

# Kerala Holiday Package

Cochin - Munnar - Thekkady - Alleppey - Kovalam - Trivandrum

Tour Packages Customised

## Tour Basics •

**Duration:** 7 Days, 6 Nights

**Route:** Cochin - Munnar - Thekkady - Alleppey - Kovalam - Trivandrum

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## About This Trip •

Kerala – "God's Own Country", where nature, culture, and tradition blend seamlessly. Begin your adventure in Cochin (Kochi), a historic coastal city where the colonial past lives on in the cobbled streets of Fort Kochi. Stroll through centuries-old landmarks like the Dutch Palace, Jewish Synagogue, and St. Francis Church, India's oldest European church, while experiencing the city's unique Indo-Portuguese heritage. End the day with a serene sunset at Marine Drive, as the golden hues over the Arabian Sea create a calm, inspiring prelude to the journey ahead.

From Cochin, you'll ascend into the verdant hills of Munnar, a place where the mist wraps around tea plantations like a dream. En route, relish a traditional Kerala meal and pause at the picturesque Cheeyappara Waterfalls for nature photography. Dive into fun at Pottas Fun Farm, indulging in ziplining or simply relaxing with a fish spa. In Munnar, your days are filled with scenic wonders and aromatic flavours—explore the Kanan Devan Tea Estates, sample handmade treats at the Macofa Chocolate Factory, and stroll through the peaceful Yellapatty Grasslands. Optional elephant rides and Ayurvedic massages provide a cultural touch and holistic rejuvenation.

Next, head to Thekkady, Kerala's wildlife and spice haven. Here, cruise on Periyar Lake inside the Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary, keeping an eye out for elephants, wild boars, and vibrant birds. Engage with gentle giants at Elephant Junction and explore Kerala's spice secrets during a plantation tour, learning how cardamom, black pepper, and cinnamon are cultivated—a treat for all senses. End your day with a Night Food Tour, where you'll savour authentic Kerala delicacies like appam, beef fry, and Malabar parotta from hidden local gems.

The journey continues to Alleppey, often called the "Venice of the East", where you'll live the

dreamy backwater experience aboard a traditional houseboat. Glide through tranquil canals lined with coconut palms and quaint village life, enjoying freshly cooked Kerala meals onboard. This serene experience captures the soul of rural Kerala and offers a unique opportunity to connect with the state's slow, rhythmic lifestyle.

After the backwaters, make your way to Kovalam, a charming beach town. Relax on the sun-kissed sands of Lighthouse Beach, wander through charming local shops, or ascend the historic Kovalam Lighthouse to enjoy sweeping views of the Arabian Sea. A visit to the nearby Azhimala Temple, with its towering 58-foot Shiva statue, blends mythological grandeur with spiritual serenity. This leg of the journey lets you soak in Kerala's coastal culture and spiritual beauty.

Your final stop is Trivandrum, Kerala's cultural capital. Conclude your trip with a visit to the sacred Sree Padmanabhaswamy Temple, celebrated for its magnificent Dravidian architecture and fabled gold vaults, leaving you with a grand and spiritual finale. You may also catch a glimpse of Bharatanatyam, a classical dance form that showcases Kerala's deep-rooted artistic traditions.

From the hill stations and spice valleys to the backwaters and beaches, this journey through Kerala is not just a vacation; it's a cultural immersion into the state's rich history, warm hospitality, vibrant flavours, and natural elegance. Each destination offers a different face of Kerala, from colonial stories and temple legends to wildlife adventures and culinary exploration, making it a perfect blend of nature, culture, relaxation, and discovery.

## Things to Do in Kerala Holiday Package

### Explore the Heritage of Fort Kochi (Cochin)

- Visit the Dutch Palace – a 16th-century Portuguese structure with Kerala murals.
- Walk through the Jewish Synagogue and Jew Town lanes.
- See St. Francis Church, India's oldest European church.
- Witness the iconic Chinese Fishing Nets in action.
- Enjoy a peaceful sunset walk along Marine Drive.

## Enjoy a Scenic Drive to Munnar

- Stop at the Cheeyappara Waterfalls for photos and fresh air.

- Taste authentic Kerala cuisine en route.
- Try activities at Pottas Fun Farm: zipline, giant swing, and fish spa (optional).

### **Discover the Charm of Munnar**

- Visit the Kanan Devan Tea Plantation and the tea museum.
- Sip freshly brewed tea while learning about its production.
- Explore the Macofa Chocolate Factory and taste homemade delights.
- Optional: Elephant ride at Carmelagiri Park or jet skiing at Mattupetty Dam.
- Relax at Yellapatty Grasslands – perfect for nature walks.
- Pamper yourself with a traditional Ayurvedic massage (optional).

### **Experience Wildlife & Spice Trails in Thekkady**

- Take a boat safari on Periyar Lake inside Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary.
- Visit Elephant Junction to interact with elephants (optional feeding or bathing).
- Go on a guided Spice Plantation Tour – learn about cardamom, pepper, and cinnamon.
- Explore Kerala flavours with a Night Food Tour through Thekkady streets.

### **Cruise through the Backwaters of Alleppey**

- Board a traditional houseboat (kettuvallam) and cruise through lush canals.
- Enjoy onboard Kerala meals cooked fresh by local chefs.

- Try steering the houseboat with the captain's guidance.
- Watch daily village life unfold along the backwaters.

### **Unwind at Kovalam's Beaches & Temples**

- Unwind on the golden sands of Kovalam Beach and the iconic Lighthouse Beach.
- Climb the Kovalam Lighthouse for panoramic sea views (entry fee applies).
- Visit the Azhimala Shiva Temple with its massive 58-foot statue.
- Enjoy local seafood at beachside stalls and cafés.

### **Spiritual & Cultural Soak in Trivandrum**

- Visit the Sree Padmanabhaswamy Temple – a rich cultural and spiritual site.
- Admire the Dravidian-style architecture and mural carvings.
- If lucky, catch a Bharatanatyam dance performance at the temple.
- Shop for handicrafts and silk saris at local markets before departure.

### **Bonus: Kerala Cultural Experiences**

- Witness live performances of Kathakali or Mohiniyattam.
- Learn about Ayurveda and opt for rejuvenation therapies.
- Taste traditional Sadya meals on banana leaves.
- Shop for spices, coconut oil, tea, and handmade crafts.

## Stay Categories & Options •

<b>Basic</b>	Persons: 2	INR 26,500.00	<del>INR 28,500.00</del>	Save INR 2,000.00
<b>Basic</b>	Persons: 4	INR 20,300.00	<del>INR 22,300.00</del>	Save INR 2,000.00
<b>Basic</b>	Persons: 6	INR 18,900.00	<del>INR 20,900.00</del>	Save INR 2,000.00
<b>Super Deluxe</b>	Persons: 2	INR 31,200.00	<del>INR 33,200.00</del>	Save INR 2,000.00
<b>Super Deluxe</b>	Persons: 4	INR 25,200.00	<del>INR 27,200.00</del>	Save INR 2,000.00
<b>Super Deluxe</b>	Persons: 6	INR 24,100.00	<del>INR 26,100.00</del>	Save INR 2,000.00
<b>Premium</b>	Persons: 2	INR 33,700.00	<del>INR 35,700.00</del>	Save INR 2,000.00
<b>Premium</b>	Persons: 4	INR 27,700.00	<del>INR 29,700.00</del>	Save INR 2,000.00
<b>Premium</b>	Persons: 6	INR 26,500.00	<del>INR 28,500.00</del>	Save INR 2,000.00

## Itinerary •

### Day 1: Arrival in Cochin &ndash; Heritage Exploration & Sunset Views

- Begin your Kerala journey by exploring the colonial charm of Fort Kochi.
- Visit iconic landmarks such as the Dutch Palace, the Jewish Synagogue, and St. Francis Church, India's oldest European church.
- End the day with a peaceful walk along Marine Drive, enjoying a romantic sunset over the Arabian Sea, followed by a relaxing overnight stay at your hotel.

Hotel: Stay at the Hotel in Cochin

Meals: Nil

### Day 2: Travel to Munnar &ndash; Scenic Drive, Local Flavours & Fun Activities

- After checking out, begin your journey to the beautiful hill station of Munnar. Along the way, enjoy a delicious traditional Kerala meal featuring a variety of local dishes rich in flavour.
- Stop at the stunning Cheeyappara Waterfalls, a seven-step cascade nestled in lush greenery, perfect for quick photos and a refreshing break.
- You'll also visit Pottas Fun Farm, where you can try exciting optional activities, such as the zipline, giant swing, or relax with a fish spa (extra charges apply).
- Once you reach Munnar, check in at your hotel and unwind for the evening, surrounded by cool mountain air and tea-covered hills.

Hotel: Stay at the Hotel in Munnar

Meals: Breakfast

### Day 3: Munnar Sightseeing

- Begin your day with a visit to the famous Kanan Devan Hill Plantation, where you can explore the tea gardens, learn about tea production, and enjoy a cup of fresh tea.
- Continue to the Macofa Chocolate Factory to taste some delicious homemade chocolates.
- For those interested in a bit of adventure, optional activities such as an elephant ride at Carmelagiri Park and jet skiing at Mattupetty Dam are available at an additional cost. Later, take a relaxing walk through the beautiful Yellapatty Grasslands, known for their peaceful surroundings and natural beauty.
- You can also opt for a calming Ayurvedic massage to unwind (available at an extra cost).
- Return to the hotel in the evening and relax.

Hotel: Stay at the Hotel in Munnar

Meals: Breakfast

### Day 4: Transfer to Thekkady & Local Experiences

- After checking out of the hotel, head to Thekkady, a beautiful place known for its wildlife and spices.
- Once you arrive, visit Periyar Lake and enjoy a boat safari, where you might get to see animals like elephants, deer, and birds in the Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary.
- Then, stop by Elephant Junction to spend some time with elephants and learn about their care.
- Continue to a Spice Plantation Tour, where you'll discover how Kerala's famous spices like cardamom, pepper, and cinnamon are grown.
- Later, check in at your hotel and relax. In the evening, explore the local area on a Night Food Tour, where you'll taste some delicious and authentic Kerala dishes.
- Afterwards, return to the hotel on your own and rest for the night.

Hotel: Stay at the Hotel in Thekkady

Meals: Breakfast

## Day 5: Transfer to Alleppey & Houseboat Experience

- After checking out of your hotel, travel to Alleppey, a place famous for its peaceful backwaters and beautiful scenery.
- On arrival, board a traditional houseboat and begin a relaxing cruise through quiet canals, lakes, and lush green landscapes.
- You'll also have the opportunity to steer the boat for a few minutes, guided by the boat captain, making for an enjoyable experience for all ages.
- Enjoy the calm atmosphere, tasty onboard meals, and scenic views as you float through the backwaters.
- Spend the night on the houseboat for a unique and peaceful stay.

Hotel: Stay at the Houseboat Alleppey

Meals: Breakfast

## Day 6: Travel to Kovalam & Local Sightseeing

- After leaving the houseboat, head to Kovalam, a popular coastal town in Kerala.
- Once you check into your hotel, get ready to explore some of the best spots in the area.
- Visit Kovalam Beach and take a relaxing walk along the shore of Lighthouse Beach, where you'll find many small food stalls and shops.
- If you wish, you can also climb the Lighthouse (entry fee applies) for amazing views of the sea.
- Later, head to Azhimala Temple, known for its massive 58-foot Shiva statue and beautifully carved sculptures showing scenes from Hindu mythology.
- Enjoy the peaceful coastal vibe before heading back to your hotel.

Hotel: Stay at the Hotel in Kovalam

Meals: Breakfast

## Day 7: Travel to Trivandrum & Departure

- After checking out of your hotel in Kovalam, you'll head to Trivandrum for the final part of your trip.
- Upon arrival, visit the renowned Sree Padmanabhaswamy Temple, admired for its majestic architecture and spiritual significance.
- If you're lucky, you might also see a live Bharatanatyam dance performance inside the temple premises.
- Following your temple visit, proceed to Trivandrum Airport or Railway Station for your return journey, bringing your memorable Kerala experience to a close. Wishing you safe and pleasant travels!

Hotel: Nil

Meals: Breakfast

## Inclusions •

1 night stay in Cochin with breakfast.

1 night stay in Thekkady with breakfast.

1 night stay in Alleppey with breakfast, lunch, and dinner

2-night stay in Munnar with breakfast.

1 night stay in Kovalam with breakfast.

Traditional Feast of Kerala on a Private Basis - Ticket/Cost Not Included.

Full Day Munnar Highlights Tour.

Kochi Sightseeing Tour on a Private Basis.

Kochi to Munnar- En Route Sightseeing on a Private basis.

Kathakali Show in Munnar - Ticket/Cost not included.

Martial Arts Show in Munnar - Ticket/Cost not included.

Daily Breakfast.

## Exclusions •

Expenses of a personal nature.

5% GST.

Any services not explicitly mentioned in the inclusions will be considered additional and chargeable.

Meals not mentioned in the itinerary or inclusions.

Entry fees for all activities listed in the itinerary.

Entry Fee to Any Monument.

## FAQs •

**Q:** Are airport/train station transfers included in the tour package?

**A:** Yes, pick-up from Cochin and drop-off at Trivandrum (airport or railway station) are included as part of the trip. Customised pickup/drop-off can be arranged at an additional cost.

**Q:** What type of accommodations are provided during the tour?

**A:** The package includes comfortable stays in 3-star equivalent hotels at each destination and a traditional houseboat stay in Alleppey with modern amenities for a unique experience. Luxury upgrade options are also available on request.

**Q:** Is the houseboat in Alleppey air-conditioned?

**A:** Yes, the houseboats typically have AC bedrooms. Please note that air-conditioning works during night hours (9 PM to 6 AM), unless otherwise specified or upgraded.

**Q:** Are meals included in the package?

**A:** Breakfast is included daily, and all meals are provided on the houseboat. Lunch and dinner on other days are at your own cost, allowing flexibility to explore Kerala's rich food culture.

**Q:** Is the itinerary suitable for children and senior citizens?

**A:** Yes, the itinerary is family-friendly and designed for all age groups. Activities are flexible and can be customised for children, elderly travellers, or honeymooners based on their comfort level.

**Q:** What should I pack for my trip to Kerala?

**A:** Pack light cotton clothes, comfortable walking shoes, rainwear (during the monsoon), sunscreen, insect repellent, a hat, and swimwear if you plan to visit the beach or stay on a houseboat. For temple visits, it is recommended to wear modest clothing.

**Q:** Are cultural performances included in the tour?

**A:** Cultural shows, such as Kathakali or Bharatanatyam, are not included but can be arranged as optional evening add-ons in Thekkady, Kochi, or Thiruvananthapuram, depending on availability.

**Q:** Can the tour be customised for a honeymoon or special occasion?

**A:** Absolutely! We can add romantic dinner setups, flower bed decoration, cake, and more for honeymooners or anniversaries. Just let us know in advance for a personalised experience.

## Get in Touch •

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