. Delve into the inspiring journey of how Megha, Ruhali and Supriya earned their wings.



## Megha S Hiremath

**Date of Joining Star Air:** 18 July 2018  
**Base of Operations:** Bengaluru (BLR)  
**Date of Getting Wings:** 30 December 2022  
**Date of First Flight:** 13 January 2023

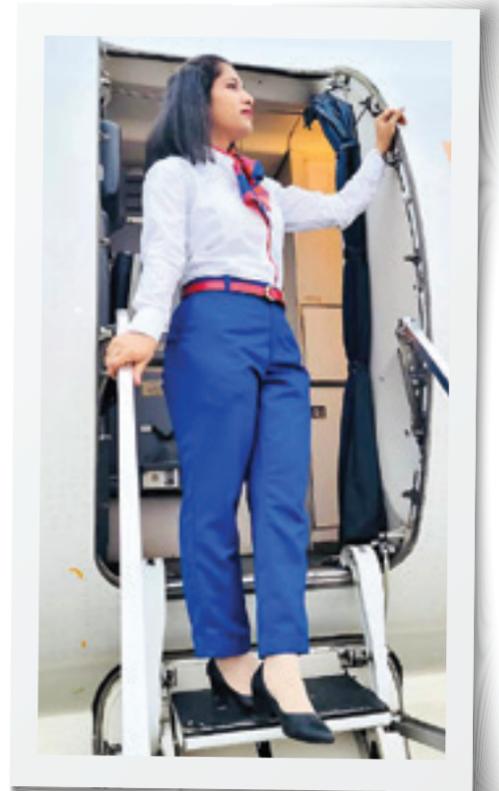


It all started with a visit to the airport during my childhood where I saw a lady walking in uniform with a beautiful smile. I wanted to know what they do and so I went to many people and finally learnt that they are angels in the sky, responsible for the safety, security and services of the passengers on aircraft. A few years later, after watching the movie *Neerja*, I knew cabin crew was my true calling and my family was very supportive of my decision.

I took the first step towards my dream in 2017, when I stepped in as a traffic assistant at GlobeGround India which was handling Air France. After working at the airport, I found the job interesting and wanted to learn more. In 2018, I joined Star Air as a Customer service Executive and was stationed at Hubli Airport. I attempted to pass the cabin crew test at Star Air three times but failed every time. However, thanks to Megha Chowdry, the Head of the Human Resources department, I was

able to work on my shortcomings and eventually became cabin crew.

My journey was tough but challenging. I understood one very important thing, if you chase your dreams, you will achieve them. Hurdles will always be there but you have to overcome them by accepting your shortcomings and mistakes and working on them.



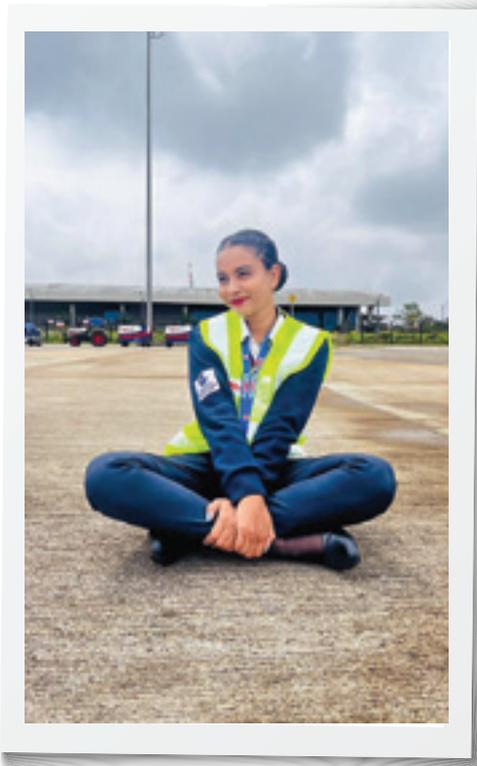
## Supriya Bhandari

**Date of Joining Star Air: 18 January 2019**

**Base of Operations: Belagavi (IXG)**

**Date of Getting Wings: 12 May 2023**

**Date of First Flight: 14 May 2023**



**D**uring my childhood, I had no idea about the aviation industry, I used to sit and watch the aircraft and it would make me happy. When I was studying for my diploma, I decided to join an aviation institute so I can get an idea about the job. Later, I started working as a hostess at a five-star property just to get relevant experience.

My big break came in 2019 when I got the opportunity to work at Star Air as a security agent in the Hubli base. My dream was to become cabin crew and I tried for it at that time as well but did not get selected. However, I did not lose hope and although it took four years, I finally fulfilled my dream of becoming cabin crew in 2023.

I had a lot of up's and downs in my life and even decided not to give any interviews at one point because

I was so tired of trying. However, my mother motivated and supported me throughout my journey. She was the reason I decided to try again and last year in November I gave an interview again and finally got selected. I will never forget the date, as the date I became cabin crew at Star Air, was the same date I joined Star Air as a security agent—18 January.



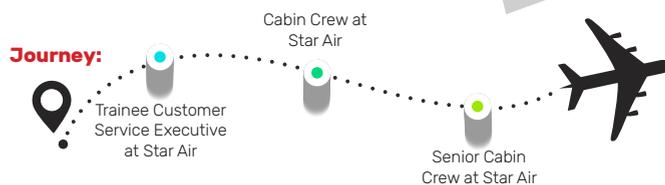
## Ruhali Chavan

**Date of Joining Star Air: 23 July 2018**

**Base of Operations: Belagavi (IXG)**

**Date of Getting Wings: 6 October 2020**

**Date of First Flight: 7 October 2020**



**A**fter graduation, I was looking to start my career in something dynamic and challenging. One day my friend called me and informed me that there were interviews for ground staff at Hubli airport and that's how I kick-started my career as a Trainee Customer Service Executive at Star Air.

Working on the ground was quite a demanding task as we were expected to be a jack of many trades and had to evolve and adapt to more than one job. This experience, however, proved to be a major confidence booster and I desired to move up the ladder towards

a more interactive role with the flyers. I got my big break in March 2020 when I took the overnight bus to Bengaluru for the cabin crew interview the following day. Although I was a tad nervous, I cleared the various rounds and could not forget my ecstasy upon getting the job.

Two years later, I was promoted to Senior Crew. I am proud of that bus journey which has got me far in life and made me believe that dreams do come true if you work hard and stay focused. Never settle for less, trust the Lord's timing in your life. It might not exactly be what you expected, but you're just at the right place at the right time.★



# Celebrating Our Star Performers



## DEEPAK MENON

### Jr. Analyst Revenue Management

- An MBA in Aviation Management by profession, Deepak Menon is an integral part of Star Air's revenue and network planning team.
- He looks into Revenue; Network planning, RCS and Slot Coordination.
- Always quiet, calm and composed, Deepak has time and again proved to be a great asset to the airline.
- Deepak never shies from going the extra mile and is an inspiration to all his colleagues.

## HARSH VEER SINGH

### Assistant Security Manager – KQH

- Harsh Veer Singh is one of the most versatile and hands-on members of Star Air.
- Other than taking care of security at his assigned station, he is always available to help at other stations when there is a need.
- He played an instrumental role in setting up the Jaipur station recently and made sure there were no hiccups in commencing operations there.
- Harsh is humble and soft-spoken; his helpful nature makes him a favourite among his colleagues.★



# Network Map

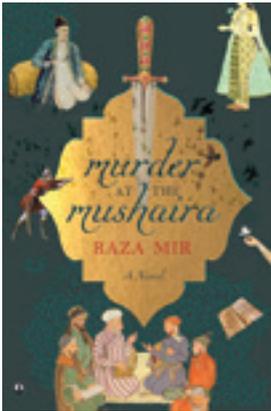




# Slim Reads for Quick Flights

Flying is so much easier when you have a good book for company.

Text by **CHERYL REBELLO**

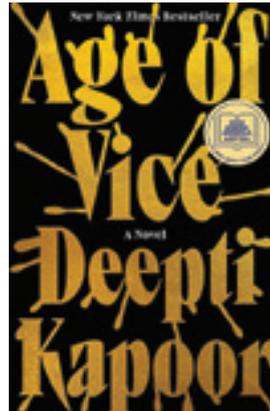


## **Murder at the Mushaira**

**Author:** Raza Mir

**Genre:** Mystery

Mirza Ghalib, a celebrated poet laureate, helps Inspector Kirorimal solve a rather baffling murder, which happens to take place at a *mushaira* of all places.

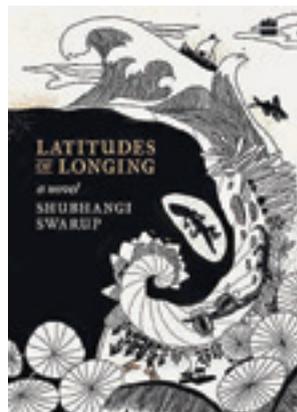


## **Age of Vice**

**Author:** Deepti Kapoor

**Genre:** Thriller

Somewhere in Delhi, a speeding Mercedes manages to kill five people at once. Linked to this ill-fated crime is the Wadia family who are loved and hated in equal measure.

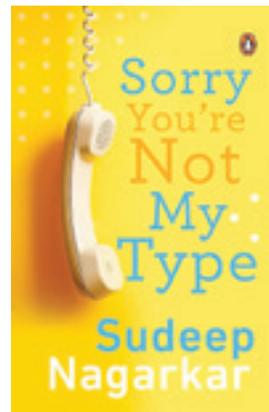


## **Latitudes of Longing**

**Author:** Shubhangi Swarup

**Genre:** Literary Fiction

Peculiar, lovable and layered characters find themselves connected to one another across time and different geographical locations.

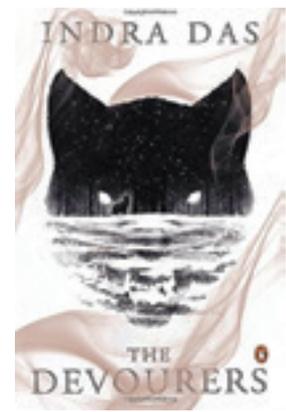


## **Sorry You're Not My Type**

**Author:** Sudeep Nagarkar

**Genre:** Romance

Vikrant, Anamika and Yuvi are friends who also happen to be in a band called VAYU. Their lives are changed for the good when they meet Aditya.



## **The Devourers**

**Author:** Indra Das

**Genre:** Fantasy

Alok Mukherjee a professor is drawn into the spell-binding story of a man who claims to be a werewolf. Thereafter, he is not able to separate truth from fiction.★



**Why do witches stay in hotels?**

They always have great broom service!



**The food on the small aircraft wasn't good...**

It was a little plane

# On A Lighter Note

Add a dose of fun to your travel with jokes that are guaranteed to tickle your funny bone



**What is green, fuzzy and if it fell out of a tree would kill you?**

A Pool table

**What has a nose but can't smell?**

An airplane

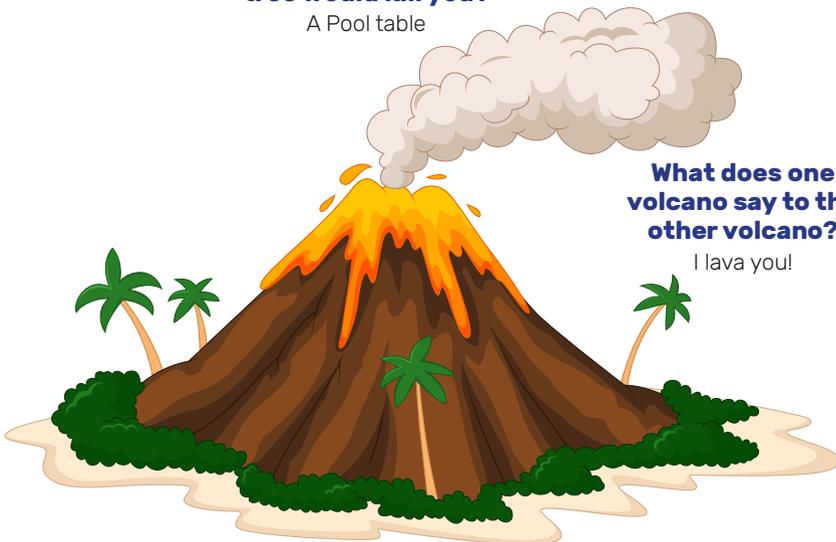


**What does one volcano say to the other volcano?**

I lava you!

**How do recognize a friendly ocean?**

It waves



Guess which movies these songs are from:



- "Tujh mein rab dikhta hai, yaara mein kya karu"
- "Yeh dosti hum nahiin todenge"
- "Tujhse naaraz nahiin zindagi, hairaan hoon main"
- "Jaanu meri jaan, main tere qurbaan"
- "Ladki beautiful kar gayi chull"

Solutions: Rab Ne Bana Di Jodi, Sholay, Masoom, Shaan, Kapoor & Sons

Sudoku

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Word Search

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- TRUCK
- SUBWAY
- BUS
- CAR
- BIKE
- TRAIN
- SHIP
- BOAT
- SUBMARINE
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- TRACTOR
- YACHT
- MOPED

Word Unscramble

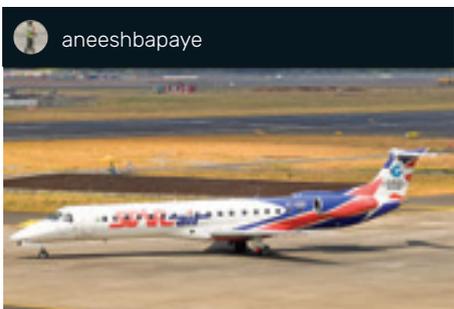
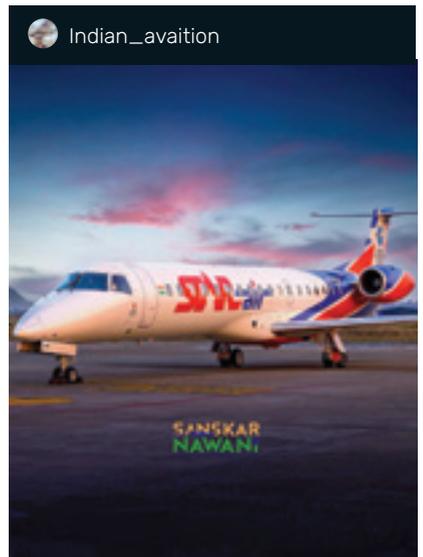
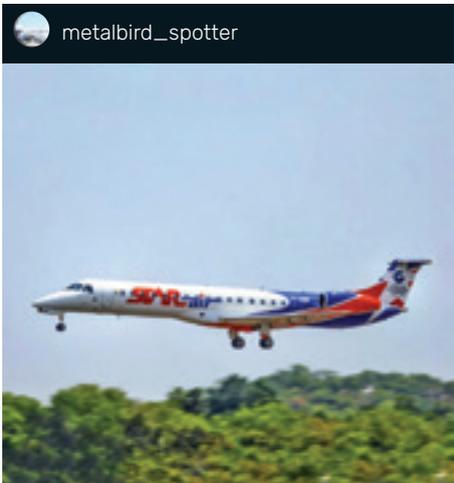
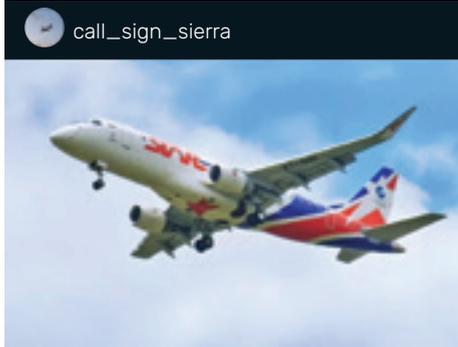
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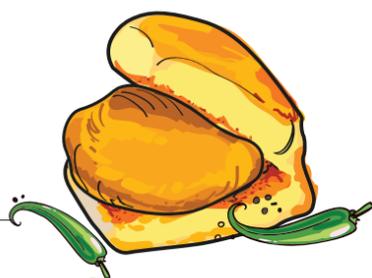
# Shoot-ing for the Stars

Featuring some of the best and coolest photos of our constellation from social media.





# Flavours of Mumbai



Mumbai's culinary scene is renowned for its diverse range of dishes that offer an explosion of flavours and textures. The city's cuisine is a gastronomic delight that promises to satisfy every palate. Here's a list of dishes you must try on your next visit to Mumbai.

Text by **SCOTT DSOUZA**

### Pav Bhaji:

A Mumbai classic, Pav Bhaji is a medley of mashed vegetables cooked with a flavourful blend of spices, served with buttered pavs. This mouth-watering street food dish is a must-try.



### Vada Pav:

Often referred to as the 'Indian burger', Vada Pav consists of a spicy potato fritter tucked inside a soft pav, served with a tangy chutney. It's the popular on-the-go snack for Mumbaikars.



### Kanda Poha:

A popular breakfast dish, Kanda Poha is a simple yet flavourful preparation of flattened rice (Poha) cooked with onions, mustard seeds, curry leaves and spices. It's light, satisfying, and full of aromatic flavours.



### Misal Pav:

A spicy Maharashtrian delicacy, Misal Pav features a flavourful sprout curry garnished with onions, coriander, farsan and served with pav. It's a delightful breakfast or snack option.



### Pani Puri:

Indulge in the ultimate street food experience with Pani Puri. Crispy hollow puris are filled with a spicy potato filling and tangy tamarind water, creating an explosion of flavours in every bite.★



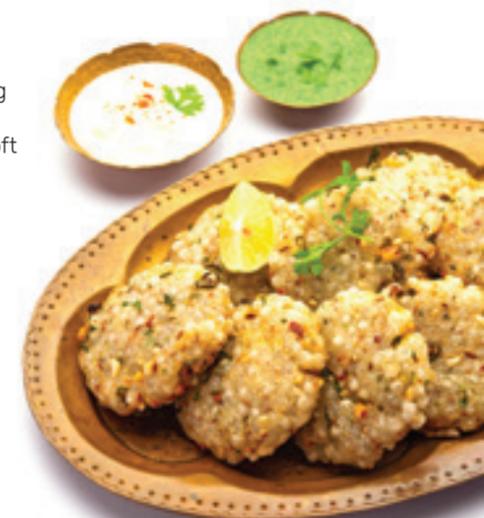
### Dabeli:

Originating from Gujarat, Dabeli has found a special place in Mumbai's culinary landscape. It consists of a spicy potato filling sandwiched between two parts of a pav (soft bun) and garnished with a generous amount of peanuts, pomegranate seeds and chutney.



### Sabudana Vada:

Traditionally enjoyed during religious fasting, Sabudana Vada is made from soaked tapioca pearls, mashed potatoes and spices. These crispy and delicious fritters are best enjoyed with a side of tangy chutney.



**BEVERAGE**

**Fizzinga**

50



150



Coolberg

**FRUSTAR**  
Fruit Drink

50



125



Rider

150



Hot Beverages

**SNACK FOOD**



TBH Ripe Jackfruit / Golden Sweet Potato

200

**TEMPTATIONS**

150



Salted Almonds

150



Caramel Cashewnuts

150



Salted Cashewnuts

100



Star Air Cookies

300



Cup Noodles

**LIGHT MEAL**

150



Rava Upma

150



Vegetable Poha

**HEAVY MEAL**

350



Vegetable Biryani



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