

Tour Name: Kochi to Goa - The Malabar Coast

Tour Duration: 8 Nights/ 9 Days

Tour Map: <https://tinyurl.com/y4z7wf5h>

Tour Overview

Embark on Kochi to Goa - The Malabar Coast, a captivating journey through the picturesque landscapes and vibrant cultures of South India's coastline. Starting in the historic port city of Kochi, explore its colonial architecture, ancient temples, and the serene backwaters of Alleppey. Continue to Kozhikode, a city steeped in spice trade history, before heading to the coastal charm of Mangalore. Discover the spiritual and scenic beauty of Gokarna's temples and beaches, then culminate your adventure in Goa, known for its stunning beaches, lively markets, and Portuguese heritage. This tour offers a perfect blend of heritage, nature, and leisure, creating unforgettable memories along the Malabar Coast.

Tour Itinerary

Day 1: Cochin Arrival and Sightseeing Tour

- Upon your arrival at the Cochin International Airport, you will be greeted by your tour representative and transferred to your hotel.
- After checking in, you will embark on a half-day sightseeing tour of Cochin, starting with Mattancherry Palace, known for its stunning murals depicting scenes from Hindu epics and its rich history tied to the Portuguese and Dutch colonial eras.
- Explore the Jewish Synagogue, one of the oldest active synagogues in the Commonwealth, adorned with beautiful Belgian chandeliers and hand-painted blue and white Chinese tiles.
- Visit St. Francis Church, the oldest European church in India, which once housed the remains of Vasco da Gama, the renowned Portuguese explorer.
- Witness the iconic Chinese Fishing Nets, a testament to the region's maritime heritage, offering a unique method of fishing introduced by Chinese traders in the 14th century.
- Enjoy an evening performance of Kathakali, a traditional dance-drama known for its elaborate costumes, expressive gestures, and captivating storytelling, providing a glimpse into Kerala's cultural heritage.
- Overnight stay in Cochin.

Day 2: Alleppey Backwater Day Cruise

- Start the day with breakfast at the hotel.
- Drive to Alleppey, also known as Alappuzha, famous for its vast network of canals and scenic beauty.
- Board a traditional houseboat for a day cruise through the serene backwaters of Alleppey, passing by lush coconut groves, verdant paddy fields, and charming village life.
- Enjoy a delicious Kerala-style lunch on board, featuring fresh local ingredients and authentic flavors.
- Experience the tranquility and picturesque landscapes of the backwaters as you glide along the waterways.
- Return to Cochin in the evening and relax at your hotel.
- Overnight stay in Cochin.

Day 3: Kozhikode City Tour

- After breakfast and check-out from your hotel, drive to Kozhikode, also known as Calicut, a historic city renowned for its spice trade and cultural heritage.
- Enroute, visit Guruvayoor Temple, one of the most revered temples in Kerala, dedicated to Lord Krishna and known for its stunning architecture and religious significance.
- Visit Mammiyur Mahadeva Temple, another significant temple located nearby, known for its serene atmosphere and intricate carvings.
- Explore Kappad Beach, the historic landing site of Portuguese explorer Vasco da Gama in 1498, offering a peaceful retreat with historical significance.
- Upon arrival in Kozhikode, check in to your hotel for an overnight stay.

Day 4: Mangalore City Tour

- Start with breakfast at the hotel before driving to Mangalore, a coastal city known for its beautiful beaches, temples, and historic sites.
- Enroute, visit Thalassery Fort, a historic fort built by the British East India Company, offering panoramic views of the Arabian Sea.

- Explore St. Angelo Fort, a massive triangular fort with a moat, built by the first Portuguese Viceroy, offering insights into the region's colonial history.
- Visit Bekal Fort, one of the largest and best-preserved forts in Kerala, known for its scenic beauty and strategic importance.
- Upon arrival in Mangalore, check in to your hotel for an overnight stay.

Day 5: Gokarna City Tour

- After breakfast and check-out from your hotel, visit St. Aloysius Chapel in Mangalore, renowned for its exquisite frescoes and architectural beauty.
- Explore Lighthouse Hill, offering panoramic views of the Arabian Sea and Mangalore city, a perfect spot for photography and relaxation.
- Drive to Gokarna, a popular beach town known for its pristine beaches and sacred temples, providing a blend of natural beauty and spirituality.
- Enroute, visit the 13th-century Sri Krishna Temple in Udupi, famous for its unique Krishna idol and religious significance.
- Explore Murdeshwar Temple, dedicated to Lord Shiva, known for its towering statue and stunning coastal views.
- Visit the fort in Murdeshwar, offering panoramic views of the Arabian Sea and surrounding landscapes.
- Upon arrival in Gokarna, check in to your hotel for an overnight stay.

Day 6: Goa City Tour

- After breakfast, explore the beaches of Gokarna, such as Om Beach, known for its Om-shaped coastline and serene atmosphere, perfect for relaxation and scenic views.
- Visit Kudle Beach, a tranquil spot ideal for unwinding and enjoying the pristine shoreline and calm waters.
- Explore the Mirjan Fort, an ancient fort known for its historical significance and scenic views of the surrounding landscape.
- Visit INS Chapal Warship Museum, showcasing a decommissioned warship used by the Indian Navy, offering insights into naval history.
- Explore Sadashivgad Fort, known for its historical significance and stunning views of the surrounding landscape, perfect for photography and exploration.

- Drive to Goa, a famous beach destination known for its sandy shores, vibrant nightlife, and rich Portuguese heritage.
- Upon arrival in Goa, check in to your hotel for an overnight stay.

Day 7: Fontainhas Heritage Walk

- After breakfast, embark on a city tour of Goa.
- Visit the Basilica of Bom Jesus, a UNESCO World Heritage site housing the remains of St. Francis Xavier, with its ornate Baroque architecture and religious significance.
- Explore Se Cathedral, one of the largest churches in Asia, known for its Portuguese-Gothic architecture and historic significance.
- Visit the Church of St. Francis of Assisi, showcasing beautiful frescoes, intricate carvings, and a rich history tied to the Franciscan order.
- Shop at Panjim Market, bustling with local produce, spices, and souvenirs, offering a glimpse into the vibrant local life and culture.
- In the afternoon, take a leisurely stroll through Fontainhas, the Latin Quarter of Panjim, known for its narrow winding streets, vibrant colorful houses, and distinct Portuguese architectural style.
- Explore local markets, art galleries, and cafes in Fontainhas, learning about the unique cultural heritage of Goa.
- Overnight stay in Goa.

Day 8: Free Day in Goa

- After breakfast, enjoy a free day in Goa to relax and explore at your own pace.
- Options include lazing on the beach, indulging in water sports, or visiting the local markets for shopping.
- Optional excursions such as a spice plantation tour, dolphin watching tour, or a visit to the Dudhsagar Waterfalls can be arranged upon request.
- Explore the vibrant nightlife of Goa

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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	3,127	1,620	1,354	1,376	1,216	1,200	1,111	1,044
4★ Deluxe	3,680	1,897	1,630	1,652	1,492	1,477	1,388	1,321
5★ Luxury	5,220	2,793	2,405	2,426	2,267	2,251	2,162	2,095

Valid for Travel: 16 April 2027 to 20 September 2027

Persons	Solo	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3★ Standard	3,028	1,583	1,316	1,338	1,178	1,162	1,073	1,006
4★ Deluxe	3,414	1,764	1,498	1,520	1,360	1,344	1,255	1,188
5★ Luxury	4,263	2,322	1,933	1,955	1,795	1,780	1,691	1,624

Single Room Supplement

3★ Standard: USD 462 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 739 | 5★ Luxury: USD 1,505

Triple Sharing Discount (Per Person)

3★ Standard: USD 57 | 4★ Deluxe: USD 98 | 5★ Luxury: USD 250

Price Includes:

- Assistance on arrival at airport.
- 8 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 8 nights' accommodation

3 Star Hotels

- Cochin x 2 nights: The Tower House/ The Killians
- Calicut x 1 night: Manuelsons Malabar Palace/ Hotel Copper Folia
- Mangalore x 1 night: Srinivas the Verda Saffron/ Ginger Mangalore
- Gokarna x 1 night: Red Earth Gokarna/ Arthigamya Resort & Spa
- Goa x 3 nights: The Fern Residency Miramar/ Zone Connect Hotel Parra

4 Star Hotels

- Cochin x 2 nights: Casino Hotel/ Le Maritime
- Calicut x 1 night: The Raviz Calicut/ The Gateway Hotel Beach Road Kozhikode
- Mangalore x 1 night: Goldfinch Mangalore/ Royal Plaza Suites
- Gokarna x 1 night: Kudle Beach View Resort & Spa/ Namaste Yoga Farm
- Goa x 3 nights: Lemon Tree Hotel Candolim/ The Chances Resort & Casino

5 Star Hotels

- Cochin x 2 nights: Kochi Marriott Hotel/ Xandari Harbour
- Calicut x 1 night: The Raviz Calicut/ The Gateway Hotel Beach Road Kozhikode
- Mangalore x 1 night: Vivanta Mangalore

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- Gokarna x 1 night: SwaSwara/ Kahani Paradise
- Goa x 3 nights: Alila Diwa Goa/ Kenilworth Resort & Spa, Utorda Beach

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

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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.

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.