



**South Indian Pilgrim tour**

**13N/14D**

# Tentative Itinerary: -

**Day 01: COCHIN ARRIVAL - MUNNAR (03 HRS 45 MIN)**

On arrival at Cochin airport meet by our representatives and drive to Munnar en route, we shall witness beautiful waterfalls like Cheyyara, Valara. Overnight at Munnar hotel.

**Day 02: MUNNAR**

Morning depart to enjoy sightseeing tour of Rajamalai (Eravikulam) National Park famous for Nilgiri Tahr(Wild goat), Anaimudi Peak South India Highest Peak, Spice Plantation ( Madupetty Dam, a famous picnic spot for boating and horse riding, Blossom park,eco point etc. Overnight stay at hotel.

# Day 03: MUNNAR -THEKKADY

Breakfast at the hotel and drive to Thekkady. On arrival at Thekkady check-in at a hotel. After some rest, we will go for sightseeing tour of Periyar National Park. (Boat timing,morning 09:30 and evening 03:00) on direct payment. Later you are free to relax at the hotel. Night stay in the hotel at Thekkady.

# Day 04: THEKKADY – ALLEPPEY HOUSEBOAT

Morning after breakfast, Proceed to Alleppey and check in at Houseboat for night stay, at the bank of the Vembanand Lake where you will forget everything except enjoyment of life.You will enjoy the magic of backwater by going on a Houseboat (Kettuvallam) cruise across the backwaters with lunch and dinner . Overnight stay at Houseboat.

**Day 05: ALLPPEY- VARKALA (03HRS 5MIN)**

Morning after breakfast disembark from houseboat and travel to Varkala. Varkala is a town in the south Indian state of Kerala. It’s on the Arabian Sea and known for Varkala Beach,

backed by palm-covered red cliffs. Just south, Papanasam Beach is believed to have holy waters. Night stay in hotel.

**Day 06: VARKALA**

After breakfast proceed for full day beach visit - Varkala is the perfect place for a holiday getaway to enjoy golden beaches and is also rich in history. Places to visit: The Janardhanaswamy Temple, also known as Varkala Temple is a temple dedicated to Lord Vishnu built 20 centuries ago. The significant feature of the temple is the huge old bell which is considered an oblation to the temple. Timings are from 4 am to 12 pm and from 5 pm to 8 pm. The entry is free. Papanasam Beach, also known as Varkala Beach, is one of the best beaches in Kerala because of the view it offers from the clifftop. Like its name suggests, its water has medicinal properties and is believed to wash off one's impurities and sins. The Samadhi situated within the premises of the beach is the resting place of the great philosopher, Sree Narayana Guru and attracts many devotees. The Kappil Beach, a little away from Varkala, is a beach-backwater destination. The road splitting the two water bodies [west is the majestic Arabian sea and to the east is the calm and serene backwaters]; the backwater and the Arabian Sea, is a treat to the eye. Night stay in hotel.

**Day 07: VARKALA – KOVALAM (01HRS 30MIN)**

Morning after breakfast proceed to Kovalam. On arrival at Kovalam check into hotel. Laterproceed to visit Hawa beach and light house. Kovalam is a small coastal town in the southern Indian state of Kerala, south of Thiruvananthapuram. At the southern end of Lighthouse Beach is a striped lighthouse with a viewing platform.

Overnight stay at Hotel in Kovalam.

**Day 08: KOVALAM – KANYAKUMARI**

Morning after breakfast proceed to Kanyakumari on the way visit Padmanabhapuram palace. Kanyakumari is a coastal town in the state of Tamil Nadu on India's southern tip. Jutting into the Laccadive Sea, the town was known as Cape Comorin during British rule and is popular for watching sunrise and sunset over the ocean. It's also a noted pilgrimage site thanks to its Bagavathi Amman Temple, dedicated to a consort of Shiva, and its Our Lady of Ransom Church, a center of Indian Catholicism. Night stay in hotel at Kanyakumari.

**Day 09: KANYAKUMARI – RAMESWARAM (05HRS 40MIN)**

After breakfast proceed to visit the magnificent Ramanathaswamy Temple is a Hindu temple situated in the sacred town of Rameshwaram, Tamilnadu. Popularly called as Rameshwaram Temple, it is one of the popular places of [pilgrimage in Tamilnadu](https://www.trawell.in/tamilnadu/pilgrimages), and among the must include places in [Rameshwaram tour packages](https://www.trawell.in/tour-packages/rameshwaram%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank).

Rameshwaram Temple is dedicated to Lord Siva and is one of the 12 Jyotirlingas situated in different parts of India. It is among the prime [places to visit in Rameshwaram](https://www.trawell.in/tamilnadu/rameshwaram/places-to-visit-things-to-do). The temple is one of the holiest Hindu Char Dham sites comprising Badrinath, Puri, Dwarka, and Rameshwaram.

The construction was led by several rulers over the centuries. The temple was expanded during the 12th century by the Pandya dynasty, and its principal shrine was renovated by Jeyaveera .....

Night stay in hotel at Rameswaram.

**Day 10: RAMESWARAM – MADURAI (03HRS 10 MIN)**

After breakfast proceed to Madurai, on arrival check into hotel.

Madurai is an energetic, ancient city on the Vaigai River in the South Indian state of Tamil Nadu. Its skyline is dominated by the 14 colorful gopurams (gateway towers) of Meenakshi Amman Temple.

Covered in bright carvings of Hindu gods, the Dravidian-style temple is a major pilgrimage site.

Night stay in hotel at Madurai.

**Day 11: MADURAI**

Today morning visit the historic Meenakshi Sundareswarar Temple also called Meenakshi Amman Temple, is a sacred Hindu temple located in Madurai. It is one of the biggest and most popular [temples in India](https://www.trawell.in/india/pilgrimages), and among the must-visit places as part of [Madurai trip](https://www.trawell.in/tour-packages/madurai).

Dedicated to Goddess Parvati and Lord Siva, the temple is considered an architectural marvel. It was shortlisted as one of the top 30 nominees for New Seven Wonders of the World. It is one of the the prime [places to visit in Madurai](https://www.trawell.in/tamilnadu/madurai/places-to-visit-things-to-do). The Madurai temple forms the heart and lifeline of Madurai city which is 2,500 years old.

Night stay in hotel at Madurai.

**Day 12: MADURAI – TANJORE (03HRS 30 MIN)**

After breakfast proceed to Tanjore. Thanjavur is a city in the south Indian state of Tamil Nadu. Its many temples include the 11th-century Brihadeeswarar Temple, a vast Chola dynasty–era complex with a frescoed interior. Thanjavur Maratha Palace is home to the centuries-old Saraswathi Mahal Library, with palm-leaf manuscripts, and Thanjavur Art Gallery, with bronze statues.

Night stay in hotel at Tanjore.

**Day 13: TANJORE**

Today proceed to visit the famous Brihadeeswarar Temple – it is ancient Hindu temple located at Thanjavur, Tamilnadu. It is one of the famous [heritage places to visit in Tamilnadu](https://www.trawell.in/tamilnadu/heritage), and among the must include places in [Thanjavur packages](https://www.trawell.in/tour-packages/thanjavur).

Also known as Peruvudaiyar Kovil or Periya Kovil, the Brihadeeswarar Temple is a brilliant example of the major heights achieved by Cholas in temple architecture. It was built in the year

1010 AD by the mighty Chola Emperor Raja Raja Chola I. It remains one of the greatest glories of Indian architecture and also one of the best [places to visit in Thanjavur](https://www.trawell.in/tamilnadu/thanjavur/places-to-visit-things-to-do). The temple is part of the UNESCO World Heritage Site known as 'Great Living Chola Temples'.

Night stay in hotel at Tanjore.

# Day 14: DEPARTURE TANJORE

After breakfast check out from hotel and transfer to airport to board the return flight with the sweet memories of a wonderful holidays.

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