



**Destination:**

**Port/City:** Cochin, India

**Activity Type:**

Destination Highlights

**Approximate Duration:**

2 day(s) 1 hour(s)

**Prices starting from:**

\*1,776.22 EUR (Adult)

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## 2 Night Taj Mahal Tour - Double Occupancy - CC01

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Experience this two-night and three-day overland adventure that visits the most breathtaking monuments and immerses you into a vibrant culture. You'll be taken from the seafaring port city of Kochi to the bustling streets of Agra where you'll see the Taj Mahal, an architectural marvel. Then continue to the Agra Fort accurately described as a walled city, and a symbol of power, strength and resilience.

**Description:**

**Day 1: Kochi-Delhi**

Your day of travel begins with a captivating panoramic tour of Kochi. This densely populated port city is home to the Southern Naval Command of the Indian Navy. As you drive enroute to the airport, you will see many maritime facilities, such as shipyards. A driver makes stops along the way at the most photogenic structures. Your first stop lets you view an elaborate web of Chinese Fishing Nets aligned along the water's edge. Their elegant construction and immense size will fascinate you. You'll learn about their unique and rhythmic fishing techniques. Another stop occurs at the oldest European church in India. St. Francis church is a historic icon dating back to the 15 century. It represents the colonial struggle of European powers. It's also known as the place where the Portuguese explorer Vasco da Gama died during his third trip to India. Next, continue to the airport to catch your flight to Delhi. Upon arrival you'll be transferred to the Suryaa Hotel where you'll check in and delve into a delicious dinner. Afterwards, prepare for the next day's adventure with some rest.

**Day 2: Delhi-Agra-Delhi**

Begin the day with a delightful breakfast served upon your arrival in Agra. A guide accompanies you to a local hotel for the tasty meal before continuing on your journey. Two great Mughal monarchs, Akbar and Shah Jahan, transformed the little village of Agra into a befitting second capital of the Mughal Empire during the 16th and 17th century - giving it the name Dar-ul-Khilafat (Seat of the Emperor). Today, Agra exists in a world of contrasting edifices of red sandstone and white marble, narrow alleys and quaint buggies. As you walk down the bustling streets of the city and take in the aroma of the unique Mughlai cuisine you'll soon be greeted by the elegant and massive Taj Mahal. The Taj Mahal is Emperor Shah

Jehan's enduring monument to love. This beautiful mausoleum in pure white marble is an architectural marvel. Its unique beauty and intricate execution contributes to its place as one of the Seven Modern Wonders of the World. Throughout the day its color changes, from soft grey and yellow to pearly cream and dazzling white. This play of light is an important decorative device that symbolically implies the presence of Allah. Next, visit the Agra Fort built by the Mughal Emperor Akbar in 1565 AD, and is predominantly made of red sandstone. The vast halls echo the voices of a bygone era and transport the visitor back through the passage of time. Ensnared within is the picture perfect Pearl Mosque, which is a major tourist attraction. Return to the hotel for lunch before spending sometime at a local handicraft shop where you can buy some souvenirs. Your motor coach will ride along the New Yamuna Expressway. On arrival in Delhi return to your hotel for dinner and some free time.

### **Day 3: Delhi-Goa**

Prepare to check-out of your hotel and enjoy a hearty breakfast before you take off from the airport to Goa. Goa is a beautiful destination known for having the quietest beaches, the busiest flea markets and the most authentic local cuisines. Upon arrival, a guide will transport you to your ship.

#### **Highlights:**

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- Chinese Fishing Nets: See an elegant and immense network of fishing nets aligned to capture fish and crustaceans.
- Agra: Take in the sights and smells of fragrant cuisine as you stroll an area largely associated with the Mughal Empire.
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#### **What to Bring:**

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- Camera
- Sun protection
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#### **What to Wear:**

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**Activity Type:**

Active Adventures

**Approximate Duration:**

7 hour(s)

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\*88.78 EUR (Child)

\*0.00 EUR (Infant)

**Restrictions:** N/A

**Backwaters of Alappuzha - CC24**

Drive out of Cochin city, passing through one of the India's most beautiful and serene landscapes to the district of Alappuzha. Here you will explore the Kerala backwaters as you take a motor boat ride through the waterways lined with dense tropical vegetation, and observe rural Kerala lifestyles that you would never see from the road. Lunch will be served at a local resort.

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Photo-worthy scenes of lush green forests, mosques, temples and village activities abound as you explore the Kerala backwaters by motorboat. You'll begin with a scenic drive from Cochin that passes beautiful, serene landscapes, and arrives at Alappuzha. Then, journey by motorboat through a network of rivers, lakes, canals and lagoons, passing majestic forests, coconut harvests, coir factories, churches, mosques and temples. Your cruise ends at Lake Palace Resort for a sumptuous lunch and leisure time.

**Highlights:**

- Scenic drive: View one of India's most beautiful and serene landscapes on your ride to the district of Alappuzha.
- Motorboat tour: Glide along the waterway and pass majestic forests, coconut harvests, coir factories, churches, mosques and temples.
- Lake Palace Resort: Enjoy a sumptuous lunch and leisure

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7 hour(s) 30 minute(s)

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**What to Bring:**

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- Camera
- Sun protection
- Cash/credit cards

**What to Wear:**

- Hat and sunglasses
- Walking shoes with non-slip soles
- Conservative attire required

**Important Notes:**

- Tour involves 50-yard walk over flat/uneven/slippery terrain; and 15 steps.
- Guest with mobility issues should not select this tour.
- Guests must obtain their visa before leaving home in order to enter India.
- Please pack an open mind and patience to better appreciate Cochin's unique third-world experience.
- Guest must be of legal age in order to drink alcohol.
- Due to new legislation in the state of Kerala, alcohol will not be served on this tour.
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## **Backwaters of Alappuzha by Houseboat - CC23**

Explore the Kerala backwaters on board a traditional Kerala houseboat. Board the houseboat after a drive of an hour and a half to the beautiful and serene landscapes of Alappuzha. The waterways are lined with dense tropical vegetation, and you can observe rural Keralan lifestyles that you would never see from the road. Lunch is at the Marari Beach Resort.

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Photo-worthy scenes of lush green forests, tropical vegetation and village activities abound as you travel Kerala's tranquil backwaters by houseboat. Your 1½-hour scenic drive to Alappuzha starts your adventure. Then board a traditional Kerala houseboat and glide along the network of rivers, lakes, canals and lagoons that lace the area. Pass tropical vegetation; see coconut harvesting, coir factories, churches, mosques and temples. Afterwards, enjoy a sumptuous lunch at the scenic Marari Beach Resort.

**Highlights:**

- Scenic drive: Admire the beautiful and serene landscapes of

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\*177.78 EUR (Adult)

\*138.62 EUR (Child)

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Destination Highlights

Alppuzha.

- Kerela Houseboat Cruise: Observe dense tropical vegetation, rural Kerelan lifestyles and more along the waterway.
- Marari Beach Resort: Delight in a delicious lunch at a resort built in the style of a traditional fishing village

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- Camera
- Sun protection
- Cash/credit cards

**What to Wear:**

- Hat and sunglasses
- Walking shoes with non-slip soles

**Important Notes:**

- Tour involves 200-yard walk over flat, uneven, slippery terrain; and 5 steps.
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**Cochin at a Glance - CC25**

Essentially a panoramic tour, Cochin at a Glance, takes you through both main parts of Cochin – while you view Ernakulam, the new city from the comfort of your motorcoach, enjoy a short walk through Fort Cochin, the older Portuguese area. End the tour with refreshments at a colonial building that also houses an art gallery/a heritage hotel.

Experience Cochin's highlights from the comfort of your coach. "New city" Ernakulam is your gateway to historical sites, all revealing stunning architecture and diverse cultural influences. Your coach passes colorful markets, shops and temples on Mahatma Gandhi Road, and stops at the Temple of Lord Shiva. Continue to Fort Cochin for short walking tour of historic buildings; large Chinese fishing nets; Church of St. Francis. Refreshments await you at David Hall or Koder House.

**Approximate Duration:**

4 hour(s)

**Prices starting from:**

\*53.18 EUR (Adult)

\*40.72 EUR (Child)

\*0.00 EUR (Infant)

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**Highlights:**

- Ernakulam: Diverse cultural influence is reflected in the city's architecture. Mahatma Gandhi Road showcases markets, shops and temples.
- Temple of Lord Shiva: Stop to take photographs at a temple dedicated to Lord Shiva, the omnipotent God and destroyer of evil.
- Fort Cochin: See historic buildings of Portuguese-constructed fort circa 1500; see Chinese fishing nets; St. Francis church.

**What to Bring:**

- SeaPass card and photo identification
- Camera
- Sun protection
- Cash/credit cards

**What to Wear:**

- Hat and sunglasses
- Walking shoes
- Conservative attire required

**Important Notes:**

- Tour involves 320-yard walk over flat/uneven terrain; and 2 steps.
- Guests may need to remove shoes at St. Francis Church.
- Guests with mobility issues should not select this tour.
- No exposed shoulders/knees; no tank tops or shorts.
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3 hour(s) 30 minute(s)

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## Essentially Cochin - CC26

As the name suggests this tour gives you an experience of all that is essentially Cochin. Visit the highlights including the Church of St. Francis, take a short boat ride in the harbour area and experience a performance of the Kerala dance form, Kathakali while enjoying light refreshments.

Historical buildings, massive fishing nets, culture and art are the Cochin essential sights you'll enjoy on this tour along its waterways. Glide past Gundu and Vypeen islands, large Chinese fishing nets lining Fort Cochin's shore, old harbor buildings and private homes. You'll disembark to see historic buildings; typical English village green, St. Francis Church and 20th century Santa Cruz Cathedral. End at nearby Greenix Village cultural center for shops, art gallery, Kathakali performance, and refreshments.

**Highlights:**

- Small-boat tour: Glide the city's shimmering waterways past the Gundu and Vypeen islands and large, graceful Chinese fishing nets.
- Fort Cochin: See historic buildings constructed by Portugal's Alfonso de Albuquerque in 1500; visit St. Francis Church and Santa Cruz Cathedral.
- Greenix Village: Cultural center houses art gallery, restaurant, curio shop, bookshop and theaters; enjoy private Kathakali performance and light refreshments.

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## Panoramic Cochin - CC48

Discover the Kerala countryside from the comfort of your coach on this orientation tour of Cochin and the surrounding area.

Discover the fascinating port city of Cochin. Your tour drives to the commercial capital of the Kerala state, Ernakulam, and along Mahatma Gandhi Road to see magnificent cantilevered Chinese fishing nets. Upon departing the waterfront, pass St. Francis Church, the oldest European church in India, and ride along the scenic coastal road past European-style churches, Hindu Temples, local markets and shrimp farms.

**Highlights:**

- Chinese fishing nets: See fishing nets believed to be from the court of Kublai Khan, founder of Chinas Yuan Dynasty.
- St. Francis Church: Visit the oldest European church in India built in 1503 by Portuguese friars.

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## The Cultures of Cochin - CC10

A trading port since at least Roman times, Cochin is on the main route between Europe and China. With a relaxed seaport lifestyle, it has changed little over the centuries. Experience the bustle of commerce in and about the city's godowns (warehouses) and open courtyards heaped with betel nut, ginger, peppercorns and hanks of coir (coconut husks). The air is filled with the scent of exotic spices and the shouts of vendors pushing heavy carts. It is easy to forget that you are in the 20th century.

Experience practically "frozen in time" Roman-era trading port, Cochin, with its relaxed seaport vibe and vibrant culture. Your tour reveals former occupation by the Portuguese, Dutch and British. Walk by "godowns" (warehouses) and open courtyards heaped with betel nut, ginger, peppercorns and coconut husks. Fort Cochin showcases historic buildings and Kublai Khan-influenced Chinese fishing nets. Stroll Jew Town's eclectic shops; see Church of St. Francis; Santa Cruz Cathedral; and two-story Mattancherry or "Dutch Palace."

**Highlights:**

- Everyday Cochin: Enjoy port's charming open courtyards heaped with betel nut, ginger, peppercorns and hanks of coir (coconut husks).
- Fort Cochin: See Portuguese-constructed port featuring historic buildings and large, graceful Chinese fishing nets that line the shore.
- Other Landmarks: Church of St. Francis; flamboyant Santa Cruz Cathedral with Indo-Romano-Rococo style; "Dutch Palace;" and bustling Jew Town.

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- Remove shoes if walking tiled aisle at St Francis Church.
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