South India

14 - 31 OCTOBER 2024

SAT 14 OCT

Meet at 04:00 with the tour leader at the Malta International Airport. Check-in for our flight LH1313departing at 05:55 to Frankfurt and arrive 08:45. We fly to Bengaluru by LH754 at 13:00

SUN 15 OCT

Arrive in **Bengaluru** at 01:20 (Local time). Transfer by private coach to The **Grand Hotel Mercure - 5 Stars.** Check in and time to rest. After breakfast, City Tour to visit the Bangalore Palace, reminiscent of England's Windsor Castle, and the beautiful Lalbagh Botanical Gardens. Free time for lunch, then proceed to the Bull Temple and the ISKCON Temple. Conclude your day with a walk in Cubbon Park. **Dinner and overnight in Bangalore.**

MON 16 OCT

After breakfast, check out and drive to **Mysore** via Srirangapatnam Enroute visit the historic **Srirangapatnam**, explore several historic and cultural attractions. Some notable sights in Srirangapatnam include the **Sri Ranganathaswamy Temple**, which dates back to around 984 CE, and the Dariya Daulat Palace, also known as **Tipu Sultan's Summer Palace**. Upon arrival in Mysore, check in at the Grand Hotel Mercure Mysore 5 Stars - **Dinner and overnight in Mysore**

TUE 17 OCT

Breakfast and city tour to visit **Mysore Palace**, an exemplary showcase of Indo-Saracenic architecture. Proceed to **Chamundi Hills** for a panoramic view of the city and to visit the **Chamundeshwari Temple**. After lunch, visit the St. Philomena's Church, known for its neo-gothic architecture. Explore the **Jaganmohan Palace Art Gallery**, home to a remarkable collection of paintings and artifacts. **Dinner and overnight stay in Mysore**

WED 18 OCT

After breakfast, drive to **Ooty**, the 'Queen of Hill Stations'. Check in at the **Hotel Gempark 5 Stars** and spend the rest

of the day at leisure exploring the colonial charm of the town. **Dinner & overnight in Ooty.**

THU 19 OCT

After breakfast, visit the Botanical Gardens in Ooty to explore its diverse flora and tranquil surroundings. Proceed to Ooty Lake for a delightful boating experience amidst picturesque landscapes. In the afternoon, embark on the famous toy train ride to **Coonoor**, enjoying the scenic journey through the **Nilgiri Mountains**. Upon arrival in Coonoor, visit Sim's Park, known for its botanical marvels and serene ambiance. Continue to the Dolphin's Nose viewpoint for breathtaking panoramic views of the surrounding valleys and hills. Return to **Ooty** for **dinner and overnight**.

FRI 20 OCT

After an early breakfast, set out for **Wayanad**, a destination known for its lush greenery and wildlife. Check in at the **Sapathy Resort 5 Stars** and time to relax. In the evening, explore the local flora and fauna on a nature walk. **dinner and Overnight in Wayanad**.

SAT 21 OCT

We will spend the day visiting attractions such as the **Edakkal** Caves, known for their prehistoric rock art and stunning natural formations. Next, we will explore the

Wayanad Wildlife Sanctuary, home to diverse flora and fauna, offering opportunities for wildlife sightings and nature walks. Afterward, you will visit the serene Pookode Lake, surrounded by lush greenery and offering boating and leisure activities. Finally, you will enjoy a peaceful evening back at your resort, taking in the tranquil ambiance and natural surroundings. Dinner and overnight stay in Wayanad.

SUN 22 OCT

After breakfast, drive to Kozhikode. Upon arrival, check in and then explore **Kozhikode Beach** and the **Kappad Beach**, where Vasco da Gama landed in 1498. Check in at the **5** Stars hotel Taj Gateway. Dinner & overnight in Kozhikode.

MON 23 OCT

Today, you will visit the **Pazhassiraja Museum** and Art Gallery to explore its rich collection of historical artifacts and artworks. Following this, you will head to the **Beypore Port**, an important trade and maritime center, known for its historical significance and bustling waterfront. **Dinner & overnight in Kozhikode**.

TUE 24 OCT

Post breakfast, drive to **Thrissur**, the cultural capital of Kerala. Late afternoon, visit the **Vadakkumnathan Temple**, a prominent Hindu temple known for its architectural grandeur





and cultural significance. Check in at the **5 Stars hotel Gokulam Park**. **Dinner and an overnight** in Thrissur

WED 25 OCT

After breakfast, we will visit **Guruvayur** is a pilgrimage town in the southwest Indian state of Kerala, known for its centuries-old, red-roofed **Guruvayur Temple**. This temple is dedicated to Guruvayurappan, a form of Vishnu, but popularly known as Krishna. Hindu devotees visit the temple to make offerings of fruit, spices, or coins, often equivalent to their own weight. Following this, you will explore the Archaeological Museum, which houses a fascinating collection of historical artifacts and exhibits. Visit the **Punnathur Kotta** (Anakkotta) Elephant Sanctuary for an unforgettable experience of witnessing and participating in elephant bathing. **Dinner and an overnight in Thrissur.**

THU 26 OCT

After breakfast, drive to **Kochi** and check into your hotel. Later, embark on a sightseeing tour of the Fort Kochi area, where you can marvel at the iconic Chinese Fishing Nets and explore the historic **Mattancherry Palace.** Visit the renowned Jewish Synagogue and immerse yourself in its rich heritage. Enjoy the unique blend of cultural influences in this vibrant city. Return to our hotel **Dinner & overnight in Kochi.**

FRI 27 OCT

Continue exploring Kochi with a visit to **the Hill Palace Museum**, where you can delve into the region's royal history and admire its impressive exhibits. Next, visit the **Grand Santa Cruz Basilica**, a symbol of Kochi's rich religious heritage. In the evening, immerse yourself in the vibrant culture with a traditional **Kathakali dance performance**.
Overnight stay in Kochi.

SAT 28 OCT

After breakfast, you will drive to **Alleppey** and upon arrival, board and check in the **A/C houseboat 5 Stars** for a memorable cruise through the tranquil backwaters. After **Lunch** You will have the opportunity to immerse yourself in the serene beauty of the paddy fields and experience the unique lifestyle of the backwater communities. Your overnight stay will be on the houseboat, allowing you to fully appreciate the peaceful surroundings. **Dinner & overnight on-board houseboat.**

SUN 29 OCT

Alleppey – Kochi Airport – Mumbai Breakfast & transfer to Kochi airport to connect flight for Mumbai. On arrive at Mumbai transfer to hotel. Rest of the time at leisure. Check in at the Hotel Fariyas 4 Stars +. Dinner and overnight in Mumbai

MON 30 OCT

Breakfast & free time till 1200 Hrs. Then proceed for sightseeing of Mumbai. Mumbai offers a plethora of sightseeing options. You can visit iconic landmarks such as the Gateway of India, Marine Drive, and the Bandra-Worli Sea Link, which offer stunning views of the city's coastline. admire the rock-cut architecture and intricate sculptures. The bustling **Colaba Causeway**, known for its vibrant street shopping and diverse culinary offerings. Additionally, the Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus and the Taj Mahal Palace showcase Mumbai's architectural grandeur and historical significance. For a serene experience. These attractions provide a glimpse into Mumbai's rich history and cultural diversity Terminate the tour with the **Dhobi Ghat** which is the traditional laundry of the city. Dinner & proceed to Mumbai Airport with your memories of a lifetime from the diverse landscapes and cultures of South India.

TUE 31 OCT

At 01:45 fly by LH 767 to Munich and arrive 05:40(Local time). At 09:10. Fly back to Malta by LH1924 and arrive 11:30



PRICE PER PERSON

HALF BOARD, ALL EXCURSIONS, ENTRANCE FEES & AIRPORT/CITY TAX

	Normal I	Discounted
Triple room	€3,610 .	€3,510
Double room	€3,625 .	€3,525
Single room	€4,800 .	€4,700

Entry Visa required for India

PRICE INCLUDES

- Flights with Lufthansa Airlines
- Malta / Bangalore / Mumbai / Malta
- Domestic flight Kochi / Munbai
- All Transfers and excursions as per program
- All entrance fees.
- Hotels 5 stars as per itinerary or Similar
- Daily Buffet Breakfast
- Dinner
- Airport / City tax
- Local guides during all excursions
- Experienced Tour Leader
- Insolvency Protection

