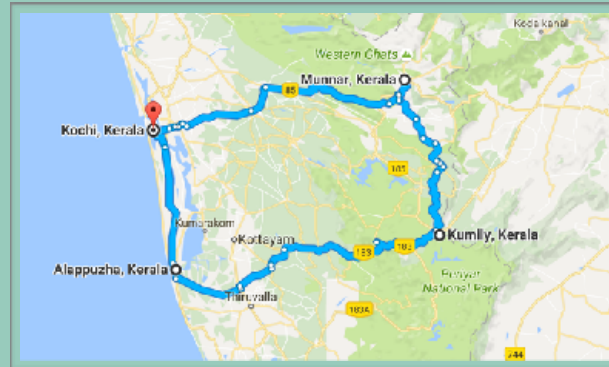


TERMS & CONDITIONS

- The above package is only an offer and not a confirmation. We shall proceed with your booking only after we receive your confirmation, advance and on availability of hotels mentioned.
- Your accommodation is selected as per your preference and budget.
- We do not have any hidden charges.
- Any extra bed, breakfast, lunch, dinner or extra adult or kid above 5 years which is not included in the package have to be paid directly by guest, as per hotel policy.
- Optional morning (an hour of) Yoga session can be included, upon request.
- Eravikulam National Park, Munnar will be closed for 3 months in a year based upon the breeding period of the goats (Nilgiri Tahr).
- In Munnar, Thekkady, rooms will not have air conditioner, since these are cold regions.
- Package needs to be confirmed with full payment.
- In case of any unexpected strike, we will make alternative arrangements and expenses incurred due to the same is not included in the package.
- In air conditioned Deluxe & air conditioned Super Deluxe category Houseboat, air conditioners will be operational from 2100 hrs to 0600 hrs.
- Early check-in or late check-out is subject to availability and the hotel may charge extra for the same.
- The above rates are just quote. Hotels may change at the time of booking, if non available.
- For more information on the terms and condition, contact Trip Alfresco.



INCLUSIONS

Sightseeing.

Guide charges.

Accommodation using 1 standard room in above mentioned hotels or similar standard with all meals.

Driver fees, toll, parking.

Houseboat ride with all meals are included.

Same driver will be there with you for the entire trip.

Chef charges for cooking class.

Cultural program entrance fees.

EXCLUSIONS

14.5% service tax

Adventure Activities / Entrance fees



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SPICE TOUR

KOCHI * ALLEPPEY * MARARI * THEKKADY * MUNNAR



6 days and 5 nights of a wonderful experience of a coastal town, serene beaches, backwaters and lush green mountains. In addition, we introduce you to the ancient Indian cultures and traditions, explore you through the world of spice.





HOTELS

Kochi

Vivanta by Taj Malabar, Le Meridien Kochi, Brunton Boatyard, Eighth Bastian, Beach Gate Bungalow, Neemrana's Le Colonial, Neemrana's The Tower House

Marari

Carnoustie, The Marari Beach, Hotel Abad Marari

Kumily, Thekkady

Spice Village

Munnar

Seven Springs, Spring Valley Plantation Resort

Kerala -- an ancient state that has been influenced from several civilisations, including the latest by Dutch, Portuguese and British, who sailed ashore in the sense, richness and taste of spice, that Arabs secretly traded earlier. As one of the major trading port for spice traders, *Keralites* have long been acquired several religions, cultures and traditions, which can be seen by the relics of old buildings, churches and people. It is a land of contrasts, of backwaters and spice markets, teas estates and isolated beaches. Visit God's own Country and marvel at the wonder that is India.

On this trip, you will travel from Cochin to Alleppey, float on a houseboat. Enjoy the solitude on the beaches of Marari, indulge in local cuisine or that relaxing Ayurvedic massage. Feel the mountainous chill heading towards Thekkady, take a walk in the Spice plantations, a jungle safari in the wee hours of the morning. How about some tea tasting, straight from the tea plantations of Munnar? Come, get pampered and explore Kerala with us.



DAY 1: KOCHI (COCHIN)

Start the day with typical south Indian breakfast, Our expert guide will take you on a heritage walk through Fort Cochin & Mattancherry by Rickshaw (tour duration is 4 hours). He will brief you through the history of this age old town with walks to through the old quarter of Fort Kochi - you will see St Francis Church, Santa Cruz Basilica, the famous Chinese fishing nets, local beach and some of the stately homes in this area. Take a rickshaw ride from Fort Kochi to Mattancherry. Visit the Matancherry Palace, Paradesi Synagogue and walk through Jew Town. The tour ends at a café for a wholesome lunch.

As an optional post lunch activity, visit the Kathakali centre for a cultural dose for an enthralling performance of Kalaripayattu (martial arts from Kerala), followed by a session with the artists while they make-up for their Kathakali dance performance.

As another optional activity, a special cooking session by our host chef will acquaint cooking local delicacies with fresh, local spices.

In case of no optional activities, tourists would be served a sumptuous dinner at the hotel after their free evening. Overnight in Cochin.

DAY 2: ALLEPPEY

After a good breakfast, a 2-hours drive to Alleppey will get you to the Venice of the South. Our guide will show you some prominent sights of the town, and make you taste some local cuisine for lunch. Post lunch, check into a houseboat. Cruise through the backwaters, villages by the banks with green paddy fields and vegetations of coconut palms, and many scenic catch a glimpse of the life of the locals. Spend a lovely night, with sounds of water and sight of the stars above in a houseboat.



DAY 3: MARARI BEACH

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast onboard, and then disembark for a half hour drive from Alleppey to Marari, a beach paradise. Soak up the sun, lie down and relax after checking in to the cosy resort hotel. Enjoy an Ayurvedic massage or explore the place walking around. Have some cocktails before dinner, and then retire for the night.

DAY 4: KUMILY, THEKKADY

Start the day early to 4 hours drive to the foothills of Kumily, in the Thekkady spice region. Check into the hotel nestled inside the spice plantations and the surrounding thick forest. Enjoy a fresh and magnificent lunch with vegetables and produce, grown locally. Explore the spice plantations and interact with farmers. Take an optional adventure activity of Bamboo rafting and elephant ride.



DAY 5: MUNNAR

Wake up fresh and early in the misty mountain air for a jungle safari, enjoy nature walk in Periyar and anticipate to spot some animals in their natural habitat. Return to hotel for breakfast and drive, four hours, through the western ghats, to reach our second hill station of Munnar. Lunch en-route. We check in to a hotel, by afternoon or early evening, followed by an optional cultural evening and a warm welcome with a masala chai, a local speciality. Spend overnight cozying up in Munnar chill.

DAY 6: EN ROUTE COCHIN

Breakfast and head out to explore a few locals tea estates, enjoy tea tasting and pick up some souvenirs. Post lunch we depart, driving approximately 3 hours, for Cochin Airport. We bid farewell and hope to see you again.