



# Beaches & Backwaters of Kerala

#### **Places Covered:**

1N Cherai - 1N Marari - 1N Alleppey - 1N Varkala - 1N Kovalam - 1N Poovar

# **Description**

KERALA, known as 'God's Own Country' is enriched with several enchanting destinations to admire the beauty of the nature. The splendid beauty of this place takes you to a world rich of greenery and tranquil backwaters. From Cochin to Munnar, to Periyar, to Kovalam, the mere scenery of these places presents the picture of swinging palm trees, crystal-clear lakes, beautiful beaches along with a ride in majestic houseboat. Our 7 Nights and 8 days Kerala tour package lets you forget all your worries and fall in love with its beauty. Bluberry Holidays representatives will take care of all your travel needs from accommodation to commutation. The package will no doubt make your dream for unforgettable Kerala tour come true.

**Note:** This is just a suggested itinerary indicative of what could be possible. We tailor holidays for your specific needs. Kindly contact us if you want modifications in this itinerary so that we could tailor a holiday to suit your requirement for an unforgettable tour.

## **Itinerary**

### Day 01: Arrive Cochin to Cherai (35 Kms / 1 Hr)

Upon arrival at Cochin airport/ railway station, meet with our representative and go for city tour of Cochin to visit Dutch Palace (Built by the Portuguese), Jew Town, the 1568 Jewish Synagogue, spice market, where the air is filled with the pungent smell of spices, St. Francis Church and Chinese fishing nets and transfer to Cherai. Cherai is a lovely beach ideal for swimming. Dolphins are occasionally seen here. Arrive and check in at resort. Overnight stay at Cherai.

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#### Day 02: Cherai to Marari (80 Kms / 3 Hrs)

Morning after breakfast you will be transferred to Marari. Mararikulam- a small and sleepy fisherman's village in Alappuzha district of Kerala, is nothing less than a paradise with a vast coastal line, fringed with coconut and palm trees. This picturesque destination is on the list of every traveler, who come here to experience the natural beauty of Kerala and see its amazing villages, culture, and hospitality. On your arrival at Marari you will be transferred to the resort. Evening at leisure. Overnight stay at Marari.

### Day 03: Marari - Alleppey (20 Kms / 30 Mins)

Morning after breakfast check out and proceed to Alleppey. Alappuzha or, erstwhile Alleppey is a true splendour of Kerala. It is a tiny district of Kerala and looks like the place that has come straight from God's own paintbrush. Often deemed as the 'Venice of East' by many travellers, this backwater state is also home to diverse range of animals and birds. Alleppey is simply the most magical place on the earth. On your arrival, you will be transferred to the resort. Houseboat. If you opt for the House Boat which is world's major tourist attraction you can relax while the boat cruises through the narrow serene backwater canals of Alleppey. You can see here in breathing green, the village slumbers by the Vembanad Lake. Lunch, Evening Tea/ Coffee with snacks, dinner all are provided inside the houseboat. Overnight stay will provide on House Boat. Note: • The cruise commences at 1230 hrs with lunch served on board and continues till dusk. At dusk the boat will anchor in a wide waterway or lake for the night (The backwaters close to boat traffic at dusk as the fisherman lay their nets in the backwaters. Other boats are not allowed to ply in the backwaters after dusk. On the following day the cruise commences again after breakfast and the guest will be dropped at Alleppey by 0900Hrs. Overnight stay at Houseboat. • Houseboat check in at 12Noon and cruises till 5PM, Boat will be anchored till 8AM and cruises till 9AM for checkout • For A/C Houseboat, A/C will be operating from 9PM till 6AM only (All houseboat related inclusions are applicable only if the Itinerary is including Houseboat stay) • Cruise Time : 6 hrs. • Bed Rooms: 01, 02 or 03 Bedroom as per room occupancy • Boarding @: 12.00 pm • A/c will be operational from 09.00 PM to 06.00 AM with deluxe boats/ full time with premium boats.

### Day 04: Alleppey to Varkala (120 Kms / 3 Hrs)

Morning after breakfast check out from the hotel/ houseboat and proceed to Varkala. Varkala is a striking destination and an enchanting waterside city, which is very popular amongst tourists due to its bewitching places and monuments oozing out rich cultural and religious heritage. It's the only place in Kerala where rocks are encountered close to the Arabian Sea, setting the vista for various water spouts and wellness spa. Upon arrival check into the resort. Rest of the day is at leisure. Overnight stay at Varkala.

#### Day 05: Varkala to Kovalam (60 Kms / 1.5 Hrs)

Morning after breakfast check out from the resort and proceed to Kovalam. Kovalam is a beach town by the Arabian Sea in Thiruvananthapuram city, Kerala,India, located around 16 km from the city center.Kovalam means a grove of coconut trees and true to its name the village offers an endless sight of coconut trees. It is known as the paradise of the south. Upon arrival check in to

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the golden sands or take a swim. A soothing sunbath is a perfect option to unwind. An Ayurvedic massage can also be availed (optional). Evening transfer to hotel. Overnight stay at Kovalam.

#### Day 06: Kovalam to Poovar (20 Kms / 30 Mins)

In the morning visit beaches of Kovalam and later proceed to Poovar. Well-known for its clean and golden sandy beach, Poovar is an isolated but spectacular and beautiful coastal village located in the state of Kerala. Enjoy the boat ride (on your own cost) to the Poovar Island where you will have a spectacular view where lake and sea merges. Then transfer to the resort. Overnight stay at Poovar.

### Day 07: Departure

Morning after breakfast check out from the resort and our representative will drop you at Trivandrum / cochin airport for onwards destination.

#### **Inclusions**

- Accommodation on twin/ double Sharing basis.
- Daily breakfast at the hotel and all meals in the houseboat (if opt for).
- Exclusive A/c vehicle for transfers & sightseeing.
- All permit fees & hotel taxes (as per itinerary).
- Toll, parking, driver batta, etc.
- GST

#### **Exclusions**

- Air Fare/Train fare.
- Personal Expenses such as Laundry, telephone calls, tips & gratuity, mineral water, rafting, paragliding, Porter charges.
- Additional sightseeing or extra usage of vehicle, other than mentioned in the itinerary.
- Entrance Fees.
- Any cost arising due to natural calamities like, landslides, road blockage, political disturbances (strikes), etc (to be borne by the client, which is directly payable on the spot).
- Travel Insurance.
- Anything which is not mentioned in the inclusions.

#### **Terms & Conditions**



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- Bookings are applicable on Twin/ double/ triple sharing basis as per the plan.
- In case of any diversion due to landslide /road block, any additional cost incurred has to be paid directly by the guest.
- During Christmas & New Year eve, most of the hotels celebrate Gala Dinner, which is mandatory for all its resident guest to attend & settle the bill on direct payment basis.
- Bookings are subject to availability with the hotel.
- Package rates are subject to change without any prior notice
- Cost does not include additional sightseeing or usage of vehicle, any services apart from the above designed itinerary.
- Tour cost does not include Guide Charges, Porter Charges, Entry Fees and all the Personal Expenses Like Laundry, Alcoholic & non Alcoholic beverages, Food (if not included), or any other item not specified in the inclusions.
- Bluberry Holidays will provide alternate or similar category of hotel in case the hotel mentioned in itinerary is not available.
- All cancellations & amendments will be done as per hotel policy.
- The package cannot be combined with any other offer.
- The guest must carry photo identification like Passport/Driving License/Voter ID Card IN ORIGINAL at the point of check in at the hotel..
- Bluberry Holidays reserves the right to change/modify or terminate the offer any time at its own discretion and without any prior notice.
- A Surcharge may be levied by the hotel during National Holidays/Festive period/Extended Weekends, New year etc.