

INDIA

Day 1: JOHANNESBURG

Meet at Johannesburg O.R. Tambo International Airport for your flight to India. Please ensure that you arrive at the airport at least three hours prior to departure

Overnight on board your flight

Day 2: COCHIN

Arrive in India and be welcomed by an assistant and representative. Transfer to hotel and check – in.

Dinner and overnight in Cochin

Day 3: DUTCH PALACE / JEWISH SYNAGOGUE

After breakfast, proceed for a sightseeing tour of Cochin and visit the Dutch Palace, Jewish Synagogue and Chinese fishing Nets. In the afternoon proceed to attend cooking classes followed by lunch. Later in the evening attend Kerala's most popular classical dance performance, Kathakali by local artists. After the dance show, return to hotel.

Dinner and overnight in Cochin

Day 4: TEA MUSEUM / MATTUPETTY LAKE

After breakfast, check out of your accommodation and transfer to Munnar. Visit the Tea Museum and Mattupetty Lake. Surrounded by lush green tea and coffee plantations, Munnar is a hill station situated in the eastern part of Kerala. The town is located at the confluence of three mountain streams—Mudrapuzha, Nallathanni, and Kudala—and is known for its clean, neat, and brightly painted ambience. Munnar is situated near the Anaimudi Peak, the highest peak in the Western Ghats. The hills here are covered with a variety of flowers in bloom.

Dinner and overnight in Munnar

Day 5: TEKKADI / PERIYAR WILDLIFE SANCTUARY / PERIYAR LAKE

After breakfast, check out of your accommodation and drive to Thekkady. Upon arrival at Thekkady, transfer to hotel for check – in. In the afternoon proceed for Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary. Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary is located by the river Periyar, this is the main attraction of Thekkady. Spread over 777 sq km, this sanctuary was declared a Tiger Reserve in 1978. The flora includes over 1965 flowering plants, 171 species of grass, 143 orchid species and the South Indian conifer, Podocarpus Wallichianus. Apart from tigers, the fauna includes wild elephant, gaur, wild boar, Nilgiri Tahr, lion tailed macaque, bonnet macaque, sambar deer, Malabar giant squirrel, flying squirrel, jungle cat, hornbill, stork, woodpecker, kingfisher, sloth bear, raptor, cormorant, grackle, darter, viper, krait, monitor lizards, frogs, toads, cobra, masheer and otter. Periyar Lake is an exotic artificial lake formed by the Mullaperiyar Dam across the Periyar River. It also has a wonderful palace situated in its center. The greatest attraction of the Periyar Lake though, is the herd of wild elephants that come down to play here. One can have the unique experience of viewing wildlife from close quarters within a boat on the lake. In the evening you will return to your hotel.

Dinner and overnight at hotel

Day 6: COOKING CLASS / CANDIDASA / KUTA

After breakfast, check out of your accommodation before you enjoy a morning cooking class followed by lunch for your account. In the afternoon drive to Goa Lawah "The Bat Cave Temple" one of the sacred temples in Bali inhabited by thousands of bats. Visit the old courthouse of Kertagosa with its fascinating ceiling murals. Continue to Kamasan, a village renowned for paintings portraying the consequences of our good and bad deeds. The theme of the paintings has been inspired by old Javanese literary classics namely the Ramayana and Mahabharata epics. The trip continues to your hotel in Kuta.

Dinner and overnight in Kuta



Day 7: THEKKADY / ALLEPPEY

After breakfast, check out of your accommodation and drive to Alleppey. Check in to the house boat. Enjoy the day at leisure in the house boat; enjoy the back water and the view of local villages while you slowly sail towards Komarakom. 'Backwaters' or 'Lagoons' are shallow bodies of water separated from the open sea by land. Because of this separation from the sea, backwaters are free from the pounding action of waves. Backwaters are one of the most alluring and economically valuable features of Kerala. These include lakes and ocean inlets which stretch irregularly along the coast. The biggest backwater is the Vembanad Lake with an area of 260 sq.km.

Dinner and overnight on board the boat

Day 8: ALLEPPEY / TRIVENDRAUM / KOVALAM

In the morning you arrive Alleppey. After breakfast, disembark and drive to Trivendrum. Upon arrival at Trivendrum proceed for a sightseeing tour of city visiting Kuthiramaliga Palace, Padmanabhapuram Temple, Chitra Art Gallery and Napier Museum. Later in the evening drive to Kovalam and check in to your accommodation.

Dinner and overnight in Kovalam

Day 9: KOVALAM

After breakfast, enjoy the day at leisure at the beach. Kovalam is an internationally renowned beach with three adjacent crescent beaches. It has been a favorite haunt of tourists, especially Europeans, since the 1930s. A massive rocky promontory on the beach has created a beautiful bay of calm waters ideal for sea bathing.

Dinner and overnight in Kovalam

Day 10: KOVALAM

After breakfast, enjoy the day at leisure in Kovalam.

Dinner and overnight in Kovalam

Day 10: KOVALAM / COCHIN

After breakfast, check out of your accommodation and drive to Cochin. Enjoy some leisure time for shopping or sight-seeing. In the early evening transfer to the Airport for your flight to Johannesburg.

Dinner onboard your flight

Day 9: JOHANNESBURG

Arrive at O.R. Tambo International Airport

