

Kerala Luxury Coastal Cruise: Private Yacht from Kochi to Varkala

Prepared by TourGrids



Destination
Kerala



Duration
7 Nights 8 Days



Starting from
Rs. 68,500 / person

ITINERARY ROUTE

↗ **Kochi · 1N**

↗ **Onboard Private Yacht · 4N**

↗ **Varkala · 2N**

Overview

a premium Kerala tour package and signature Kerala Beach tour package designed for travelers seeking an intimate, upscale coastal experience. Over 7 nights / 8 days, enjoy a private yacht cruising the Malabar coast with curated shore excursions, luxury beach stays, and authentic Kerala cuisine. Ideal as a Kerala Beach package and available as both 7 and 8 Kerala Beach tour package options for flexible arrival/departure.

Highlights:

- Private luxury yacht charter with captain & crew
- Fort Kochi & Mattancherry sightseeing
- Backwater cruise near Alappuzha (Alleppey)
- Pristine beaches of Kovalam, Kollam, Varkala
- Houseboat-style onboard dining and seafood specialties
- Personalized shore excursions, snorkeling & beachside yoga (on request)

✓ What's Included

- ✓ Private luxury yacht charter for the stated cruise duration (crew & captain included)
- ✓ All onboard accommodation (as per cabin category)
- ✓ All meals while onboard (breakfast, lunch, dinner) featuring Kerala cuisine and seasonal seafood
- ✓ Welcome drink on arrival and daily tea/coffee service
- ✓ Guided shore excursions listed in itinerary and local transfers between yacht and shore
- ✓ Basic snorkeling gear, paddleboards, and onboard leisure equipment
- ✓ Port & anchor fees, fuel for planned itinerary
- ✓ Private transfer: airport/rail to hotel (Day 1) and Varkala resort to Trivandrum airport (Day 8) or Kochi return (on request)
- ✓ Local taxes and service charges
- ✓ 24/7 yacht crew service and local concierge support

✗ Not Included

- ✗ International or domestic flights to/from Kerala
- ✗ Visa fees and travel insurance
- ✗ Personal expenses (laundry, phone, minibar, gratuities) and optional shore activities not listed as included
- ✗ Entrance fees to monuments (unless specified) and permits for special activities
- ✗ Ayurvedic therapy packages, spa treatments, and extra wellness services (available at additional cost)
- ✗ Peak-season surcharges, fuel surcharges if route changes, and optional extra nights at hotels
- ✗ Tips for crew and guides (recommended)

Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day

1

Arrival in Kochi — Welcome to Kerala

Arrive at Cochin International Airport or Kochi railway station. Private transfer to a luxury hotel in Fort Kochi. Evening walking tour of Fort Kochi: St. Francis Church, Dutch Palace (Mattancherry), and the iconic Chinese fishing nets. Welcome dinner featuring Kerala seafood and house-spiced curries. Guests may choose an early boarding option if they prefer to embark the yacht same evening.

Day

2

Board the Private Yacht — Sail Towards Munambam

After breakfast, private transfer to the marina and board your private luxury yacht. Safety briefing and yacht orientation followed by departure along the coast toward Munambam. Enjoy panoramic sea views, onboard chef-prepared Kerala specialties, and an evening sunset cruise. Optional: sunset beach walk or short fishing experience. Overnight aboard the yacht anchored near Munambam.

Day

3

Cruise to Alappuzha (Alleppey) — Backwater Views & Beach Time

Sail south to Alappuzha, with a morning filled with coastal scenery and birdlife. Midday arrival near Alappuzha: choose a guided beachfront walk, or a short local backwater boat ride to witness Kerala's canoe culture. Lunch on board with fresh seafood. Late afternoon: relax on deck, sunset photography, and evening cultural performance (on request). Overnight onboard near Alappuzha.

Day

4

Explore Quilon (Kollam) Coast — Beaches & Island Stops

Morning cruise toward Kollam (Quilon). Stop for swimming or snorkeling at a calm bay and explore small coastal islands and fishing villages. Lunch served aboard with Kerala-style stews and grilled catch of the day. Afternoon guided shore excursion to Kollam Beach and local markets. Guests may opt for a short Ayurvedic consultation and massage ashore (extra cost). Overnight onboard off Kollam.

Day

5

Scenic Day at Sea — Leisure, Water Sports & Onboard Wellness

A relaxed cruising day focused on leisure: sunrise yoga on deck, optional paddleboarding and snorkeling in clear bays, and an onboard cooking demo showcasing Kerala seafood and spices. Afternoon free for reading, sunbathing or a guided photography walk on a nearby beach. Chef-curated beach barbecue at dusk. Overnight onboard as the yacht makes steady progress toward Varkala.

Day

6

Arrival at Varkala — Disembark & Beach Resort Transfer

Arrive off the coast of Varkala in the morning. Disembark and transfer to a luxury Varkala beach resort perched on the cliff with sweeping Arabian Sea views. Afternoon relaxation at Varkala Beach or cliffside cafes; explore Janardana Swami Temple and local shops. Evening Ayurvedic spa or beachside sunset stroll. Varkala is known for both lively cliff cafes and peaceful beach stretches. Overnight at the Varkala resort.

Day

7

Varkala — Leisure, Ayurveda & Coastal Experiences

Full day at leisure in Varkala: choose from an authentic Ayurvedic treatment package (recommended), guided coastal hikes, or a surfing lesson (seasonal). Enjoy sunset yoga on the cliff and a private beach dinner celebrating Kerala flavors. Ideal day for relaxation or optional local excursions to nearby fishing villages. Overnight at the Varkala resort.

Day

8

Departure — Transfer to Thiruvananthapuram or Kochi

After breakfast, private transfer to Trivandrum (Thiruvananthapuram) International Airport for departure, or return transfer to Kochi on request (additional distance and transfer time). Final farewells and assistance with onward travel arrangements. If booking the 8-day variation, add an extra leisure day in Varkala or a Trivandrum city tour including Padmanabhaswamy Temple and Napier Museum.

🔗 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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