



# Fascinating Kerala

7 Nights

01 April 2017 – 30 September 2017



## Summary

Undoubtedly one of the most beautiful states in India, Kerala offers a treasure-trove of natural beautiful to travelers. Visit the tea estates and hills of Munnar and watch some of the most spectacular sights, such as the lakes, wildlife sanctuaries and a walk through the various tea estates. Kumarakom offers a rather charming set up as you board a houseboat and float down the backwaters. Visit the famous Bird Sanctuary and catch glimpses of some of the most exotic birds as they fly past.

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- Experienced and knowledgeable staff
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## Overview

**Dates:** 01 April 2017 – 30 September 2017  
**Interest:** Group – family - couple  
**Level of Comfort:** 3/5  
**Minimum # of passengers:** 2  
**Maximum # of passengers:** 20

## Information about the destination

- **Currency:** Rupee
- **Language:** Tamil or Sinhala
- **Dialing Code:** 94
- **Recommended vaccines:** none
- **Banks & currency exchange:** Currency can be exchanged at major banks, exchange offices or authorized hotels

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#### **Day 1: Arrival – Cochin**

Upon arrival in Cochin, meet and transfer to hotel  
Rest of the day is at leisure for own activities  
Overnight at the hotel

#### **Day 02: Cochin**

In the morning you will proceed for the guided city tour visiting:  
Jew Town, including the Pardesi Synagogue (closed on Fridays & Saturdays); The Mattancherry Palace, known locally as the Dutch Palace; Fort Cochin, reminiscent of European streets and houses; the Chinese Fishing Nets on the northern shore of Fort Cochin; and St Francis Church, near to a typical English village green. A highlight is watching the fishermen working the nets (which operate on a weight system) as the sun is setting  
Afternoon rest in the hotel  
In the evening, you will be taken for one-hour show of Kathakali Dance show- the ancient dance form of Kerala  
Enjoy dinner at local restaurant  
Overnight at the hotel

#### **Day 03: Cochin - Periyar**

Morning drive to Periyar –This is one of the best elephant sanctuaries in India. It also has monkeys, wild boar and sambals.  
Afternoon explore Periyar National Park and Wildlife Sanctuary by boat, cruising the waters of the lake. The park is home to many mammals that come to the shore to drink. These include elephant, bison Gaur, Sambar, Cheetal, Sloth Bear and Wild Dog, plus many species of birds

#### **Day 04: Periyar - Kumarakom**

In the morning, take the road for Kumarakom  
Enroute we will take you on a fascinating and informative visit to several neighboring spice and tea plantation as well as smaller-scale spice gardens whose owners pride themselves on their adaptation of organic farming methods to provide energy for their household needs  
Enjoy lunch in the plantation  
Rest of the day is at leisure for own activities

#### **Day 05: Kumarakom**

Morning is at leisure to enjoy various facilities available at the hotel  
Afternoon head to the shore to board houseboat for a scenic and leisurely backwaters cruise  
Allow yourself to drift away as the beautifully decorated houseboat glides through mangroves and under coconut groves while you feast on traditional Kerala dishes

#### **Day 06: Kumarakom - Kovalam**

Today you will drive to Kovalam. It offers one of the finest beaches of South India and is famous for its authentic Ayurvedic Massages. On the Malabar Coast along the Kerala shoreline is a small village; called Kovalam a sheltered bay endowed with unusual beauty. This natural bay is a safe sea-pool free from high waves and surge  
Rest of the day is at leisure for own activities

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#### Day 07: Kovalam

Day is at leisure to enjoy various facilities available at the hotel

#### Day 08: Trivandrum

Transfer to Trivandrum airport for your departure flight

#### Selected hotels

Nights	Regions	4* Deluxe	5* Standard or similar	5* Deluxe or similar
02	Cochin	Travancore Court	Holiday Inn / Radisson Blu	Crowne Plaza Hotel / Le Meridien
01	Periyar	Cardamom County	The Elephant Court / Poitree Sarovar Portico	Spice Village / Shalimar Spice Garden
02	Kumarakom	Backwaters Ripples	Lakesong Resort	The Zuri Kumarakom / Coconut Lagoon
02	Kovalam	Uday Samudra Beach Resort	Turtle On The Beach / Travancore Heritage	The Leela Kovalam / Vivanta by Taj - Green Cove

#### Prices Include

Round trip ticket to Cochin return from Trivandrum (economy class)  
Round trip transfer: airport – hotel – airport  
7-night accommodation at hotels  
Meals: daily breakfast  
English speaking local guides  
All transfers in air conditioned motor coach  
Full day tour of Cochin city  
Full day tour of Munnar  
Full day visit of Kumarakom bird sanctuary  
Assistance of our representative in India

#### Prices Exclude

Airport taxes  
Fuel surcharge  
DIP surcharge \$5/ticket  
Visa fees  
Travel insurance  
All other expenses

#### Starting price per person in US\$

Category	Triple	Double	Single	Child With Bed
4* hotels	780	815	1275	755
5* Standard	885	915	1440	860
5* Deluxe	1060	1085	1730	1025

- Prices may change without prior notice and subject to availability at time of booking

#### Flight Schedule

From	To	Flight No	Departure	Arrival
Beirut	Muscat	WY 422	01:15	06:40
Muscat	Cochin	WY 223	08:35	13:50

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Trivandrum	Muscat	WY 216	15:30	17:50
Muscat	Beirut	WY 421	20:50	00:25

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