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From modest beginnings in 1987 (380 tourists), TSI has served approximately 10,000 customers during the last financial year, covering the entire spectrum of tourism operations worldwide - A landmark in itself that benchmarks the company's success in creating a niche for itself in the Indian market. At TSI, we help you to discover one of the planet's most multidimensional countries in different ways with full of unique experiences!!!

OUR COMPANY MOVING WITH TIME: Where internet boom rules the modern times & information is on everyone's fingertips, TSI has stayed tuned with Technology to develop comprehensive and informative travel site viz. www.tsiholidays.com, that is interlinked with destination dedicated sites like Kerala, (www.kerala-tourism.net) Rajasthan, Agra, Mumbai etc & its instant booking platform (www.travelspell.com). TSI's strong Net-Working and associate offices across India, Nepal, Bhutan, Tibet, Sri Lanka, Maldives and Bangladesh, provide high quality service at competitive prices.

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& comprehension skills.

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AN AUGUST COMPANY : TSI is a recognized member of prestigious National and International Tourism bodies like IATO, TAAI, FHRAI, FIEO, ADTOI, PATA, ASTA etc.

OUR OUTBOUND TOURS DIVISION : TSI's full-fledged outbound division has well experienced and dedicated staff who offer carefully designed world-wide Outbound Tour Packages, On line Hotel bookings, Cruises, Airlines/Railway reservations and allied services like Passport, Visas, Forex, Insurance Etc. to Indians travelling abroad. To support this, TSI has brought out comprehensive outbound tours brochure showcasing its entire range of world- wide packages.

TOURISM AWARDS : TSI has been recipient of



numerous prestigious Tourism Awards including from the Department of Tourism, Government of India in the past and latest being "Most Innovative Tour Operator" by Hospitality India & Explore the World Annual International Awards-2008 and by the Madhya Pradesh Tourism Corporation for "Outstanding Promotion of Tourism" in the State of Madhya Pradesh during the year 2008-2009.

PEOPLE BEHIND TSI's SUCCESS : Our success is defined by our vision and determination to excel. Behind TSI's steady growth is a focused and well planned business strategy of its dynamic leaders. Mr. Jatinder S. Taneja, Managing Director, the dynamic force behind the steady success of TSI, is a post graduate, gifted with strong business



acumen. His ability to stay miles ahead of competition is driven by his vision on constantly providing value added services to his customers. He has been closely associated with National Tourism Bodies and was the "Hon. Treasurer" of IATO. He is currently Executive Committee Member of both Indian Association of Tour Operators & Pacific Asia Travel Association.

We at TSI are focused on quality, passionate about our destinations, fair to our clients and operate at competitive prices. Our work ethics have given us a vast pool of happy clients and a sound financial base. Welcome to TSI.



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Message from the Managing Director

Dear Traveller,

Welcome to the World of TSI holidays!!!

India is a country which has attracted and bewitched the tourists from time immemorial. There are few countries on earth with enormous variety that India offers. It is a place that gets into your blood. The more you see it, the more it prevails upon you. India is a sprawling mosaic comprising snow covered mountains, forest-rich in rare flora and fauna, fertile plains crisscrossed by rivers, miles of beautiful beaches and sunbathed deserts. India's cultural heritage is perceived in a baffling array in its monuments, temples, art forms, mythology and festivals.

Any journey whether personal or professional embodies a sense of quest, a search for fulfilment, enrichment and adventure. We, at TSI, are to help arrange your travel plan and customize it, keeping in mind your interest and requirements. In all earnestness, we strive to provide you with innovative and enriching travel experience.

For the first time, we bring to you an experience of Kerala & South India – like never before.

South Indian experience brings alive an exotic vacation amidst the Best of Nature & Wildlife and the Grandeur of its Ancient Temples and Monuments that once witnessed a saga of historical battles and spiritual relics that, till today, bear the testimony of a rich Cultural Indian Heritage. **Kerala** - an offering of "God's own country" in itself a spectrum of experiences like its mystical backwaters, rejuvenating Ayurveda, Exotic beaches with extension options to **Lakshadweep, Goa, Andamans & Maldives**. From heritage holidays to Spa & wellness vacations, Kerala is all about a perfect laid-back experience where you may choose to go on a Spice Trial or simply discover its unexplored wealth of new destinations with unabated breath as our experts guide you through this amazing exploration, borne out of years of TSI's dedicated research.

This brochure offers most sought after suggested itineraries which can be modified if needed to suite you / your client's choice. Tick the one which appeals you and leave everything to us, you will not regret and your clients will enjoy every minute of their travel.

This brochure also gives you in-depth details of the potential from tourism point of view of each south India state and updates you on their most important touristic cities, monuments and other attractions like Temples, Beaches, Hill Stations, Wildlife, Ayurveda, Tree Houses, and Festivals Etc.

We WELCOME you and await the opportunity to serve you in India and neighbouring countries viz. Nepal, Bhutan, Tibet, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and Maldives. On conclusion of your trip, you would cherish the memories of the best holiday you ever had in your life.

With best wishes,

Jatinder S. Taneja
Managing Director

"Your Pleasure is our serious business"

Fondly referred to as 'God's Own Country', Kerala was selected by the National Geographic Traveller as one of the 50 destinations of a lifetime and one of the thirteen paradises in the world. An equable climate, serene beaches, tranquil stretches of backwaters; lush hill stations and exotic wildlife are the major attractions of this land. Ayurveda, the ancient Indian system of medicine and Panchakarma, the rejuvenation therapy in Ayurveda have also helped Kerala to gain a pan-global reputation as a top of the line destination.

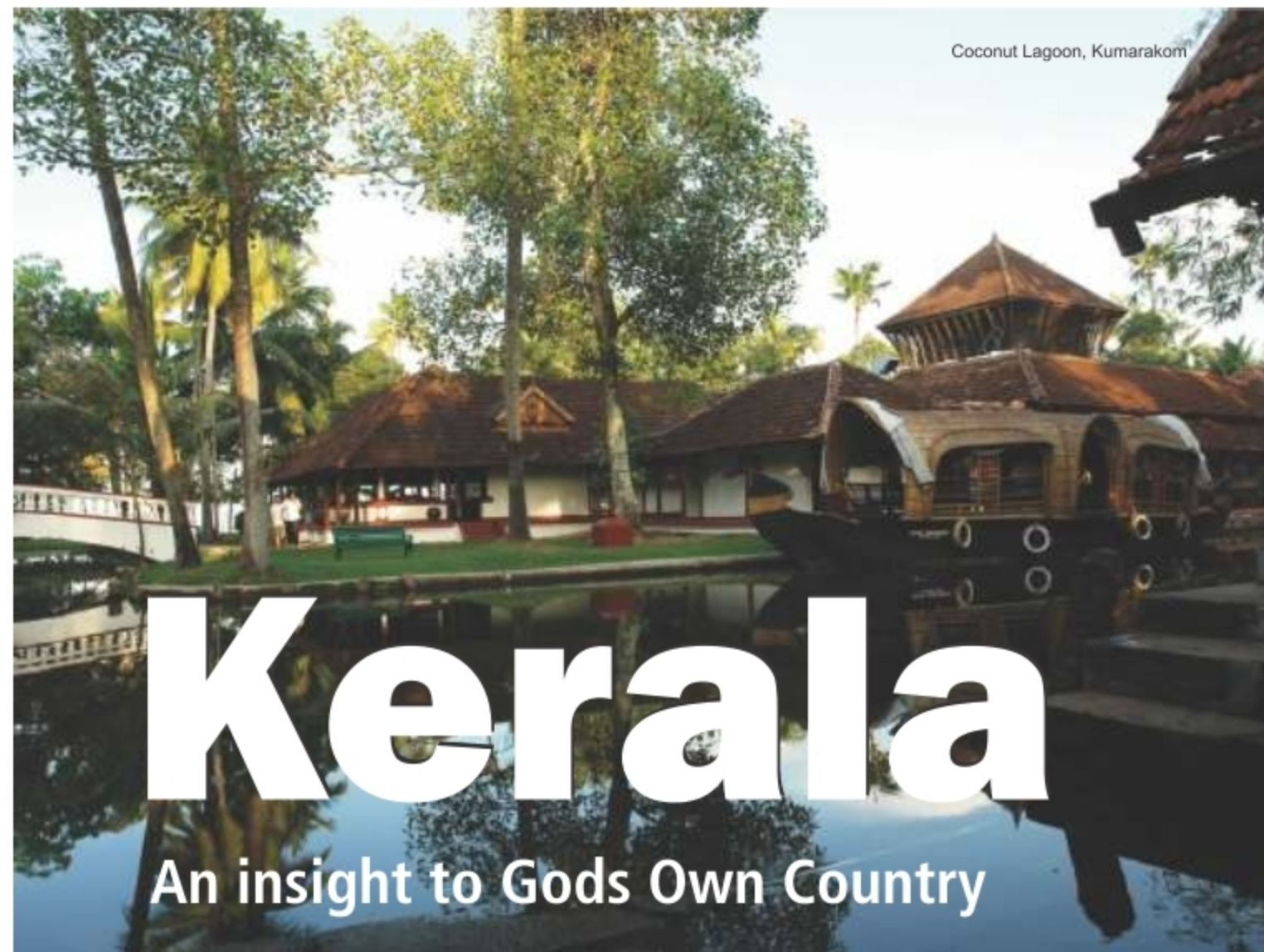
Attractions of Kerala:

Backwaters: The backwaters of Kerala - meandering inland lakes networked by canals - stretch to over 900 km. Boat trips across these tranquil stretches are an experience unique to Kerala. Large kettuvalloms (traditional country crafts over 60 ft. in length) have been converted into luxury houseboats for these cruises. Major backwater destinations are **Kumarakom, Alleppey, Cochin, Kuttanad, Kollam** etc.

Houseboats: Cruise in the backwaters of Kerala in a houseboat or kettuvallom is the most enchanting holiday experience in India today. The Kerala houseboats are large country barges modified to meet a novel concept of holidaying, comfortably furnished with an open lounge, one or two bath attached bedrooms and a kitchenette, and are extremely eco friendly, merging smoothly into the panorama. It is manned by a crew - usually a cook, a Captain, and an Oarsman.

Beaches: The entire 600 km length Kerala coastline is lined with India's finest beaches, rocky promontories and coconut palms. Major beaches in Kerala are **Kovalam, Varkala, Bekal, Cherai Beach, Kappad** etc.

Hill Stations & Waterfalls: Lying on the windward side of the Western Ghats, Kerala has



a long chain of lush, mist-clad hill stations that are home to exotic wildlife and offer the most magical experience of nature in all its virgin beauty. Major hill stations are **Munnar, Neelimala, Ponmudi, Peermede, Mattupetty, Rajamala, Vagamaon, Nelliampathy** etc. The forests of Western ghats are punctuated with

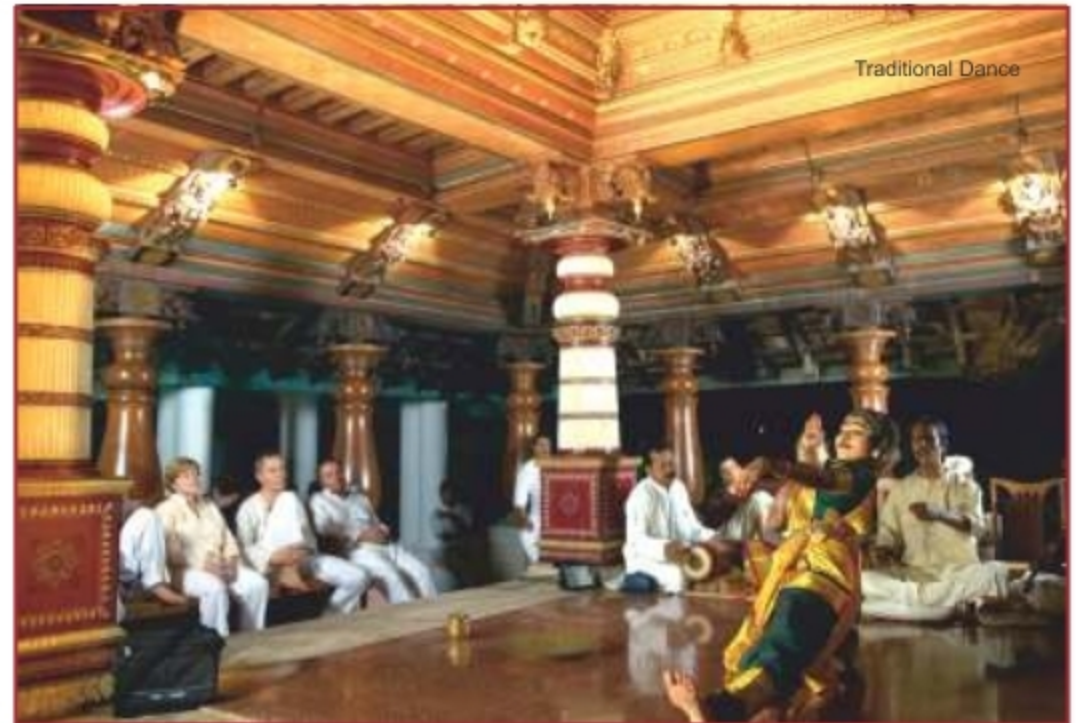
large and small waterfalls that gurgle and splash down the mountain side. The important waterfalls in Kerala are **Athirapally, Vazhachal, Palaruvi & Tusharagir.**

Wildlife Sanctuaries: Nestled in the luxuriant forests of the Western Ghats in Kerala

are fourteen wildlife sanctuaries. And skirting these exotic destinations are some of the most delightful trekking trails in the country. All awash in the spice-scented air of endless acres of plantations ranging from cardamom, vanilla and pepper to tea and coffee. The major national parks and sanctuaries are **Eravikulam National**



Kalarippayattu



Traditional Dance



The Leela, Kovalam

Park , Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary, Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary, Wayanad Wildlife Sanctuary , Silent Valley National Park, Neyyar Wildlife Sanctuary, Thattekkad Bird Sanctuary, Parambikulam Wildlife Sanctuary etc.

Forts & Palaces: A large number of forts, palaces and other ancient monuments lie strewn in Kerala as silent reminders of its glorious past. Major forts and monuments are **Bekal Fort, Padmanabhapuram Palace, Mattancherry Palace, Mattancherry Synagogue , East Fort** etc

Tree Houses: The Tree Houses of Kerala are ethnic houses built on trees with all basic facilities located in 500 acres of pristine verdant tropical rainforest in **Wayanad Sanctuary**, North Kerala. The tree houses of Kerala seek to bring guests closer to the natural environment of Kerala. Resorts having tree houses are **Green Magic Resort, Vythiri Resort, Carmelia Haven.**

Ayurveda: Ayurveda evolved around 600 BC in India and this system of medicine stressed on the prevention of body ailments in addition to curing them. It is a unique, indispensable branch of medicine - a complete naturalistic system that depends on the diagnosis of your body's humours - vata, pitta and kapha - to achieve the right balance. Kerala is the only State in India which practises this system of medicine with absolute dedication. The growth of Ayurveda and Ayurvedic treatment as a major attraction of Kerala Tourism has resulted in ayurveda treatment centres and ayurveda massage centres in almost all the hotels in Kerala.

Kerala Cuisine: Cuisine in Kerala has roots in the history, geography and culture of the land. Non-vegetarian dishes are all heavily spiced and vegetarian dishes are mildly spiced. The land and the food are rich with coconut, though one can't imagine Kerala food without chillies, curry leaf, mustard seed, tamarind and asafoetida.



Fishing Net



Munnar

Performing Arts of Kerala: Kerala boasts of a long tradition of performing and ritual arts which impart Kerala its own unique character and makes up its essence. The major performing arts of Kerala are Kathakali, Thiruvathirakali, Theyyam & Kalaripayattu, the martial art form of Kerala regarded as the most oldest and scientific incorporates strikes, kicks, grappling, and weaponry, as well as healing techniques etc

Fairs & Festivals of Kerala: In Kerala, festivals never end, adding to the magnificence of the festivals of Kerala are fleets of caparisoned elephants, mounted by men holding white plumes swaying in the air the - most breathtaking of Kerala's visual wonders. The most important major fairs & festivals are Onam - the annual 10 day harvest festival of Kerala, Vishu- the Malayalam New Year, Thrissur Pooram - most colorful temple festival of Kerala, **Champakulam Boat Race, Nehru Trophy Boat Race, Christmas, Makaravilakku, Maramom Convention** etc.

Spices of Kerala: Kerala is known for its fabulous spices. **Pepper, cardamom, cinnamon, ginger, cloves, vanilla, oregano, rosemary, thyme, basil, mint, bay leaf, sage** etc are the major spices grown in Kerala. The spice plantations of Kerala are fascinating farms to wander in, for different sections of each plantation are dedicated to different spices.

Major tourist cities in South Kerala

Alleppey (also Known as Alappuzha): Referred to as the Venice of the East by travelers from across the world, Alleppey or Alappuzha is a backwater tourist centre & also famous for its boat races, houseboat holidays, beaches, marine products and coir industry.

Cochin (also Known as Ernakulam): The commercial capital and the most cosmopolitan city of Kerala, Kochi, in Ernakulam, is also known as the Queen of the Arabian Sea. **Places to Visit:** Fort Kochi, Chinese Fishing Nets, St. Francis

Church, Mattancherry Palace (Dutch Palace), Synagogue, Bolghatty Island, Willingdon Island.

Kumarakom: Panoramic backwater stretches, lush paddy fields, highlands, extensive rubber plantations and a totally literate people have given this district the enviable title. **Places to Visit:** **Kumarakom Bird Sanctuary.**

Kovalam: Kovalam beach is very popular with the Indian as well as international tourists. Kovalam consists of three successive small crescent beaches: **Light House Beach, Hawah Beach & Samudra Beach** and is bordered with low cost lodging houses, and restaurants which offer adequate facilities, at affordable tariffs - ideal for a long stay.

Varkala: This is another good beach 50 km from Trivandrum. **The Papanasam beach** here is not as crowded as the one in Kovalam. **The Janarathama temple** here is believed to be 2000 years old.



Estuary Island Poovar
Trivandrum



Kalari Top Yoga



Travancore Resort Kovalam Corridor

Thiruvanthapuram (also known as

Trivandrum): Thiruvananthapuram (known as Trivandrum) the capital of Kerala is located at the South Western tip of India, bounded by the Arabian sea on the West and Tamil Nadu on the East. It some of the most enchanting picnic spots, internationally renowned beaches, historic monuments, backwater stretches and a rich cultural heritage. **Places to Visit:** Kovalam Beach, Padmanabha Swamy Temple, Kuthiramalika Palace Museum, The Napier Museum, Sree Chitbra Art Gallery.

Kollam: Quilon or Kollam is an old seaport town on the Arabian coast and a great trade center of Kerala. It stands on the Ashtamudi Lake. sustained commercial reputation from the days of Phoenicians and the Romans. **Places to visit:** Thangassery Light house, The Pullichira Church , Thirumullavaram beach, Ashtamudi Lake etc.

Mararikulam: Mararikulam a favorite among the tourists, who wish for a peaceful getaway far from hustle bustle of city life.. It lies on the less trodden beach by the Arabian Sea. You are free to explore the adjacent village and the lifestyles of its residents or you may enjoy on the beach.

Major tourist cities in North Kerala

Munnar: Munnar - this hill station was once the summer resort of the erstwhile british government in south India. Sprawling tea plantations, picture book towns, winding lanes and holiday facilities make this a popular resort town. **Places to Visit:** Pothamedu, Devikulam,

Nyayamakad, Rajamala, Eravikulam National Park.

Thekkady (also Known as Periyar): The periyar forest of thekkady is one of the finest wildlife reserves in India, and spread across the entire district are picturesque plantations and hill towns that hold great opportunities for treks and mountain walks. **Places to Visit:** The Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary, Kumily, Murikkady, Vandanmedu.

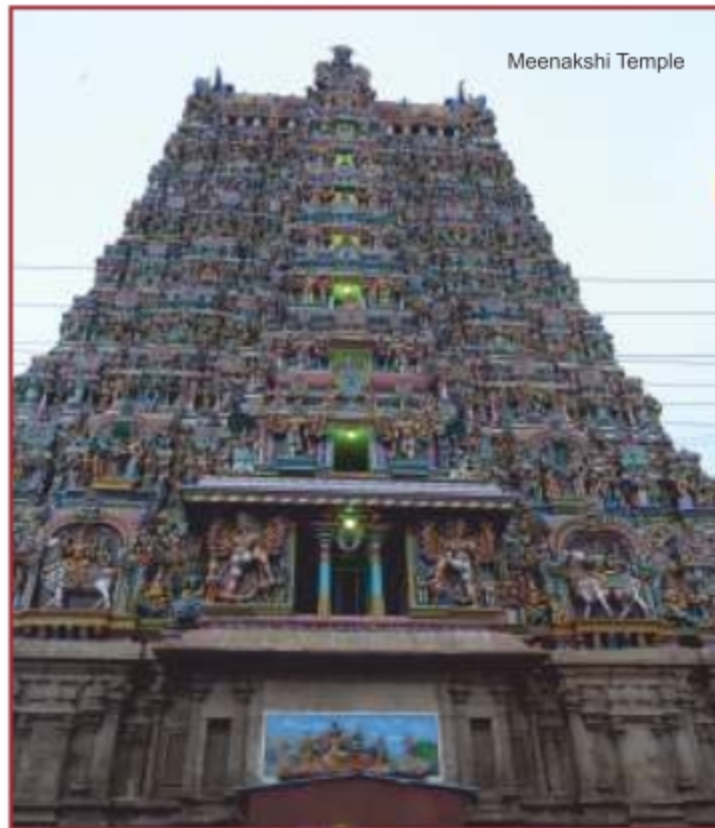
Palakkad: Palakkad, known as the granary of Kerala, situated at the foot of the Western Ghats is the gateway to Kerala from the North and is a land of valleys, hillocks, rivers, forests, mountain streams, dams and irrigation projects. **Places to visit:** Palakkad Fort, Malampuzha Gardens.

Kozhikode: Calicut or Kozhikode basking in the idyllic setting of the serene Arabian Sea on the west and mesmeric peaks of the Wayanad Hills on the east, has all the required ingredients to fascinate a tourist on holidays in Kerala. **Places to visit in Kozhikode are** Kappad Beach, Kozhikode Beach etc.

Wayanad: One of the districts in Kerala that has been able to retain its pristine nature. It some of the oldest tribes, untouched by civilization and is known for it's picturesque mist-clad hill stations, sprawling spice plantations, luxuriant forests and rich cultural traditions. **Places to Visit:** Wayanad Wildlife Sanctuary, Lakkidi, Thusharagiri Waterfalls, Kalpetta.

Thrissur: Thrissur (or Trichur) - the cultural capital of Kerala is famous for its superb temples, palaces and churches. **Places to visit in Thrissur:** Art Museum, Cheruthuruthy (Kathakali Centre), Town Hall (Art Gallery), Athirapally and Vazhachal Waterfalls., Punnathur Kotta (Elephant Shelter), Peechi Dam etc.

Kasargod: Kasargod, the land of seven languages and several cultures is a place of harmonious coexistence of Hindu, Muslim, Christian religions. It is known as the Land of Gods, Forts, Rivers, Beautiful hills and lengthy sandy beaches. **Places to visit are** Bekal Fort & Beach, Nileshwar, Sri Ananthapuram Vishnu Kshetram etc.



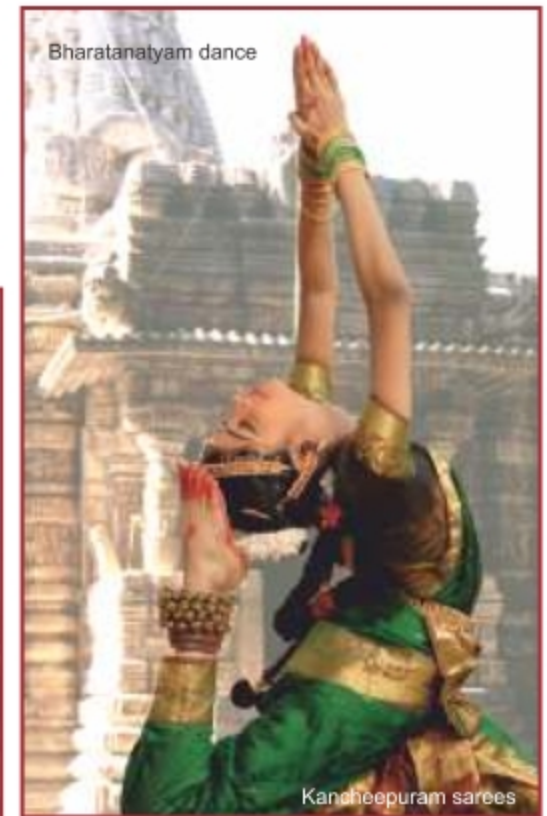
Meenakshi Temple

Tamil Nadu

Would take you to a totally indifferent world



Mahabalipuram Shore Temple



Bharatanatyam dance

Kanchipuram saris

The 'Temple State of India' has lot to offer travel buffs. Blessed with scenic hill-stations, sun-kissed beaches, sky-ward temples and jazzing cities, Tamil Nadu takes you to a totally indifferent world. This global travel destination is combo of historic culture and contemporary attraction, which bet to rejuvenate your mood during your vacation. This most urbanized state in India is developed with luxury hotels, shopping arcades, restaurants and many more.....

Major Cities of Tamil Nadu - Chennai is the capital city of the Indian state of Tamil Nadu. Chennai is the most vibrant and enchanting cities of the South and is also one of the most exotic destinations of the Indian sub-continent. Bestowed with exquisite beauty and natural

charisma, Chennai calls for exploration.

Other important cities of Tamil Nadu are Kanchipuram (a city of thousand temples), Mahabalipuram (Poetry in stone), Madurai (The glory of Pandyas), Tanjore (the Chola legacy), Trichy (a city of rockfort), Rameswaram (The Corridor of faith) and Kanyakumari (where the three seas meet), Ooty (Queen of hill station), Chettinad (The Land of Heritage & Devotion), Chidambaram (Seat of the cosmic dance), Kodaikanal (Princess of hill stations)

Temples of Tamil Nadu - Tamil Nadu can easily be referred to as the 'The Land of Temples' for its unmatched mastery in designing temples. Tamil Nadu is home to more than 30,000 temples with every one of them being an architectural

wonder. The temples were constructed over a vast period of time by various dynasties. The main principle behind every temple is almost the same with same composition. There are Gopurams, huge gateways, pillared hallways and a Sanctum Sactorum. However it is the subtle effects given to the temple that makes then standout. The carvings, the size of hallways, the shape of the gopurams are all different.

Festivals of Tamil Nadu - Tamil Nadu is a land of festivals. Umpteen festivals are observed throughout the year and no fortnight ever passes without a festival. Most of them are associated with religion and temples. Some of the important festivals are Pongal, a festival of Thanks giving to the Sun, the Earth and the cow, Natyanjali

Dance Festival, Kavadi Festival, Karthigai Deepam and Deepavali.

Dance & Music of Tamil Nadu - The land of Carnatic music, Tamil Nadu is the birthplace of many music legends. The main instruments used here are the violin, wooden flute, veena, gottuvadai, mridangam, nadaswaram and ghatam. Bharatanatyam is probably the best known and one of the most respected classical dances of India and is Tamil Nadu's gift to Indian culture.

Cuisine of Tamil Nadu - Tamil Nadu is a hot favorite spot for tasting the various south Indian dishes, both vegetarian and non-vegetarian. Chettinad cuisine has become the unique feature of Tamil Nadu cuisine. Numerous varieties of fish,



Taj Madurai



Thirumalai Nayak Palace

mutton, and chicken are served with that extra zing that makes them these dishes the best among the rest.

Beaches of Tamil Nadu - Southern states of India have got their own charm and Tamil Nadu is the most enchanting of them. The beaches of Tamil Nadu are as mesmerizing as its culture and heritage. Marina Beach in Chennai is the second longest beach in the world and is a must visit. Mahabalipuram, also known, as "Mamallapuram", nestling on the shores of the Bay of Bengal, was once a port of the Pallavas. Tourists from across the globe come to Mahabalipuram. Other famous beaches in Tamil Nadu are Rameshwaram Beach, Kanyakumari Beach and Covelong Beach.

Monuments of Tamil Nadu - Tamil Nadu has many amazing monuments, which attract tourists

from all over the world. The cultural icons are everywhere - huge temples with their towering gopurams (spires) not seen anywhere else in the country, intricate rock carvings, evocative music and, of course, the complex classical dance. Thirumalai Nayak Mahal at Madurai is a classic example of Indo-Saracenic style while the guided tour of the maze of 108 rooms of the Padmanabhapuram Palace leaves one dazed and breathless. The Rock Fort temple at Tiruchirappalli is also a famous monument that one must visit.

Hill Stations of Tamil Nadu - Tamil Nadu hill stations are every traveller's delight. The raw magnificence of Tamil Nadu's natural beauty has to be seen, and experienced, to be believed. The most visited hill stations of Tamil Nadu are "Ooty" on the Nilgiri's and "Kodaikanal" on the Palani

Hills.

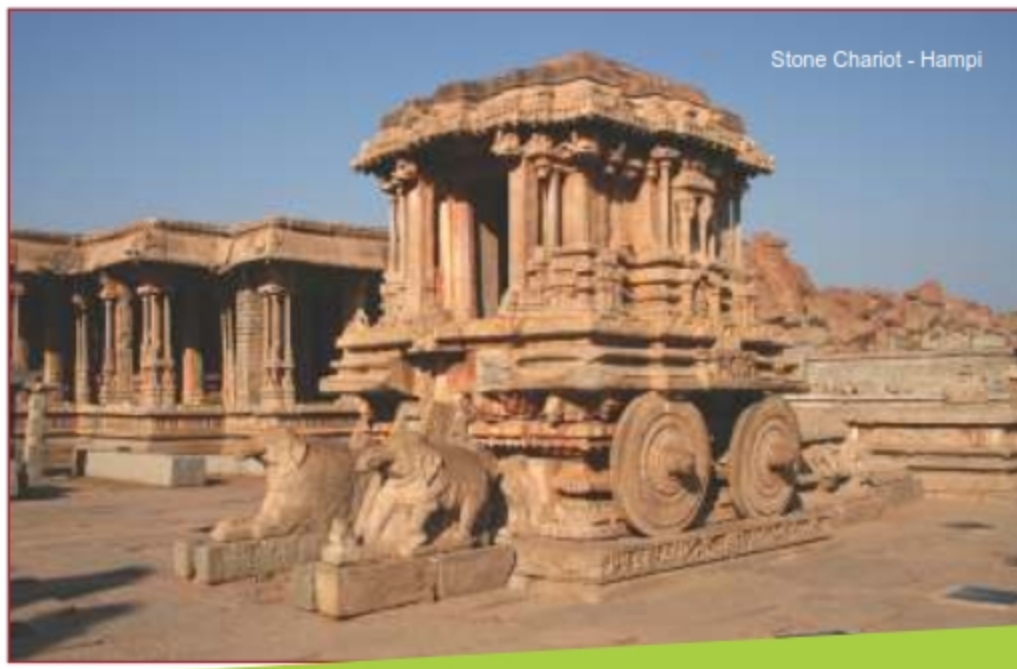
Wildlife of Tamil Nadu - There are 5 National Parks and 17 Wildlife Sanctuaries in Tamil Nadu. Some of the popular wildlife sanctuaries are the Anamalai Wildlife Sanctuary, Calimere Wildlife Sanctuary, Mudumalai Wildlife Sanctuary and National Park, Gulf of Mannar Marine National Park and Guindy National Park are the most favored national parks of the state.

Chettinad- The Land of Heritage & Devotion - Chettinad is the hot new flavor in South India, not just as a cuisine, but also as a favorite tourist destination for domestic as well as International travelers. It is a place that enchants and enhances the soul. Chettinad is the homeland of the Nattukottai Chettiars called the Nagarathars, are a prosperous banking and business community. A stray thundershower adds to the



Chettinad

charm of the place, churning up the red soil, and filling up the temple tanks. The palatial mansions, makes Chettinad a place of rare charm, and a must visit destination. Chettinad, rich in cultural heritage, art and architecture, is well known for its houses that are embellished with marble and Burma teak.



Stone Chariot - Hampi



Shivanasamudra Falls, Karnataka

Karnataka

Astounding! It is the word that convincingly defines KARNATAKA. The name of the land Karnataka has come from 'Kari-nadu' meaning the land of black soil & some others hold that 'Karunadu' also means beautiful country. Karnataka's manifold attractions include everything that interests tourists. The wild game sanctuaries at Bandipur, Nagarhole, Dandeli and BR Hills, hill stations like Nandi hills, Coorg and Kemmannagudi, beach resorts like Malpe, Karwar and Maravante, monolith statue of Gamateshwara. The temples at Aihole, Badami and Pattadakal in Bijapur district have great significance for all lovers of art. The temples of Halebid, Belur and Somanathapura are great architectural achievements - the like of which

are rarely seen in any part of the world.

Bangalore - Rebranded as Bengaluru, the city is popularly regarded as India's most pleasant city. Bangalore is well loved for its lovely climate, greenery, cleanliness and sense of order. Today this capital city of Karnataka is one of the fastest growing cities of Asia and it now boasts the title of Silicon Valley of India. The beautiful gardens and boulevards, coupled with the pleasant climate and quiet charm of the city has lured many foreign citizens here. And yet, rubbing shoulders with and perhaps contradicting this laidback attitude are the 200 plus pubs and dance floors dotting the little town and winning it the title 'Pub city'!

Mysore - The city is popular tourist destination of

Karnataka, was earlier the capital of Wodeyar rulers. Mysore is illustrious for its regal buildings, traditional paintings, silk, sandalwood and now the city is promoting itself as an international center for Ashtanga Yoga. Besides its royal palaces, Mysore city is also known for proximity to several other places of interest such as Srirangapatna, Krishna Raj Sagra dam, Sivasamudram falls, Bandipur & Nagarhole National Parks.

Belur, Halebid and Sravanabelagola - All the three sites are located in Hassan district of Karnataka. Belur is famous for its magnificent Hoysala temple complex. The façade of the temple is filled with intricate sculpture and friezes-with no portion left blank. Halebid, literally means the 'ruin city', flourished as the capital of Hoysala over 150 Year and famous for Hoysaleshwara, the Shiva temple is unique for its two shrines in the Linga form and gigantic figures of Nandi (sacred bull). Sravanabelagola one of the most popular Jain pilgrimage center in South India, is known for its

colossal 57 feet high monolithic statue of Gamateshwara, on top of a hill.

Coorg - Comes under the Kodavu Region, the mountain region is home to Kodava people and refugee Tibetans. Dubbed as the Scotland of India, It has lot to offer to tourists its cool climate and stupendous geography makes it fantastic place for bird waters, trekkers and to refresh your soul.

Badami - Once the capital of the Chalukya Empire, Badami is well known for its magnificent rock cut cave temples. These caves were sculpted in 6th & 7th century CE depicts Hindu, Buddhist and Jain iconography. Nearby village Aihole hosted the earlier Chalukya capital; later the site was moved to Pattadakal then to Badami. This relocation is cause that the whole area around Badami is liberally scattered with ancient temples.

Bijapur - Bijapur a fascinating place to explore, blessed with the wealth of mosques, mausoleums, palaces and fortifications, whose stringent grace is in complete contrast to the sculptural



Traditional Dance



Mysore Palace



Belur Temple

extravagance of the Chalukyan and Hoysala temples further south.

Hampi - Hampi was the capital of the largest Vijayanagra Empire of the post Mughal India. The fascinating ruins of 5th century city of Vijayanagra are scattered over 26 Kms near the town of Hampi. These ruins are set in an extraordinary giant granite boulders, lush paddies and banana plantations. Given this magical ambience Hampi is the major pit stop for the travelers.

Costal Karnataka - Karnataka has a 320 Kms long coastline, arrayed with famous untouched beaches, that invites those wants a break from the

chafing grind of urban life. The tranquility and the charm of the region coupled with the impetuousness of the coastal folk, and their delightful cuisine is just awesome. Some of the famous beaches of Karnataka are Bhatkal Beach, Karwar Beach, Murudeshwar Beach, Malpe Beach, Gokarna and Marvanthe Beach.

Culinary delights of Karnataka - The cuisine of Karnataka comprises diverse vegetarian and non-vegetarian cuisines. The varieties' influence can be found in the food habits of many regions and communities from the three neighboring South Indian states, as well as the state of Maharashtra to its north. The famous

Masala Dosa traces its origin to Udupi cuisine.

Performing Arts of Karnataka - The music and dance of Karnataka are the two finest forms of expression, combining artistry and refinement in a way which can be rarely portrayed by any other form of art. Karnataka has a rich culture and heritage that is well represented by the famous dances such as **Bharatnatyam**, **Kathakali**, **Kuchipudi** but Kunitha and Yakshagana are the two folk dance forms of Karnataka deserves special mentioned and the famous Carnatic music of the state.

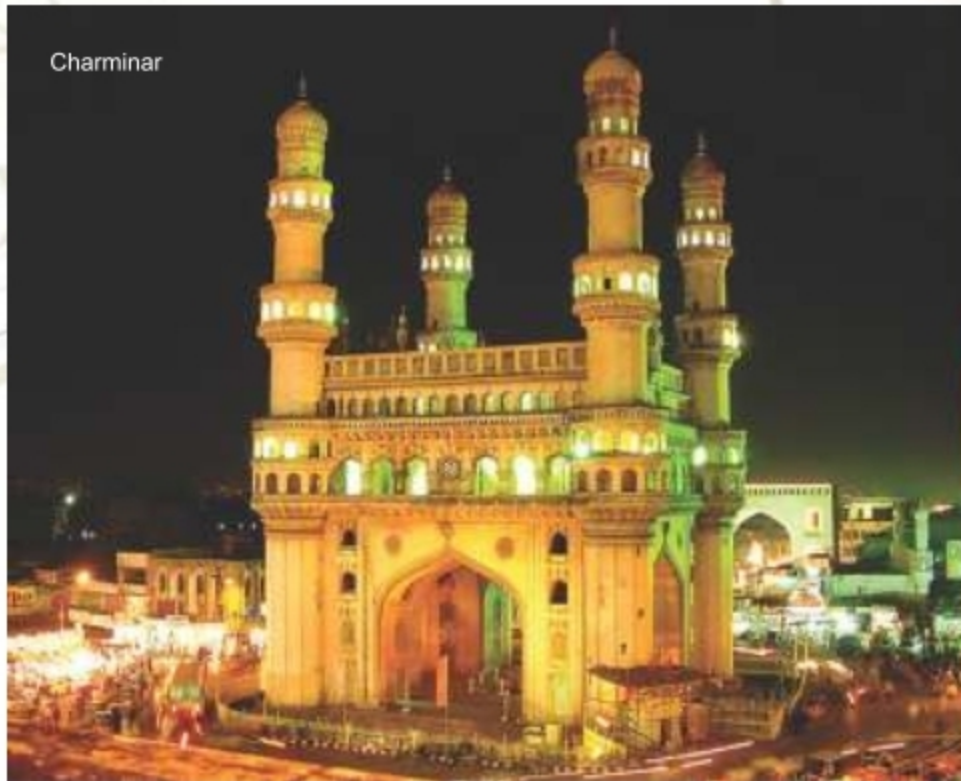
Fairs & Festivals - Fair and Festivals are the

round-the-year effervescent interludes in the mundane routine of life. In the every season there is a new festival, each bringing a true celebration for the people. Dusshera the most important Hindu festival celebrated with extravagance over ten days and other festivals like Yugadi, Hampi festival, Pattadakal dance festival and Kambala (Buffalo racing) are the few celebrated in the state uniquely.



Lord Gomateshwara Bahubali

Charminar



Traditional Dance



Hyderabadi Cuisine

Situated on the southeast coast of India, Andhra Pradesh is a rich blend of different cultures and religious faiths. From the ancient Buddhist shrines at Amravati and Nagarjunaconda, to the richly carved Hindu temples of Warangal and Vijayawada, make a leap to the Nawabi culture of Hyderabad as well as the city's modern face with high tech offices, entertainment and malls. The tourism opportunities of Andhra Pradesh are so many that you cannot cover them in one trip. Tucked away on the eastern coast is the pretty seaside town of Vishakhapatnam, while at the heart of Andhra hinterland is the much revered temple of Tirupati as well as an equally popular ashram of a modern day god at Puttaparthi.

Hyderabad - Hyderabad, the capital of Andhra

Pradesh is the fifth largest city in India. On one hand, the city boasts of housing magnificent palaces and splendid monuments, on the other, it stands adorned with contemporary offices of some of the major IT firms in the country. Hyderabad is nearly 400 years old and is famous for its natural beauty, mosques and minarets, bazaars, cuisine, bridges, hills and lakes. Some of the highlights of this city are the Charminar, Salarjung museum, etc.

Vijayawada - Vijayawada is located at the head of the Krishna delta, in Andhra Pradesh, about 70 km from the sea. Earlier the city was known as Bezawada and the present name is derived from the presiding deity, Kanakdurga also called Vijaya. Vijayawada has a major railway junction, which is beautifully encircled by hills on three sides. Krishna River on the south flows swiftly,

Andhra Pradesh

A rich blend of different cultures and religious faiths

presenting a mesmerizing scene.

Srisailem - Srisailem is a beautiful weekend destination from Hyderabad. Located on the banks of river Krishna, in the dense forests of the Nallamalai Hills, Srisailem offers some beautiful temples. The place is famous for an enchanting wildlife sanctuary with a wide variety of animals and birds. It is also known for its mesmerizing Dam and the natural splendor, definitely a worth visiting destination.

Warangal - The city of Warangal is located in

the north of Andhra Pradesh State. It lies along the Chennai -Kazipet-Delhi rail route. It was once the capital of the Kakatiya dynasty, a famous Andhra dynasty that ruled the state in the 12th century AD. The beautiful lakes, temples, wildlife, rich antiques and relics, makes it one of the must visit places in Andhra Pradesh.

Vishakhapatnam - Visakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh is popularly known as Vizag. It is one of the major thriving industrial cities on the east



Borra Caves

coast of India. This port city has the biggest ship building yard in India. This enchanting city has majestic hills, valleys and golden beaches along the Bay of Bengal coastline, making it an ideal place for holidays.

Tirupati - The holy city of Tirupati is located in the southeastern part of Andhra Pradesh, in the district of Chittoor. It is known for the famous Tirupati temple which is dedicated the Hindu god 'Venkateshwara', one of the most important pilgrimage centers in India. Considered one of the busiest pilgrimage centers in the world, this temple attracts millions of pilgrims.

Nagarjunasagar - The Nagarjunasagar is a huge irrigation project on the River Krishna. The Nagarjunasagar was a valley in the Nallamala range of the Eastern Ghats and its civilization is

thousands of years old. According to the history, it was first ruled by the Satavahanas and subsequently by the Ikshvakus in the third century.

Andhra Cuisines - Every state of India has its own specialty. Food from Andhra Pradesh is famous for the rich seasoning and lots of variety. The cuisine of Andhra Pradesh includes both the original Andhra cuisine and the Hyderabad cuisine, having a Mughlai influence. Out of these two cuisines, the former one is more hot and spicy. The traditional delicacies of Andhra are absolutely mouthwatering having a liberal use of spices.

Fairs & Festivals - Celebrations and festivities add to the charm of living life. Festivals, aboriginal to the place, depict its culture and traditions. However, there are many religious festivals like



Park Hotel
Visakhapatnam



Salar Jung Museum

Diwali, Holi, and Sankranti etc., which are celebrated in the state like any other state of India. Apart from these there are many other festivals like Deccan Festival, Lumbini Festival, and Tirupati Festival, Visakha Festival, Pongal, Ugadi and Rayalaseema Food & Dance festival.

Performing arts of Andhra Pradesh - A



Shopping

wide range of performing arts like dance, music and drama had been popularized by the state of Andhra Pradesh. The famous classical dance **Kuchipudi** has originated in Andhra Pradesh. Andhra Pradesh plays a significant role in Carnatic Music. The great Carnatic Music maestros like **Thyagaraja**, **Shyama Shastri** and **Mathswami Dixitar** are all from Andhra Pradesh.

Andaman & Nicobar Islands

Welcome to one of the world's best kept secrets - the Andaman Islands. Long shrouded in mystery and legend - the islands have just started to emerge on the independent traveler's list of must see places in the world. Andaman and Nicobar Island is relaxed tropical island outpost. Superb, deserted beaches, incredible corals and marine life, an intriguing colonial past and the remnants of a Stone Age culture lure travelers to these mysterious islands, 1000km off the east coast of India in the Bay of Bengal. The territory comprises 572 tropical islands, out of which 36 are inhabited, with unique wildlife and lush forests.

Places of interest in Andaman Island: - The Cellular Jail (national memorial), Son-et-Lumiere (sound and light Show), Ross Island, Andaman Water Sports Complex, Mahatma Gandhi Marine National Park and Chidiya Tapu.



Simply a paradise for globetrotters



Maldives

Maldives is synonymous with scenic splendors, unsullied beaches, reinvigorating freshness, serene ambiance, and popular tourist attractions - simply a paradise for globetrotters. Maldives Holiday unveils to you the mélange of myriad tourist attractions, picturesque countryside, lagoons, verdant verdure, palm-fringes and sandy beaches splashed with azure, massive lagoons with different depths and infinite shades of blue and turquoise, dazzling underwater coral gardens, jade and crystalline waters. The Maldives has something in store for everyone that will knock your socks off! Maldives is a perfect natural combination for the ideal tropical holiday destination.



One of world's spectacular tropical island systems, Lakshadweep offer a precious heritage of ecology and culture.

Lakshadweep group of islands comprises of 36 islands, 12 atolls, 3 reefs, 5 submerged banks with 432 sq. km of geographical area. It is the tiniest Union Territory of India and is its only coral island chain. The unique feature of the Islands is its coral reef and rich marine wealth making it a pristine leisure spot to come back to. The lagoon offers excellent potential for water sports activities. It is fast becoming India's one of its kind "Adventure sport-Nature Tourism" location in place to meet the needs of tourists.

Location - Lakshadweep islands lie about 220 to 440 Kms off the Kerala coast between 8° and 12° North Latitudes and 71° and 74° East Longitudes.

Climate / Tourist Season - The best time to visit Lakshadweep is from October to mid May. From mid May to September it is rainy season. The summer temperatures ranging from 22° C to 33° C and winter temperatures from 20° C to 32° C.

Water Sports - The vast expanses of the shallow lagoons provide an ideal setting for water sports enthusiasts. Islands offer Kayaks, canoes, pedal boats, sail boats, wind surfers, snorkels sets glass-bottomed boats and also facilities for scuba-diving.

Tourist Focal Islands - Tourist focal islands of Lakshadweep are Bangaram, Agatti, Kavaratti, Kalpeni, Kadamat and Minicoy.

Lakshadweep Islands

One of world's spectacular tropical island systems



Goa



Land blessed with splendid scenic beauty

Goa, the land blessed with splendid scenic beauty, golden beaches, beautiful rivers and lakes and architectural splendors is undoubtedly a "Tourist's Paradise". The perfect word to describe Goa is – "The land of Sun, Sand and Sea".

People & Lifestyle - If you want to spend your dream holiday amidst your friends, no other place in the world than Goa, can give you such a convivial exposure. Proud to be addressed as Goans, they illuminate Goa with an eternal happy-go-lucky attitude.

Art & Culture - Goa, is known for a unique culture inherited from dynasties such as the Portuguese, French, Dutch and the Israelis. The influence of all these kingdoms can be clearly seen on the lifestyle, architecture, food and all the social aspects of the state.

Festivals of Goa - With a harmonious mix of variant creed and thought flow in its population, Goa has always a reason to celebrate. The

important festivals of Goa are Carnival, Shigmo and Ganesh Chaturthi.

Monumental Heritage - Goa is a place not only for enthusiasts for adventure and fun, but also for lovers of heritage and culture. The museums in Goa are treasure houses of Goan history. The churches in Goa are the legacies of Portuguese colonization and they reflect the European style of architecture.

Leisure at Goa beach - Goa provides an excellent range of beaches to suit everybody's needs. Some of the best beaches in Goa are Calangute beach, Baga beach, Anjuna beach, Colva beach & Bogmalo beach.



TSI/SI/01 Short & Sweet Kerala

Duration: 05 Nights/06 Days

Places covered: Kochi (Cochin)-Periyar (Thekkady)-Kumarakom-Alappuzha (Alleppey)-Kovalam-Thiruvanthapuram (Trivandrum)

Day 01: Arrival Kochi (Cochin) - Upon arrival, traditional welcome and transfer to hotel. Check-in at hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 02: Kochi (Cochin) - After breakfast, leave for half day city sightseeing tour visiting Dutch Palace, Jewish Synagogue, Chinese fishing nets & St. Francis Church. Overnight at Hotel.

Day 03: Kochi-Periyar (Thekkady) (190 Kms/5 Hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Periyar. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Later leave for spice plantation visit and also enjoy boat ride on Periyar Lake to view wildlife. Overnight at hotel.

Day 04: Periyar-Kumarakom (145 Kms/4 Hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Kumarakom. On arrival, check-in at resort. Visit Kumarakom Bird Sanctuary. Overnight in resort.

Day 05: Kumarakom-Houseboat Cruise-Kumarakom - Morning after breakfast at 1230 hrs board traditional houseboat for 03 hrs day cruise along with lunch in Kumarakom backwaters. Overnight at resort.

Day 06: Kumarakom-Kochi (Cochin) (80 Kms/2 Hrs)-Departure - After breakfast, check-out and transfer to Kochi airport to catch your return flight.

TSI/SI/02 Mystical Backwaters & Kerala Ayurveda

Duration: 10 Nights/11 Days

Places covered: Kochi (Cochin)-Periyar (Thekkady)-Kumarakom-Mararikulam-Alappuzha (Alleppey)-Kochi (Cochin)

Note: You could avail Ayurvedic-treatment during the tour while staying at CGH Group of Hotels in Periyar, Kumarakom and Mararikulam

Day 01: Arrival Kochi (Cochin) - Upon arrival, traditional welcome and transfer to hotel. Check-in at hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 02: Kochi - After breakfast, proceed for half day city sightseeing tour visiting Dutch Palace, Jewish Synagogue, Chinese fishing nets & St. Francis Church. Overnight at hotel.

Day 03: Kochi-Periyar (Thekkady) (190 Kms/5 Hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Periyar. On arrival, check-in at hotel.

Day 04: Periyar - After breakfast, proceed for spice plantation visit. Later enjoy boat ride on Lake Periyar to wildlife. Overnight at hotel.

Day 05: Periyar-Kumarakom (145 Kms/4 Hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Kumarakom. On arrival, check-in at



Brunton Boatyard



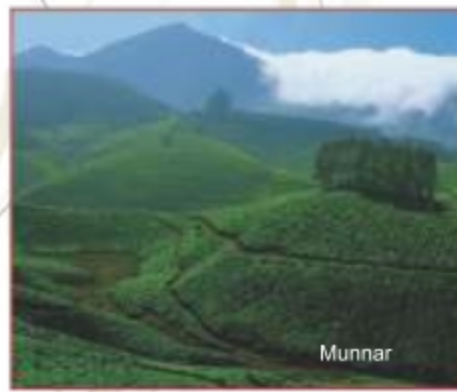
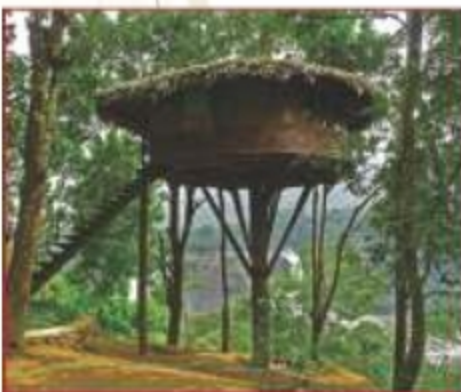
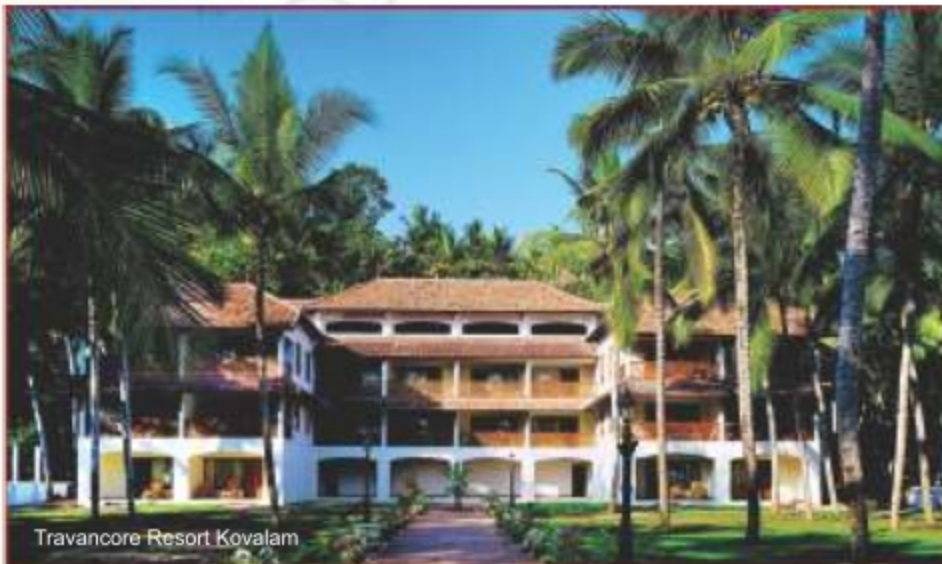
Kumarakom Lake Resort



Festival elephants Kerala



Coconut Lagoon
Kumarakom



backwater resort. Overnight in resort.

Day 06: Kumarakom - After breakfast, visit Kumarakom Bird Sanctuary. Overnight in resort.

Day 07: Kumarakom-Mararikulam (40 Kms/1 Hr) - After breakfast, drive to Mararikulam. Upon arrival at Mararikulam, check-in at beach resort. Overnight at resort.

Day 08 & 09: Mararikulam - After breakfast, free to relax on the beach. Overnight at resort.

Day 10: Mararikulam-Alappuzha (Alleppey) (15 Kms/30 Mins) - After breakfast, drive to Alappuzha and at 1200 hrs board traditional houseboat for overnight cruise within Alappuzha backwaters. (No cruise during 1800 hrs to 0800 hrs). Overnight in houseboat.

Day 11: Alappuzha-Kochi (66 kms/1.5 hrs) - After breakfast, disembark from houseboat at 0900 hrs and transfer to Kochi airport to board your return flight.

Extension to Kovalam

Duration: 03 Nights/04 Days

Places covered: **Alappuzha (Alleppey)-Kovalam-Thiruvanthapuram (Trivandrum)**

Day 11: Alappuzha-Kovalam (185 Kms/4 Hrs) - Today morning transfer to Kovalam. On arrival, check-in at beach resort. Rest of the day free to relax on the beach. Overnight at beach resort.

Day 12-13: Kovalam - Days free to relax on the beach. Overnight at beach resort.

Day 14: Kovalam-Thiruvanthapuram (Trivandrum) (By Flight) - After breakfast, check-out and transfer to Thiruvanthapuram airport to board your return flight.

Note: From Kovalam, you could move to Ayurvedic Treatment Center: Somatheeram/Manaltheeram Beach Resort for a week's stay or longer and undergo Ayurvedic treatment programme.

TSI/SI/03 Kerala - Honeymooners Paradise

Duration: 12 Nights/13 Days

Places covered: **Kochi (Cochin)-Munnar-Periyar (Thekkady)- Kumarakom-Alappuzha (Alleppey)- Mararikulam- Kochi**

Day 01: Arrival Kochi (Cochin) - On arrival at Kochi airport, traditional welcome and transfer to hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 02: Kochi - After breakfast, leave for sightseeing tour of Fort Cochin visiting Jewtown & Mattancherry Palace. Evening enjoy Kathakali dance performance. Overnight at hotel.

Day 03: Kochi-Munnar (140 Kms/4.5 Hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Munnar. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 04: Munnar - After breakfast, visit Eravikulam National Park, tea plantations and Mattupetty Dam. Overnight at hotel.

Day 05: Munnar- Vandanmedu (95 Kms/3 Hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Vandanmedu to check-in at beautiful eco-friendly resort: Carmelia Haven. Overnight stay in tree house ethnic bamboo hut perched high on the tree top at the resort.

Day 06: Vandanmedu-Periyar-Vandanmedu (20 Kms/30 Mins per way) - After breakfast, proceed to Periyar for spice plantation visit. Later enjoy boat ride on Lake Periyar to wildlife. Return to Vandanmedu for overnight stay at the tree house.

Day 07: Vandanmedu-Kumarakom (165 Kms/5 Hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Kumarakom. On arrival, check-in at resort. Visit Kumarakom Bird Sanctuary. Overnight at resort.

Day 08: Kumarakom-Alappuzha (Alleppey) (In Houseboat) - After breakfast, at 1200 hrs board traditional houseboat for overnight backwater cruise ending next day morning at Alappuzha. (No cruise



Bangaram Island Lakshadweep



Estuary Island Poovar

during 1800 hrs to 0800 hrs). Overnight in houseboat.

Day 09: Alappuzha Mararikulam (15 Kms/30 Mins) - After breakfast, disembark from houseboat at 0900 hrs and drive to Mararikulam. Upon arrival at Mararikulam, check-in at beach resort. Overnight at resort.

Day 10-12: Mararikulam - After breakfast, free to relax on the beach. Overnight at resort.

Day 13: Mararikulam-Kochi (55 Kms/1.5 Hrs) - After breakfast, check-out and transfer to Kochi airport to board your return flight.

Extension 1 - Lakshadweep

Duration: 03 Nights/04 Days

Places covered: Mararikulam-Kochi (Cochin)-Agatti-Bangaram-Agatti-Kochi

Day 13: Mararikulam-Kochi (55 Kms/1.5 Hrs)-Agatti (By Flight: 1 Hr 20 Mins)-Bangaram (By Speed Boat: 45 Mins Or By Helicopter: 15 Mins) - Today morning transfer to Kochi airport to board flight to Agatti. On arrival at Agatti airport, transfer to resort in Bangaram Island. Check-in at resort. Overnight at resort.

Day 14-15: Bangaram Island - Days free to explore the enchanting island of Bangaram or for water sports and beach

activities. Overnight at the resort.

Day 16: Bangaram Island-Agatti (By Speed Boat: 45 Mins Or By Helicopter: 15 Mins)- Kochi (By Flight: 1 Hr 20 Mins) - After breakfast, check-out from resort and transfer to Agatti airport to board flight to Kochi and from Kochi board your return flight.

Extension 2 - Goa

Duration: 03 Nights/04 Days

Places covered: Kochi (Cochin) -Goa-Mumbai (Bombay)

Day 13: Mararikulam-Kochi (55 Kms/1.5 Hrs) - Bengaluru (Bangalore) (By Flight: 1 Hr 20 Mins)-Goa (By Flight: 1 Hr 30 Mins) - Today morning transfer to Kochi airport to board flight to Goa via Bengaluru. On arrival at Goa airport, transfer to resort. Check-in at resort. Overnight at resort.

Day 14-15: Goa - Days free to explore Goa and to relax on the beach. Overnight at resort.

Day 16: Goa-Mumbai (By Flight: 55 Mins) - After breakfast, check-out and transfer to airport to board flight to Mumbai for your onward journey.

Extension 3- Port Blair, Andaman

Duration: 05 Nights/06 Days

Places covered: Kochi (Cochin)-Chennai-Port Blair-Chennai (Madras)

Day 13: Mararikulam-Kochi (55 Kms/1.5 Hrs)-Chennai (Madras) (By Flight: 1 Hr 30 Mins) - Today morning transfer to Kochi airport to board flight to Chennai. On arrival at Chennai, transfer to hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 14: Chennai-Port Blair (By Flight: 2 Hrs) Havelock Island (By Ferry: 2 ½ hrs-4 ½ Hrs) - Today board flight to Port Blair. On arrival at Port Blair, transfer to Havelock Island by ferry at 1400 hrs to Eco-Resort Barefoot at Havelock. On arrival, check-in at resort. Day free to relax on the beach. Overnight at resort.

Day 15 & 16: Havelock Island - After breakfast, free to relax on the beach. Overnight at hotel.

Day 17: Havelock Island-Port Blair (By Ferry: 2 ½ hrs-4 ½ Hrs) - After breakfast, check-out and transfer to Port Blair by Ferry at 1400 hrs. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 18: Port Blair-Chennai (By Flight: 2 Hrs) - After breakfast, check-out and transfer to airport to board flight to Chennai for your onward journey.

Extension 4 Maldives

Duration: 04 Nights/05 Days

Places covered: **Mararikulam - Thiruvanthapuram - Male**

Day 13: Mararikulam -Thiruvanthapuram (175 Kms/4 Hrs) - Male (By Flight: 40 Mins) - Today morning transfer to Thiruvanthapuram airport to board flight to Male .On arrival at Male, transfer to resort. Overnight at hotel.

Day 14-16 : Male - Days free at leisure. Overnight at hotel.

Day 17 : Male-Departure (By Flight) - After breakfast, check-out and transfer to airport to board your return flight.

Note: These extensions can be included with many itineraries. Please check with us for details.

TSI/SI/04 Heritage South India

Duration: 14 Nights/15 Days

Places Covered: **Chennai (Madras) - Mahabalipuram - Puducherry (Pondicherry)- Swamimalai- Thanjavur (Tanjore)- Tiruchirapalli (Trichy) - Chettinadu- Madurai - Munnar-Alappuzha (Alleppey) - Kochi (Cochin)**

Day 01: Arrival Chennai (Madras) - On arrival at Chennai airport, traditional welcome and transfer to hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 02: Chennai – Mahabalipuram (55 kms/1.5 hrs) - After breakfast visit Fort St George and Museum. Later drive to Mahabalipuram. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 03: Mahabalipuram - After breakfast, visit Shore Temples. Overnight at hotel.

Day 04: Mahabalipuram-Puducherry (Pondicherry) (100 kms/2 hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Puducherry. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Later proceed for city tour covering the French Quarter of Puducherry and Museum. Overnight at hotel.

Day 05: Puducherry- Swamimalai (140 kms/3.5 hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Swamimalai enroute visting temples at Chidambaram, Gangaikondacholapuram , Kumbakonam and Darasuram. On arrival at Swamimalai, check-in at hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 06: Swamimalai-Thanjavur (Tanjore) (31 kms/45 mins) - After breakfast, visit Swamimalai Swaminathan Temple. On arrival at Thanjavur, check-in at hotel. Later visit Brihadeshwara Temple. Overnight at hotel.

Day 07: Thanjavur – Tiruchirapalli (Trichy) -Chettinadu (155 kms/3.5 hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Chettinadu enroute visiting Tiruchirapalli, famous for its Rock Fort Temple and Srirangam Temple. Continue drive to Chettinadu. On arrival, check-in at hotel.

Overnight at hotel.

Day 08: Chettinadu - After breakfast, explore Chettinadu Mansion and wander through the town to see local craftsmen at work in the living museums of wood and stonework. Overnight at hotel.

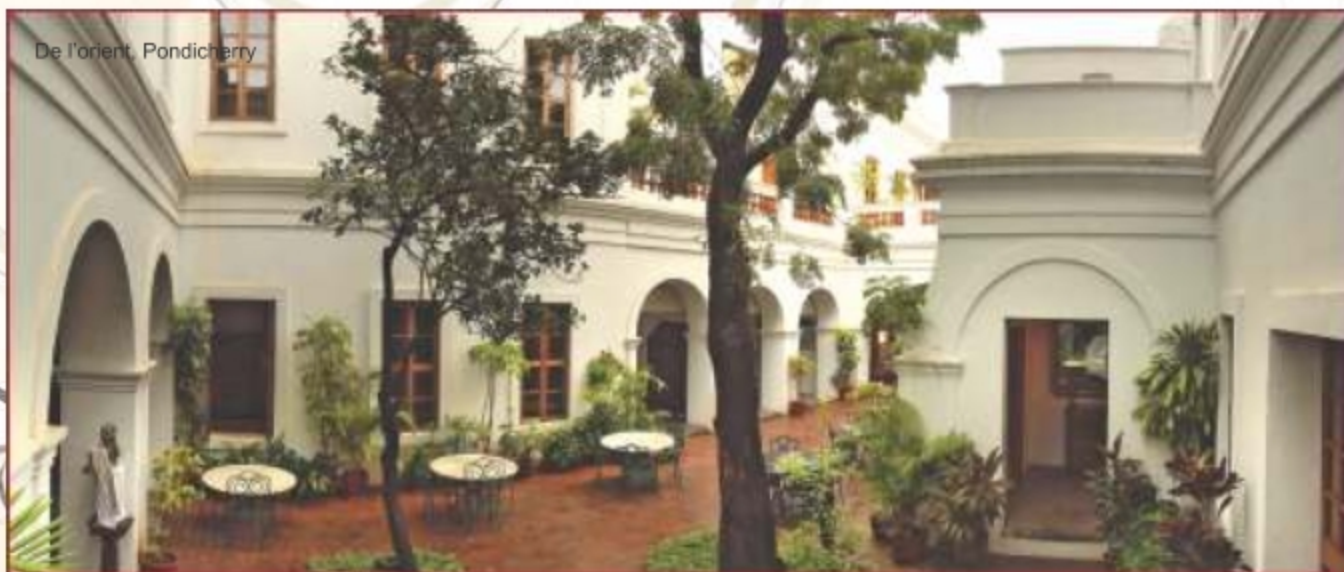
Day 09: Chettinadu-Madurai (90 kms/2 hrs) - After breakfast , drive to Madurai. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Later visit Nayak Palace, Gandhi Museum and Meenakshi Temple. Overnight at hotel.

Day 10: Madurai-Munnar (180 kms/4 hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Munnar. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 11: Munnar - After breakfast, proceed for sightseeing tour visiting Eravikulam National Park , tea plantations and Mattupetty Dam. Overnight at hotel.

Day 12: Munnar-Alappuzha (Alleppey) (180 kms/4 hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Alappuzha. On arrival at Alappuzha, at 1200 hrs board traditional houseboat for overnight backwater cruise within Alleppey backwaters. **(No cruise during 1800 hrs to 0800 hrs).** Overnight in houseboat.

Day 13: Alappuzha – Kochi (Cochin) (66 kms/1.5 hrs) - After breakfast, at 0900 hrs disembark from houseboat and drive to Kochi. On arrival at Kochi, check-in at hotel. Evening watch



Kathakali Dance. Overnight at hotel.

Day 14: Kochi - After breakfast, leave for sightseeing tour of Fort Kochi in visiting Jewtown & Mattancherry Palace. Evening watch a demonstration of Kalaripayattu- traditional Kerala Martial Arts. Overnight in Cochin.

Day 15: Kochi-Departure - After breakfast, check-out from hotel and in time transfer to airport to board flight to your onward destination.

TSI/SI/05 Easy & Slow Exotic South India

Duration: 22 Nights/23 Days

Places covered: **Chennai (Madras)-Mahabalipuram-Puducherry (Pondicherry)-Chennai-Bengaluru (Bangalore)-Mysore-Coorg-Hassan-Bengaluru-Kochi (Cochin)-Kumarakom-Mararikulam-Kochi**

Day 01: Arrival Chennai (Madras) - On arrival at Chennai airport, traditional welcome and transfer to hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 02: Chennai-Mahabalipuram (55 Kms/1.5 hrs) - After breakfast visit Fort St George and Museum. Later drive to Mahabalipuram. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 03: Mahabalipuram - After breakfast, morning visit Shore Temples. Afternoon free. Overnight at hotel.

Day 04: Mahabalipuram - After breakfast, free to relax on the beach. Optional-visit temples at Kanchipuram (65 kms/1 hr per way). Overnight at hotel.

Day 05: Mahabalipuram-Puducherry (Pondicherry) (100 kms/2 Hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Puducherry. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Later proceed for city tour covering the French Quarter of Puducherry and Museum. Overnight at hotel.

Day 06: Puducherry - Day free. Optional-visit to Arunachaleswara temple in Tiruvannamalai. (103 kms/2 hrs per way). Overnight at hotel

Day 07: Puducherry - Day free. Optional-visit to Natraja Temple at Chidambaram. (112 kms/2 hrs per way). Overnight at hotel.

Day 08: Puducherry-Chennai-Bengaluru (Bangalore) (By Flight: 45 Mins) -Mysore (139 Kms/3 hrs) - Morning transfer to airport to board flight to Bengaluru. On arrival at Bengaluru, transfer to Mysore. On arrival at Mysore, check-in at hotel. Overnight at hotel

Day 09: Mysore - After breakfast, proceed for city tour visiting the Mysore Palace, Chamundi Hills, Statue of Nandi Bull, Somnathpur (Keshava temple) and Vrindavan Garden. Overnight at hotel.

Day 10: Mysore - After breakfast, day free. Optional- excursion to Ranganathittu Bird Sanctuary (16 Kms/20 Mins per way). After the visit, return to Mysore for overnight stay at hotel.

Day 11: Mysore-Coorg (120 kms/3 hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Coorg. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Rest of the day free. Overnight at hotel.

Day 12: Coorg - After breakfast, proceed for sightseeing tour visiting Dubare Elephant Camp, Cauvery



Taj West End Bangalore



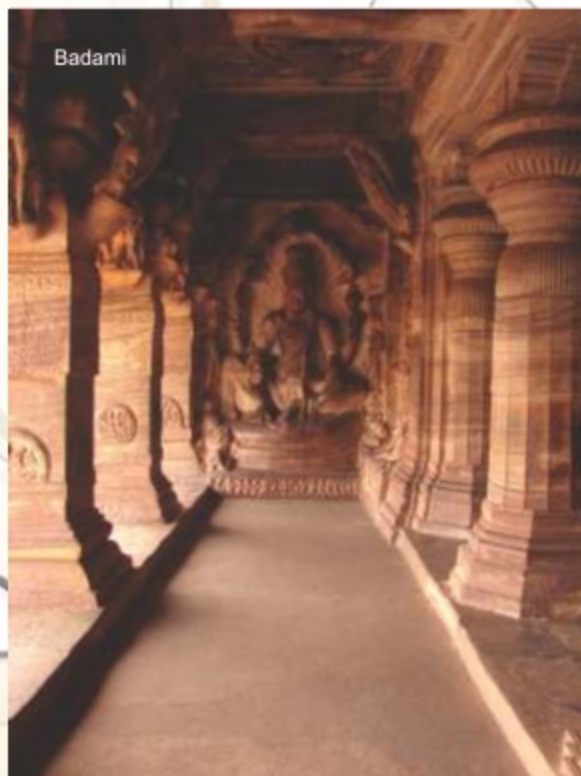
Natraj Temple
Chidambaram



Mysore Palace



Marari Beach Resort



Badami



Tungabhadra Dam Hospet



Nisargadhama and Bylakuppe. Overnight at hotel.

Day 13: Coorg - After breakfast, free to relax. Optional-Visit to Abbey Falls (10 Kms/30 Mins per way) / Iruppu Falls (40 kms/1 hr per way). Overnight at hotel.

Day 14: Coorg-Hassan (130 Kms/3 Hrs)-Belur-Halebid-Hassan (82 Kms/4 Hrs)
After breakfast, transfer to Hassan. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Later excursion to temples at Belur and Halebid. After visit, return to Hassan for overnight stay at hotel.

Day 15: Hassan-Bengaluru (180 Kms/4 Hrs)-Kochi (Cochin) (By Flight: 1 Hr) - After breakfast, transfer to airport to board flight to Kochi. On arrival at Kochi, check-in at hotel. Rest of the day free. Overnight at hotel.

Day 16: Kochi - After breakfast, leave for sightseeing tour of Fort Kochi visiting Jewtown & Mattancherry Palace. Evening watch a demonstration of Kalaripayattu traditional Kerala Martial Arts. Overnight at hotel.

Day 17: Kochi - After breakfast, free to relax. Optional-visit to Athirappally Waterfalls (90 Kms/2 hrs per way). Overnight at hotel.

Day 18: Kochi-Kumarakom (80 kms/2 Hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Kumarakom. On arrival, check-in at resort. Visit Kumarakom Bird Sanctuary. Overnight in resort.

Day 19: Kumarakom - Houseboat Day Cruise-Kumarakom - Morning after breakfast at 1230 hrs board traditional houseboat for 03 hrs day cruise along with lunch in Kumarkom backwaters. Overnight at resort.

Day 20: Kumarakom - Mararikulam (22 Kms/40 Mins) - After breakfast, drive to Mararikulam. Upon arrival at Mararikulam, check-in at beach resort. Overnight at resort.

Day 21: Mararikulam - After breakfast, day free. Overnight at resort.

Day 22: Mararikulam - After breakfast, day free. Optional-Visit to Fishing village and see the local life. Overnight at resort.

Day 23: Mararikulam-Kochi (55 Kms/1.5 Hrs) - After breakfast, check-out and transfer to Kochi airport to board your return flight.

TSI/SI/06 Karnataka Ancient Glories

Duration: 15 Nights/16 Days

Places covered: Bengaluru (Bangalore)-Mysore-Sravanabelagola-Chikmagalur-Hospet-Hampi-Hospet-Badami-Dandeli-Goa-Mumbai (Bombay)

Day 01: Arrival Bengaluru (Bangalore) - On arrival at Bengaluru airport, traditional welcome and transfer to Mysore. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 02: Bengaluru-Mysore (139 Kms/3 Hrs) - After breakfast, proceed for half day city tour covering Iskon Temple, Vidhan Soudha, Tipu's Palace, Government Museum, Lall Bagh – the botanical garden and Bull temple. Later drive to Mysore. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 03: Mysore - After breakfast, proceed for sightseeing tour visiting Maharaja's Palace, Chamundi Hills, Statue of Nandi Bull, Somnathpur (Keshava Temple) & Sri Rangapattanam. Overnight at hotel.



Taj Gateway Chikmagalur



The Leela, Goa



Hotel Tea Bungalow, Cochin

Day 04: Mysore-Sravanabelagola-Chikmagalur (125 Kms/3.5 Hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Chikmagalur enroute visiting the Jain pilgrimage site at Sravanabelagola. On arrival at Chikmagalur, check-in at hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 05: Chikmagalur - After breakfast, visit the temples at Belur and Halebid famous for their intricate carvings and sculptures. Overnight at hotel.

Day 06: Chikmagalur-Hospet (313 Kms/6 Hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Hospet. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 07: Hospet-Hampi-Hospet (15 Kms/1 Hr Per Way) - Morning after breakfast, proceed to Hampi and visit temples: Virupaksha temple, Vithala temple complex and visit House of Victory. Return to Hospet for overnight stay at hotel.

Day 08: Hospet-Hampi-Hospet (15 Kms/1 Hr Per Way) - After breakfast, full day excursion to Hampi to visit The Hampi Palace. Return to Hospet for overnight stay at hotel.

Day 09: Hospet-Badami (310 Kms/7 Hrs) - After breakfast, transfer to Badami. On arrival check-in at hotel. Later visit South Fort well known for the cave temples. Overnight at hotel.

Day 10: Badami - After breakfast visit the splendid temples at

Aihole and Pattadakal. Overnight at hotel.

Day 11: Badami-Dandeli (210 Kms/5 Hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Dandeli. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Later visit Dandeli National Park. Overnight at hotel.

Day 12: Dandeli-Goa (180 Kms/4 Hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Goa. On arrival, check in at hotel. Rest of the day free to relax on the beach. Overnight at resort.

Day 13 & 14: Goa - Days free to relax on the beach. Overnight at resort.

Day 15: Goa-Mumbai (Bombay) (By Flight: 55 Mins) - After breakfast, check-out and transfer to airport to board flight to Mumbai. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 16: Mumbai (By Flight) - After breakfast, check-out and transfer to airport to board your return flight.

TSI/SI/07 Kerala With Difference

Home stays (Off The Beaten Track)

Duration: 11 Nights/12 Days

Places covered: Kochi (Cochin) - Kothamangalam - Munnar - Chinnar-Periyar (Thekkady) - Kanam - Alapuzha (Alleppey)- Olavipe - Kochi (Cochin)

Day 01: Arrival Kochi (Cochin) - On arrival at Kochi airport, traditional welcome and transfer to Hotel. Check-in at hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 02: Kochi - After breakfast, visit Jewish Synagogue, Dutch Palace, St Francis Church & Chinese fishing nets and Bolgatty Palace. Overnight at Hotel.

Day 03: Kochi - Kothamangalam (58Kms / 1Hr 30Mins) After breakfast, drive to Kothamangalam. On arrival, check-in at home stay. Later visit Local Churches, temples, view Rubber tapping and processing in the Mundackal estate, fruits and vegetable garden and later experience the Indian cookery with Mrs. Daisy. Overnight at home stay.

Day 04: Kothamangalam - Munnar (90Kms / 2Hrs) - After breakfast visit plantations and take a short trek to the local village to interact with the local people. Later drive to Munnar. On arrival, check-in at resort. Overnight at resort.

Day 05: Munnar - Chinnar (50Kms / 2Hrs) - After breakfast drive to Chinnar wild life sanctuary. On arrival, check-in at resort. Later trek inside the sanctuary and stay overnight in camp.

Day 06: Chinnar - Periyar (Thekkady) (160Kms / 4Hrs) After breakfast, transfer to Periyar. Check in at the Resort.

Evening enjoy Elephant Safari/Kalaripayattu Show (optional). Overnight stay at Resort.

Day 07: Periyar - Morning 0700 hrs proceed to the boat landing and proceed for the Bamboo Rafting, a dawn to dusk trekking program through the forest for a close encounter with the Wildlife. Overnight at resort.

Day 08: Periyar – Kanam (70 Kms / 2Hrs) - After breakfast, transfer to Kanam and check in at Kanam Estate. Afternoon spend a day with The Elephant. Overnight at Kanam Estate.

Day 09: Kanam – Alappuzha (Alleppey) (House Boat) (70Kms / 2Hrs) - After breakfast, transfer to Alappuzha and board traditional houseboat at 12:00 noon for overnight cruise within Alappuzha backwaters. Overnight in houseboat.

Day 10: Alappuzha – Olavipe (30Kms / 1Hr) - After breakfast disembark from houseboat at 0900 hrs and transfer to Olavipe. On arrival, check-in at Olavipe Homestay on the backwaters. Rest of the day free for village activities. Overnight at home stay.

Day 11: Olavipe - Free at leisure for village activities like fishing, Farm visit, country boat ride. Overnight at home stay.

Day 12: Olavipe-Kochi Airport (55Kms / 2Hrs) - After breakfast transfer to Kochi airport to catch your return flight.

TSI/SI/ 08 Kerala-Keep Discovering

Duration: 10 Nights/11 Days

Places covered: Kochi (Cochin) – Guruvayur-Palakkad (Palghat) – Thalassery (Telicherry) – Neeleshwar-Bekal-Wayanad – Kozhikode (Calicut)



A Day with the elephant at serinity



Marari Beach Club House



Spice Village Periyar

Day 01: Arrival Kochi (Cochin) - On arrival at Kochi airport, traditional welcome and transfer to hotel. Check-in at hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 02: Kochi - After breakfast, leave for half day sightseeing tour visiting Fort Kochi, Mattancherry and Ernakulam Market. Overnight at hotel.

Day 03: Kochi –Guruvayur (95 Kms/2.5 Hrs) -Palakkad (Palghat) (95 Kms/2 Hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Palakkad enroute visiting

Guruvayur Temple and the Punnathoor Kotta Elephant Sanctuary in Guruvayur. Continue drive to Palakkad. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Overnight at hotel.

Day 04: Palakkad - After breakfast, free for village activities – Temple visit, Village visit, Bullock cart ride, visit to nearby potter and Toddy tapping. Overnight at hotel.

Day 05: Palakkad – Thalassery (Telicherry) (210 Kms/4.5 Hrs) After breakfast, drive to Thalassery. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Later visit Parassinikadavu temple to watch dramatic and colourful dance form "Theyyam". Overnight at hotel.

Day 06: Thalassery - After breakfast, visit the Local Fish and Vegetable markets, Handloom weaving units & Beedi rolling units and attend cooking demonstration. Overnight at hotel.

Day 07: Thalassery – Neeleshwar (135 Kms/2.5 Hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Neeleshwar. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Free to relax. Overnight at hotel.

Day 08: Neeleshwar-Bekal-Neeleshwar (16 Kms/20 Mins per way) - Today visit Bekal fort and Bekal beach. Overnight at hotel.

Day 09: Neeleshwar-Wayanad (150 Kms/4 Hrs) - After breakfast, drive to Wayand. On arrival, check-in at hotel. Later visit Coffee and cardamom

plantation. After noon visit Ambalavayal Heritage Museum. Overnight at hotel.

Day 10: Wayanad - After breakfast, proceed for sightseeing tour visiting Banasura Project, Edakkal caves, Soochippara water falls, Kalpetta Sunrise Valley at Kadasserri. Overnight at hotel.

Day 11: Wayanad – Kozhikode (Calicut) (40 Kms/ 1 Hr)-Kochi (By Flight: 45 Mins) - After breakfast, transfer to Kozhikode airport to board flight to Kochi for your journey back to home.

We have the pleasure to suggest herein under some more itineraries, in brief. You are requested to please contact us for the detailed programme.

TSI/SI/Brief/01 Grand South India

Duration: 21 Nights/22 Days

Places Covered: Chennai (Madras) - Mahabalipuram - Puducherry (Pondicherry) - Thanjavur (Tanjore)-Tiruchirapalli (Trichy)-Madurai-Periyar-Kovalam-Kumarakom-Kochi (Cochin)-Bengaluru (Bangalore)-Mysore-Belur-Halebid-Hassan-Bengaluru (Bangalore)

Day 01: Arrival Chennai (Madras)
Day 02: Chennai - Mahabalipuram (65 Kms/1.5 Hrs)
Day 03: Mahabalipuram
Day 04: Mahabalipuram-Puducherry (Pondicherry) (100 Kms/2 Hrs)
Day 05: Pondicherry-Thanjavur (Tanjore) (200 Kms/8-09 Hrs including visits)
Day 06: Thanjavur-Tiruchirapalli (Trichy) (54 Kms/1 Hr)
Day 07: Tiruchirapalli-Madurai (128 Kms/3 Hrs)
Day 08: Madurai
Day 09: Madurai-Periyar (Thekkady) (135 kms/3 hrs)
Day 10: Periyar-Kovalam (290 kms/8 hrs)
Day 11: Kovalam
Day 12: Kovalam-Kumarakom (175 kms/4 hrs)
Day 13: Kumarakom-Alappuzha (Alleppey) (In Houseboat)
Day 14: Alappuzha - Kochi (Cochin) (66 kms/1.5 hrs)
Day 15: Kochi
Day 16: Kochi- Bengaluru (Bangalore) (By Flight: 1 Hr 20 Mins)-Mysore (139 Kms/3 Hrs)
Day 17: Mysore
Day 18: Mysore-Sravanabelagola-Hassan (170 Kms/3.5 Hrs)
Day 19: Hassan-Belur-Halebid-Bengaluru (180 Kms/4 Hrs)
Day 20: Bengaluru
Day 21: Bengaluru (By flight)

Extension: Bengaluru (Bangalore)-Spa & Wellness

Duration: 04 Nights/05 Days

Places covered: Bengaluru

Day 19: Bengaluru (Bangalore)
Day 20-22: Bengaluru
Day 23: Bengaluru-Departure (By Flight)

TSI/SI/Brief/02 Best Of South India

Duration: 19 Nights/20 Days

Places Covered: Chennai (Madras) - Mahabalipuram - Thanjavur (Tanjore)-Tiruchirapalli (Trichy)-Madurai - Periyar (Thekkady) - Alappuzha (Alleppey) - Kochi (Cochin)-Bengaluru (Bangalore)-Mysore-Hassan-Bengaluru (Bangalore)-Hyderabad-Nagarjunkonda-Hyderabad-Vishakapatnam

Day 01: Arrival Chennai (Madras)
Day 02: Chennai - Mahabalipuram (55 Kms/1.5 Hrs)
Day 03: Mahabalipuram
Day 04: Mahabalipuram-Thanjavur (Tanjore) (300 Kms/6 Hrs)
Day 05: Thanjavur-Tiruchirapalli (Trichy) (54 Kms/1 Hr) -Madurai (128 Kms/3 Hrs)
Day 06: Madurai- Periyar (Thekkady) (110 Kms/4 Hrs)
Day 07: Periyar
Day 08: Periyar-Alappuzha (Alleppey) (155 Kms/4 Hrs)
Day 09: Alappuzha-Kochi (Cochin) (66 Kms/1.5 Hrs)
Day 10: Kochi-Bengaluru (Bangalore) (By Flight: 1 Hr 20 Mins)-Mysore (139 kms/3 hrs)
Day 11: Mysore
Day 12: Mysore-Sravanabelagola-Hassan (170 Kms/3.5 Hrs)
Day 13: Hassan-Belur-Halebid-Bengaluru (180 Kms/4 Hrs)
Day 14: Bengaluru-Hyderabad (By Flight: 1 Hr 30 Mins)
Day 15: Hyderabad
Day 16: Hyderabad-Nagarjunkonda-Hyderabad (150 Kms/3 Hrs per way)
Day 17: Hyderabad- Vishakapatnam (By Flight: 1 Hr)
Day 18: Vishakapatnam-Araku Valley-Vishakapatnam (120 Kms/3 Hrs per way)
Day 19: Vishakapatnam
Day 20: Vishakapatnam-Departure

TSI/SI/ Brief 03 Nature and Wildlife Tour of South India

Duration: 17 Nights/18 Days

Places covered: Bengaluru (Bangalore)-Bannerghatta-Mysore-Ranganathittu -Nagarhole-Bandipur-Ooty-Kodaikanal-Munnar-Eravikulam-Munnar-Periyar (Thekkady)-Kumarakom-Kochi (Cochin) - Best time: Mid October to March every year

Day 01: Arrival Bengaluru (Bangalore)
Day 02: Bengaluru- Bennarghatta-Bengaluru (25 Kms/15 Mins per way)
Day 03: Bengaluru-Mysore (139 Kms/3 Hrs)
Day 04: Mysore - Ranganathittu -Mysore (16 Kms/20 Mins)
Day 05: Mysore -Srirangapatnam- Nagarhole (154 Kms/4 Hrs)
Day 06: Nagarhole National Park
Day 07: Nagarhole-Bandipur National Park (75 Kms/1.5 Hrs)
Day 08: Bandipur National Park
Day 09: Bandipur National Park - Ooty (80 Kms/3 Hrs)
Day 10: Ooty - Kodaikanal (270 Kms/6.5 Hrs)
Day 11: Kodaikanal
Day 12: Kodaikanal-Munnar (160 Kms/5 Hrs)
Day 13: Munnar - Eravikulam National Park - Munnar
Day 14: Munnar- Periyar (Thekkady) (110 Kms/4 Hrs)
Day 15: Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary
Day 16: Periyar - Kumarakom (145 Kms/4 Hrs)
Day 17: Kumarakom-Kochi (Cochin) (80 Kms/2 Hrs)
Day 18: Kochi-Departure

TSI/SI/Brief 04 Karnataka Classic Tour

Duration: 07 Nights/08 Days

Places covered: Bengaluru (Bangalore)-Mysore-Coorg-Hassan-Bengaluru

Day 01: Arrival Bengaluru (Bangalore)
Day 02: Bengaluru-Mysore (139 Kms/3 Hrs)
Day 03: Mysore
Day 04: Mysore- Coorg (125 Kms/3 Hrs)
Day 05: Coorg
Day 06: Coorg-Belur-Halebid-Hassan (125 Kms/4 Hrs)
Day 07: Hassan-Sravanabelagola -Bengaluru (180 Kms/4 Hrs)
Day 08: Bengaluru-Departure

TSI/SI/Brief 5 Tamilnadu Temples

Duration: 07 Nights/08 Days

Places covered: Chennai (Madras) - Mahabalipuram - Kanchipuram - Vellore - Thiruvannamalai - Chidambaram-Gangaikondacholapuram-Kumbakonam-Darasuram-Swamimalai -Thanjavur (Tanjore)-Tiruchirapalli (Trichy) - Madurai - Rameswaram - Madurai - Chennai (Madras)

Day 01: Arrival Chennai (Madras)
Day 02: Chennai-Mahabalipuram (56 Kms/1.5 Hrs)
Day 03: Mahabalipuram - Kanchipuram - Vellore - Thiruvannamalai (225 Kms/7 Hrs including visits)
Day 04: Tiruvannamalai - Chidambaram-Gangaikondacholapuram- Kumbakonam (230 Kms/7 Hrs including visits)
Day 05: Kumbakonam - Darasuram - Swamimalai - Thanjavur-Tiruchirapalli (95 Kms/7 Hrs including visits)
Day 06: Tiruchirapalli-Madurai (135 Kms / 3 Hrs)
Day 07: Madurai-Rameswaram-Madurai (360 Kms/9 Hrs)
Day 08: Madurai-Chennai (By Flight: 1 Hr 25 Mins)



Taj Falaknuma Palace, Hyderabad

TSI/SI/Brief 06 Andhra Special

Duration: 09 Nights/10 Days

Places covered: Hyderabad-Nagarjunkonda-Hyderabad-Warrangal-Vijaywada-Vishakapatnam

- Day 01: Arrival Hyderabad (Flight)
- Day 02: Hyderabad
- Day 03: Hyderabad
- Day 04: Hyderabad-Nagarjunkonda-Hyderabad (150 Kms/3 Hrs per way)
- Day 05: Hyderabad-Warrangal (140 Kms/3 Hrs)
- Day 06: Warrangal-Vijaywada (260 Kms/5 Hrs)
- Day 07: Vijaywada-Vishakapatnam (By Train: 6 Hrs 20 Mins)
- Day 08: Vishakapatnam
- Day 09: Vishakapatnam-Araku Valley-Vishakapatnam (120 Kms/3 Hrs per way)
- Day 10: Vishakapatnam-Departure

TSI/SI/ Brief 07 South & North-Best of India

Duration: 23 Nights/24 Days

Places Covered: Chennai (Madras) - Kanchipuram-Mahabalipuram - Chennai-Madurai-Periyar (Thekkady)-Alappuzha (Alleppey)-Kochi (Cochin)-Bengaluru (Bangalore)-Mysore-Hassan-Bengaluru-Mumbai (Bombay)-Udaipur-Jaipur-Agra-Delhi

- Day 01: Arrival Chennai (Madras)
- Day 02: Chennai-Kanchipuram (76 Kms/1.5 Hrs)-Mahabalipuram (65 Kms/1 Hr)
- Day 03: Mahabalipuram
- Day 04: Mahabalipuram-Chennai (55 Kms/1.5 Hrs)-Madurai (By Flight)
- Day 05: Madurai
- Day 06: Madurai-Periyar (Thekkady) (135 Kms/3 Hrs)
- Day 07: Periyar-Alappuzha (Alleppey) (180 Kms/4 Hrs)
- Day 08: Alappuzha - Kochi (Cochin) (66 Kms/1.5 Hrs)
- Day 09: Kochi
- Day 10: Kochi-Bengaluru (Bangalore) (By Flight: 1 Hr 20 Mins)-Mysore (139 Kms/3 Hrs)
- Day 11: Mysore
- Day 12: Mysore-Sravanabelagola-Hassan (170 Kms/3.5 Hrs)
- Day 13: Hassan-Belur-Halebid-Bengaluru (180 Kms/4 Hrs)
- Day 14: Bengaluru
- Day 15: Bangalore-Mumbai (Bombay) (By Flight: 1 Hr 45 Mins)
- Day 16: Mumbai
- Day 17: Mumbai-Udaipur (By Flight: 1 Hr 25 Mins)
- Day 18: Udaipur
- Day 19: Udaipur-Delhi (By Flight: 1 Hr 10 Mins)-Jaipur (By Flight: 1 Hr)
- Day 20: Jaipur
- Day 21: Jaipur-Agra via Fatehpur Sikri (235 Kms/5 Hrs)
- Day 22: Agra-Delhi (203 Kms/4.5 Hrs)
- Day 23: Delhi



Day 24: Delhi-Departure

TSI/SI/Brief 08 Spice Trails & Homestays

Duration: 15 Nights/16 Days

Places covered: Kochi (Cochin) - Kothamangalam - Thodupuzha - Chellarkovil - Periyar (Thekkady)-Alappuzha (Alleppey) - Olavipe - Thalassery (Telicherry) - Wayanad - Kozhikode (Calicut)

- Day 01: Arrival Kochi (Cochin) - Fort Kochi (Fort Cochin)/Vypin (35 kms/1 hr)
- Day 02: Kochi
- Day 03: Kochi - Kothamangalam (58 kms/1.5 hrs)
- Day 04: Kothamangalam
- Day 05: Kothamangalam - Thodupuzha (55kms / 1hr)

Day 06: Thodupuzha - Chellarkovil near Periyar (Thekkady) (85Kms / 3Hrs)

- Day 07: Chellarkovil- Periyar (Thekkady)-Chellarkovil
- Day 08: Chellarkovil - Alappuzha (Alleppey) (House Boat) (170 kms/3 hrs)
- Day 09: Alappuzha- Olavipe (30 kms /1 hr)
- Day 10: Olavipe
- Day 11: Olavipe - Kochi (Cochin) (20 kms/45 mins) - Thalassery (Telicherry) (By Train: 5Hrs 33 Mins)
- Day 12: Thalassery
- Day 13: Thalassery-Wayanad (130 kms/3.5 hrs)
- Day 14: Wayanad
- Day 15: Wayanad -Kozhikode (Calicut) (110 kms/3 hrs)
- Day 16: Kozhikode- Departure



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"Thank you, we loved our stay and will definitely use you for future holidays in India. And recommend you to all our friends as well". Howard & Kantha Shenker from South Africa travelled during 20th March to 3rd April, 2010

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