Visas for India

Here is the link to apply for your visa online:
https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/evisa/tvoa.html

Passport Requirements
- Passport must have two blank pages at the time of arrival in India
- Passport must be valid for a minimum of 6 months from the date of arrival in India

When to Apply
- **You must apply at least 4 days before your trip**; however, you can only apply for the 30-day visa 30 days in advance of your trip.
- If you are applying for a 1-year or 5-year visa you can apply 120 days in advance.
- US citizens are **NOT** eligible to apply for a visa upon arrival.

Cost of e-Visas for U.S. Citizens
30-day visa: $25
1-year visa: $40
5-year visa: $80

Tips for the Application Process
- **Once you start the application process you have to finish it within 7 days**, otherwise they will delete your application and you have to start over.
- **If you are going to walk away from your computer for a while, click the save and continue later button.** Even if you leave the screen open your application will become invalid with an extended period of inactivity (within an hour) and the information on that particular screen will be lost.

What You Will Need for Your Application
- Your flight information
- A PDF **of the photo page of your passport**. Minimum size 10KB. Max size 300KB (I suggest 250KB. I tried to upload a 288KB file and it was rejected.)
- A JPEG **of a standard passport phot**o. Min 10KB. Max size 1MB.
- Where your mother and father were born and their nationality. I just listed the State where my parents were born.
- Where you visited the last time you were in India
- Information from your last Indian visa including the type of visa; visa no.; place of issue; date of issue. (You can type NA or some other phrase if you can't find your prior visa number etc.)
- List of all countries you have visited in the last 10 years. There is a dropdown list, which makes that process a little easier.
- Name, address and phone number of a reference (emergency contact) in the U.S.
- Credit card or Paypal for the processing fee

Information You Will Need About Our Trip:

Where we intend to visit during our stay:

Reference in India: Anand Mishra

Address: Madhav Complex, Sector 15 Vasundhara, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh 201012

State: Uttar Pradesh

District: Ghaziabad

Phone: 01204216705

Insights Regarding the Instructions:

- Passport type: Ordinary
- Port of Arrival: Varanasi Airport
- Date of birth: It is in the format DAY/MONTH/YEAR
- Email ID = your email address
- Visa Service: etourist visa; with the purpose of tourism, recreation and site seeing
- Educational qualification
  - graduate = U.S. undergraduate degree
  - post graduate = Master's or PhD
- Designation = job title
- SAARC countries = Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka
- Visible Identification Mark = moles, birthmarks, permanent scars etc. which are visible and can be shown if asked for by the Indian Immigration Authority.

Click here to view a sample application.

Once your Visa is Granted

Bring a copy of Electronic Travel Authorization (ETA) with you to the airport.

Please confirm that your ETA status is shown as 'GRANTED'. You can track the status of your application online by clicking "VisaStatus".

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