

4 Nights and 5 Days visiting Cochin – Periyar – Alleppey (Houseboat) – Kovalam



DAYS & PROGRAMME

Day 01 : ARRIVE COCHIN

Meeting and assistance on arrival and check-in at the hotel. Afternoon sightseeing of Cochin includes Jew Synagogue, Dutch Palace, St. Francis Church, Chinese fishing net etc. Overnight at Hotel.

The commercial capital and most cosmopolitan city of Kerala is Cochin (Kochi), is also known as Queen of Arabian Sea. It is one of the finest natural harbours of the world, this was once a major center of commerce and trade with British, Arabs, Chinese, Portuguesees, Dutch etc..

Day 02 : COCHIN –PERIYAR BY SURFACE (170 KMS)

After breakfast drive to Periyar and check in at Hotel. Evening boat ride on Lake Periyar to watch animals in their natural habitat. Overnight at hotel.

Periyar is South India's most popular wildlife sanctuary spread across 777sq.km. in the picturesque rainforests of the Western Ghats. The sanctuary was set up in 1934 and forms part of the Western Ghats, mountain range. Cruising on Lake Periyar, you are likely to see animals like wild boars, sambars, wild dogs, langur monkeys and wild elephants

Day 03 : PERIYAR – ALLEPPEY (HOUSEBOAT) BY SURFACE (170 KMS).

Early morning depart for Alleppey. In the afternoon proceed to check into the houseboat. The houseboat will be your home today. Lunch is on board the houseboat. Overnight aboard the houseboat.

A cruise along the palm-fringed waterways of Kerala in a luxury houseboat is the most enchanting holiday experience in India today. A Houseboat will accommodate two people plus a crew of three, including a captain and a cook. The bedroom is private and the bathroom modern, with showers, flush toilets and hot water. Check in is at noon and the cruise starts. Lunch is aboard the houseboat. Any special meals (like north Indian or food without spice, coconut oil etc) has to be informed in advance. The cruise covers the beautiful rivers and canals with palm trees and small houses near to it, village paddy fields, churches, etc. While cruising, you can observe the rural life of the villages on the banks of the canals. At 1800 hrs the houseboat will anchor till next morning at 06.00am (so as not to disturb the local fishing industry). AC is switched on only during sleep time. Next morning check out after breakfast by 09.00 am.

Day 04 : ALLEPPEY – KOVALAM BY SURFACE (150 KMS)

Morning drive to Kovalam and check - in the hotel. Rest of the day at leisure. Overnight at the hotel.

Kovalam (16 Kms from Trivandrum city) this international beach has been the favourite haunt of tourist since 1930's. Kovalam consists of three adjacent crescent beaches, the southernmost, known as lighthouse beach is the most popular. This most renowned beach destination is much sought after for sunbathing, water sports, shopping, catamaran cruising, yoga, meditation and rejuvenate Ayurvedic body toning massages.

Day 05 : KOVALAM – TRIVANDRUM AIRPORT DROP

After breakfast drop to Trivandrum airport

Price \$ 500 or Euro 400 per person

Includes:

- Accommodation for 4 nights in 3 star hotels
- Breakfast except on Houseboat it is on full board
- Transfers and sightseeing by AC deluxe coach as per itinerary
- English speaking guide during sightseeing
- Entrance fees to monuments

Excludes:

- Meals other than breakfast
- Tips, telephone calls, portage, beverages, joy rides except for those mentioned above