

Kerala 7-Night Family Special: Beaches, Backwaters & Hill Station Fun

Prepared by TourGrids

Destination
Kerala

Duration
7 Nights 8 Days

Starting from
Rs. 38,500 / person

ITINERARY ROUTE

↖ **Kochi · 1N**

↖ **Munnar · 2N**

↖ **Thekkady · 1N**

↖ **Alleppey · 1N**

↖ **Kovalam · 2N**

Overview

A perfectly balanced Kerala tour package crafted for families who want beaches, serene backwaters, and cool hill station experiences in one trip. This Kerala Family tour package spans 7 nights and 8 days and covers Kochi, Munnar, Thekkady, Alleppey (houseboat), and Kovalam. Ideal for multi-generational travel with relaxed pacing, family-friendly activities, and comfortable stays.

Highlights:

- Kochi: Fort Kochi strolls, Chinese fishing nets, and Kathakali glimpses
- Munnar: Rolling tea gardens, Eravikulam National Park, and scenic viewpoints
- Thekkady: Spice plantations and a relaxing Periyar Boat Cruise
- Alleppey: Overnight Kerala houseboat on the backwaters
- Kovalam: Family-friendly beaches and the famous Lighthouse Beach

This 7 and 8 Kerala Family tour package is designed for families seeking comfort and varied experiences – beaches, wildlife, backwaters, and hill station charm all in one.

✓ **What's Included**

- ✓ Accommodation for 7 nights (hotels & 1-night traditional houseboat) on twin/ family sharing basis
- ✓ Daily breakfast at hotels; 1 onboard meals package on houseboat (breakfast, lunch, dinner where specified)
- ✓ All transfers and sightseeing by private AC vehicle as per itinerary
- ✓ Guided Fort Kochi walk, Munnar tea museum entry, Periyar boat cruise tickets
- ✓ Spice plantation visit and houseboat cruise charges
- ✓ Applicable taxes and service charges
- ✓ Note: Room upgrades, inter-state taxes (if any), and special requests can be added for an extra charge.

✗ **Not Included**

- ✗ Flights or train tickets to/from Kerala
- ✗ Entry fees not specified in inclusions, camera fees, and personal expenses
- ✗ Meals not mentioned in the inclusions (lunches/dinners at hotels unless stated)
- ✗ Travel insurance, tips, and gratuities
- ✗ Any activity marked optional, or entrance fees on festivals/peak closures
- ✗ Important: Peak season supplements, long-route transfers, or custom requests are not included and will be charged separately.

Day-by-Day Itinerary

Day

1

Arrival in Kochi & Fort Kochi Walking Tour

Arrive at Cochin International Airport / rail station and transfer to your hotel in Kochi. After check-in and a brief rest, enjoy a relaxed walking tour of Fort Kochi: the iconic Chinese Fishing Nets, St. Francis Church, and the Dutch Palace (Mattancherry Palace). In the evening, witness a short Kathakali or Kalaripayattu demonstration (time permitting).

Tip: Keep the first day light — ideal for families to adjust to local time and climate.

Day

2

Drive to Munnar — Scenic Hill Station Arrival

After breakfast, drive to Munnar (approx. 4–5 hours). En route, stop for photos at viewpoints and enjoy the changing landscape as you climb into the Western Ghats. Check in to your hill resort. Afternoon at leisure — families can relax or take a short walk through nearby tea gardens.

Note: Roads are hilly and winding; comfortable travel breaks are scheduled for seniors and kids.

Day

3

Munnar Local Sightseeing — Tea Gardens & Views

Full day exploring Munnar attractions. Visit the Eravikulam National Park (home of the endangered Nilgiri Tahr) — booking subject to park timing and season. Continue to the Tea Museum, Mattupetty Dam (boat ride optional), Echo Point, and Top Station for panoramic views.

Family-friendly options: short nature walks and a gentle boat ride at Mattupetty make it easy for children and elders to enjoy.

Day

4

Munnar to Thekkady — Spice Plantations & Evening Leisure

After breakfast, depart for Thekkady (approx. 3–4 hours). En route, stop at a spice plantation to see and sample native spices — a fun, informative experience for families. Arrive at your hotel near Periyar and relax. Optional evening: attend a cultural performance showcasing Kalaripayattu or local art forms.

Tip: Spice plantation visits are interactive and great for children to learn about cardamom, pepper, and vanilla.

Day

5

Periyar Wildlife Boat Cruise & Travel to Alleppey

Early morning enjoy a serene Periyar Lake boat cruise in Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary – wildlife sightings are possible (elephants, deer, birdlife). After breakfast, drive to Alleppey (approx. 4 hours). Board your traditional Kerala houseboat in the afternoon to begin a leisurely backwater cruise.

Note: Houseboat cabins vary in size; family suites or adjoining rooms can be arranged on request.

Day

6

Houseboat Disembark & Transfer to Kovalam

Wake up to backwater views, enjoy a fresh breakfast on the houseboat, and disembark mid-morning. Drive to Kovalam / Trivandrum (approx. 4 hours). Check in at your beach resort and spend the evening at Lighthouse Beach or relaxing at the resort.

Tip: Carry swim gear and sun protection; beaches are family-friendly but watch children near the water.

Day

7

Kovalam Beach Day & Nearby Sightseeing

Full day to enjoy Kovalam. Relax on Hawa Beach, Lighthouse Beach, and Samudra Beach. Optional activities: Ayurvedic spa treatments, a short visit to Vizhinjam Rock Cut Cave Temple, or a sunset boat ride. Evening at leisure.

Family-friendly activity suggestions: shallow-water play at the protected cove near Lighthouse Beach, and gentle beach walks at sunset.

Day

8

Departure from Trivandrum

After breakfast, check out and transfer to Trivandrum (Thiruvananthapuram) airport or railway station for your onward journey. If time permits, visit the Sree Padmanabhaswamy Temple or local markets in Trivandrum before departure.

Tip: Allow 3 hours for airport transfer formalities; plan your flights accordingly.

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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