

# THE IMPACT OF RAJPUT ARCHITECTURE STYLE ON CONTEMPORARY RESORT DESIGN IN JAIPUR RAJASTHAN

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#### **ABSTRACT**

This research paper explores the development of Rajput architecture design giving shape to examining the historical factors, in the broader context of the Rajputana region in medieval India. By researching the socio-political landscape, cultural influences, distinctive architectural features, conservation system, regional variations, cultural Content of medieval socio-political influences, and distinctive conservation Variations, this research on the Rajput dynasty's rich architectural heritage provides an understanding of the broader. Building on this historical foundation, Studies in contemporary resort design of analysis the incorporation of Rajput architectural elements such as arches, domes, Jharokha, chhatri, and Lattice work. Through qualitative analysis and case studies, this research examines the impact of these elements on aesthetics, utility, and guest experiences in modern resorts. This study bridges the gap between historical and modern design, Rajput architecture of permanent relevance, and contemporary architecture of landscapes giving shaped the role of intense appreciation having contribution.

**Keywords**: Rajput Architecture, Contemporary Resort, Cultural Heritage, Conservation Practices, Fort Art

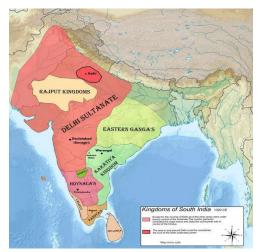
#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Rajput architecture developed in medieval Rajasthan, India, was shaped by the Rajput dynasty that ruled the region for many centuries. The Rajputs were famous for their bravery, love for art, and deep connection to their land, and this is reflected in their rich architectural heritage. The architecture from this period combines local, indigenous styles with influences from Mughal and Islamic designs, creating a unique blend that is characteristic of Rajput buildings.

The earliest examples of Rajput architecture are temples from the 8th century, made mostly of stone. These temples feature carvings of Hindu gods, mythological scenes, and Rajput warriors. As time went on, Rajput rulers built magnificent forts and palaces to showcase their power and wealth. These structures were often placed on hilltops, which made them easier to defend and provided stunning views of the surrounding landscape.

Forts and palaces of Rajasthan your grandeur, and elaborate ornamentation, and are known for attention to detail. Local materials such as sandstone and marble use of Rajput architecture's unique charm was contributing.

Rajput architecture is known for its detailed and artistic features. Some of these features include intricate murals, delicate stone lattice screens called jali work, and beautiful mirror work. Each Rajput state had its unique architectural



style, reflecting the creativity and identity of its rulers. For example, in Jaipur, the Amer Fort and the City Palace are excellent examples of this style.

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Figure-1.1 Rajput Kingdoms on Indian Map

Rajput architecture wasn't just about showing power; it also represented the prestige and artistic talent of the Rajput rulers. These buildings also show their advanced engineering skills. This architectural heritage of Rajasthan is so impressive that it continues to inspire and attract visitors from all over the world, who are amazed by its grandeur and beauty.

Rajput architecture represents the rich cultural heritage of India, showcasing local craftsmanship and blending influences from different civilizations. It developed in Rajasthan, where the social, cultural, religious, and political life of the Rajput states helped shape these architectural wonders that still exist today. This research on Rajput architecture explores its deep and complex history, tracing how it has influenced everything from ancient buildings to the design of modern resorts.

In the modern context, the charm of Rajput architecture and modern resorts in the design theory of it is expressed. Elements reminding of Rajput palaces, such as intricately carved latticework, vibrant murals, luxuries and create a feeling of nostalgia. This research attempts from ancient forts to modern resting palaces, seeks to explore the enduring legacy of Rajput architecture, for India's architectural heritage of the deeper approaches and design protection and to inspire innovative approaches to adaptation.

Rajput architecture is a distinctive style of Indian architecture, which in its grandeur and rich cultural symbolism, and famous for intricate carvings. Analysis of this style is based on the Jaipur of the major forts and palaces through the better way can be understood. Here is a detail of the major features of Rajput architecture in Jaipur.

- **1. ARCHITECTURAL GRANDEUR:** grandeur of Rajput architecture and inspired by the expansion, contemporary resort design also features grand entrances, spacious courtyards, and luxurious lounge spaces, which provide a royal experience.
- **2. INTRICATE CARVINGS AND DECORATIONS:** Like Rajput forts and palaces, in contemporary resorts intricate jali work (jali work), carvings, and murals are used, which is their historical craftsmanship of the modern context show it.



Source: https://www.desidiaries.in/post/the-rajputana-influence-in-jaipur-s-interior-design-a-timeless-legacy **Figure-2.1** Intricate carvings



- **3. USE OF LOCAL MATERIALS:** Rajput architecture Sandstone and marble were prevalent. In contemporary resorts, traditional materials are also used, which gives the design of the local and historical experience
- **4. CHHATRIS AND JHAROKHA: -** Key features of Rajput palaces like chhatris (domed pavilion) and jharokha (overhanging balconies) are redesigned in contemporary resorts, giving a traditional look with modern amenities.







 $Source: https://i.pinimg.com/originals/87/c9/88/87c9887884bc24f69e52521406ea42f6.jpg \\ \textbf{Figure-} 3.1,2: Jharokha \\ \textbf{Figure-} 3.3: Chhatri$ 

**5. WATER FACILITIES: -** Water structures such as step wells and fountains are prominently seen in Rajput architecture. Contemporary resort design also incorporates elaborate swimming pools, fountains, and decorative water features.

- **6 HARMONY WITH THE LANDSCAPE AND ENVIRONMENT -** Rajput forts are often situated on hills, providing spectacular views contemporary resorts also too large windows and exterior designs that blend in with the landscapes.
- **7. INCORPORATION OF MODERN FEATURES:** the historical grandeur of Rajput architecture is designed to be combined with modern technology and features, such as smart room systems and advanced security features, to provide guests with a convenient and comfortable experience.

These points reflect how Rajput architecture's rich heritage and style have been incorporated into a modern context in the design of contemporary resort architecture in Jaipur.

# 2. FOLLOWING ARE SOME OF THE PROMINENT NAMES OF CONTEMPORARY RESORTS INSPIRED BY RAJPUT ARCHITECTURE IN JAIPUR: -

- 1. JW Marriott Jaipur Resort & Spa
- 2. Raj Mahal Palace Jaipur
- 3. Jaipur palace resort and convention center
- 4. Fort Radisson blue
- 5. Amer Fort resort
- 6. ITC Rajputana
- 7. Rama Fort Resort
- 8. Shahi Mahal Resort

These resorts have the grandeur of Rajput architectural and royal elements with modern facilities or intricate design, which gives guests a historical and good experience.

### 1. JW MARRIOTT JAIPUR RESORT & SPA



Source:https://www.luxurylifestylemag.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/pool-side.jpg **Figure** 4.1: The main campus of Resort

It is a contemporary resort, and the architectural elements inspired by it into your design. Here, the Grandeur of Rajput's architectural and historical beauty is combined with modern features. This hotel has various Rajput architectural features inspired by: -



Source: www.enidhi.net/2018/09/fascinating-features-of-jw-marriott-jaipur-resort-spa.html Figure 4.2: Reception building or Tulsi Mahal

- **1. GRAND ENTRANCE:** In the hotel grand entrance and living area in JW Marriott Jaipur Resort to remind you that decoration has been done.
- **2. INTRICATE CARVINGS AND DECORATIONS: -** Walls and pillars on intricate Carvings including traditional latticework, present a glimpse of historical Rajput architecture.
- **3. USE OF LOCAL MATERIALS:** Sandstone and traditional materials such as marble, common in Rajput architecture, are also seen in modern designs.





Source:https://www.enidhi.net/2018/09/fascinating-features-of-jw-marriott-jaipur-resort-spa.html
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Figure 4.3,4: (The Grand entrance to the block has Some paintings on the entrance, and a lobby decked in tiki work

## 1. RAJ MAHAL PALACE JAIPUR





Source: https://www.uniqhotels.com/rajmahal-palace/#lg=1&slide=0 https://www.uniqhotels.com/rajmahal-palace/#lg=1&slide=1

Figure 5.1: Entrance Gate

Figure 5.2: Raj Mahal Palace

Raj Mahal Palace was a British residence of political officers of Rajputana and now it is a very famous resort in Jaipur, Rajput architecture presents a stunning example of contemporary design inspired by it. Here, the grandeur of Rajput palaces and the traditional style of modern facilities were integrated. Its main points are as follows: -

**1. ROYAL ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN:** - the design of the hotel reflects the grandeur of Rajput palaces which includes excellent architectural elements and gorgeous courtyards.



Source: https://www.uniqhotels.com/rajmahal-palace/#lg=1&slide=5 **Figure 5.3:** Durbar Hall

- **2- Intricate carvings:** walls and pillars on the intricate stone of the carvings and traditional Jali work have been used, which highlights the historical beauty.
- **3. Use of Local content:** sandstone and marble like Traditional content have been used, to maintain the image of Rajput architecture.
- **4. Modern facilities: -** Modern comfort and facilities of luxury, like the Smart Room system and advanced security paired with traditional design.

Raajmahal Palace in Rajput Architecture of the historical Royal style with modern comfort and a unique blend of luxury provides a beautiful experience.

There are some more significant examples of Rajput Architecture in contemporary resorts in Jaipur,

#### 5. RAMA FORT RESORT.

One of the leading contemporary resorts of Jaipur, Rajput's architecture is inspired by design and incorporates the elements into its modern aesthetics. Here, the Rajput architecture, historical royal style, and contemporary facilities have been integrated.

#### 6. Jaipur palace resort and convention centre.

It is a Rajput architecture of the historical imperial style to modern comfort and luxury combined with a brilliant and presented rich experience, which takes guests to a historic and royal environment and gives the joy of relaxation.

#### 7. Fort Radisson Blue.

A Premier contemporary resort in Jaipur, which design is inspired by Rajput architecture and incorporates elements into its modern form. Here the grandeur of the Rajput architecture and a unique blend of historical style with contemporary facilities provide a royal experience. The key features of this resort are as follows: The gorgeous architectural design of Rajput shows the grandeur of Rajput forts, with a beautiful entrance, including grand lobbies, and palace-like architectural elements. the resort's intricate stone carvings and traditional jali work have been used, which is Rajput architectural historical and cultural beauty, Use of local content in the Resort sandstone and marble-like traditional content has been used, which presents the identity of Rajput architecture in the modern context, Spacious courtyard and garden and water facilities (like fountains and small Reservoirs), show the grandeur and beauty of the Rajput palaces. The Radisson Blu resort has contemporary facilities like a smart room system, and spa, and advanced safety features have also been involved.

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Upadhyaya, V. (2017).

## Transformation in Traditional Havelis: A case of walled city Jaipur, Rajasthan. *Imperial Journal of Interdisciplinary Research (IJIR)*, 3(2), 1482-1492

development of traditional havelis of Jaipur and discuss their eco-friendly design and modern pressures while highlighting the challenges of conservation

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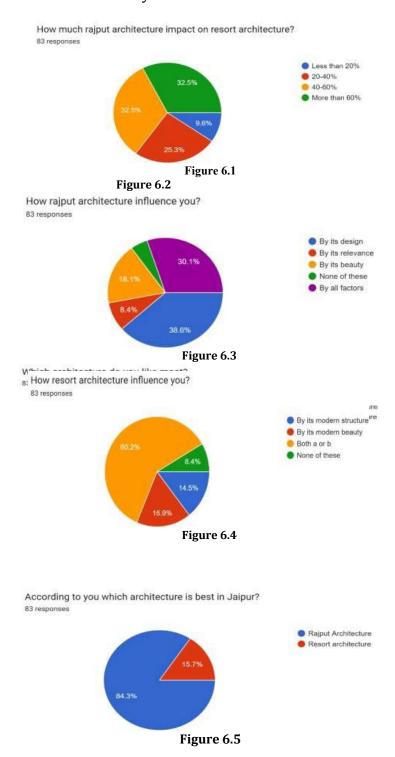
#### 3. METHODOLOGY

- The qualitative research method will be applied to evaluate the research problem.
- A comparative analysis of Rajput Architectural areas of Jaipur Rajasthan will be done. This analysis will help to conceptualize and understand of changing forms of Rajputana Architecture.
- Ethnographic Surveys and Interviews will be conducted and reports will be prepared

#### 4. RESULT

I did a survey aimed at Rajput architecture and contemporary resort architecture had to understand the public's perceptions towards it. This survey covered both these architectural styles and their attitude towards and clarified the priorities.

### Included questions and their results in surveys:



#### 5. CONCLUSION

Preservation of cultural heritage: -

1. Rajput architecture preserves and displays rich cultural heritage. By Incorporating these elements into contemporary resort design historical significance can be honored and celebrated.

- 2. Aesthetic appeal: Intricate Carvings, vibrant colors, and unique styles make attractive Rajput architecture visually, which is a special attraction in the resorts and Added beauty.
- 3. Experience the local culture: Rajput architecture brings a deep Connection of local culture into the resort design, thereby giving the guest an authentic and inclusive experience.
- 4.. Promotion of Tourism: elements of Rajput architecture make the contemporary resorts distinctive, with modern facilities with local heritage that offer a glimpse and can attract tourism.

Based on the survey responses, it can be concluded that Rajput architecture has had a significant influence on contemporary resort architecture.

Survey data: Reflects intricate carvings, the use of local materials, and traditional design motifs such as features commonly seen in modern resort architecture. This shows that Rajput architecture influenced the resorts for a specific and cultural type and has had a strong influence in creating a rich experience. Moreover, the survey may also have revealed that Rajput architecture for its historical and aesthetic value is appreciated.

Overall, the findings suggest that the influence of Rajput architecture on contemporary resort architecture is clear and valuable, which both architects and visitors admire.

#### **CONFLICT OF INTERESTS**

None.

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