

IRREGULAR TOURS

GAY GROUP TRAVEL TO THE WORLD

CLASSIC SOUTH INDIA TOURS

Fabulous gay travel to the major tourist sites of south India

14 day all-inclusive tour
US\$ 2354 per person twin share
US\$ 880 single supplement

Highlights:

- All gay group with fun and parties
- Visit magnificent ancient temples
- Cruise the Kerala backwaters
- Two days at a beautiful beach resort
- See jungle wildlife at Periyar National Park



A wonderful relaxed tour of Tamil Nadu and Kerala beginning in Chennai. See the ancient and massive Tamil temples and Periyar Tiger Reserve. Experience a deluxe houseboat cruise and chill out at a glorious Kerala beach resort. Finishing in the beautiful port city of Kochi there will be plenty of

shopping opportunities.

See all this in the company of an international gay group, making new friends and enjoying the parties, including our welcome and farewell drinks and dinner

Destination Information

Chennai

One of the prettiest metropolitan cities in India, Chennai perfectly mixes the elegance of past with the vibrancy of modernism. Marina Beach and Government museum complex with its outstanding collection of Chola Bronzes are some of the places that you will see. Along with a genuine blend of diverse cultures and people, the city is an attraction for tourists and travelers offering sandy beaches, parks, sculptures and historic landmarks.

Mahabalipuram

Located in the state of Tamil Nadu, Mahabalipuram is located right on the Coromandel Coast next to the Bay of Bengal. It was a well established sea port during the 7th and 10th centuries of the Pallava dynasty, and has flourished accordingly. The area is brimming with rock-cut caves and numerous temples and is often referred to as an open museum. The area is also surrounded by beautiful landscapes - sandy beaches are plentiful along with casuarinas trees.

Pondicherry

Reminiscent of French colonial rule and culture, Pondicherry is a prime tourist spot. Located on the Coromandel Coast, Pondicherry also offers interesting French architecture and cultural wealth. Pondicherry also has a great beach alongside the Promenade and has some ancient monuments.

Chidambaram

Chidambaram is a small temple town in Tamil Nadu, where the Indian culture, tradition and religious rituals are still preserved. The Chidambaram

Nataraja Temple is devoted to Lord Shiva in his dancing incarnation. It is an ancient temple typical of the Tamil style and it is fascinating to wander through its vast corridors watching priests, devotees and temple workers going about their daily duties and devotions.

Trichy

Trichy is what the city of Trichirapalli is universally called and has been a city since before the Christian era. Thiruchirapalli's most famous landmark is the Rock Fort Temple. Other sites are: Srirangam - The Sriranganathaswamy temple dedicated to Lord Vishnu is situated in Srirangam, 10km from Thiruchirapalli. This temple at 60 hectares with its seven walls and 21 gopurams is probably the largest and most sacred Vaishnavite temple complex in India. Lourdes Church built in 1896 is modelled on the neo-Gothic Basilica style from France.

Tanjore

Between 10th and 14th century this Chola capital reached the zenith of its glory. Thanjavur has about 75 temples and the most famous of them all is the Brihadeswarar temple. Rajaraja Chola built this magnificent monument of Chola architecture that is acclaimed as the grandest temple in South India.

Periyar

Located in Kerala on the Tamil Nadu border, Periyar National Park is one of the major wildlife reserves in the south. Situated on the banks of artificial Periyar Lake, the park is fully covered with dense forests and green grass lands making it an ideal place for wildlife such as the great

Indian tigers, elephants, lion tailed macaques, gaurs, deer and sambars. Visitors can enjoy elephant rides and cruise rides on the lake. Nearby are spice gardens.

Alappuzha and Backwater Houseboat Cruise

Alappuzha is often called as "Venice of east" because of its numerous waterways. These huge networks of lagoons, canals, and lakes are the lifeline of the place. The best way to experience the Kerala backwaters is a short cruise by houseboat (also known as Kettuvallom). You will see merchants selling vegetables in boats while the village people wait at the bank on Venbanad Lake. Here your crew will prepare delicious Keralian meals from freshly brought vegetables and fish from the market.

Marari Beach

Marari beach in Kerala is a long untouched beach of golden sands and coconut palms. Here you will stay in a luxury resort offering massage, spa and Ayurvedic treatments. It is a place to relax and enjoy your beach break.

Kochi (Cochin)

Kochi is a vibrant city situated on the south-west coast of India. Informally, Cochin is also referred to as the Gateway to Kerala. From time immemorial, the Arabs, British, Chinese, Dutch, and Portuguese have left indelible marks on the history and development of the city. Cochin has emerged as the commercial and industrial capital of Kerala and is the second most important city on the west coast of India after Mumbai.

Itinerary

Day 1 Saturday

Chennai

Arrive Chennai International Airport. Meet and greet. Transfer to hotel. (D)



Day 2 Sunday

Mahapallipuram

Breakfast at hotel. Late departure for city sightseeing by coach. Lunch. Then drive along the coastal road to Mahapallipuram. Check into hotel. Welcome drinks and dinner party at restaurant (B,L,D)



Day 3 Monday

Mahapallipuram

Breakfast at hotel. Walking tour to the ancient monuments. Lunch at restaurant. Afternoon free time for individual sightseeing, relaxing, swimming, massage etc. Dinner at hotel. (B,L,D)

Day 4 Tuesday

Podicherry

Breakfast at hotel. Late morning departure for short drive to Pondicherry. Check into hotel. Lunch at restaurant. Afternoon sightseeing. Dinner at hotel. (B,L,D)

Day 5 Wednesday

Podicherry

Breakfast at hotel. Morning sightseeing including visit to Auroville Ashram. Lunch at restaurant. Afternoon free time for individual sightseeing, relaxing, swimming, massage etc. Dinner at



restaurant. (B,L,D)

Day 6 Thursday

Trichy

Breakfast at hotel. Morning departure for coach trip to Trichy, stopping at the Nataraja Dancing Shiva Temple at Chindabaram. Lunch. Arrive Trichy and check into hotel. Dinner at restaurant. (B,L,D)

Day 7 Friday

Trichy

Breakfast at hotel. Morning tour of Trichy city including Rock Fort Temple and to the largest temple in India at Sri Ramgan. Lunch at restaurant. Afternoon tour to Tanjore to see the great Brihadishwara Temple and Grand Anicut barrage on the Cauvery River. Return to Trichy for dinner. (B,L,D)

Day 8 Saturday

Periyar

Breakfast at hotel. Morning departure for coach trip to Periyar. Lunch en route. Arrive Periyar and check into hotel. Dinner at hotel. (B,L,D)

Day 9 Sunday

Periyar

Breakfast at hotel. Morning tour to Tiger Reserve including boat trip. Lunch. Afternoon visit to spice garden and

free time. Dinner at hotel. (B,L,D)

Day 10 Monday

Alappuzha

Breakfast at hotel. Morning departure for coach trip to Alappuzha (Alleppy). Check onto luxury houseboat for over-



night cruise on backwaters. Lunch and dinner on board. (B,L,D)

Day 11 Tuesday

Mararikulum Beach

Breakfast on houseboat. Return to coach and drive short distance to Mararikulum beach. Check into resort. Lunch. Afternoon free time for individual sightseeing, relaxing, swimming, massage etc. Dinner at resort. (B,L,D)

Day 12 Wednesday

Mararikulum Beach

Breakfast at resort. Full day free time for individual sightseeing, relaxing, swimming, massage etc. Lunch and dinner at resort. (B,L,D)

Day 13 Thursday

Kochi

Breakfast at resort. Late morning departure for short drive to Kochi. Check into hotel. Lunch at restaurant. Afternoon sightseeing of Fort Cochin area. (B,L,D)

Day 14 Friday

Kochi

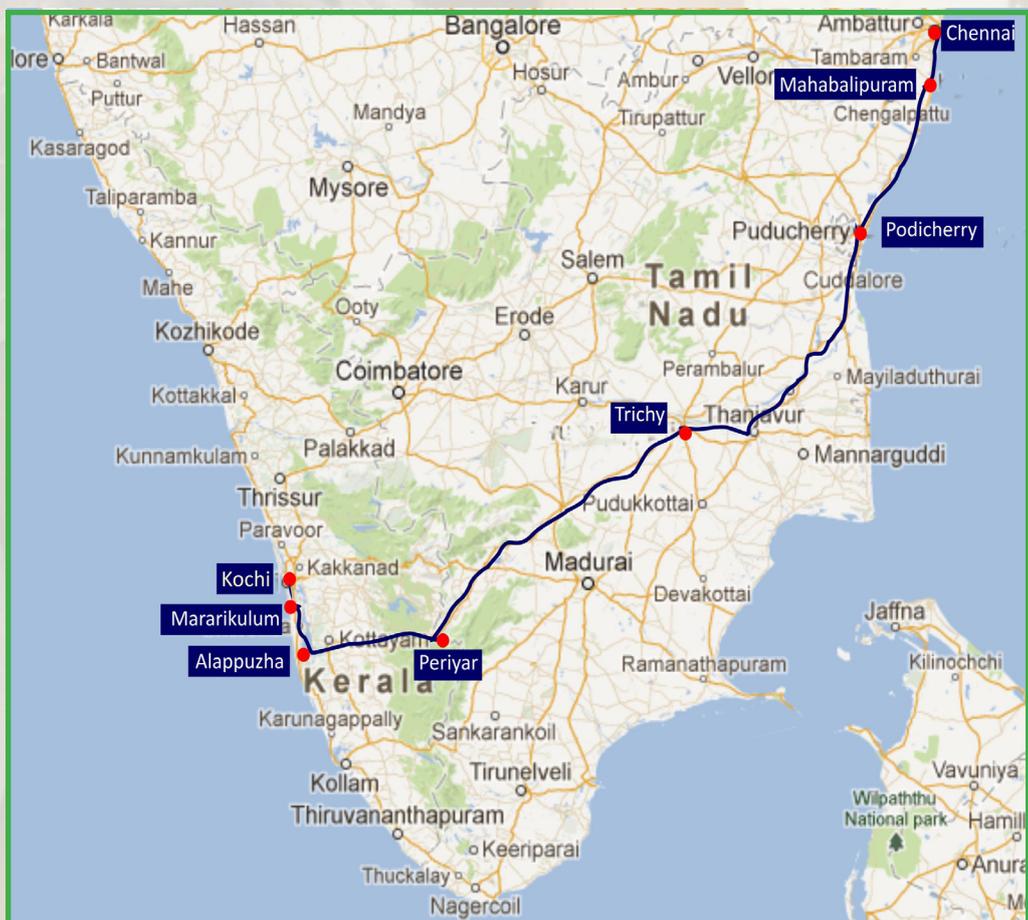
Breakfast at hotel. Morning tour of city including harbour cruise. Lunch at restaurant. Afternoon free time for shopping and individual sightseeing. (B,L,D)

Day 15 Saturday

Departure

Breakfast at hotel. Morning free time for shopping etc. Transfer to Kochi International Airport. Departure. (B)

**Cost per person
twin-share:
US\$ 2354
Single supplement:
US\$ 880**



Included:

- Accommodation in 3 and 4 star modern hotels with all facilities.
- Breakfast provided at hotels. Lunch and dinner at hotel or restaurant daily.
- Transportation by air-conditioned coach with English speaking driver.
- All meals included while on houseboat.
- All city tours, sightseeing and transfers.
- Services of an English speaking local guide at all places.
- Bottled drinking water provided on the coach and in the hotels.
- Wet Tissues to clean up face, hands and feet when returning from monuments where shoes are not allowed.
- All entrance fees.
- Experienced gay tour manager for the entire trip.
- Assistance at all the places.

Not included:

- Any hard/soft drinks
- Any personal expenses such as laundry, tips, porterage etc.
- Anything which is not mentioned.
- Any international airfare, travel insurance, or visa fee.
- Mandatory travel insurance.

Booking this tour

To make a reservation for this tour we require:

- Completed reservation form
- A copy of the information page of your passport
- The required deposit.

For further information or to make your reservation, contact:

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