

Kerala Backpacking Group Tour

5 Nights / 6 Days · Kochi – Athirappilly – Munnar – Kolukkumalai – Vattavada – Thekkady – Jatayu – Varkala · Pickup & Drop: Kochi

Duration 6 Days · 5 Nights	Route Kochi to Kochi	Stay Deluxe hotels	Meals Breakfast Day 2–6	Highest Point Kolukkumalai · 7,900 ft
Triple Sharing Rs. 20,990 / person + 5% GST	Double Sharing Rs. 22,990 / person + 5% GST	Batch Dates 2026 14–19 Aug · 04–09 Sep · 02–07 Oct · 16–21 Oct · 06–11 Nov		

Day-by-Day Itinerary

DAY 01

Arrival at Kochi

Airport / Railway pickup · At leisure · Overnight: Kochi · Meals: —

- Meet our representative on arrival at Kochi Airport / Railway Station and transfer to your hotel.
- Rest of the day free to relax or explore nearby — Fort Kochi, Marine Drive, Chinese fishing nets.

DAY 02

Kochi → Athirappilly → Munnar

~180 km · 6–7 hrs · Overnight: Munnar · Meals: Breakfast

- Athirappilly Waterfalls — the largest waterfall in Kerala ("Niagara of India").
- Scenic forest drive, then tea gardens and mountain viewpoints on the climb into Munnar.
- Eravikulam National Park & Mattupetty Dam covered only if time permits, based on arrival.

DAY 03

Kolukkumalai Sunrise & Vattavada

Jeep start 3:30–4:00 AM · 7,900 ft · Overnight: Munnar · Meals: Breakfast

- 4x4 Jeep (included) to Kolukkumalai Tea Estate — India's highest tea plantation, famous for its sunrise above the clouds. Carry warm clothing.
- Afternoon Vattavada trip — seasonal vegetable & strawberry farms, Pampadum Shola viewpoints, scenic mountain landscapes.
- No regular Munnar sightseeing on this day due to time constraints.

DAY 04

Munnar → Thekkady

~90 km · 3 hrs · Overnight: Thekkady · Meals: Breakfast

- Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary and a guided spice plantation visit.
- Optional (direct payment): boating on Periyar Lake, Kathakali cultural show, Kalaripayattu martial-arts show.

DAY 05

Thekkady → Jatayu → Varkala

~250 km · 6–7 hrs · Overnight: Varkala · Meals: Breakfast

- En route: Jatayu Earth's Center — the world's largest bird sculpture (cable car & entry tickets optional, extra).
- Evening at Varkala Beach, Papanasam Beach, the cliff walk and beachside cafés.

DAY 06

Varkala → Kochi · Departure

~175 km · 6–8 hrs · Tour ends · Meals: Breakfast

- Beach morning if time permits, then drive back to Kochi.
- Arrival before 5:00 PM cannot be assured — book flights for 7:00 PM or later.
- Drop at Kochi Airport / Railway Station.

Hotel Details

Location	Nights	Hotel	Room Category
Kochi	01	Classik Fort	Deluxe
Munnar	02	Eastend	Galaxy (Standard)
Thekkady	01	Spice Grove	Deluxe Room with Balcony
Varkala	01	Westabay Marisol	Deluxe

All hotels are on a similar basis — the listed property or a similar-category hotel will be provided, subject to availability. Room sharing as per booking.

Inclusions & Exclusions

Included	Not Included
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Deluxe category accommodations ✓ Vehicle for all transfers & sightseeing as per itinerary ✓ Airport Pickup & Drop (Cochin Airport only) ✓ Experienced Driver cum Guide ✓ Driver allowance, fuel, toll taxes & parking charges ✓ 4x4 Jeep — Kolukkumalai Sunrise Point ✓ CPAI Meal Plan — Breakfast: Day 2 to Day 6 ✓ 1 Trip Captain ✓ Room sharing as per booking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Anything not mentioned under inclusions ✗ Airfare ✗ Lunch & meals other than mentioned ✗ Entry tickets to monuments, attractions & sightseeing ✗ Adventure & optional activities ✗ Personal expenses ✗ Laundry & camera charges (if applicable) ✗ Expenses due to natural calamities, roadblocks, weather, strikes or unforeseen circumstances ✗ Missed sightseeing due to any reason (no compensation/refund) ✗ Missed airport pickup — alternate transfer at guest's cost ✗ No refund for unused services ✗ 5% GST

Important Notes

- The Kolukkumalai Sunrise Excursion starts at 4:00 AM by 4x4 Jeep (included); regular vehicles cannot access the route.
- Eravikulam National Park and Mattupetty Dam on Day 2 are covered only if time permits, based on arrival in Munnar.
- Carry warm clothing for the early-morning Kolukkumalai trip; comfortable shoes and a rain jacket/umbrella in monsoon.
- Varkala to Kochi typically takes 6–8 hours. Even with an early departure, arrival in Kochi before 5:00 PM cannot be assured — book flights for 7:00 PM or later. For a Kochi extension, contact our team for accommodation and arrangements.
- The itinerary may be adjusted for weather, traffic, road conditions or operational requirements.

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