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FLIGHTS

| SECTOR | DATE | NUMBER | AIRLINE / TRAIN | <u>TIMING</u> |
|-------------------|------------|----------|-----------------|----------------|
| JAIPUR – MUMBAI | 15 Nov Thu | AI - 612 | Air-India | 1330 / 1510 |
| MUMBAI – COCHIN | | AI - 681 | | 1700 / 1905 |
| KOTTAYAM - MARGAO | 23 Nov Sat | 16312 | Bikaner Express | 1830 / 1130 +1 |
| GOA - **** | 29 Nov Fri | ** _ *** | ****** | **** / **** |



Date & Day Time Programme

15 Nov Thu **ARRIVE COCHIN**

Arrive Cochin (Kochi) & Transfer to the hotel Overnight at the hotel

16 Nov Sat **COCHIN VISIT**

Breakfast at the hotel

Today visit the important places including Fort Cochin, Dutch Palace (closed on Fridays), Jewish Synagogue (closed on Fri & Sat, so can't see from inside), St. Francis Church and finish off at the Chinese Fishing nets

Evening see the Kathakali dance drama for an hour

Overnight at the hotel



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17 Nov Sun COCHIN VISIT – MUNNAR (135 km / 4 & half hrs)

Breakfast at the hotel

Thence Transfer by road to Munnar famous for its manicured tea gardens, cooler climate and the Nilgiti Tahr (species of goat). On the way visit Cheyyara waterfalls, Valara waterfalls and, a spice plantation (subject to leaving from Cochin not too late)

Overnight at the hotel

18 Nov Mon MUNNAR VISIT

Breakfast at the hotel

Today visit Eravikulam national park (Raja Malai), Mattupetty dam, tea estates, eco point, spice plantation (if did not see yesterday), rose

garden, photo point, honey bee tree, Tata Tea Museum (closed on Mondays), Blossom

park, Kundale dam and Top Station

Overnight at the hotel

19 Nov Tue MUNNAR - PERIYAR (115 km / 3 hrs)

Breakfast at the hotel

PM Transfer by road to Periyar. Enjoy the scenic beauty en route

> Sightseeing destinations in Thekkady include Periyar wild life sanctuary where you can see wild elephant, boar, deer, the great Indian tiger and more (chances of sighting tiger is very less, but seeing other animals is most likely). Late afternoon take a boat cruise in the lake and experience the wilderness. Optional: Avail of the excellent Ayurvedic massage facility available at the hotel or nearby

Evening enjoy watching martial arts of Kerala called Kalaripayattu

Overnight at the hotel

20 Nov Wed PERIYAR - ALLEPPEY (160 km / 4 hrs) - BACKWATERS

Breakfast at the hotel

Early Transfer to Alleppey – "The Gateway to the Backwaters" to board the houseboat

1200 Board the houseboat, have Lunch and Cruise along the canals and the scenic lake, knock at your creative faculties and wake up the hidden poet or painter in you!



Continue cruising until about 5 pm. Later anchor at a quiet location in the backwaters

Dinner & Overnight at the houseboat



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21 Nov Thu HOUSEBOAT at Backwaters - KUMARAKOM

Breakfast at the houseboat

0900 Get down at the finishing point and Transfer to the hotel at Kumarakom, situated at the Vembanad lake

> Rest of the day relax at the hotel. Enjoy the most scenic sunset in the lake

Overnight at the hotel



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21 Nov Thu **KUMARAKOM**

Breakfast at the hotel

This morning you can go to visit the Kumarakom bird sanctuary, hotel will assist you organize if keen

Rest of the day relax at the hotel

Go for fishing if interested, contact the hotel directly, they will assist you

Overnight at the hotel

23 Nov Sat KUMARAKOM - KOTTAYAM (45 min?) - TRAIN TO GOA

Breakfast at the hotel

First half is free to relax. Late afternoon transfer to Kottayam station for the train to Goa 1830 Departure by Bikaner Express (you can order dinner on train or else get it packed from hotel)

Overnight on board the train

24 Nov Sun ARRIVE MADGAON

Breakfast on board the train (pay directly)

1130 Arrive at Madgaon station and Transfer to the hotel

Overnight at the hotel

HERE YOU HAVE A BEACH STAY FOR 5 NIGHTS UNTIL 29 NOV WHEN WE SHALL DROP YOU BACK TO THE AIRPORT FOR ONWARD FLIGHT

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Per Person on Double / Twin Occupancy Basis: INR 44500 Per Person*

* Based on minimum 3 people travelling together

Supplement for Third Person using a Single Room: INR 26500 Per Person (add to the price above)

Rates are Inclusive of:

- 1) Room on Twin Sharing on Bed & Breakfast basis for a total of 14 nights at the given hotels including one night in the train, however, stay on the houseboat includes all meals, snacks, etc. AC of houseboat is included only for night for sleeping
- 2) Train Ticket in Sleeper Class (Non AC) for Kottayam Madgaon
- 3) All transport for transfers and sightseeing by Air-Conditioned Toyota Innova Car (includes parking, toll tax, interstate tax, fuel, driver's stay & meals, etc). However, no car is foreseen while staying at Kumarakom or houseboat as not needed either. In Goa only two way transfers
- 4) Services of Local English speaking guide for various sightseeing and assistance by local rep
- 5) All entrance fees for the sights visited + boat ride at Periyar lake
- 6) Kathakali dance drama in Cochin and Kalaripayattu martial arts show in Periyar
- 7) All state luxury tax and the service tax as being charged by the government
- 8) Printed itinerary, maps and colourful pre-stamped picture postcards for each member

Rates however do not include:

- 1) Any items of personal nature such as tips, beverages, laundry and telephone calls, etc
- 2) Any meals apart from the ones mentioned in the programme
- 3) Any international air fare or visa fees

