



KERALA ITINERARY – 4 Nights / 5 Days

Date	City	Time	Details
<u>17th Sept' 06</u>	Mumbai	AM	Depart for Cochin by 9W 401 at 1035 hrs.
	Cochin	PM	Arrive Cochin airport at 1220 hrs. TCI representative will escort you to your coaches, for your journey to Periyar – a game sanctuary. Break journey at a Rubber plantation, talk with the workers – men & women, drink coconut water, which is brought down from the tree in front of your eyes! Before you continue onwards to Periyar, lunch enroute at Palai 'The Estate'.
		PM	Periyar: On arrival, whilst your bags make their way to our room, assemble by the poolside, for a refreshing coconut water drink, or tea by the poolside. The energetic, can take advantage of the Volleyball facilities, and play a game, or just rest.
		Evening	Enjoy a slide show, on the flora & fauna of the sanctuary you will be visiting the next day! Overnight: Spice Village
<u>18th Sept' 06</u>		AM	A short coach ride takes you to the Lake Periyar sanctuary, where you see the local flora & fauna whilst cruising on the lake. Enjoy your boat ride tour.
			Periyar – This sanctuary, near the border with the state of Tamilnadu, is in a beautiful valley setting, and was infact designated a part of Project Tiger in 1973, though Tiger sighting, is rare! The sanctuary, is better known for it's Elephants. Most bulls here, are tuskerless. Some of the other animals commonly seen here are – Bison, Sambar, Wild boar, Spotted deer, black Nilgiri Langaurs, etc.



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PM

Board your coach & drive to **Kumarakom** – 3 hrs.
After a well needed coconut welcome drink.
rest of the day at leisure.

Overnight: Coconut Lagoon

19th Sept' 06



After breakfast, later this morning board your houseboat and cruise along Kerala backwaters (a network of interconnecting waterways).

Whilst you cruise along, you will see several villages along the banks. Stop and have a peep into the rural life of Kerala especially the fisherfolk! See rice being threshed, or attend a local bazaar or visit a temple festival, if these are happening around the time of your visit! Or simply just soak in the sun

Lunch and dinner on boat

Overnight: House Boats

20th Sept' 06

Alleppey
Marari

Cochin

PM

Breakfast on boat

Disembark at the jetty, drive to Marari

Lunch at Marari Beach Resort

After lunch proceed to Cochin

Arrive and settle in.

Proceed for a walking tour of Fort **Cochin and Mattanchery Palace area**. At Mattancherry, visit the Dutch Palace, built by the Portuguese in 1555 and renovated by the Dutch in 1663. In the ancient rooms the 17th century murals in vibrant colours relate the story of the epic Ramayana. Visit the Jewish Synagogue in Jew Town, then walk around Fort Cochin Area - Legend dates Jewish trade with Kerala from the times of King Solomon. A couple of streets of picture-postcard houses out of another age, in 17th century Dutch and traditional **Kerala** styles still exist. Visit St. Francis the oldest European Church in



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India, housing several antiquities including a wealth of records. These include a palm-leaf title deed the local Raja gave the Portuguese in 1503. Nearing sunset, drive past the Chinese Fishing Nets, unique to this part of Kerala and living symbols of a centuries-old Chinese influence on this coast. High tea can be arranged at "Cochin Club".

Overnight: Le Meridian

21st Sept' 06

Cochin	AM	Breakfast at hotel
	AM	Depart for airport
	PM	Arrive and check in
Mumbai	PM	Leave for Mumbai by 9W 402 at 1300 hrs
		Arrive Mumbai at 1450 hrs.
		Tour Ends.



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KERALA

HOTELS USED:

<u>CITY</u>	<u>HOTELS</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>NO OF NTS</u>
Periyar	Hotel Taj Garden Retreat	5 star	1
Kumarakom	Hotel Taj Garden Retreat	5 Star	1
Alleppey	House Boat	Deluxe	1
Cochin	Hotel Le meridian	5 star	1
Total no. of nights:			4

Check-in/Check-out 12 noon unless otherwise specified

QUOTATIONS (All rates are in US Dollars ON PER PERSON TWIN SHARING BASIS)

PER PERSON USD 430
SINGLE ROOM SUPPLEMENT USD 230

Airfare Supplement per person.

- BOM / COK / BOM ECONOMY CLASS USD 445 PER PERSON
Airfares are based on current tariffs & surcharges & are subject to change.

QUOTATIONS INCLUDE:

1. 4 night's accommodation on twin sharing basis in standard category of rooms unless otherwise specified in hotels mentioned or similar.
2. Meal plan on Bed & breakfast basis
3. All transport by an **air-conditioned vehicle**.
4. A **local English-speaking** guide will be provided.
5. **Entrance fees & ASI fees** at all monuments as on date which is subject to change.
6. **All government taxes** at hotels as on date. Any future levies will be charged extra.
7. Services of a TCI English speaking representative to assist at airports and hotels.

QUOTATIONS EXCLUDE:

- Items of a personal nature -i.e. drinks, laundry, tips & gratuities, still/video camera fees at monuments or any items not specified above.
- Visa charges for India & neighboring countries.
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