

Tour Name: Colony, Backwaters & Beaches of Kerala

Tour Duration: 6 Nights/ 7 Days

Tour Map: <https://tinyurl.com/km42n225>

Tour Overview

Discover the magic of Kerala with our meticulously crafted tour, Enchanting Kerala: A Journey through Cochin, Alleppey, and Beachfront Tranquility. Begin in Cochin, where colonial charm meets vibrant culture, with visits to historic sites like Fort Kochi and the Jewish Synagogue, and immerse yourself in the captivating Kathakali dance performance. Sail through the serene backwaters of Alleppey on a traditional houseboat, where lush landscapes and tranquil waters offer an unforgettable experience. Conclude your journey in the picturesque beach resorts of Kovalam, where you can unwind on golden sands and explore the cultural richness of nearby Trivandrum. This tour blends historical exploration with natural beauty, providing a perfect escape into Kerala's enchanting landscapes.

Tour Itinerary

Day 1: Cochin Arrival and Kathakali Dance Show

- Upon arrival at Cochin airport, our representative will greet you and assist with your transfer to the hotel.
- After checking in and freshening up, enjoy leisure time to relax.
- In the evening, attend a Kathakali Dance Show. This traditional Kerala performance features elaborate costumes, vibrant makeup, and intricate storytelling through expressive dance and drama. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 2: Cochin City Tour

- After a delicious breakfast at the hotel, begin your city tour of Cochin, a captivating city surrounded by the Western Ghats and the Arabian Sea.
- Visit Fort Kochi, known for its colonial architecture from Dutch, Portuguese, and British periods. The area features charming streets lined with historical buildings and traditional fishing nets.
- Explore the historic St. Francis Church, where Vasco da Gama, the famous explorer, was originally buried.
- Discover the Mattancherry Palace, also called the Dutch Palace, which boasts stunning murals depicting scenes from the Ramayana and Mahabharata epics.

- Admire the iconic Chinese fishing nets at Fort Kochi Beach, used for traditional fishing and a unique aspect of Cochin's coastline.
- Visit the Jewish Synagogue in Mattancherry, renowned for its antique tiles and historical importance, dating back to the 16th century.
- Explore the Indo-Portuguese Museum, which houses a fascinating collection of religious artifacts, textiles, and furniture from the colonial era.
- Enjoy free time in the evening to explore the city at your own pace. Overnight at the hotel.

Day 3: Cochin to Alleppey Houseboat Cruise

- After breakfast at the hotel, transfer to Alleppey (approximately 60 km) for a unique houseboat experience.
- Board a traditional houseboat and begin your cruise through Kerala's enchanting backwaters. As you sail, you'll pass narrow canals lined with lush palm trees, vast paddy fields, and picturesque villages.
- Observe the unique way of life in the backwaters where farming takes place below sea level and boats serve as the primary mode of transport.
- Enjoy a delicious lunch and dinner prepared on board, and relax on the sun deck while taking in the tranquil surroundings. Overnight on the houseboat.

Day 4: Alleppey to Kovalam Beach Resort

- After a hearty breakfast on the houseboat, disembark and drive to Kovalam beach resort (approximately 160 km).
- Check into your resort and spend the rest of the day relaxing on the pristine beach, enjoying the sea breeze and scenic views. Overnight at the resort.

Day 5: Trivandrum City Tour

- After breakfast at the resort, embark on a city tour of Trivandrum.
- Visit Sree Padmanabhaswamy Temple, an architectural marvel with gold-plated coverings and intricate carvings. This significant pilgrimage site is open only to Hindus.
- Explore Attukal Temple, famous for its cultural significance and Tamil architecture, as well as its annual Pongala festival.
- Discover Napier Museum, which features a fine collection of sculptures, paintings, and musical instruments from Kerala and other parts of India.

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- Tour Kuthira Malika Palace, built in the 1840s, offering insights into Kerala's royal history with artifacts such as ethnic jewelry, wooden paintings, and armory.
- Visit Sri Chitra Art Gallery, showcasing works by Raja Ravi Verma and art from the Mughal, Rajput, and Tanjore schools.
- Drive through renowned beaches including Shankumugham Beach, Kovalam Beach, Vizhinjam Beach, and Light House Beach Road. Overnight at the resort.

Day 6: Kovalam Beach Relaxation

- After breakfast at the resort, enjoy a day of relaxation on the beach.
- Take part in water sports or explore the local area at your leisure. Overnight at the resort.

Day 7: Departure

- After breakfast at the resort, transfer to Cochin or Trivandrum airport for your onward flight.
- We hope you had a memorable time exploring Cochin, Alleppey, and Kovalam, and we look forward to welcoming you back soon.

Package Price (USD Per Person Sharing Double/Twin Room)

Valid for Travel: 01 October 2026 – 15 April 2027

Persons	Solo	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3★ Standard	1,608	833	736	791	715	687	647	617
4★ Deluxe	1,931	1,002	905	960	884	856	816	786
5★ Luxury	2,767	1,488	1,324	1,378	1,302	1,274	1,234	1,204

Valid for Travel: 16 April 2027 to 15 September 2027

Persons	Solo	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3★ Standard	1,509	784	687	742	665	637	598	568
4★ Deluxe	1,684	879	782	837	760	732	693	663
5★ Luxury	2,206	1,215	1,051	1,106	1,029	1,001	961	931

Single Room Supplement

3★ Standard: USD 348 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 502 | 5★ Luxury: USD 921

Triple Sharing Discount (Per Person)

3★ Standard: USD 32 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 70 | 5★ Luxury: USD 137

Price Includes:

- Assistance on arrival at airport.
- 6 Nights' accommodation in selected price category hotels.
- Daily breakfast at hotels.
- Private AC car/van for airport transfers, sightseeing, and excursions as per the program.
- English speaking tour guide on sightseeing days (local guide in each city), as per program.
- Monument entrances and activities charges mentioned in the itinerary.
- Bottled drinking water in car.
- Government taxes.

Price Does Not Include:

- Any flight tickets.
- Camera charges at monuments if any.
- Meals other than mentioned in the inclusions.
- - Expenses of personal nature like liquor, laundry, tips, telephone, fax, internet etc.
- Gratuities and optional activities.
- Anything not mentioned in inclusions.

Hotels used or similar for 6 nights' accommodation

3 Star Hotels

- Cochin x 2 nights: The Tower House/ The Killians
- Alleppey x 1 night: Deluxe Houseboat (AC During Night Only)

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- Kovalam x 3 nights: Abad Harmonia Beach Resort/ Uday Suites Shanghumugham Beach

4 Star Hotels

- Cochin x 2 nights: Casino Hotel/ Le Maritime
- Alleppey x 1 night: Premium Houseboat (Full Time AC)
- Kovalam x 3 nights: Estuary Sarovar Portico / Uday Samudra Leisure Beach Hotel

5 Star Hotels

- Cochin x 2 nights: Kochi Marriott Hotel/ Xandari Harbour
- Alleppey x 1 night: Luxury Houseboat (Full Time AC)
- Kovalam x 3 nights: Raviz Kovalam/ Vivanta by Taj - Green Cove

Payment Policy:

- Deposit of 25% of the package cost at the time of booking.
- Deposit of 50% of the package cost, 30 days prior to arrival date
- Deposit of 100% of the package cost, 10 days prior to arrival date

Cancellation policy:

- Note: Written cancellation will be accepted on all working days, except Sundays. Any cancellation sent on Sundays will be considered on the next working day (Monday).
- X-mas and New Year Period (20 Dec to 05 Jan): The payment is non-refundable during this period.
- After Trip Commencement: If you cancel the trip after it has commenced, the refund will be limited to the amount we are able to recover from hoteliers/contractors. We are not responsible for refunds on unused hotel accommodations, chartered transportation, or missed meals.
- 61 days or more before the tour: No cancellation charges.
- Between 60 to 30 days before the tour: Cancellation charges equal to 20% of the full tour booking value.
- Between 30 to 15 days before the tour: Cancellation charges equal to 50% of the full tour booking value.
- Within 5 days before the tour or no show: Cancellation charges equal to 90% of the full tour booking value.

Our Liabilities & Limitations:

- **Price Changes:** After the finalization of the tour/service cost, if there are any hikes in entrance fees, taxes, fuel costs, or guide charges by the Government of India, these will be charged as extra.
- **Role as Agent:** Agora Voyages acts only as an agent for hotels, airlines, transporters, railways, and contractors providing services. All receipts, contracts, and tickets issued by us are subject to terms and conditions of the service providers.
- **Itinerary Changes:** All itineraries are sample itineraries intended to provide a general idea. We reserve the right to change the schedule based on factors such as weather, road conditions, or the physical ability of participants to ensure safety, comfort, and well-being.
- **Rate Modifications:** Our rates are based on negotiated rates with hotels and airlines. If the rates are modified by these service providers, we reserve the right to adjust the quoted rates accordingly. Hotel bookings are based on usual check-in and check-out times, unless otherwise indicated.
- **Liability Disclaimer:** We are not responsible for delays, alterations, or expenses incurred due to natural hazards, flight cancellations, accidents, weather, sickness, political closures, or any unforeseen incidents.
- **Damage, Loss, or Injury:** We are not responsible for any loss, injury, or damage to persons, property, or otherwise, caused by acts of God, fire, accidents, machinery breakdowns, political disturbances, theft, epidemics, or other factors beyond our control.
- **Insurance:** We do not offer insurance for accidents, sickness, theft, or other unforeseen circumstances. We recommend travelers arrange for insurance in their home country. All personal property and baggage are at the client's risk at all times.
- **Unforeseen Circumstances:** We are not responsible for costs arising from landslides, roadblocks, bad weather, or similar unforeseen circumstances.

Tipping

- Tipping is not included in our price. It is optional but often expected in the travel industry. There is no limit on the amount you can tip, though the average guideline is around \$10-15 per day for guides, drivers, and other crew members.

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Trip Comments

- After your trip, we would love to hear your experience. Any photos, suggestions, or feedback will be greatly appreciated. While we strive to make every trip perfect, we acknowledge that there is always room for improvement. Your comments, whether positive or constructive, are invaluable to us.