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SOUTH INDIA (11D/10N)

Daily Departures

Cochin – Munar – Periyar – Madurai – Tanjore –
Mahabalipuram - Chennai

(Minimum 2 Persons)

Valid from April 01st , 2024 till March 31st , 2025

(Except 23/12/24 till 05/01/25)

Included

- Round trip transfers: airport – hotel – airport
- 10-night accommodation at hotels
- English Speaking Local guide as per the program at all places.
- Accommodation for 10 nights on double/twin sharing as indicated on a bed and breakfast basis.
- A typical lunch at Chettinad Mansion on day 7.
- Air-conditioned transportation to and from the hotel, between cities and during excursions.
- Rickshaw ride at local Bazars in Madurai
- Monuments entrances as per the visits mentioned in the program.
- Rickshaw ride at Local Bazars in Madurai.
- Kathakali Dance in Cochin.
- Nature walk in the Periyar Sanctuary.
- Boat ride in the Periyar Sanctuary.
- Tea plantation visit in Munnar.
- Portage at airports and hotels, and all applicable hotel and transportation fees

Excluded

- Round trip ticket to Cochin, return from Trivandrum
- Airport taxes
- Visa charge
- Travel insurance
- Lunches & dinners where not mentioned
- Drinks during meals
- Optional tours
- All other expenses
- Early check In & late check out

Prices are per person in US. Dollars: (Minimum 2 persons)

Hotel	Period	Triple	Double	Single With other	Halfboard Supplement	Fullboard Supplement
Standard	01/04/24-30/09/24	990	990	1410	160	240
	01/10/24-31/03/25	1070	1070	1565	185	270
Superior	01/04/24-30/09/24	1125	1125	1680	185	270
	01/10/24-31/03/25	1230	1230	1885	200	290

- Rates are subject to change without prior notice
- Hotels check-in at 14.00 & check-out at 12.00 noon
- Rate for single travelling alone is on request
- Children under 5 years sharing bed with parents is free except for food parents will have to pay it separately directly to the hotels
- Children between 5 – 12 years sharing bed with parents is free except :
for Breakfast parents will have to pay it separately directly to the hotels and for HB or FB parents have to pay 50% of the cost of meals

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Selected hotels: (or similar)

Nights	Region / City	5*STD	5*DLX
1	Cochin	Holiday Inn 4*	Le Meridien 5*
2	Munnar	The Panoramic Gateway 4*	Fragrant Nature 5*
2	Periyar	Cardamom County 4*	The mountain courtyard 5*
1	Madurai	Fortune Madurai 4*	Marriott Madurai 5*
1	Tanjore	Hotel Sangam 4*	Hotel Svatma Tanjore 5*
2	Mahabalipuram	Ideal beach resort 4*	Four Points by Sheraton 5*
1	Chennai	Courtyard by Marriott 4*	Hilton Chennai 5*

Detailed Itinerary:

DAY 1: BEIRUT – COCHIN

Arrive at airport , transfer to hotel. Overnight at Hotel in Cochin.

DAY 2 : COCHIN – MUNNAR (130 KMS/ 3 HRS APPROX)

Breakfast at the hotel. Morning sightseeing tour : visit **Fort Cochin, Santa Cruz Basilica, Dutch Palace (Closed on Friday and Sunday)** at Mattancherry, **St. Francis Church** and **Chinese fishing nets**.

Afternoon drive to **Munnar** A lovely hill station, filled with tea plantations and misty mountains.

Overnight at Hotel in Munnar.

DAY 3 : MUNNAR

After breakfast at hotel, take a guided walk through the lush hills of **Munnar**, often shrouded in ethereal clouds. Be sure to have your camera ready as the beautiful scenery unfolds in front of you.

Optional speedboat ride around the lake.

Later return to your hotel. **Ovenight in Munnar.**

DAY 4 : MUNNAR – PERIYAR (85 KMS/ 2 HRS APPROX)

Breakfast, departure to **Periyar**. Drive through rubber and pineapple plantations to Thekkady and explore the **Periyar National Park**, perched lakeside in the ranges of the Western Ghats.

Upon arrival check in at the hotel and take some rest.

Afternoon, take a tour of a local spice plantation.

Overnight at Periyar.

DAY 5 : PERIYAR

After breakfast , take a guided nature walk in the **Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary** (approximately 3 hours). Encounters with animals in the wild are never guaranteed, and this is more of a jungle walk than an animal spotting tour, but look out for tiger tracks, spotted deer, or gaur – the world's largest species of buffalo.

In the afternoon, unwind with an optional ayurvedic massage (on direct payment) or just relax in this scenic setting.

Overnight at Hotel in Periyar.

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DAY 6 : PERIYAR – MADURAI (139 KMS/ 3 HRS APPROX)

After breakfast, departure to **Madurai**. The oldest city existing in the Indian peninsula and one of the continuously inhabited cities in the world, Madurai is richly steeped in cultural heritage. It is called as Thoonga Nagaram that means a 'city that never sleeps'.

Arrive Madurai and check-in at Hotel.

Afternoon free time for shopping and personal activities, or take a walk through town.

Overnight at Madurai.

DAY 7 : MADURAI – TANJORE (189 KMS/ 4-5HRS APPROX)

After breakfast. Departure to visit Madurai with local guide, including : the fruit and vegetable market, the Gandhi Museum and the famous 'fish-eyed goddess' Meenakshi Temple.

After drive to **Tanjore (4-5 hours)** is a city in the south Indian state of Tamil Nadu. Where you can find many temples, Thanjavur Maratha Palace is home to the centuries-old Saraswathi Mahal Library, with palm-leaf manuscripts, and Thanjavur Art Gallery, with bronze statues. Tamil University Museum displays coins, folk artifacts and musical instruments.

Overnight at Hotel.

DAY 8 : TANJORE – DARASURAM – CHIDAMBRAM - MAHABALIPURAM (300 KMS/ 5 HRS APPROX)

After breakfast. Drive to **Mahabalipuram**. En-route visit **Darasuram** and **Chidambaram**; Darasuram, The town is known for the **Airavateswara temple**. **Chidambaram**, thillai Nataraja Temple, is a Hindu Temple dedicated to Nataraja, form of Shiva as the Lord of dance.

Continue drive to **Mahabalipuram**. Mahabalipuram, is a town on a strip of land between the Bay of Bengal and the Great Salt Lake, in the south Indian state of Tamil Nadu.

Arrive and check-in at the hotel. **Overnight at Hotel in Mahabalipuram.**

DAY 9 : MAHABALIPURAM

After breakfast, visit the **Group of Monuments** at Mahabalipuram

Return to the hotel and **Overnight at Hotel.**

DAY 10 : MAHABALIPURAM – KANCHIPURAM - CHENNAI (56 KMS/ 2 HRS APPROX)

After breakfast. Depart towards **Chennai** visiting **Kanchipuram** en-route.

Then continue to **Chennai**. Called the 'Cultural Capital of India' .

Arrive and check-in at Hotel. **Overnight at Chennai.**

DAY 11 : DEPART CHENNAI

Breakfast . transfer to Chennai International airport . End of services.

BOOKING TERMS & CONDITIONS:

PAYMENT CONDITIONS:

- 50% down payment upon reservation (non-refundable in any case)
- Full payment is required for all bookings done within 25 days prior to departure

CANCELLATION POLICY:

- Deposit of 50% paid upon reservation: NON-REFUNDABLE
- 20 days or less prior to departure: FULL AMOUNT IS NON REFUNDABLE

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