

Hills and Wildlife of Kerala

7 Nights / 8 Days

1N Cochin – 3N Munnar – 2N Thekkady – 1N Kumarakom

PACKAGE HIGHLIGHTS:

- In Cochin, Kathakali Dance, Mattancherry palace & Jewish Synagogue
- Trip to Eravikulam National Park, Tea Plantation & Museum, Munnar
- In Thekkady, boating on Periyar Lake and Kalari Show
- Optional Boat-ride in Vembanand Lake, Kumarakom
- Services of English-speaking guide during sightseeing tours
- Assistance at airport and sightseeing tours by private air-conditioned vehicle
- Start and End in Cochin

ITINERARY:

Day 01 Arrival in Cochin

Meet our representative upon arrival in Cochin and drive towards hotel to check-in. Enjoy city tour covering Mattancherry Palace- gifted to the king of Cochin, by Portuguese in 1555, about 500 year old Jewish Synagogue, Chinese fishing nets, local spices market followed by colorful performing art – Kathakali Dance. Later in the evening, return to the hotel for overnight stay.

Day 02 Drive from Cochin to Munnar (120 km/approx. 4.5 hours)

After breakfast, drive to Munnar - derived its name from the confluence of the three rivers around which the town grew. Today, it offers beautiful vistas, cardamom and spice plantations, aromatic oil factories, sights of several endangered species and the purple-blue of the Neelakurinji flowers that bloom every 12 years. Upon arrival, check-in at the hotel and spend evening at leisure. Dinner and overnight stay at the hotel.

Day 03 Sightseeing in Munnar

Explore Eravikulam National Park, home to various elusive and endangered species. It is a great place to enjoy trekking and offers mind-blowing views of the tea plantations. Later, proceed towards Tea Museum (closed on Monday), which gives an insight to the history of tea plantations of this region. Later visit Mattupetty Dam, Eco Point and Flower Garden. Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight stay.

Day 04 Leisure in Munnar

After breakfast, enjoy full day at leisure in Munnar. Overnight stay in Munnar.

Day 05 Munnar – Thekkady (90 kms / approx. 2.5 hours)

After breakfast, drive to Thekkady (Periyar) and on arrival check-in at the hotel. Thekkady is synonymous to uninterrupted hills, rich biodiversity and spice plantations. The place is best known for the Periyar National Park. In the afternoon, proceed for boat-ride at Periyar Lake, and in evening watch traditional Kalari show. Return to the hotel for overnight stay.

Day 06 Leisure in Thekkady

After breakfast, enjoy full day at leisure in Thekkady. Alternatively, you may explore Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary independently. Overnight stay in Thekkady.

Day 07: Drive from Thekkady – Kumarakom (120 kms / approx. 3 hour)

After breakfast, check-out and proceed to Kumarakom - a charming emerald peninsula jutting into the picturesque Vembanad Lake dotted with innumerable traditional country rafts, boats and canoes. The fresh

water of the lake flows into the mainland, making a labyrinth of lagoons, canals and waterways. Enjoy a boat ride in Vembanad Lake (Optional). Overnight at the backwater resort.

Day 08 Departure from Cochin

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Cochin airport for return flight back home.

End of Services.

HOTELS OFFERED:

City	Nights	Category A	Category B	Category C	Meal Plan
Cochin	1	Radisson Blu	Olive Downtown	Cochin Palace	CP
Munnar	3	Tea County KTDC	Grand Plaza	Spice County Resorts	CP
Thekkady	2	The Elephant Court	Citrus Wild Corridor	Peppervine	CP
Kumarakom	1	Aveda Kumarakom Resort	Eastend Lake song	Manor Backwaters	CP

PACKAGE COST	Category A	Category B	Category C
Cost Per Person when 2 Pax Travelling	INR 31650	INR 25975	INR 22260
Cost Per Person when 4 Pax Travelling	INR 26510	INR 20830	INR 17130
Cost for Extra Adult / Child with Bed	INR 13985	INR 10223	INR 8515

PACKAGE INCLUSIONS:

- 7 night accommodation in well-appointed rooms as mentioned above hotels or equivalent
- Kathakali Show in Cochin
- Kalari Show in Thekkady
- Boat-ride in Periyar Lake
- Services of English-speaking guide during sightseeing tours in Kochi & Munnar
- Entry Fee at the Monuments
- Assistance at the airport
- Sightseeing as per itinerary by private tourist vehicle
- Drivers allowances, toll taxes and Govt. Service Tax

PACAKAGE EXCLUSIONS:

- Air tickets and airport taxes
- Boat-ride in Vembanand Lake, Kumarakom
- Items of personal nature like laundry, phone calls, tips to guides / drivers etc.
- Camera / Video camera fees applicable at monuments

NOTE:

- Monument Closed on
- Kochi - Jewish Synagogue will be closed on Friday/Saturday/Jewish Holidays
- Kochi - Mattanchery Palace will be closed on Friday
- Munnar - Eravikulam National Park will be closed in the month of February & March
- Munnar - Tata Tea Museum will be closed on Monday
- Hotel Check in 1400hrs and check out 1200hrs