

# Kerala Family Holiday: Munnar, Thekkady & Houseboat Experience

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Destination  
**Kerala**



Duration  
**6 Nights 7 Days**



Starting from  
**Rs. 29,800 / person**

## ITINERARY ROUTE

↙ **Munnar · 2N**

↙ **Thekkady · 2N**

↙ **Alleppey · 1N**

↙ **Kochi · 1N**

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## Overview

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Kerala Family Holiday: Munnar, Thekkady & Houseboat Experience – a thoughtfully crafted 6 nights / 7 days Kerala tour package ideal for families looking for scenic hill stations, wildlife encounters and an authentic backwater houseboat stay. This Kerala Honeymoon tour package alternative is family-friendly and highlights the best of Kerala: Munnar's tea gardens, Periyar (Thekkady) wildlife sanctuary, and the tranquil Alleppey backwaters with a classic houseboat cruise.

### Highlights:

- 2 nights in Munnar – lush tea estates & panoramic viewpoints
- 2 nights in Thekkady (Periyar) – wildlife boat cruise & spice plantations
- 1 night on a traditional Kerala houseboat in Alleppey – backwater cruising with onboard meals
- 1 night in Kochi – historic Fort Kochi and easy airport transfer

Tip: This 6 nights and 7 days Kerala Honeymoon package is also well-suited for families; adjust activities like trekking or long walks depending on children or elders.

### ✓ What's Included

- ✓ Accommodation for 6 nights as per category selected (twin/double/triple sharing)
- ✓ Daily breakfast at hotels
- ✓ 1 night on a traditional houseboat with all meals (lunch, evening tea, dinner, breakfast)
- ✓ All transfers and sightseeing by private air-conditioned vehicle as per itinerary
- ✓ English-speaking driver/representative
- ✓ Entry fees for attractions listed in the itinerary (where applicable)
- ✓ Spice plantation visit and tea museum visit
- ✓ Parking and toll charges
- ✓ Government taxes
- ✓ Note: Breakfast timing and meal preferences can be customized on request.

### ✗ Not Included

- ✗ International and domestic airfare / train fares
- ✗ Airport / railway station arrival and departure charges (unless transfers included)
- ✗ Personal expenses (tips, laundry, phone calls)
- ✗ Drinks (except houseboat complimentary tea/coffee during meals), special meals and room service
- ✗ Optional activities (e.g., boating at Mattupetty, bamboo rafting, cultural shows, Kathakali, Kalaripayattu) unless specified
- ✗ Travel insurance and medical expenses
- ✗ Any peak season supplements or festival surcharges
- ✗ Tip: Book optional activities in advance to guarantee availability.

## Day-by-Day Itinerary

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Day

1

### **Arrival at Kochi and Transfer to Munnar**

Arrive at Cochin International Airport (Kochi) and meet your representative. Drive to Munnar (approx. 4–5 hours) through scenic Western Ghats with stops for photos and refreshments. Check in to the hotel and unwind. Evening at leisure — enjoy a gentle walk through the nearby tea gardens or the local market.

Note: If you have an early arrival, consider a brief stop at the Ettumanoor Temple or roadside spice shops en route.

Day

2

### **Munnar Sightseeing: Eravikulam, Mattupetty & Tea Museum**

Full day exploring Munnar's highlights. Visit Eravikulam National Park (home to the Nilgiri tahr) — enjoy panoramic views from Rajamalai. Continue to Mattupetty Dam with boating (optional), Echo Point, and Kundala Lake. In the afternoon, visit the Tea Museum and take a guided walk through manicured tea estates.

Important: Eravikulam may be closed during certain months for conservation — plan accordingly.

Day

3

### **Transfer to Thekkady via Spice Plantation**

After breakfast, check out and drive to Thekkady (Periyar) (approx. 3–4 hours). En route visit a local spice plantation to learn about pepper, cardamom and other spices — tasting included. Arrive at Thekkady, check in to the hotel, and enjoy the evening at leisure. Option to watch a cultural performance like Kalaripayattu or Kathakali in the evening (optional).

Tip: Carry light walking shoes for the plantation walk and bring a light jacket for the hill climate.

Day

4

### **Periyar Wildlife Boat Cruise & Nature Activities**

Start early with a boat cruise on Periyar Lake inside Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary — excellent for wildlife and bird sightings (elephants, sambar, langurs, and many bird species). After the cruise, take an optional guided nature walk or bamboo rafting depending on season and availability. Afternoon visit to a local spice garden and leisure time at the hotel.

Important: Wildlife sightings cannot be guaranteed. Carry binoculars and insect repellent.

Day

5

### **Drive to Alleppey & Board Traditional Houseboat**

After breakfast, drive to Alleppey (Alappuzha) (approx. 4–5 hours). Board your private or shared traditional Kerala houseboat (kettuvallam) by noon. Cruise through the serene backwaters, glide past paddy fields, coconut groves, and small village hamlets. Fresh regional lunch, evening tea and a peaceful sunset on the backwaters. Overnight stay and dinner on board.

Note: Houseboat itinerary depends on tides and lock timings.

Day

6

### **Disembark Houseboat and Transfer to Kochi – Fort Kochi Walk**

Disembark houseboat after breakfast. Drive to Kochi (approx. 1.5–2 hours). Explore historic Fort Kochi: Chinese Fishing Nets, St. Francis Church, Dutch Palace (Mattancherry Palace), and the Jewish Synagogue in Mattancherry. Enjoy street-side cafes and local art galleries. Evening free for shopping or an optional Kathakali performance.

Tip: Fort Kochi has several pedestrian-friendly lanes; comfortable walking shoes recommended.

Day

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### **Departure from Kochi**

After breakfast, check out from the hotel and transfer to Cochin International Airport or Kochi railway station for onward journey. If time permits, enjoy a short last-minute city drive or shopping trip.

Important: Standard check-out is by 11:00 AM. Please inform us of your flight/train timing so we can plan your transfer accordingly.

## **? Frequently Asked Questions**

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### **? 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!

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## ❓ **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.

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## ❓ **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.

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## ❓ **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!

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## ❓ **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.

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## ❓ **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.

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## Traveller Reviews

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**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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