

EcoSmart Cultural Kerala

🕒 5 nights, 6 days

Overview

Discover the soul of Kerala on this 5 Nights / 6 Days journey through its rich traditions, scenic landscapes, and vibrant local life. From serene backwaters and lush plantations to authentic village experiences and cultural performances, every day offers a deeper connection with "God's Own Country." Thoughtfully curated by Waari, this tour blends sightseeing with meaningful local interactions, creating memories that go beyond the usual tourist trail.

Highlights

- **Tea Museum:** Discover the rich history of Kerala's tea industry and witness the fascinating tea-making process from leaf to cup.
- **Echo Point:** A scenic hilltop destination famous for its natural echo phenomenon and breathtaking valley views.
- **Mattupetty Dam:** A picturesque reservoir surrounded by rolling hills, offering stunning landscapes and a peaceful atmosphere.
- **Eravikulam National Park:** A protected wildlife sanctuary renowned for the endangered Nilgiri Tahr and its spectacular mountain scenery.
- **Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary:** One of India's premier wildlife reserves, home to elephants, tigers, deer, and a wide variety of bird species.
- **Periyar Lake:** Enjoy a serene boat cruise through the lake while spotting wildlife along the forested shores.

- **Spice Garden:** Explore aromatic spice plantations and learn about the cultivation of Kerala's world-famous spices.
- **Alleppey Backwaters:** Experience a relaxing backwater boat ride through tranquil canals, lagoons, and lush coconut groves.
- **Chinese Fishing Nets:** Witness the iconic centuries-old fishing nets that beautifully showcase Kerala's rich maritime heritage.
- **Dutch Palace:** Explore a historic palace renowned for its magnificent Kerala murals, royal collections, and impressive colonial architecture.

Itinerary

📍 Day 1

Cochin - Munnar

📍 Munnar

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- Upon arrival at Cochin Airport or Ernakulam Railway Station, you will be warmly welcomed by our Tour Manager.
 - Proceed towards the beautiful hill station of Munnar, renowned for its endless tea plantations, mist-covered valleys, and breathtaking landscapes.
 - After check-in and some relaxation, visit the **Tea Museum** to learn about Kerala's tea heritage, followed by the vibrant **Rose Garden**, the scenic **Echo Point**, and the picturesque **Mattupetty Dam**.
 - Enjoy the cool mountain air and stunning views before retiring for the night.

Overnight: Munnar

Meals: Hi-Tea, Dinner

🕒 Day 2

Munnar – Thekkady

📍 Thekkady

- After breakfast, visit the famous **Eravikulam National Park**, home to the rare and endangered **Nilgiri Tahr**.
- Enjoy the park's rolling grasslands and panoramic views of the Western Ghats.
- Later, proceed to Thekkady, a charming destination known for its dense forests, spice plantations, and tranquil natural beauty.
- Upon arrival, explore the bustling **Kumily Market**, where you can shop for authentic spices, handicrafts, and local products.

Overnight: Thekkady**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Hi-Tea, Dinner

🕒 Day 3

Thekkady Sightseeing

📍 Thekkady

- Today, explore the renowned **Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary**, one of India's most celebrated wildlife reserves and a protected habitat for elephants, tigers, and numerous other species.
- Enjoy a memorable boat cruise on **Periyar Lake**, offering an opportunity to spot wildlife along the forested shoreline.
- Later, visit a **Spice Garden** to discover how Kerala's famous spices are cultivated and processed.
- In the evening, witness the captivating **Kathakali dance performance**, showcasing Kerala's rich cultural heritage. The remainder of the evening is free for shopping and leisure.

Overnight: Thekkady**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Hi-Tea, Dinner

🕒 Day 4

Thekkady – Alleppey

📍 Alleppey

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- After breakfast, check out and proceed to **Alleppey**, often referred to as the "Venice of the East." Famous for its enchanting network of canals, lagoons, and backwaters, Alleppey offers a glimpse into Kerala's unique waterside lifestyle.
 - Enjoy a relaxing **backwater boat ride** through scenic waterways lined with **coconut palms, traditional villages**, and **lush paddy fields**.

Overnight: Alleppey**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Hi-Tea, Dinner

🕒 Day 5

Alleppey – Cochin

📍 Cochin

- After breakfast, proceed to Cochin, the historic port city known as the **"Queen of the Arabian Sea."**
- Upon arrival, explore some of Kochi's iconic landmarks, including the famous **Chinese Fishing Nets** that have stood along the coastline for centuries.
- Visit the historic
- **Jewish Synagogue** (from outside) and the **Dutch Palace**, originally built by the Portuguese and later renovated by the Dutch.
- In the evening, enjoy free time to shop for spices, souvenirs, handicrafts, and local specialties.

Overnight: Cochin**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Hi-Tea, Dinner

🕒 Day 6

Cochin – Hometown

📍 Cochin

- After breakfast, check out from the hotel and proceed to Cochin Airport or Railway Station for your onward journey.
- As your memorable Kerala experience comes to an end, take home beautiful memories of misty hills, wildlife encounters, serene backwaters, and vibrant cultural experiences.
- We look forward to welcoming you again on another unforgettable journey with Waari.

Meals: Breakfast

Dates and Rates

- Sorry no more departures available. You could get in touch with us at travel@waari.in if you'd like to make a booking.

Inclusions

- To and fro Sleeper Class Non-AC Railway Tickets included (subject to availability at the time of booking)
- 1-night stay at Munnar
- 2-night stay at Thekkady
- 1-night stay at Alleppey
- 1-night stay at Cochin
- Travel by comfortable AC Bus/Tempo Traveller.
- Accommodation in Deluxe hotels.
- Boating at Periyar National Park (Subject to availability)
- Kathakali Dance Show at Thekkady
- Boat-ride in the Backwaters of Alleppey
- Any local vehicle charges used for sightseeing
- 6 Breakfasts, 5 Lunches, 5 Evening Tea/Coffee, and 5 Dinners included
- Hotel and restaurant tips
- Permits/entrance fees for all sightseeing places that are to be visited from the inside
- Accompanied local guide/s services wherever required
- Experienced Tour Manager Service from Day 01 meeting point till the dropping point on the last day
- Insurance for individuals under 59 years old.

Exclusions

- 5% GST

- Any extra expense incurred due to any force majeure situation or natural calamities before the tour departure or during the tour, such as a change in airline schedule, route, or operation, changing the tour date, a change in hotel, etc.
- Any personal expenses or the cost of any optional activity or service
- Any extra cost incurred due to illness, accident, hospitalization, or any personal emergency
- Anything specifically not mentioned in the 'inclusions' column

Pickup point

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Important Information & Tour Guidelines

- Guests opting for Joining & Leaving arrangements are required to book their own flight/train tickets and arrange airport/railway station transfers unless otherwise specified.
- To avail the group airport transfer, the following conditions must be met
- Your arrival airport must be the same as the group's scheduled arrival airport.
- Your arrival time should be at least one hour before the scheduled group flight arrival time.
- On the last day, your departure flight must be from the same airport and scheduled after the group's departure flight.
- Standard hotel check-in time is generally 2:00 PM (or as per the hotel's policy) and check-out time is 10:00 AM / 11:00 AM (or as per the hotel's policy). Early check-in and late check-out are subject to hotel availability and may attract additional charges.
- If your flight arrives before the standard check-in time, we may arrange sightseeing or other activities, wherever operationally feasible, to help you make the most of your day.

- In case of flight rescheduling resulting in an earlier arrival or later departure, additional meals or refreshments, if required as per the revised schedule, will be arranged at the company's discretion.
- Extra Adult/Child with Mattress bookings will be provided with one mattress per room, as applicable.
- Meals are served only as mentioned in the tour itinerary. Meals during air travel, train journeys, bus travel, transit halts, or personal stopovers are not included unless specifically mentioned.
- Seating in the tour vehicle is allotted on a first come, first served basis at the beginning of the tour and will remain the same throughout the journey unless otherwise decided by the Tour Manager for operational reasons.
- Due to operational requirements, weather conditions, local circumstances, traffic, government regulations, or other unavoidable reasons, the sightseeing sequence, itinerary, or travel route may be changed or reversed. However, every effort will be made to provide all the inclusions or suitable alternatives.
- All our departures are planned to operate as scheduled. However, if the minimum required number of participants is not achieved, the company reserves the right to merge the departure with another date or offer suitable alternatives. Guests may also opt for a customised package, where certain group services such as the Tour Manager, group activities, games, meals, or entry tickets may vary or may not be available.
- Air tickets issued under promotional, special, or non-refundable fares are subject to the respective airline's fare rules and may be partially or fully non-refundable.
- Guests are advised to keep their passports, travel documents, valuables, cash, and personal belongings safe throughout the tour. Waari shall not be responsible for any loss due to negligence or unforeseen circumstances.
- Always carry Waari's emergency contact details along with your Tour Manager's contact number during the journey
- All tours are conducted subject to Waari's Terms & Conditions, which form an integral part of your booking.

➡ Onwards Train Name KANYAKUMARI EXP
and Number

➡ Onwards Train From Pune

- ➡ Home Departure Date 23:45 (Tour Start Date - 2)
and Time (Train)
- ➡ Onwards Train To Ernakulam
- ➡ Destination Arrival 3:45 (Tour Start Date)
Date and Time (Train)
- ➡ Return Train Name CAPE PUNE EXP
and Number
- ➡ Return Train From Cochin
- ➡ Destination Departure 15:10 (Tour End Date)
Date and Time (Train)
- ➡ Return Train To Pune
(Train)
- ➡ Home Arrival Date 21:40 (Tour End Date + 1)
and Time (Train)