

SOUTH INDIA WITH KERALA – 18 DAYS

Depart Date: 14/09/2024, 11/11/2024

Return Date: 27/09/2024, 24/11/2024

Itinerary:

Day 1: London to Cochin:

Take a flight from London Heathrow airport to Cochin

Day 2: Arrival Cochin:

Arrival at Cochin airport. Pickup and private transfer to hotel. Check-in at hotel. Overnight stay.

Day 3: Cochin Sightseeing to Munnar:

After breakfast check out from the hotel. Enjoy Cochin Sightseeing - Sightseeing attractions in Cochin include Dutch Palace, Jewish Synagogue, Jewish Street, St. Francis Church and Chinese Fishing Nets. (No Entrance included). Later proceed to Munnar. Arrival at Munnar, Check-in at hotel. Overnight stay.

Day 4: Munnar Sightseeing:

After breakfast spend the day with local sightseeing. Situated at the confluence of three mountain streams - Mudrapuzha, Nallathanni and Kundale, Munnar is 1600m above sea level. This majestic hill station was once the summer resort of the British government in South India. Local sightseeing of Munnar includes visit to Mattupetty Dam, Kundale Lake and Echo point. Afternoon proceed to Rajamalai where the rarest species of mountain goat, "Nilgiri Thars" can be spotted. Overnight stay.



Day 5: Munnar – Thekkady:

After breakfast check out from the hotel and proceed to Thekkady, check into the hotel. Proceed for a sightseeing tour of Thekkady - one of the world's most fascinating wildlife reserves. The Periyar wildlife sanctuary in Thekkady is spread across 777 sq km of which 360 sq km is thick evergreen forest. Noted for its geomorphology, diversity of wild life and scenic beauty, the sanctuary was declared a Tiger Reserve in 1978. Proceed for Boating at Periyar Lake, Spice Plantation visit, and Elephant Ride. Overnight stay in Thekkady.

Day 6: Thekkady – Kumarakom:

After breakfast, check-out from hotel and proceed to Kumarakom. On arrival at check into the hotel. Overnight stay.

Day 7: Kumarakom Sightseeing:

After breakfast, Proceed for Sightseeing in Kumarakom a tiny backwater hamlet perched on the western banks of the Vembanadu Lake. The stretch of backwater is spread over 900 sq. km. Cruise on a houseboat and devour the beauty of this backwater paradise at its best. Overnight stay.

Day 8: Kumarakom – Kovalam / Trivandrum:

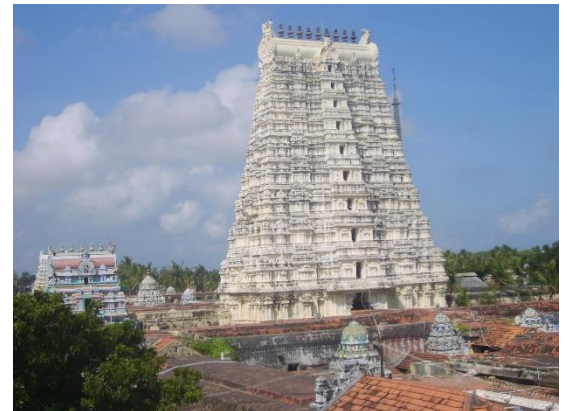
After breakfast, check out from the hotel and proceed to Kovalam. Upon arrival, check into hotel. This beach town ranked high among international tourists, an ideal destination to feel the tropical sun. Water enthusiasts have a lot of beach activities to indulge in like - kayaking, swimming, surfing and skiing. Occasionally walk into some of the certified massaging centres alongside the beach and pamper yourself with an exotic herbal, body- toning massage. Overnight stay.

Day 9: Kovalam / Trivandrum – Kanyakumari:

After breakfast, check-out from hotel and proceed to Kanyakumari (80 km) on arrival check into Hotel. Proceed for local sightseeing tour in the afternoon. Kanyakumari is located at the southern tip of the Indian subcontinent and represents the site where the spiritual leader Swami Vivekananda spent days in meditation upon a rock by the coast. Padmanbhapuram Palace, Suchithram Temple, Devi Kanyakumari Temple, Vivekananda Memorial, Gandhidham and Trivenisagam are some of the sightseeing attractions in Kanyakumari. Overnight stay.

Day 10: Kanyakumari – Rameshwaram:

After breakfast, Check-out from hotel and proceed to Rameshwaram. The temple here is highly famous among Hindu pilgrims all around the globe. Your itinerary here will also include other places of attraction in and around this temple town. Overnight stay.

**Day 11: Rameshwaram – Madurai - Kodaikanal:**

After breakfast, Check-out from hotel and proceed to Kodaikanal and on the way visit world famous Meenakshi Temple Madurai. On arrival at Kodaikanal check in to hotel. Overnight stay.

Day 12: Kodaikanal Sightseeing:

After breakfast we will leave for Kodaikanal Sightseeing, the palace covered in greenery and the view it offers is spectacular. Visit the pillar Rock and the Coakers Walk. later you can enjoy

Chettior Park, Shenbaganur Museum, Bryant Park and Kodaikanal Lake. Evening back to hotel. Overnight stay.

Day 13: Kodaikanal – Ooty:

After breakfast check-out from the hotel and drive to Ooty; upon arrival check-in into hotel. Evening is at your disposal to enjoy at leisure. Overnight stay.

Day 14: Ooty Sightseeing, Conoor Toy Train:

After breakfast proceed for a local sightseeing tour of Ooty. The beautiful hill station is located on the Blue Mountains (Nilgiris) at an altitude of 2240m above MSL. Known as the 'Queen of Hill Stations' it was once a favourite summer retreat of the Govt. of Madras. The landscape here is dotted with vast expanses of tea gardens, dense forests, sprawling grasslands and lofty mountains. Places of tourist interest include the Botanical Gardens, Centenary Rose Park, Rose Garden, Lake, Government Museum, Deer Park and Doddabetta. Enjoy Conoor toy train ride. Overnight stay.



Day 15: Ooty – Mysore:

After breakfast check-out from the hotel and drive to Mysore; on arrival check-in to hotel. Afternoon, proceed for a local sightseeing tour of Mysore, a calm and serene city, lies at a distance of 139 km from Bangalore. The city was the imperial capital of the erstwhile Mysore kingdom ruled by the Wodeyar dynasty. Places of tourist interest include the Mysore Palace, Chamarajendra Art Gallery, Mysore Zoo Gardens, St. Philomena's Church, Temples, Chamundi Hills, Brindavan Gardens and Bylakuppa. Overnight stay.

Day 16: Mysore- Sravanabalagola – Bangalore:

After an early breakfast proceed to Sravanabalagola. Visit Gomateshvara temple. Later proceed to Bangalore. Overnight stay.

Day 17: Bangalore Sightseeing:

After breakfast proceed for a local sightseeing tour of Bangalore City, the capital of Karnataka, is known popularly as the city of Gardens. The city is today the Silicon Valley of India apart from being the principal administrative, commercial and industrial hub of Karnataka State. It lies at an altitude of 920m above MSL. The present day Bangalore City was founded by Kempe Gowda, a chieftain under the Vijayanagara Empire, in 1537 A.D.

With the support of King Achutaraya, he built a mud fort here and established petite towns inside the fort. Places of tourist interest here include the Lalbagh Gardens, Vidhana Soudha, Cubban Park and Museum, The Govt. Museum, Cariappa Memorial Park, Visveswarayya

Industrial & Technological Museum, Tippu's Palace, The Fort, Bull Temple, Venkatappa Art Gallery. Overnight stay.

Day 18: Bangalore - London:

After breakfast check-out from hotel, Pickup and transfer to airport for flight back to London.

PRICE INCLUDES:	PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ International economy class air ticket (London Heathrow to Cochin / Bangalore to London Heathrow) ✓ Accommodation in 4* hotel in standard room on twin / double / triple sharing basis ✓ Daily breakfast & Dinner at hotel ✓ Guided Sightseeing as per itinerary ✓ All intercity and sightseeing transfer by private vehicle basis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Travel Insurance ✗ Visa Fee ✗ Any expenses of personal nature ✗ Lunches / Any meals not mentioned ✗ Porterage ✗ Any items not mentioned ✗ Any entrance tickets not mentioned ✗ Single Room Supplement: £575 ✗ Services of tour manager

Adult: from £3325 per adult on twin / double sharing basis (based on minimum 2 paying adults)

Adult: from £3045 per adult on twin / double sharing basis (based on minimum 4 paying adults)

Adult: from £2795 per adult on twin / double sharing basis (based on minimum 6 paying adults)

Adult: from £2685 per adult on twin / double sharing basis (based on minimum 8 paying adults)

Adult: from £2595 per adult on twin / double sharing basis (based on minimum 10 paying adults)