



South India Tour (07 Nights/ 08 Days)

DAY 1: CHENNAI – MAHABALIPURAM (DRIVING TIME: 1:30 HOURS)

Pickup from Chennai and drive to Mahabalipuram.

On arrival transfer to hotel.

Visit UNESCO World Heritage Site of Shore Temple and later visit Five Chariots and Arjuna Penance.

Overnight at hotel

Meal: None

DAY 2: MAHABALIPURAM - TANJORE (DRIVING TIME: 5 HOURS)

Breakfast at hotel.

Check out and leave for Tanjore by road en route visiting small town of Kumbakonam where we will get to see Bronze casting units making utensils etc.

On arrival transfer to hotel.

Proceed for excursion to one of the best temples in South India, the Brahadeeshwarar temple or the Big Temple built by the greatest Chola emperor "Raja Chola", is the dynasty's finest contribution to Dravidan temple architecture and the Saraswathi Mahal Library where Over 30,000 Indian and European manuscripts written on palm leaf and paper are preserved.

Overnight at hotel

Meal:Breakfast

DAY 3: TANJORE - MADURAI (DRIVING TIME: 3:30 HOURS)

Breakfast at hotel. Check-out and drive to Madurai

On arrival transfer to hotel

Later visit the Meenakshi Temple (one of the largest temple complexes in south India) and Tirumala Naicker Palace.

Overnight at hotel

Meals:Breakfast

DAY 4: MADURAI - PERIYAR (DRIVING TIME: 4 HOURS)

Breakfast at hotel.

Check-out and drive to the highlands of Periyar (Thekkady).

On arrival, transfer to hotel.

Afternoon proceed for a guided visit to Spice Plantations where you can learn about various spices which are grown in this region and are commonly used all over the country.

Evening walk around in the local bazaar and spice markets in town.

Overnight at hotel

Meals:Breakfast

DAY 5: PERIYAR

Breakfast at hotel

Early morning Nature walk in Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary which offers a unique opportunity to see flora and fauna of this forest. Return to hotel for breakfast.

Take time out do a guided tour of Spice Village during which apart from seeing variety of plants you also get to see their ecology and conservation related in house projects.

Overnight at hotel

Meals:Breakfast

DAY 6: PERIYAR - ALLEPPEY (DRIVING TIME: 4 HOURS)

Breakfast at hotel

Check-out and drive to Alleppey.

On arrival, board private House Boat and enjoy Lunch.

Thereafter, leisurely cruise through the Backwaters, full of canals, rivers and lakes. Relax on deck or in private lounge, experiencing life on the water - sailing, fishing, swimming, washing, cooking and more. Canoes with huge sails slowly make their way between villages, selling vegetables, fish and other household goods. Between the waterways are extensive rice patties and coconut palms.

Overnight on houseboat

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner on Houseboat

DAY 7: ALLEPPEY – COCHIN (DRIVING TIME: 1 HOURS)

After breakfast disembark private House Boat and drive to Cochin

On arrival transfer to hotel.

Later proceed for guided city tour visiting Mattancherry Palace (built in 1555 and renovated by the Dutch in 1663, it contains 17th century murals of the Ramayana), St. Francis Church, the oldest in India and the famous Chinese fishing nets (introduced by a trader from Kubla Khan's China). Stroll through the old Jewish Quarter and visit the old Synagogue (Jews have lived here since the time of King Solomon). In evening enjoy the classical dance-drama "Kathakali", based on the Hindu epics, highlighted by the amazing costumes and make-up.

Overnight on hotel

Meals:Breakfast

DAY 8: DEPARTURE COCHIN

Breakfast at hotel

Check-out and transfer to Airport in time to connect your onward flight

Meal: Breakfast

END OF THE TOUR

HOTELS RECOMMENDED OR OF SIMILAR CATEGORY:

City	Nights	First Class Hotels Option 01	Deluxe Hotels Option 02
Mahabalipuram	1	WelcomhotelKences Palm Beach	Radisson BLU Resort Temple Bay
Tanjore	1	Sangam	Svatma
Madurai	1	Heritage Madurai	The Gateway
Periyar	2	Greenwoods	Spice Village
Alleppey	1	Deluxe Houseboat	Deluxe Houseboat
Cochin	1	Holiday Inn	Crown Plaza

TOUR PACKAGE COST (Validity: October 2022)

Per Person Rates	Hotel Option 01	Hotels Option 02
02 persons traveling together on twin occupancy	USD 924	USD 1248
Supplement Cost of Single Room	USD 401	USD 709

Included in the costs:

- 07 Nights' Accommodation on twin sharing and Bed/ Breakfast basis.
- Buffet Lunch and Dinner included at Alleppey Houseboat.
- All transfers & excursions by Chauffeur driven Air-Conditioned Vehicles.
- Nature walk&Spice plantation toursat Periyar.
- Classical dance-drama Kathakali show at Cochin.
- Services of English Speaking Local Guide during sightseeing as per the itinerary.
- Entrance Fees at sightseeing monuments as per itinerary.
- All presently applicable taxes.

Not included in the costs:

- Any Air Fare to/ from/ within India & airport tax.
- Any Gratuities to drivers/ helpers and local guides.
- Any expense of personal nature viz telephone calls, laundry, beverages etc.
- Any insurance charges.
- Camera fees at monuments.
- Any increase in taxes or fuel rates so as to cause increase in transport rates
- Any other services which has not been specified in "Cost includes"

NOTES:

- The official check-in time at all the hotels is 1400 hrs and check-out time is 12 Noon.
- Sometimes due to VIP/ Foreign Dignitaries visit, monuments remain closed for public/ tourist due to security reasons. In such cases we will try to re-schedule visit to particular monument if time permits.
- The above mentioned hotels will only be confirmed on availability at the time of booking. If otherwise suitable alternatives will be suggested prior to confirmation.
- All transfer times mentioned above are subject to variations depending on traffic flow and road conditions.

Cancellation Policy:

- All the bookings have to be guaranteed 30 days prior travel date.
- In the event of any cancellation or amendment after the guarantee has been sent to respective hotels, minimum one night retention will be charged at each hotel.
- After issuing air tickets, cancellation charges will be applicable if the tickets are cancelled or in the event of any name change or change in the sector/ date.

Other Conditions:

- If the clients avail any additional services apart from the inclusions as per the itinerary - payment must be settled with any of our offices in India before departure. No credit will be extended.
 - Our office in Delhi will process all refunds, through The Reserve Bank of India. The process is a lengthy and takes approximately ten to twelve weeks.
 - All arrangements made by TBi are in the capacity of an agent only. TBi will not be liable for claims or expenses arising from circumstances beyond our control such as accidents, injuries or cancelled flights/ trains and acts of force majeure, currency fluctuations and increase in fuel prices or taxes.
 - All passengers must be covered by suitable travel/ health insurance prior to departure from the country of origin.
 - Our quotations are not budgeted for any increase in taxes, introduction of new taxes, increase in entrance fees to any monuments mentioned in the itinerary and increase in domestic airfares. Hence our quotations are subject to change and cost will be borne by client / sub-agent. You will be informed as soon as any Indian Government Agency or Airlines introduces the above changes.
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