Paradise Unveiled: 7 Nights in Kerala

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Embark on a mesmerizing 7-night journey through Kerala, known as God's Own Country. Experience the serene backwaters of Alleppey, the lush green tea gardens of Munnar, the exotic wildlife of Thekkady, and the golden beaches of Kovalam. Immerse yourself in Kerala's rich culture, indulge in local flavors, and unwind amidst breathtaking landscapes. Perfect for nature lovers and cultural explorers!

Tour Facts

Group Size:

20

Duration:

8

Language:

Hindi, English

Tour Type:

fixed

Tour Itinerary

Day 1: Arrival in Kochi & Sightseeing



• **Morning**: Arrive at Kochi airport/railway station and check in to your pre-decided hotel. Relax and freshen up after your journey.

- **Afternoon**: Begin your sightseeing tour of the historic Fort Kochi area:
 - Jewish Synagogue (Pardesi Synagogue): The oldest active synagogue in the Commonwealth
 of Nations, famous for its stunning antique interiors and a peaceful ambiance. It remains
 closed on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, and Jewish holidays.
 - **Jew Town**: Just outside the synagogue, explore this vibrant marketplace filled with shops selling Indian and Chinese antiques.
 - **St. Francis Church**: A significant historical site where Vasco da Gama's body was initially buried
 - **Dutch Palace (Mattanchery Palace)**: Built by the Portuguese, this palace is an excellent example of Kerala-style architecture and features intricate murals.
 - Santa Cruz Basilica: One of the most impressive basilicas in Kerala, named after the Portuguese Santa Cruz.
 - Chinese Fishing Nets: Get the best view of these iconic nets from Vasco da Gama Square.
- **Evening**: Enjoy the peaceful ambiance of the Fort Kochi area and unwind with a beautiful sunset.
- Night: Return to your hotel for a restful night's stay.

Meal Included: Dinner

Extra Cost: Airport/railway pickup, entry charges for attractions.

This day provides an introduction to Kochi's rich history, architecture, and culture, offering a great start to your Kerala journey.

Day 2: Kochi to Munnar (approximately 130 km)



• Morning: After a delicious breakfast, check out from your hotel and start your journey to Munnar, a charming hill station located 1,600 meters above sea level. This picturesque destination was once the summer retreat of the British government in South India. Along the way, enjoy the

breathtaking views of waterfalls and other scenic spots, perfect for photography and relaxation.

- Afternoon: Arrive in Munnar and check in to your hotel. After settling in, you may visit one of the **Spice Gardens** to learn about Kerala's rich spice cultivation and enjoy the aromatic experience. This is an ideal stop for nature lovers and those interested in the region's agriculture.
- Meal Included: Breakfast and Dinner
- Place of Lunch: Anachal
- Extra Cost: Entry charges for the Spice Garden and Tea Museum (optional visits).

Munnar's cool climate and stunning tea plantations make it an ideal place to unwind, while the journey itself offers scenic beauty along the way.

Duration **5 Hours**

Day 3: Munnar Sightseeing



Morning: After breakfast, start your day with a visit to
 Eravikulam National Park, home to the endangered Nilgiri Tahr.
 The park offers stunning views of rolling hills, grasslands, and wildlife, providing the perfect opportunity to spot these rare animals in their natural habitat. Eravikulam National Park is also known for its tea plantations and the Anamudi Peak, the

highest in South India.

- Afternoon: Return to Munnar town for lunch. Several restaurants offer local Kerala cuisine, with
 Saravana Bhavan and Sree Mahaveer Restaurant being popular for their delicious vegetarian
 meals. After lunch, head to Mattupetty Dam to enjoy its serene surroundings. You can also enjoy a
 boat ride on the dam's reservoir, taking in the tranquil beauty of the area. A short drive from the
 dam is Kundala Lake, where you can enjoy pedal boating or row boating. Nearby, the Kundala
 Dam is another picturesque spot worth visiting.
- Evening: End your day with a visit to Echo Point, famous for its natural echo phenomenon. The peaceful lake and surrounding greenery make it a great spot to unwind. If time permits, explore the local market in Munnar town for souvenirs, including local spices, tea, and handmade crafts.
- Night: Return to your hotel for an overnight stay.

Meal Included: Breakfast and Dinner

Place of Lunch: Munnar

Extra Cost: Eravikulam National Park entry charge.

This day offers an excellent mix of wildlife, scenic beauty, and local culture, giving you a memorable experience of Munnar's natural charm.

Day 4: Munnar to Kumarakom (150 km)



- Morning: After breakfast, check out from your hotel in Munnar and begin your scenic drive to Kumarakom (approximately 150 km, 4-5 hours). On arrival, check in to your resort and take some time to relax.
- Afternoon: After rest, head out for a **Shikara ride** on the backwaters of **Vembanad Lake**. The backwaters stretch across 900 sq. km and offer breathtaking views of Kerala's serene landscape, with lush greenery, houseboats, and calm waters. This 4-5 hour ride is a peaceful way to experience the natural beauty of Kumarakom.
- **Evening**: Enjoy a peaceful evening at your resort, soaking in the tranquil atmosphere of Kumarakom.
- Night: Overnight stay at the resort in Kumarakom.

Meal Included: Breakfast and Dinner Place of Lunch: Anywhere on the way

This day offers a relaxing and scenic experience with the unique beauty of Kerala's backwaters, making it the perfect way to unwind after the previous day's adventures.

Duration

5 Hours

Day 5: Kumarakom to Munroe Island (100 km)



Morning: After breakfast, check out from your hotel and begin
your drive to Munroe Island (approximately 100 km, 3-4 hours).
 Munroe Island, also known as Munrothuruthu, is a beautiful and
serene destination located at the confluence of Ashtamudi Lake
and the Kallada River in Kerala. The island is famous for its

tranquil backwaters, lush green landscapes, and peaceful atmosphere, making it a perfect retreat away from city life.

- Afternoon: Upon arrival at Munroe Island, check in to your hotel and take some time to relax. Afterward, embark on a canoe boating tour through the narrow canals and backwaters of the island. This leisurely boat ride, lasting 2-3 hours, allows you to explore the island's natural beauty and observe the local way of life. The lush greenery, quiet waterways, and traditional Kerala village life will provide a peaceful and unique experience.
- **Evening**: Return to your hotel and unwind after a fulfilling day of exploring Munroe Island.
- **Night**: Overnight stay at the hotel in Munroe Island.

Meal Included: Breakfast and Dinner Place of Lunch: Anywhere on the way

This day offers a deeper connection with nature and local culture, giving you the opportunity to experience Kerala's rural beauty and tranquil backwaters.

Duration

4 Hours

Day 6: Munroe Island to Kanyakumari via Jatayu Park (180 km)



Morning: After breakfast, check out from your hotel and start
your journey to Kanyakumari (approximately 180 km, 5-6
hours). On the way, make a stop at Jatayu Park, an eco-tourism
project located on the Jatayu Earth's Center. The park is famous
for the Jatayu Earth Center, dedicated to the mythical bird

Jatayu from the Ramayana, and features an enormous sculpture and a cable car ride offering panoramic views. (Entry charges extra.)

- Afternoon: Continue your drive to Kanyakumari. Upon arrival, check in to your hotel and take some rest.
- **Evening**: After lunch, proceed for a local sightseeing tour:
 - **Vivekananda Rock Memorial**: A revered spiritual site built in honor of **Swami Vivekananda**, showcasing excellent architectural design. The memorial sits on a rocky island surrounded by the sea, offering peaceful vibes and stunning views.
 - Devi Kanyakumari Temple: Also known as the Kumari Amman Temple, this sacred temple is more than 3,000 years old and is dedicated to the goddess Kanyakumari. It is one of the most significant pilgrimage sites in India.
 - Triveni Sangamam: The sacred confluence of the Arabian Sea, Bay of Bengal, and Indian Ocean. It is a spot of spiritual significance, and many visitors take a dip in the waters for purification.
- **Evening**: Enjoy the **sunset** at the tip of India, where the three seas meet. This is a highlight of the Kanyakumari experience, known for its breathtaking view.
- **Night**: Return to your hotel for an overnight stay.

Meal Included: Breakfast and Dinner

Place of Lunch: Trivandrum

Extra Cost: Jatayu Park and Vivekananda Rock Memorial entry charges.

This day combines spiritual experiences, architectural marvels, and natural beauty, culminating in a spectacular sunset at the southernmost tip of India.

Duration

6 Hours

Day 7: Kanyakumari to Kovalam (80 km)



• Early Morning: Begin your day with a sunrise over the Bay of Bengal—a mesmerizing sight, especially from the southernmost point of India. It's the perfect way to witness the first rays of the sun and experience the serene beauty of the coastal waters.

- Morning: After breakfast, check out from your hotel and start your journey to Kovalam (approximately 80 km, 2-3 hours). Kovalam is one of the most popular beach destinations in India, known for its golden beaches, clear waters, and laid-back atmosphere.
- **Afternoon**: Upon arrival in Kovalam, check in to your hotel and take some time to relax. Kovalam beach is divided into three main beaches:
 - Samudra Beach: A peaceful beach, less crowded, ideal for a quiet time.
 - **Hawa Beach**: Known for its scenic beauty and calmer waters.
 - **Lighthouse Beach**: The most famous beach in Kovalam, with a towering lighthouse offering panoramic views of the coastline.

If time permits, visit the **Sagarika Marine Research Aquarium**, located nearby. Here, you can explore the fascinating marine life and unravel the mysteries of the sea. (**Entry charge extra**.)

- Evening: Spend your evening at Kovalam Beach. You can relax by the shore, take a swim, or simply enjoy a stunning sunset. The peaceful ambiance and the view of the setting sun over the Arabian Sea make it a perfect end to your day.
- **Night**: Return to your hotel for an overnight stay.

Meal Included: Breakfast and Dinner

Place of Lunch: Kovalam

Extra Cost: Sagarika Marine Research Aquarium entry charge.

This day is all about enjoying the beauty of Kerala's coast, with relaxing moments at Kovalam's famous beaches and a chance to experience the local marine life.

Duration

3 Hours

Day 8: Kovalam to Trivandrum Drop (15 km)



• Morning: After breakfast, check out from your hotel and start your short journey to **Trivandrum** (approximately **15 km**, 30 minutes drive). The cab will drop you at **Padmanabhaswami Temple**, one of the most revered temples in India, dedicated to Lord Vishnu. You can visit the temple as per the temple's timings and explore its architectural grandeur and spiritual

ambiance.

• **Trip Ends**: After your visit to the temple, the trip concludes. You may choose to continue to the airport or railway station, and if required, the cab can drop you there at an additional cost.

Meal Included: Breakfast

Extra Cost: Temple to Airport/Railway Station drop (if applicable).

This marks the end of your 7-night journey through Kerala, filled with memorable experiences from the backwaters to the beaches, and the cultural richness of temples and natural beauty.

Duration

30 Minutes