



World Architecture Day

Architecture is something we do not tend to appreciate as much as we should. Look around you next time you walk down the street. Everything is a product of architecture. Think about all of those amazing buildings around the world. It's only right that we appreciate the work that went into these, right? World Architecture Day has been created in order to pay tribute to this industry. Architects have the ability to change the world that we live in with their amazing work. World Architecture Day is about recognizing their work, as well as the important role that architecture plays.

#DIWALI-READY

Simple steps to clean your home in time for Diwali

Easy ways to get your house spick and span in time for the festivities!



With Diwali around the corner, there is always a lot to do within a short time. From cleaning and decorating to organizing gifts, one must make sure that the festive pressure does not send you into a spiral of anxiety. Follow this step-by-step guide to cleaning your home this Diwali for a stress-free celebration.



1. Declutter

- Throw away unnecessary items like broken toys, utensils and decor items, expired medicines, newspapers, old make-up, electronic waste and so on.
- Declutter the wardrobes and cabinets, donate extra clothes and duplicate items.

2. Start from top to bottom

- Clean the home from top to bottom starting with cobwebs and ceiling fans. Dust the furniture.
- Take a damp cloth and wipe the walls.
- Deep clean mattresses, sofas, and carpets to eliminate dust mites.
- Microfibre pillows and cushions can be washed in the washing machine.
- Use a microfibre cloth to clean electronic gadgets.

3. Organise

- Organise the cabinets and wardrobes. Use naphthalene or camphor balls to help keep mites away.
- Categorise kitchen utilities into gadgets i.e. mixers and blenders, cooking utensils, cooking supplies, and cutlery and store items of each category in different designated spaces.

4. Clean Grout on Tiles

- Clean the grout and grime on kitchen tiles with a paste of hydrogen peroxide and baking soda. Use a toothbrush to scrub between the tiles.
- Repeat the same process for the bathroom tiles.

5. Restore the beauty of metal and glass

- Spray a solution of white vinegar and water in equal proportions on windowpanes and leave for a few seconds. Wipe with a newspaper or microfibre cloth.
- Brass idols, vases and lamps get tarnished easily. Coat the brass surface with a mixture of 1/2 cup of vinegar, a teaspoon of salt, and a sprinkling of flour and allow it to sit for a few minutes. Rinse with cool water and dry.
- Clean glassware by soaking it in equal parts of vinegar and water. Scrub with a soft brush.
- To remove tarnish from silverware, apply toothpaste on the surface, leave it for five minutes, rub gently, and then wash it with water.

6. Professional care

- If you plan to deep clean, consider hiring professional equipment to get rid of stubborn stains.
- If there is a time constraint, hire a professional cleaning agency to deep clean your home.



Kaiser Wilhelm II of Germany 1902.



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favourite Oriental practice; just as in Herodotus we have Crophi and Mophi, Thyri and Bithyni, and at the present day Thurn and Taxis. It is but seldom that an Emperor takes the world into his confidence, and proclaims aloud what he thinks of his schools and schoolmasters. Just this is what the Emperor Aurangzeb did in the speech reported by Bernier, and the utterances on the same subject made by the German Emperor at Berlin on the 4th December 1890, bear such a remarkable resemblance to those of the Mogul Emperor, constituting an interesting historical parallel, that it seems advisable to reproduce them here, from the report in The Times of the 5th December:

BERLIN, Dec. 4, 1890.

To-day a special conference on educational reform in the higher schools and gymnasias of Prussia was opened, under the presidency of the Emperor himself in the Ministry of Public Worship, Herr von Gossler, the Minister, began by thanking the Emperor for the warm personal interest he displayed in such matters. The time had now come, he said, to consider whether Prussian schools were to continue on the same old classical path, or whether they should not now rather endeavour to adapt themselves to the spirit and practice and needs of modern life. All that learned professions were now filled to excess, and Germany was producing too many University men, for whom there seemed to be but scanty prospects in the growing industry for existence.

The Emperor Kaiser Wilhelm II then followed with a long and well-thought-out address. He tabled a series of queries on the subject under discussion, and proceeded to argue at elaborate length that the gymnasias or higher public schools no longer answered the requirements of the nation and the necessities of the time. They produced crammed youths, but not men, wasting on Latin and classical lore the time which should be devoted to the German language and to German history a knowledge which was of infinitely more value to a German than all the chronicles of antiquity...

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Turn Of The Century Education



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Kaiser-Wilhelm-Gymnasium Hannover, Hofseite (AK 1900).

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His Majesty then proceeded to discuss what ought to be the relations between the classical and commercial education, even in the schools which had hitherto been devoted to one of these directions only; his remarks being listened to with the keenest interest, and regarded as a masterpiece of practical wisdom. Our Own Correspondent.

BABY BLUES



Germany instead of youthful Greeks and Romans. They must courageously break with the mediaeval and monkish habit of mumbling away at much Latin and a little Greek, and take to the German language as the basis of all their scholastic studies. The same remark applied to history as to language. Preference should be given in all schools to German history, geographical and legendary. It was only when they knew all the ins and outs of their own house that they could afford to supplement it with the history of other nations. When he was at school the Great Elector was to him but a nebulous personage. As for the Seven Years' War, it lay outside the region of study altogether, and history ended with the French Revolution at the close of the last century. The Liberation wars, however, which were extremely important for the young, were not included, and it was only, thank God, by means of supplementary and very interesting lectures which he received from his private tutor, Dr. Hinzpeter, whom he was now glad to see before him, that he got to know anything at all about modern history...

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The German Emperor's speech has naturally given rise to a great deal of discussion, and the opinions expressed by Scholars and Educational Experts all over Europe, as to his views on 'classical education' differ very widely. As it will be my constant aim throughout Constable's Oriental Miscellany to impartially present both sides of any question on which there may be a difference of opinion among competent authorities, I now quote the opinions on the educational utility of the study of Greek, recently enunciated by a great Englishman (using this word in its widest signification), and one of the leading Educational Experts of the day.

On the 14th March 1891, Mr. Gladstone paid a visit to Eton, the school where, seventy years ago, he had been taught, and delivered a Saturday lecture to the boys now being educated there, on the character and attributes of the goddess Artemis in the Iliad and Odyssey. At the conclusion of his lecture, Mr. Gladstone said (I quote from the report in The Times newspaper of the 16th March):

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The Rev. Dr. Hornby, the Provost of Eton College, then proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Gladstone for his kindness in coming among them, and the great honour he did to the present generation of his old school in thus addressing them in a lecture so full of matter for careful after-study, and also stated that it would be difficult, at once, to single out any special points for notice. The Provost then ended by saying:

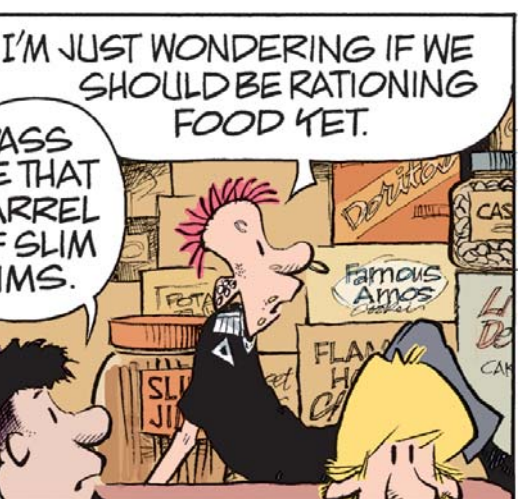
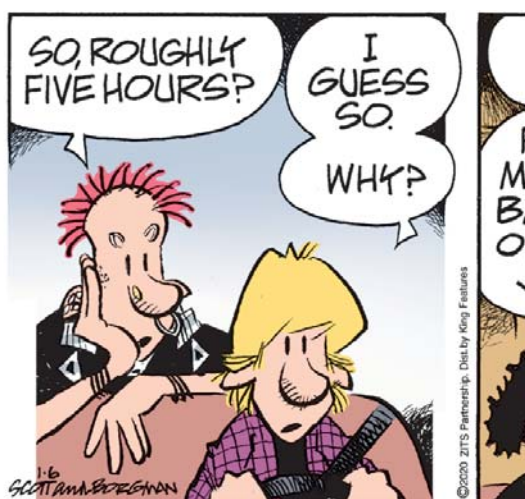
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Wilhelm Ernst Gymnasium Weimar (2003).

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#BLISS OF NATURE

Most Amazing Sunset Destinations in India

Observing the west direction will never be more inspiring than coming across these incredible sunset points.

Sunset is one of the gorgeous phenomena of nature and watching the sunset is a true treat for its visitors. People have an incredible experience when they see the sun melting into the horizon from a panoramic location. These locations can be a mountaintop, an ocean, a glacier or the top of a skyscraper. There are several amazing sunset destinations in India that allow you coming across the most beautiful picture of nature. Observing the west direction will never be more inspiring than coming across these incredible sunset points. Explore top places in India to enjoy sunset.

Haji Ali Dargah

Haji Ali is a popular religious place in Mumbai. It is also an amazing place to enjoy sunset. The setting of sun, against the serene background of Haji Ali Dargah, long stretches of ocean and sea-birds are just perfect way for enjoying a picturesque sunset. It is one of the best sunset points in India offering the most relaxing experiences to the visitors.

Kanyakumari Beach

With long stretches of multi-coloured sand, Kanyakumari Beach offers spectacular sights of sunset over the confluence of the three seas, including Arabian Sea, Bay of Bengal and Indian Ocean. The beach is well-known for offering distinct reddish sunsets. On full moon evenings, enjoy the perfect combination of rising moon and setting sun. This occasion makes it the most beautiful sunset destination of India.

Diskit/Nubra Valley

The untouched beauty of Nubra Valley is magically pure making it one of the best places to enjoy sunset. Sunset at Diskit village in Ladakh is a magical experience as the mountain ranges radiate the delightful hues of yellow and orange making the atmosphere glow. During the sunset, the angular rays of sun bring life to the desert and make it a gorgeous place to visit. Each framework creates a piece of magic making sunsets in the valley must experience.

Sunset Point

Mount Abu

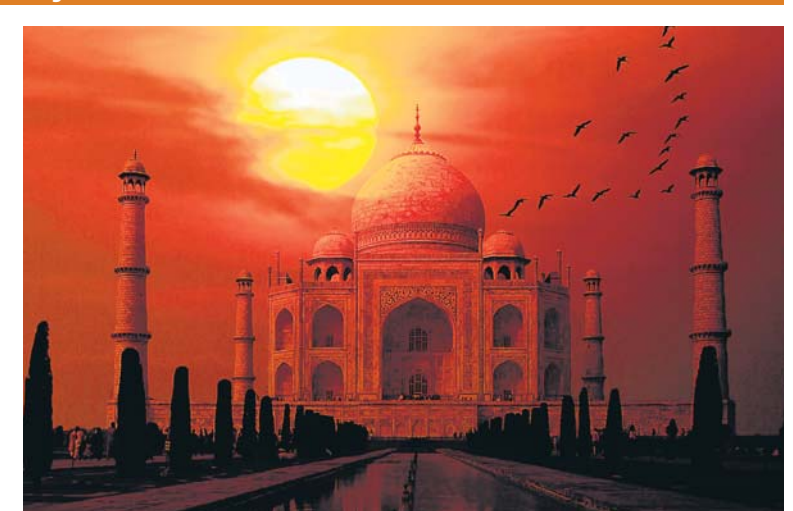
Sunset at the Sunset Point in Mount Abu is an awesome experience as view of the sun setting into the horizon leaves the visitors in awe. With a cool weather, pleasant backdrop, a hot cup of tea and corn cobs ensure a bewitching sunset. Sunset Point of Mount Abu is one of the best destinations to enjoy beautiful sunsets.

Monsoon Palace

Udaipur

Also known as SajjanGarh Palace, Monsoon Palace is known for offering incredible sunsets to the visitors. Along with being a significant heritage structure, it is also a popular sunset point of India. From a height at Monsoon Palace, you can see the sun sinking into the horizon leaving its colours all over the place.

Taj Mahal



With soothing shades of yellow, orange and pinkish red, Taj Mahal glows amazingly during sunset. It is one of the most popular sunset destinations in India to witness the sun while

sinking into the horizon. The marvellous structure of white marble with its delicate carvings and location near River Yamuna creates striking sunset full of romance and splendour.

Rann of Kutch



Rann of Kutch is another gorgeous sunset destination of India. Sunset at the Rann of Kutch makes the visitors feel like enjoying a beautiful natural wonder in the desert. At the

White Rann of Kutch, the phenomenon offers spectacular views to the visitors. There is nothing more beautiful than seeing the setting of sun on a clear day at Rann of Kutch.

Alleppey Beach

Kerala

Alleppey Beach is one of the most magical sunset destinations of India. The sun on the horizon bids farewell to this side of the earth and a wide open compilation of thin wrinkles is collected. It is magical to watch sunset over a broken bridge stretching into the Arabian Sea. The evenings in Alleppey Beach is something that you always look for.

Palolem Beach

Goa

Palolem Beach is known for its spherical shape and incredible natural beauty featuring palm trees around. It is also known for being one of the most beautiful sunset destinations in India. With wooden huts, palm trees and gorgeous & flawless stretch of water, sunset at Palolem Beach of Goa is a wonderful experience.



Radhanagar Beach

Havelock Island

Sunset at Radhanagar Beach is purely overwhelming making it one of the best places to enjoy sunset in India. The untouched beauty of beaches, coral reefs and natural backdrop create a perfect aura for enjoying memorable sunsets.