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Key to Activity Levels and Tour Feature Icons

Please refer to the back pages for the key and other important information

Tour Descriptions for Cochin, India

CITY HIGHLIGHTS & HARBOR CRUISE

Cochin, India Tour Code: CCH_02


Cochin is a seaport built on a series of interconnected islands and peninsulas. The oldest European settlement in India, it is an unlikely blend of medieval Portugal, Holland and English country village grafted onto the tropical Malabar Coast. On your tour explore exotic Cochin, with its spice-filled markets, lush foliage and pastel houses.

You'll drive to Mattancherry to visit the Dutch Palace built by the Portuguese in 1557 as a gift for the Maharaja of Cochin in exchange for trading rights. The Palace houses royal costumes, furniture and weapons and a series of murals painted on wooden walls. You'll also stop in an ancient neighborhood, which was a thriving Jewish community in the late 1500s. The synagogue, built in 1568, is beautifully preserved.

You'll make a stop at St. Francis Church, built in 1503 by Portuguese Franciscan friars. This is India's oldest European-built church, and the original burial site of Portuguese explorer, Vasco da Gama. Continue to the Chinese Fishing Nets, fishing nets exhibit a mechanical method of catching fish, introduced by Chinese traders from the court of Kublai Khan.

Board a motorized boat to observe the diverse activities of the busy harbor, including local fishing colonies and glimpses of locals going about their daily lives on the assorted islands. Cruise past Gundu, the smallest island in the harbor. See the long narrow peninsula of Bolghatty, famous for the palace built by the Dutch in 1744, and now a resort hotel.

Note: Light snacks and refreshments are served on the boat while returning to ship.

ACTIVITY LEVEL	Adults from	Children from	Approximate Duration	Tour Features
2	\$69*	\$69*	5 hours	

HIGHLIGHTS OF COCHIN

Cochin, India Tour Code: CCH_01

Discover the wonders of Cochin, a picturesque city originally built by the Portuguese. It has one of the finest natural harbors in the world and for centuries was the center of the spice trade. Ancient mariners from the Middle East, China and Europe all left their mark on this beautiful island city.

Driving along the narrow passageway at the water's edge, see the first visual symbol of ancient trade and the age-old shared influences of Cochin - the Chinese Fishing Nets. These cantilevered fishing nets are the icon of Cochin sea trade, and cannot be found anywhere else in India. It is believed Chinese traders brought these huge fishing nets to Cochin from the court of Kublai Khan.

You'll stop at St. Francis Church, the oldest European church in India, built in 1503 by Portuguese friars. Vasco da Gama was buried here in 1524 until 1538 when his remains were taken to Lisbon. His sepulcher can still be seen at the church. A short stop will be made at the Indo-Portuguese Museum, currently housing outstanding examples of the art and architecture of the region.

You'll pass through the district of Mattancherry, noted for the medieval-style Dutch Palace. A large but modest building with sloping roofs, the palace was built by the Portuguese in 1555 and given to the Raja of Kochi (Cochin). You'll also stop in an ancient neighborhood, which was a thriving Jewish community in the late 1500s. The synagogue, built in 1568, is beautifully preserved.

ACTIVITY LEVEL	2	Adults from	Children from	Approximate Duration	Tour Features
		\$49*	\$49*	4 hours	—

TRANQUIL BACKWATERS

Cochin, India Tour Code: CCH_03

Explore the tranquil, palm fringed backwaters and byways of Kerala. They are a vital waterway for the transportation of goods, people and their produce, often the only link between isolated villages and crowded towns. In Kerala, one of the most beautiful states in India, expanse of backwater stretches from north to south over 900 miles, with a network of 44 rivers, lagoons and lakes.

You'll drive to the village of Alleppey, surrounded by coconut plantations and famous for its narrow maze of canals and backwaters. After a brief comfort stop at a local resort, board motor launches for a leisurely boat ride past coconut thatched houses and old colonial warehouses, surrounded by breathtaking scenery. Catch a glimpse into the lives of local families living along the banks of the canals as they go about their daily chores. Enjoy a lunch of delicious Kerala cuisine at the Lake Palace Resort.

ACTIVITY LEVEL	2	Adults from	Children from	Approximate Duration	Tour Features
		\$139*	\$139*	8 hours	

Activity Levels

- ACTIVITY LEVEL 1** Involves walking over relatively level terrain, possibly some cobblestone, gravel or a few steps. Comfortable shoes are recommended.
- ACTIVITY LEVEL 2** Involves a considerable amount of physical activity such as substantial walking over cobblestone streets, climbing stairs or steep terrain. They're not recommended for guests with walking difficulties. Comfortable, sturdy shoes are recommended.
- ACTIVITY LEVEL 3** Involves physical exertion for extended periods. The terrain may be uneven or steep. It can also indicate a need for swimming in a light current, biking or horseback riding. Recommended only for physically fit and adventurous travelers.

Tour Features Icon Legend



Age Requirement - This tour has specific age requirements.



C-Card - Must present a nationally recognized Scuba certification card, logged a dive within the past 12 months and bring a physician's note if you have a medical condition or are taking medication at the time of cruising.



Debark - Tour will conclude at the airport, a Norwegian Cruise Line program hotel or an assigned central location for your convenience. Guests are responsible for ensuring their debarkation tour is compatible with their departure flight times. Please allow extra time in case of unforeseen delays, and note that the tour will still run in it's entirety. Refer to the details section of the selected tour for more information.



Family Recommended - This tour is great for families.



Flightseeing Tours - Due to aircraft weight and balance limitations, the flight company charges an additional rate for passengers that weigh 250 lbs. or more. Space is capacity controlled, please call 1.866.625.1167 for assistance.



Guests with Disabilities - This tour accommodates guests that are full-time wheelchair users. Guests can remain in their wheelchair for the duration of the Excursion. Please contact the Shore Excursion staff upon boarding to ensure that your needs can be accommodated.



Height Requirement - This tour has specific height requirements.



Hiking - Sturdy walking shoes required.



Limited Mobility - This tour requires guests to transfer from their wheelchair to board the motorcoach (wheelchairs must be collapsible). Guests must be self-sufficient or if assistance is required, they should travel with a companion who can provide this.



Meal - A meal and beverage is provided on this tour.



Outerwear - Outerwear/speciality equipment as noted will be provided by the Tour Operator.



Passport - This excursion crosses an international border so you'll need a valid passport. Some guests from certain countries may also need a visitor's visa.



Shopping - Time permitting, shopping is available on this tour.



Snack - A light snack or refreshment is served on this tour.



Ultimate Tour - With Norwegian's Ultimate Touring, experience custom adventures like yacht charters, VIP tours and small group touring.



Weight Requirement - This tour has specific weight requirements.

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