

# Day 01 : Arrive Kochi

- Today arrival by flight. Will be met and assisted at airport by our representative and transferred to hotel for check in.
- Afternoon local sightseeing tour of Kochi Dutch Palace, the Jewish Synagogue, St. Francis Church
  and the Santa Cruz Basilica. Enroute, view the unique and still-in-use "Chinese Fishing Nets",
  introduced by the Chinese traders in the 14th Century. The tour ends with a walk in the 500-year-old
  Fort Kochi area, through the historical Dutch and Portuguese buildings.
- Overnight stay

#### Day 02 : Kochi

- · Morning at leisure to explore local market on your own
- Evening witness Kathakali dance performance, a spectacular Dance Drama based on stories from Ramayana and Mahabharata.
- · Overnight stay

#### Day 03 : Kochi - Munnar

- · After breakfast leave for Munnar (145 Kms & 03 ½ hrs. drive)
- · Check in at hotel
- Afternoon visit to a Tea Plantation & Tea Museum
- Munnar, was once a royal hill station resort in the days of the Raj filled with bungalows and tea gardens
- Overnight stay

## Day 04 : Munnar - Periyar

- · After breakfast leave for Periyar (135 Kms & 3-4 hrs)
- Check in at hotel.
- Afternoon visit to a Spice Garden to see spices like cardamom, cinnamon, pepper, cloves, vanilla, ginger and coffee growing in their natural environment
- Periyar (1000m above the sea level) is famous for spice growing, producing 95% pepper in India.
   Pepper was also called black gold as it was traded against equal weight of gold.
- Evening Shared boat ride at lake Periyar
- Overnight stay

### Day 05 : Periyar - Alleppey (Houseboat)

- Morning leave for Alleppey (60 kms & 2 hrs)
- Board your deluxe houseboat for an overnight cruise in the backwaters.
- The houseboat cruise takes you through the intricate maze of backwaters wherein you enjoy the serene countryside of Kerala at its best. The excursion ends with a stroll through the villages & interaction with the locals.
- Overnight on board

### Day 06 : Alleppey (Backwaters) - Kumarakom

- After breakfast on board, disembark houseboat and check-in at hotel.
- Rest of day at leisure for independent activities (no transport incorporated)
- Overnight stay

#### Day 07 : Kumarakom

- Full day at leisure No transport
- Overnight stay

#### Day 08 : Kumarakom - Cochin (Kochi) - Goa

Tour can be expended to Goa to experience the Pristine Beaches of Goa or tour can end with a flight out.

### END OF TOUR

Check-in 1400 hrs./Check-out 1200 hrs.