

SOUTH INDIA - GOLDEN KERALA GETAWAY

Featuring - Alleppey, Kochi, Munnar, Periyar

DURATION	GROUP SIZE	AIRPORT	PRICE STARTING FROM
10 Nights / 11 Days	22 People	New York (JFK/EWR)	Twin Occupancy Price Per person - \$3,299.00 Single Supplement Price Per Person - \$1,099.00

OVERVIEW

Unveil the charm of Kerala with this beautifully crafted itinerary. Begin your journey in Kochi, where colonial history, vibrant spice markets, and waterfront views set the stage for your adventure. Explore the heritage streets of Fort Kochi, marvel at the iconic Chinese Fishing Nets, and immerse yourself in Kerala's artistic traditions with optional Kathakali or Kalaripayattu performances. Journey into the misty hills of Munnar, home to sprawling tea plantations, cascading waterfalls, and breathtaking viewpoints like Top Station. Experience the region's natural wonders, from Eravikulam National Park to serene boat rides at Mattupetty Dam. Continue to Periyar, where spice plantations and the wildlife-rich Periyar National Park offer a taste of Kerala's ecological diversity. Cruise through the tranquil backwaters of Alleppey aboard a traditional houseboat, watching village life unfold as you drift past lush paddy fields and coconut groves. Conclude your tour back in Kochi, blending cultural exploration, natural beauty, and moments of relaxation. With heritage walks, wildlife encounters, local cuisine, and optional cultural experiences, this itinerary offers a perfect balance of history, nature, and the laid-back charm Kerala is known for.

DEPARTURE

Start Date	End Date	Departure Gateway	Price Per Person
19 Jan, 2026	29 Jan, 2026		\$3299



INCLUSIONS

- ◆ 09 nights' accommodation on double/twin sharing at hotels as mentioned in the itinerary
- ◆ 09 breakfasts
- ◆ 01 Lunch and 01 Dinner at the House Boat
- ◆ Arrival and Departure Airport Transfers
- ◆ English-speaking guide for all sightseeing as per itinerary
- ◆ Transportation in Deluxe Tourist Vehicle
- ◆ All sightseeing with admissions
- ◆ Services of English-speaking driver & guide
- ◆ **International return airfare ex-New York (Please check with us for pricing from other cities)**
- ◆ All taxes and surcharges
- ◆ All local applicable taxes

EXCLUSIONS

- ◆ All other meals & other sightseeing or services
- ◆ Gratuities for meals, tourist guides, drivers
- ◆ Visa fee & Travel Insurance
- ◆ Personal expenses such as alcoholic and other beverages, telephone calls, and laundry
- ◆ Any other services or Items not mentioned above as included

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Depart - USA/CANADA - CHENNAI

Pack your bags for a fun-filled family vacation as you arrive in Kochi, the gateway to Kerala. With its mix of tea plantations, wildlife safaris, backwater cruises, and cultural experiences, this itinerary promises something special for every member of the family.

DAY 2 ARRIVAL IN KOCHI

Upon arrival in Kochi, you'll check in to your hotel and relax. Depending on your arrival time, you can enjoy the day at leisure, either by unwinding at the hotel or exploring the city on your own. You can stroll around Marine Drive or simply relax in the comfort of your accommodation.

Overnight in Kochi

DAY 3 KOCHI (EXPLORE THE CITY) [B/-/-]

After breakfast, set out for a day of historical exploration in Fort Kochi and Mattancherry, where Kochi's colonial past comes alive. Begin with a visit to the Dutch Palace (Mattancherry Palace), known for its beautiful murals and royal artifacts. Walk over to the Jewish Synagogue, one of the oldest in the Commonwealth, located in the heart of Jew Town with its quaint antique shops and spice markets. Stroll along Jewish Street, a charming lane lined with heritage buildings and artisan stores. Next, visit the St. Francis Church, the oldest European church in India, and then head to the waterfront to see the iconic Chinese Fishing Nets, a symbol of Kochi's trading history with the East.

Overnight in Kochi

DAY 4 KOCHI TO MUNNAR (Approx. 4-5 hours By Road) [B/-/-]

After breakfast, check out from your hotel in Kochi and begin your scenic journey through the Western Ghats, heading towards the picturesque former hill station of **Munnar**, renowned for its cool climate and sprawling tea plantations. En route, enjoy brief photo stops at the **Cheeyappara** and **Valara waterfalls**, nestled amidst

dense greenery. Upon arrival in Munnar, take a **guided stroll through a local tea plantation**, where you'll learn about tea cultivation, plucking methods, and the legacy of tea in the region. The evening is free to explore stalls selling spices, handcrafted souvenirs, and locally made chocolates.

Overnight in Munnar

DAY 5 MUNNAR (SIGHTSEEING) [B/-/-]

After breakfast, you'll explore the natural beauty of Munnar. Begin with a visit to Eravikulam National Park, where you can see the endangered Nilgiri Tahr. Then, visit Mattupetty Dam and enjoy a boat ride, followed by a trip to Echo Point, famous for its acoustics. Don't miss the stunning views from Top Station, which offers panoramic views of the Western Ghats. Later return to your hotel.

Overnight in Munnar

DAY 6 MUNNAR to PERIYAR (THEKKADY) [B/-/-]

Following breakfast, you drive 4 hours to Periyar, pausing at Lockhart Gap Viewpoint for stunning plantation views. After checking into your hotel, you tour a spice plantation, learning about cardamom and pepper cultivation. Return to the hotel for an overnight stay.

In the evening, an **(Optional)** Kalaripayattu martial arts show or Kathakali performance showcases Kerala's traditions before you settle in for the night.

Overnight in Periyar

DAY 7 PERIYAR (SIGHTSEEING) [B/-/-]

In the morning after breakfast, you take a boat ride on Periyar Lake in Periyar National Park, spotting elephants, bison, and various bird species along the shore. The afternoon offers an **(Optional)** bamboo rafting session or guided nature walk through the park's trails. You wrap up the day shopping for spices at Kumily market and return to your hotel for a relaxing evening.

Overnight in Periyar

DAY 8

PERIYAR (THEKKADY) - ALLEPPEY (EXPLORE THE BACKWATERS) (Approx. 4-5 hours) [B/L/D]

Today, you drive to Alleppey after breakfast and board a traditional houseboat by noon for a cruise through the Kerala Backwaters. The houseboat crew will prepare freshly cooked local meals for you to enjoy on board. Gliding past paddy fields, coconut groves, and villages, you enjoy a Kerala lunch onboard. The afternoon is spent relaxing on the deck, watching local life unfold. Dinner under the stars concludes the day as the houseboat docks for the night with AC comfort.

Overnight in Alleppy

DAY 9

ALLEPPEY SIGHTSEEING [B/-/-]

After breakfast, you disembark the houseboat and spend the day exploring Alleppey. Visit Alappuzha Beach, with its historic pier and scenic coastline. You can also visit local markets to buy Kerala spices and

handicrafts. After checking into a hotel, an **(Optional)** shikara boat tour navigates narrower backwater canals. The evening is free for a seafood dinner before resting.

Overnight in Alleppy

DAY 10

ALLEPPEY - KOCHI (Approx. 4-5 hours By Road) [B/-/-]

After breakfast, drive back to **Kochi** for your final night in Kerala. You can spend the afternoon at leisure or opt for some last-minute sightseeing or shopping at **Lulu Mall**, or revisit **Fort Kochi** to enjoy sunset by the seaside.

Overnight in Kochi

DAY 11

KOCHI DEPARTURE [B/-/-]

After breakfast, check out and proceed to the Kochi Airport for your onward journey, carrying with you the warm memories of Kerala's hills, wildlife, culture, and backwaters.



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