Varkala Tour Package

Trivandrum - Kovalam - Varkala - Cochin

Tour PackagesCustomised

Tour Basics •

Duration: 04 Days, 03 Nights	**Route:** Trivandrum - Kovalam - Varkala - Cochin

Trivandrum — 4D 3N

About This Trip •

If you're craving a tranquil seaside retreat infused with culture, spirituality, and natural charm, then Kerala's coastal belt from Trivandrum to Kochi offers the perfect escape. This immersive Varkala Tour Package invites you to explore majestic temples, stroll along golden beaches, admire ancient architecture, and absorb the spiritual energy of sacred sites. From the calm waters of Kovalam to the dramatic cliffs of Varkala, and finally to the heritage lanes of Kochi, this route is a harmonious blend of serenity and discovery.

Your Kerala journey begins in Thiruvananthapuram (Trivandrum), the state capital that gracefully balances modernity with tradition. The city welcomes travellers with its warm tropical air and spiritual aura. One of the first cultural highlights is the iconic Sree Padmanabhaswamy Temple, one of the most revered and visually striking temples in India. Dedicated to Lord Vishnu and constructed in classic Dravidian architectural style, the temple's towering gopuram and gold-plated sanctum are awe-inspiring. Inside, the deity is seen reclining on the serpent Anantha, a representation unique to this shrine. The temple is also globally renowned for its mysterious underground vaults and priceless treasures; yet, its greatest gift is the profound spiritual calm it offers.

Continuing from Thiruvananthapuram, the road leads to Kovalam, a coastal town renowned for its serene atmosphere and picture-perfect beaches. Once known for its fishing community, the village now welcomes visitors drawn to its beaches and spiritual charm. As the coast unfolds before you, it invites gentle exploration, perhaps a boat ride through the lush backwaters to Poovar Island. The journey through narrow mangrove-lined channels, alive with birdcalls and the rhythmic splash of paddles, offers a peaceful prelude to Kerala's natural beauty and highlights the unique offerings of this Varkala Tour Package.

In Kovalam, coastal exploration takes centre stage. Begin with a walk along the crescent-shaped Kovalam Beach, where fishermen prepare their boats and the early sun paints the sky in soft colours. The palm-lined shore and rhythmic waves create a perfect setting for reflection. Hawa Beach, nearby, adds a dose of adventure, offering water sports like parasailing, surfing, and catamaran rides. For a quieter experience, beach shacks serve local snacks and fresh coconut water as you watch the sea roll in.

Not far from the beach, the Azhimala Shiva Temple rises on a cliff, overlooking the sea. A dramatic 58-foot-tall statue of Lord Shiva, with flowing hair and a serene expression, makes this a place of both devotion and awe. The combination of sacred energy and panoramic ocean views makes it a spiritual and visual highlight of the coastal route. Another must-visit is the Vizhinjam Lighthouse. Perched on a rocky cliff, its spiral staircase leads to a viewing platform that opens up to sweeping vistas of the Arabian Sea, waves crashing below, fishing boats dotting the horizon, and the sun melting into the ocean.

Northward along the coastline lies Varkala, Kerala’s bohemian beach town, where cliffs meet the sea. Unlike other beaches in the region, Varkala’s red laterite cliffs rise above the shoreline, lined with cafes, yoga centres, and boutique shops. This Varkala Tour Package ensures you have ample time to enjoy the pristine beach, explore cliffside cafes, and engage in yoga or meditation sessions. The beach itself is perfect for meditative walks or simply lounging with a good book. The town emanates a laid-back charm that appeals to backpackers and luxury travellers alike.

Kappil Beach, just north of Varkala, is a serene spot where the sea meets backwaters, creating a narrow stretch of land bordered by water on both sides. This rare landscape offers a perfect setting for nature lovers and photographers. It’s an ideal location for a quiet retreat from the more popular tourist spots, included in this carefully curated Varkala Tour Package.

For those interested in history and spirituality, the Janardhanaswamy Temple in Varkala is a must-see. With a history spanning over 2,000 years, perched atop a hill overlooking the sea, the temple is often referred to as the 'Benares of the South.' Dedicated to Lord Vishnu, it features stone pathways, ancient bells, and tranquil courtyards that resonate with devotional hymns and chants, offering a serene and spiritual experience.

The journey concludes in Kochi, a city renowned for its rich cultural fusion and colonial charm. Though serving as the departure point, Kochi itself is a destination worth exploring. Fort Kochi is a historic district where European, Chinese, and Indian influences merge beautifully. The streets are adorned with Dutch-style buildings, Chinese fishing nets, Jewish synagogues, Portuguese churches, and vibrant art galleries. It’s a place where tradition and modern creativity coexist, rounding out the Varkala Tour Package perfectly.

Whether visiting just for departure or staying on to explore, Kochi offers a final taste of Kerala’s diversity, an ideal way to round out a journey filled with reflection, discovery, and coastal beauty.

Tour Highlights – Varkala Tour Package

- Visit the iconic Padmanabhaswamy Temple in Trivandrum, known for its Dravidian architecture and reclining Vishnu idol.
- Explore the serene beaches of Kovalam, including Hawa Beach and Kovalam Beach.
- Enjoy water sports like parasailing, surfing, and catamaran rides.
- Witness the majestic 58-foot statue at Azhimala Shiva Temple.
- Ascend the Vizhinjam Lighthouse for sweeping views of the Arabian Sea.
- Discover the cliffside charm and beach cafes of Varkala.
  Experience the peaceful beauty of Kappil Beach, where backwaters meet the sea.
- Visit the ancient Janardhanaswamy Temple, over 2,000 years old.
- Travel through Kochi's colonial past, taking in sights like the Chinese fishing nets and Dutch-era buildings.

Stay Categories & Options •

Basic	Persons: 2	INR 19,500.00	~~INR 21,500.00~~	Save INR 2,000.00
Basic	Persons: 4	INR 15,900.00	~~INR 17,900.00~~	Save INR 2,000.00
Basic	Persons: 6	INR 14,800.00	~~INR 16,800.00~~	Save INR 2,000.00
Super Deluxe	Persons: 2	INR 24,700.00	~~INR 26,700.00~~	Save INR 2,000.00
Super Deluxe	Persons: 4	INR 21,100.00	~~INR 23,100.00~~	Save INR 2,000.00
Super Deluxe	Persons: 6	INR 20,500.00	~~INR 22,500.00~~	Save INR 2,000.00
Premium	Persons: 2	INR 25,700.00	~~INR 27,500.00~~	Save INR 1,800.00
Premium	Persons: 4	INR 22,100.00	~~INR 24,100.00~~	Save INR 2,000.00
Premium	Persons: 6	INR 21,400.00	~~INR 23,400.00~~	Save INR 2,000.00

Itinerary •

Day 1: Arrival in Trivandrum – Transfer to Kovalam via Padmanabhaswamy Temple

- Arrive at Trivandrum and visit the iconic Padmanabhaswamy Temple, renowned for its Dravidian architecture and reclining Vishnu idol.
- Proceed to Kovalam, check in to your hotel, and enjoy a leisurely day.
- Optional: Take a scenic boat ride through the backwaters to Poovar Island.

Hotel: Stay at the Hotel in Kovalam

Meals: Nil

Day 2: Kovalam Sightseeing Tour

- Explore Kovalam’s highlights starting with a stroll on Kovalam Beach, followed by water sports at Hawa Beach.
- Visit the Azhimala Shiva Temple, featuring a 58-foot Shiva statue, and end the tour at Vizhinjam Lighthouse with panoramic views of the Arabian Sea. Return to the hotel afterwards..

Hotel: Stay at the Hotel in Kovalam

Meals: Breakfast

Day 3: Transfer to Varkala & Sightseeing

- After check-out, travel to Varkala and begin your sightseeing with a stroll along Varkala Beach and its lively cliffside cafes.
- Visit the serene Kappil Beach, then explore the ancient Janardhanaswamy Temple, a 2,000-year-old hilltop shrine with views of the Arabian Sea.

- Arrive at your hotel and settle in for an overnight stay.

Hotel: Stay at the Hotel in Varkala

Meals: Breakfast

Day 4: Transfer to Kochi & Departure

- Check out of the hotel and proceed to Kochi Airport or Railway Station for your return journey.

Hotel: Nil

Meals: Breakfast

Inclusions •

2-night stay in Kovalam with breakfast.

1-night stay in Varkala with breakfast.

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

Daily Breakfast.

Exclusions •

Expenses of a personal nature.

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

5% GST.

Meals not mentioned in the itinerary or inclusions.

Entry fees for all activities listed in the itinerary.

Entry Fee to Any Monument.

FAQs •

Q: Is Padmanabhaswamy Temple open to all tourists?

A: Yes, but entry inside the sanctum is restricted to Hindus. All visitors are required to follow the prescribed dress code. This is a must-visit on the Varkala Tour Package for spiritual and cultural immersion.

Q: Are the water sports in Kovalam suitable for beginners?

A: Yes, most water sports at Hawa Beach are beginner-friendly, with professional instructors and safety gear provided. These activities are included as optional experiences in the Varkala Tour Package.

Q: Can I visit Poovar Island without booking a resort stay?

A: Absolutely. You can take a day boat ride through the backwaters to visit Poovar Island without an overnight stay. This option is highlighted in the Varkala Tour Package for travellers seeking a short excursion.

Q: How far is Varkala from Kovalam, and what is the travel time between the two locations?

A: Varkala is approximately 60 km from Kovalam, a roughly 1–2 hour drive by road. This coastal route is a key segment of the Varkala Tour Package.

Q: Are there any local markets or shopping areas in Varkala?

A: Yes, the cliffside area in Varkala features shops selling souvenirs, handicrafts, beachwear, and local products, perfect for a leisurely shopping experience during your Varkala Tour Package.

Q: Is there a specific time to visit Vizhinjam Lighthouse?

A: The lighthouse generally opens in the afternoon. Sunset is ideal for panoramic views of the Arabian Sea.

Q: Can we take photos inside Janardhanaswamy Temple?

A: Photography is usually restricted to the temple premises. Visitors can, however, take photos around the exterior and surrounding areas.

Q: Is Kochi only a transit stop or worth a longer stay?

A: Kochi is a cultural hub worth exploring, especially Fort Kochi with its colonial architecture, art cafés, and heritage landmarks. Many itineraries in the Varkala Tour Package include a day or two here.

Q: Are Ayurveda therapies easily available in Kovalam and Varkala?

A: Yes, authentic Ayurvedic treatments are widely available through certified wellness centres, offering rejuvenation during your Varkala Tour Package.

Q: What’s the best way to travel between these destinations?

A: A private cab is the most convenient option along the coastal corridor, though local buses and trains also operate frequently. The Varkala Tour Package typically includes private transfers for comfort and flexibility.

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