

ABENTEUER SÜDINDIEN

KERALA 2009

day 1 Arrival in Cochin

Arrival at Cochin International Airport and transfer to the Hotel at Cochin. In the afternoon, you will visit fascinating sights like the Chinese fishing nets, the St. Francis Church, Mattencherry Palace and the Jewish Synagogue, the oldest living Synagogue in the world. The rest of the evening is free...



day 2 Cochin - Munnar

This morning we proceed for a drive to the picturesque countryside of Munnar, a popular getaway retreat during the British Raj. Surrounded by lush green tea estates and situated at the confluence of three mountain streams, this hill station boasts of exotic flora and fauna. Enjoy visiting Old Munnar, the charming Christ Church with its original fourteen rows of wooden pews. The Mattupetty Lake is flanked by steep hills and woods and has been created by a hydroelectricity dam. Furthermore we visit Eravikulam National Park and Echo Point. Overnight we stay at a Hotel in Munnar.



day 3 Munnar - Periyar

This morning, we drive from the land of tea plantations into the heart of spice hills in Thekkady. The rest of the afternoon is free to enjoy a walk through the bustling spice market of Kumily village in Thekkady or you have the option of taking a boat cruise on Lake Periyar which is the best way to locate wildlife in Periyar Sanctuary. Over night we will stay at the Hotel in Munnar.



day 4 Kumarakom (Allepey - Backwater)

After breakfast we proceed to Kumarakom the charming emerald peninsula jutting into the Vembanad Lake. There you will be taken into the heart of the scenic lake where you will come across plenty of traditional country crafts, boats and canoes. Sightseeing in Kumarakom includes Bird Sanctuary, the ornithologist's paradise and favourite haunt of migratory birds like the sibirian stork, egret, darter, heron and teal. Overnight stay at Kumarakom.





day 5 - 10 Varkala

In the morning after breakfast we drive to Varkala - optional visit of >Amma Ashram< en route. Then enjoy the beaches and check in at >Le Mangalath< for 6 nights 7 days ayurveda treatment (Body Rejuvenation Therapy). This treatment - for two hours per day - includes a special type of massage with medicated oil and medicated cream, internal rejuvenence medicines and doctor consultation. accomodation, treatment and all meals at one place!



day 11 Varkala - Poovar

Early in the morning we drive to Poovar. On arrival follows a consultation of the >palm leaf reader< in Trivandrum (today Thiruvananthapuram). After visiting the >Sri Padmanabhaswamy Temple<, we will see museums, the Zoo and Sri Chitra Art Gallery. Poovar is a small coastal fishing island at the southern tip of Thiruvananthapuram district in Kerala. The village is embraced by a beautiful beach on one side and the backwaters on the other. During high tides, an estuary links it to the sea. There you have a network of lagoons, lakes, canals, estuaries and deltas, interspersing forty-four rivers that join the Arabian Sea. Located 38 km from the State Capital.



day 12 Poovar - Kanyakumari

In the morning we drive to Kanyakumari, on the way we will visit Padmanabhapuram Palace, Sucheendram Temple, Kanyakumari Mandir, Tri-Samudra Milan. In the evening we will see the Vivekanand Rock Memorial. After that we return to the mainland to see the spectacular sunset in the Arabian Sea. Return to Poovar and stay overnight there.

day 13 Poovar relax

Poovar Beach has a different charm as it offers endless miles of sand, wooing the sunrays by swaying palms. Poovar Beach is considered to be >virgin territory< where you can experience the local charm and traditional Keralan Hospitality at its best...



day 14 Poovar - Trivandrum Kovalam

Morning after breakfast we drive to Kovalam. After arrival check into the hotel and afternoon, time is free to enjoy the beaches.

day 15 Departure

In the early morning proceed to Trivandrum Airport for departure.

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