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12D 11N Mahabalipuram Mysore Ooty Cochin Houseboat Kumarakom Thekkady Madurai Chennai Tour

Day 01 : Arrival Chennai - Mahabalipuram

On arrival at Chennai, airport/railway station meet our Fly Global Travels representative, board the cab & drive to Mahabalipuram, the only shore temple surviving in India. The place is famous for its monolith temples that made it a World Heritage Site; have an afternoon tour of these temples at Mahabalipuram. After admiring the prevalent and astonishing rock cut art, return back to hotel. Overnight stay at Mahabalipuram.

Day 02 : Chennai - Bangalore

Morning after breakfast at hotel, proceed to Bangalore. On reaching, proceed for half day city tour of Bangalore, the capital of Karnataka. Bangalore today is Asia's fastest growing cosmopolitan city. Visit Vidhana Soudha, Venkatappa Art Gallery, Vishweshwaraiah Technological Museum, Cubbon Park, Lalbagh Gardens, Tipu's Palace, Iskon Temple, Bull Temple & Forum - biggest shopping mall in India. Overnight stay at Bangalore.

Day 03 : Bangalore - Mysore (140kms - 3hrs)

After early morning breakfast, proceed to Mysore. Mysore is one of the major cities of Karnataka. Today, Mysore is a vibrant city teeming with tourists and visitors. It is known the world over for its exotic sandalwood and rich silks. On the way, visit Channapatna Toys Centre, Srirangapatna, Ranganathaswamy Temple, Daria Daulat Bagh, The Gumbaz, Tipu's Palace & Fort. Visit the Illuminated Brindavan Gardens and Krishnarajasagar Dam in the Evening. Reach Mysore and settle down in the Hotel. Overnight at Mysore.

Day 04 : Mysore - Ooty

Drive to Ooty. Mysore to Ooty enroute visit Bandipur Wild Life Sanctuary, Pyakara Dam & Kamarajasagar. Reach Ooty & check-in at hotel. Overnight at Ooty.

Day 05 : Ooty - Cochin

Ooty is the most popular hill station in the South. After breakfast proceed for a sight-seeing tour in and around Ooty covering the Ooty lake, Botanical Garden, Dodda Betta, film shooting locations. Later drive to Cochin. On arrival at fort Cochin, proceed for a local tour which covers Dutch Palace, Jewish Synagogue, St. Francis Church, chinese fishing nets. Visit the Cochin beach in the evening. Later return back to hotel for an overnight stay at Cochin.

Day 06 : Cochin - Alleppey

Morning after breakfast, transfer to deluxe houseboat to enjoy the 22 hours of backwater cruise from Kumarakom to Alleppey. This journey is considered to be one of the best attractions. The houseboat is fully furnished with single and double bedrooms, sundeck, private balcony and a kitchen. It also comprises a chef, oarsmen & cabin assistant. The materials that go into the making are all local and eco-friendly bamboo poles, coconut fiber ropes, bamboo mats, coir carpets etc. Overnight stay in the Houseboat.

Day 07 : Alleppey - Kumarakom

Morning have breakfast at houseboat, check out and drive to Kumarakom. Kumarakom is a place best known for its panoramic backwater stretches, lush green paddy fields, highlands and beaches. Kumarakom slumbers on the banks of the famous Vembanad Lake. The lush green vegetation and the climate attract a number of tourists to this place. On reaching Kumarakom, check in the backwater resort and rest of the day is at leisure. Overnight stay at Kumarakom.

Day 08 : Kumarakom

After the breakfast proceed for the sightseeing. Kumarakom is blessed with the Vembanad Lake which has its majestic canals, streams and distributaries along its banks weave an intricate and enchantingly beautiful web. Visit the Kumarakom bird sanctuary, which lies at the edge of the grounds of an old estate where a profusion of all kinds of birds can be observed. Domestic birds such as cuckoo, wild duck, egrets, darters, herons, teal, and water fowl can be seen in abundance here, as much as can the Siberian storks which migrate to this area each year. Overnight stay at Kumarakom.

Day 09 : Kumarakom - Thekkady

Have breakfast in the hotel and check out at 0900 hrs. Start the journey to Thekkady - drive through panoramic western ghat hills covered with spice plantations and occasional view of waterfalls and streams. Throughout this journey you can enjoy different type of spice plantations like cardamom, vanilla, pepper, cinnamon, clove etc. On arrival at Thekkady, check into hotel. After some rest go for Boating in Periyar Lake (optional). Experience the mind blowing view of calm crystal clear at Periyar Lake and Sanctuary. You may get a chance to see different type wild animals while boating. Overnight in Thekkady.

Day 10 : Thekkady - Madurai

Morning have breakfast, move on to Madurai. On arrival check-in into hotel. Afternoon, proceed for a local sightseeing tour of Madurai. The temple town of Madurai, situated on the banks of river Vaigai, is one of the most ancient cities in India with a history dating back to the pre-Christian times. Places of tourist interest include the imposing Meenakshi Temple, Thirumalai Nayakar Mahal, Gandhi Museum, Azhagar Koil and the Vandiyur Mariamman Teppakulam. Overnight at Madurai.

Day 11 : Madurai - Chennai

Post breakfast, drive to Chennai. Arrive in Chennai, the capital city of Tamilnadu and the gateway of South India. On reaching Chennai, the day is free to relax and indulge in some local shopping. Overnight stay at Chennai.

Day 12 : Chennai Departure

Morning have breakfast at hotel, tour the tourist places in Chennai namely, the Kapaleeswarar temple, Santhome Church, Fort Museum and National Art Gallery. Later transfer to airport/railway station to board your flight/train to onward destination from Chennai.

Trip To	South India Holiday Tour
Duration	12 Day 11Nights
No. of People	2 Adults
No. of Rooms	1 room on twin sharing basis
Hotel Category	4* Star property
Destinations	Hotels Provided
Mahabalipuram	Ideal Beach Resort
Chennai	GRT Grand
Bangalore	St. Marks
Mysore	Royal Orchid Metropole
Ooty	Sullivan's Court
Cochin	Taj Residency
Alleppey	Premium Houseboat
Kumarakom	Lemon Tree Vembanad Lake Resort
Thekkady	Club Mahindra Tusker Trail
Madurai	GRT Residency
Transportation	Innova Ac [Private]
Validity of Quote	Till
Tour Travel Period	2013

Package Inclusions

- Accommodation on twin sharing basis
- All transfers and sight seeing
- 1 Night accommodation with breakfast at hotel in Mahabalipuram
- 1 Night accommodation with breakfast at hotel in Bangalore
- 1 Night accommodation with breakfast at hotel in Mysore
- 1 Night accommodation with breakfast at hotel in Ooty
- 1 Night accommodation with breakfast at hotel in Cochin
- 1 Night accommodation with breakfast + lunch + dinner in Houseboat
- 2 Nights accommodation with breakfast at hotel in Kumarakom
- 1 Night accommodation with breakfast at hotel in Thekkady
- 1 Night accommodation with breakfast at hotel in Madurai
- 1 Night accommodation with breakfast at hotel in Chennai
- Transportation by Innova Ac
- All toll, taxes, parking, driver fee & fuel cost

Package Exclusions

- Meals not mentioned in the itinerary
- Air/Train tickets, insurance & entry fee for monuments
- Porter-age at hotels and airports, shopping & guide charges
- Tips, beverages, mineral water, laundry, personal expenses, etc
- Any items not shown in package includes