

Luxury Kerala Backwaters: Private Houseboat in Alleppey

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Destination
Kerala



Duration
4 Nights 5 Days



Starting from
Rs. 41,200 / person

ITINERARY ROUTE

➤ **Alleppey · 2N**

➤ **Kovalam Beach · 2N**

Overview

Experience the quintessential Kerala Beach tour package with a focus on serene backwaters and premium beachfront relaxation. This 4 nights / 5 days Kerala tour package pairs a private luxury houseboat cruise in Alleppey (Alappuzha) with a relaxing beach stay in Kovalam – perfect for travelers seeking both intimate backwater experiences and sun-soaked beaches.

Highlights:

- Private Luxury Houseboat cruise through Alleppey's backwaters
- Village walks & local culture: toddy tapping, coir-making, village life
- Kovalam Beaches: Lighthouse Beach, Hawa Beach, Samudra Beach
- Ayurvedic spa & massages at Kovalam
- Sunsets over the backwaters and beachside relaxation

Tip: Carry light cotton clothing, sunscreen, and a light jacket for cooler mornings on the houseboat.

✓ **What's Included**

- ✓ Airport transfers (Cochin arrival and Trivandrum departure) by private car.
- ✓ 2 nights accommodation on a private luxury houseboat in Alleppey with all meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner).
- ✓ 2 nights stay at a beachfront resort in Kovalam on twin/double sharing basis with breakfast.
- ✓ Guided village walk and coir unit visit.
- ✓ One Ayurvedic massage session (60 minutes) at Kovalam (subject to prior booking).
- ✓ All applicable taxes and service charges.
- ✓ Note: Transfers include driver allowances; bottled water on board and during transfers included.

✗ **Not Included**

- ✗ Airfare to/from Kerala.
- ✗ Entry fees, personal expenses, tips and portorage.
- ✗ Meals not mentioned in inclusions and any special dietary requests (unless pre-requested).
- ✗ Optional activities such as additional Ayurvedic treatments, water sports, or private guides beyond what is mentioned.
- ✗ Early check-in or late check-out charges unless confirmed.
- ✗ Important: Travel insurance is not included – we strongly recommend purchasing travel insurance before departure.

Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day

1

Arrival in Kochi and Transfer to Alleppey

Arrival at Cochin International Airport / Ernakulam. Meet and greet by a private transfer and proceed to Alleppey (Alappuzha). On arrival, board your private luxury houseboat. Enjoy a welcome drink and a short orientation of the vessel. Start cruising the iconic Kerala backwaters while savouring a delicious Kerala-style lunch served on board. Afternoon at leisure – cruise past paddy fields, quaint villages and traditional houseboats. Evening: watch the sunset over the backwaters while enjoying a freshly prepared seafood dinner on board.

Important: Check-in timing is generally midday; please share your arrival details in advance to ensure timely pickup.

Day

2

Full Backwater Cruise & Village Exploration

Wake up to the gentle sounds of the backwaters and a continental/Indian breakfast. Spend the day cruising through narrow canals, lush rice paddies and village hamlets. Disembark for a guided village walk to explore coir-making units, traditional homes and local markets. Return to the boat for a cooking demonstration of Kerala cuisine and a relaxed evening. Overnight on the houseboat with dinner under the stars.

Tip: Carry a hat and comfortable shoes for the village walk.

Day

3

Disembark and Transfer to Kovalam Beach

After breakfast, disembark from the houseboat and transfer by private car to Kovalam, Kerala's famed beach destination. On arrival, check in at a premium beachfront resort. Afternoon at leisure to relax on the golden sands of Lighthouse Beach or enjoy resort facilities. Evening free for a beachside stroll and dining at a coastal restaurant.

Note: Travel time from Alleppey to Kovalam is approximately 3.5–4.5 hours depending on traffic.

Day

4

Kovalam Beach Leisure & Ayurvedic Experience

Spend a full day enjoying the Kovalam Beach package offerings. Begin with a rejuvenating Ayurvedic massage or spa session (optional). Visit Hawa Beach for water activities or sunbathing. Explore local seafood eateries and shops. In the afternoon, take a short boat ride to nearby coves or relax at the resort pool. Sunset at the Lighthouse is a must-see.

Tip: Pre-book Ayurvedic treatments to secure preferred time slots.

Day

5

Departure via Trivandrum

After breakfast, depending on your flight time, enjoy a last walk on the beach or a quick visit to Padmanabhaswamy Temple and local markets in Thiruvananthapuram (Trivandrum). Private transfer to Trivandrum International Airport for your onward flight.

Note: Check-out time is typically late morning; early or late transfers can be arranged on request.

🔍 Frequently Asked Questions

🔍 What are the top tourist destinations in Kerala?

Kerala offers stunning tourist destinations like Munnar's tea plantations, Alleppey's backwaters, Kochi's vibrant culture, and Wayanad's lush hills. Don't miss the stunning beaches of Varkala and Kovalam, as well as the tranquil landscapes of Thekkady and Kumarakom. Each offers unique experiences for every traveler.

🔍 What is the best time to visit Kerala?

The best time to visit Kerala is from October to March. During these months, the weather is pleasantly cool and dry, making it ideal for exploring the lush backwaters, hill stations, and vibrant culture. Remember to experience the festivals and local events that take place during this peak tourist season!

🔍 How can I travel around Kerala?

Traveling around Kerala is easy thanks to its extensive transport options. You can use private taxis, auto-rickshaws, and public buses. For scenic routes, consider hiring a houseboat, especially in the backwaters of Alleppey. Trains and domestic flights connect major cities, making exploration seamless.

🔍 What are the famous cuisines to try in Kerala?

Kerala is renowned for its delicious cuisine, featuring dishes like Sambar, Appam, and Puttu. Don't miss the spicy Kerala fish curry and the delectable dosa. For a unique experience, try traditional Sadya, a vegetarian feast served on a banana leaf, highlighting the region's rich flavors and diverse culinary traditions.

❓ What activities can I enjoy in Kerala's backwaters?

In Kerala's backwaters, you can enjoy serene houseboat cruises, kayaking through lush mangroves, and bird watching. Experience local cuisine on board, visit traditional villages, and partake in unique cultural performances. Don't miss the opportunity for peaceful sunsets and picturesque landscapes!

❓ Is Kerala suitable for family vacations?

Yes, Kerala is ideal for family vacations! With its serene backwaters, lush hill stations, wildlife sanctuaries, and beautiful beaches, it offers a variety of activities for all ages. Families can enjoy houseboat rides, explore spice plantations, and visit cultural sites, making it a memorable destination.

❓ What are the important festivals celebrated in Kerala?

Kerala is home to vibrant festivals like Onam, celebrated with colorful festivities and the traditional feast; Vishu, marking the New Year with family gatherings; and Thrissur Pooram, showcasing grand temple processions and spectacular fireworks. These events reflect the rich culture and heritage, making Kerala a unique tourist destination.

★ Traveller Reviews



Aditi Rao

★★★★★ 5/5

Everlasting Impressions of Kerala

From the stunning scenery to rich traditions, this tour made lasting impressions. I can't help but reminisce about the experiences. Highly recommend!



Kunal Kaur

★★★★★ 5/5

A Well-Rounded Experience

This Kerala tour provided a perfect blend of relaxation and activities. We got to unwind in the backwaters and explore beautiful hill stations. A great balance!



Vani Dubey

★★★★★ 5/5

Heavenly Kerala Escape

Kerala felt like heaven on earth! The combination of nature, culture, and warm hospitality made it a trip to remember. I left a piece of my heart there!



Kiran Menon

★★★★☆ 4/5

An Immersive Eco-Tour

The eco-tour experience was unique and educational. We learned about sustainable practices while enjoying the nature-rich surroundings. Very well organized!



Rajesh Iyer

★★★★★ 5/5

Charming Village Tours

Exploring local villages was a highlight. Interacting with locals and understanding their lifestyle was eye-opening. Very enriching experience!

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