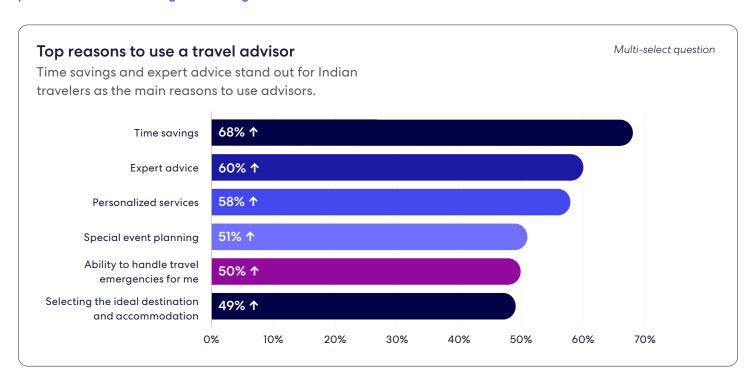
# Decoding the travel advisor client

### Key insights: India

A regional snapshot of our global survey with Wakefield research, featuring insights from Indian travelers who booked with a travel agent in the past 18 months.

Note:  $\uparrow \downarrow$  Arrows indicate when data points are 3 percentage points above or below the global average.





#### Top influences when selecting a travel advisor

Reviews and recommendations are far more important for Indian respondents when it comes to choosing their advisors than the average traveler globally.

- 01 Reviews or recommendations of the agency 1
- 02 Expertise/specialization
- 03 Flexible payment options ↑
- 04 Ability to help with itinerary changes when needed 1
- 05 Agency/advisor's online presence ↑



51%

of Indian travelers prefer to use a travel advisor for special event

→ versus 25% on average

#### Which travel-related services do you typically use a travel advisor for?

Indian travelers are more likely to use a travel advisor to book the majority of their trip elements than the average traveler globally.



**73%** 个



71%



57% ↑



53% ↑



**45%** ↑ Train tickets



**44%** ↑
Visa and passport assistance



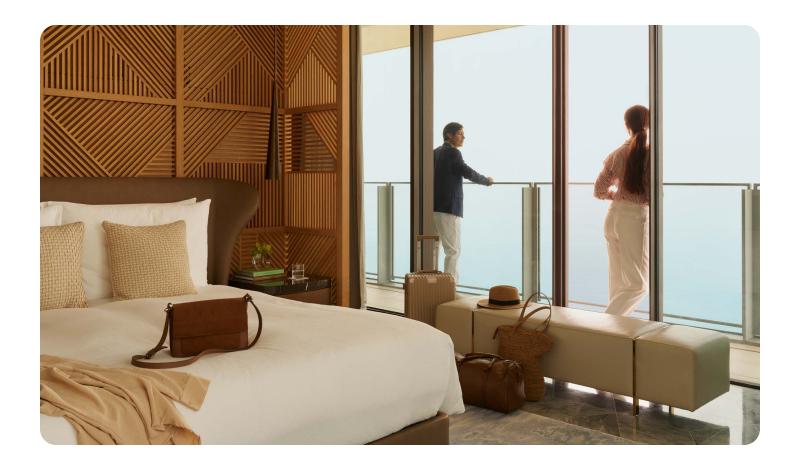
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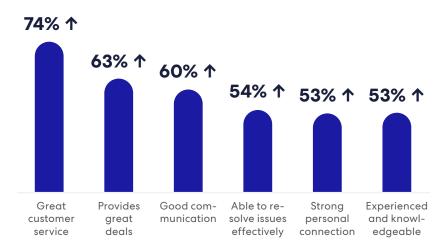


30%



#### Top reasons for staying loyal to one travel advisor

Customer service and providing deals are the main reasons Indian travelers stay with their advisors.





84%

of Indian respondents have changed their travel advisor in the past 5 years

→ versus 62% on average

#### Top takeaways

## Indian travelers expect full service

From booking flights to securing visas, manage every detail with care during trip planning so that your clients can enjoy a personalized and stress-free travel experience — giving them the confidence to book again.

## Expertise in special event planning is important

Appeal to Indian travelers seeking out these services by highlighting your expertise in special event planning on your website and social channels. Encourage clients to write reviews to build trust in your abilities.

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