

Periyar Lake & Spice Plantation Stay: Thekkady Eco-Experience

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Destination
Kerala



Duration
4 Nights 5 Days



Starting from
Rs. 14,900 / person

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Overview

Experience a serene 4 nights / 5 days Kerala tour package designed for nature lovers and low-impact adventurers. This Kerala Adventure tour package centers on the lush wildlife landscapes of Periyar Lake and immersive stays at traditional spice plantations in Thekkady. Enjoy guided nature walks, a scenic boat cruise on Periyar Lake, spice plantation tours with tasting and cooking demos, and optional adventure add-ons like bamboo rafting and guided treks.

Highlights:

- Periyar Lake boat cruise and wildlife viewing
- Stay at an authentic Spice Plantation eco-lodge in Thekkady
- Guided nature walks & early morning birdwatching
- Cardamom & Spice plantation tours with cooking demo
- Optional bamboo rafting, jeep/elephant safari and village walk

This package is optimized for searches like Kerala tour package, Kerala Adventure tour package, Kerala Adventure package, and 4 and 5 Kerala Adventure tour package.

✓ What's Included

- ✓ 4 nights accommodation at a Spice Plantation eco-lodge in Thekkady (twin/double occupancy)
- ✓ Daily breakfast and dinner (local Kerala cuisine)
- ✓ Guided nature walk and Periyar Lake boat cruise (shared boat)
- ✓ Spice plantation tour, spice tasting and cooking demonstration
- ✓ Pick-up and drop from Cochin International Airport / Ernakulam Railway Station (as per scheduled timings)
- ✓ All applicable government taxes and permits for Periyar visit
- ✓ Local English-speaking guide for included activities

✗ Not Included

- ✗ Airfare / train fare to/from Kerala
- ✗ Travel insurance and personal medical expenses
- ✗ Entry fees for optional activities (jeep/elephant safaris, bamboo rafting, kayaking) and any private or premium experiences
- ✗ Beverages, tips, laundry and personal expenses
- ✗ Anything not expressly mentioned in 'Inclusions'
- ✗ Note: Optional activities are subject to availability and may require advance booking. Prices for add-ons will be provided upon request.

Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day

1

Arrival, Transfer to Thekkady & Spice Plantation Check-in

Arrival at Cochin International Airport / Ernakulam Railway Station. Meet our representative and enjoy a scenic drive (approx 4–4.5 hours) through Kerala's lush landscapes to Thekkady. Arrive at your eco-friendly spice plantation stay and check-in.

Evening: Take a guided spice plantation walk to learn about cardamom, pepper, cinnamon, clove, and other spices. Enjoy a traditional Kerala dinner at the lodge.

Note: Early/late arrivals can be accommodated; please inform us in advance for pickup timings.

Day

2

Periyar Lake Boat Cruise & Wildlife Viewing

Start early with a guided nature walk inside Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary to spot birds, butterflies and traces of wildlife. Later, enjoy the highlight – a peaceful boat cruise on Periyar Lake which offers excellent chances to see elephants, sambar, gaur, and many bird species along the shoreline.

Afternoon: Relax at the lodge or join an optional bamboo rafting / kayaking session (extra cost). Evening cultural program featuring Kalaripayattu or local folk performance (subject to availability).

Day

3

Cardamom Trails & Plantation Immersion

After breakfast, head out for a deeper spice plantation tour – learn harvesting techniques, processing methods and enjoy a spice tasting session. Participate in a hands-on cooking demonstration to discover Kerala flavors.

Optional: Guided trek along the cardamom trails or an eco jeep safari to explore wildlife edges. Return to the plantation for a relaxed evening and locally-sourced dinner.

Day

4

Chellarkovil Viewpoint & Village Walk

Drive to Chellarkovil Viewpoint for panoramic views of the Western Ghats and the tea-cardamom estates. Spend time exploring local viewpoints and photographing the misty hills.

Afternoon: Enjoy a guided village walk to meet local families, visit the spice market and learn about traditional life. Evening at leisure with an optional campfire (seasonal) and storytelling.

Tip: Carry a light jacket for mornings/evenings – hill temperatures can be cool.

Day

5

Checkout & Departure via Kochi (Optional Fort Kochi Half-Day)

After breakfast, check out from the plantation and drive back to Cochin / Ernakulam for your onward journey. If your flight/train is later in the day, opt for a half-day tour of Fort Kochi: visit the Chinese fishing nets, St. Francis Church, Mattancherry Palace and the Jewish Synagogue.

Drop at Cochin International Airport/Railway Station for your departure.

Important: Transfer times may vary; allow buffer time for connections.

? 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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