



Tour of India

(Golfing in North & Leisure in South)

Delhi – Agra - Kolkata – Cochin-Alleppey-Marari-Cochin

India happened to be the second country in the world to play Golf, preceding the United Kingdom. The British gifted India both Cricket and Golf. The sport of Golf grew amidst the lush green farms, the soothing landscape and the fervor for the game make many a men move.

Most of the Golf courses that have been developed in India are surrounded by natural beauty; the only thing visible till the sight may reach is the green grass. The accompanying

caddies, competition, the charm of the game and the challenge to be win for oneself make the trip a memorable one.

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Day 01 Arrive Delhi

Arrive at the New Delhi's Indira Gandhi International airport. You will be received by our representative outside the customs gate and will be escorted to your hotel.



Overnight at hotel.

Day 03 In Delhi

Enjoy a full day guided tour of Delhi.



The city consists of two parts - Old and New Delhi. Old Delhi was the capital of Muslim India between the 17th and 19th century and has many mosques, monuments and forts.

Begin your day with an exploration starting in Old Delhi. Visit **Jama Masjid**, the Royal Mosque which was built by the Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan in 1656. Enjoy a cycle rickshaw ride through the narrow lanes followed by a short walk on the main street of Old Delhi - the colourful shopping bazaar known as Chandni Chowk. Drive past the Red Fort (a UNESCO World Heritage Site) built by the Mughal emperor Shah Jahan. Continue to Raj Ghat, the memorial to Mahatma Gandhi.

In the afternoon visit New Delhi - the imperial city created by the British as the capital of India. In 1911, Edwin Lutyens, the most renowned English architect of the day, was chosen to design New Delhi. Drive through the majestic boulevards - the **Rashtrapati Bhawan** where the Viceroy once lived and is now the official residence of the President of India. View India Gate, a war memorial arch built in honour of 90,000 Indian soldiers who lost their lives in World War I. Visit **Humayun's Tomb** (a UNESCO World Heritage Site), the first great example of Mughal architecture in India. The day's tour ends at **Qutab Minar** (a UNESCO World Heritage Site) - a soaring tower of victory which is 72.5 metres high and has five distinct stories. Overnight at hotel.

Day 04 Drive Delhi-Agra



Post breakfast, check out from hotel, Transfer to “Jaypee Greens Golf Course”. Play 02nd round of golf. After golf drive to Agra (Approx. 200 Kms / 04 Hrs) & check into hotel.

Two great Mughal monarchs, Akbar and Shah Jahan, transformed the little village of Agra into a befitting second capital of the Mughal Empire - giving it the name Dar-ul-Khilafat which means seat of the Emperor. Today, a visitor to Agra is caught up in a world of contrasting edifices whilst experiencing the irresistible charm that this favourite city of the Mughals still retains. Overnight at hotel.

Day 05 Drive Agra- Delhi/ Fly Kolkata

Early morning enjoy a sunrise visit to the mesmerizing **Taj Mahal** (a UNESCO World Heritage Site). The 17th century Taj Mahal is often called a poem in stone. If so, the mausoleum is a love poem - created by Shah Jahan for his favourite wife Mumtaz Mahal. *Please note: Taj Mahal remains closed on Fridays.* Return to hotel for breakfast.

Later visit the **Agra Fort** (a UNESCO World Heritage site). The fort was built by the third Mughal Emperor, Akbar. Subsequent additions were made to the fort by his son Jahangir and grandson Shahjahan.



Post visit drive back to Delhi (Approx. 205 Kms / 04 Hrs) and directly transfer to airport to board flight AI 764 (1700-1920 Hrs) to Kolkata.

Met upon arrival at Kolkata airport and transfer to hotel for check-in.

Overnight at hotel.

Day 06 In Kolkata

Buffet breakfast at the hotel.

Play 3rd round of Golf at Royal Club Kolkata.

Royal Calcutta Golf Club affectionately known as the "Royal" is synonymous with the game of golf in this country. Founded in 1829, Royal is the oldest golf club outside the British Isles. The oldest being the Royal and Ancient, St. Andrews in Scotland, the home of golf. The golfing heritage and history of Royal makes this a truly hallowed place for the game of golf. Originally located near the Calcutta airport, the club moved to the Maidan and finally to its present location at Tollygunge in 1910. Meant exclusively for the use of gentlemen, ladies were very reluctantly admitted to the club in 1886, when the committee voted 43 against 13 on the condition that female members be allowed to use the course only in the mornings.



Overnight at hotel.

Day 07 Fly Kolkata-Cochin

Buffet breakfast at the hotel.

Proceed to visit **Victoria Memorial**- Calcutta Victoria memorial hall is a



fabulous museum that was established in the year 1921. The credit for designing and drawing the plan for this monument goes to Sir William Emerson, President of the British Institute of Architects. Victoria Memorial of Kolkata, India is a fantastic place that will take you into the world of past history, where you can view the photos and effigies of prominent personalities, who made an incredible contribution in the glory of India. Today, Victoria memorial is one of the finest art museums in Kolkata. It is a 184 ft tall edifice that was constructed on 64 acres of land. The museum houses a group of mind-blowing figures above the north porch that epitomize prudence, learning and motherhood & **Howrah Bridge**- Howrah Bridge, located over the Hoogli River in West Bengal, India, is said to be the busiest bridge of the world. It got its name owing to the fact that it connects the city of Howrah to Calcutta. Hawrah Bridge in Kolkata, India, also known by the name 'RabindraSetu', was set up in 1874. It stands on two 270 feet high pillars. Calcutta Howrah Bridge is a cantilever truss bridge that was constructed without using any nuts and bolts.

Late afternoon, transfer to airport to board flight 6E 425 (1605-2015 Hrs) to Cochin. Met upon arrival at Cochin airport and transfer to hotel for check-in.

Overnight at hotel.

Day 08 Drive Cochin-Kumarakom

Buffet breakfast at the hotel.

Proceed to visit **Jewish Synagogue** (*remains closed on Fridays*) - The Jewish Synagogue in the port city of Kochi is the oldest synagogue in all the Commonwealth of Nations. Thus, it comprises the topmost slot in the itinerary of the tourists visiting the city, **St. Francis Church** (*remains closed on Sundays*) - St Francis Xavier's Church at Fort Kochi was built in the year

1503, by the Portuguese traders. They came here with Admiral Pedro Alvarez de Cabral, via the same route taken by the legendary Portuguese explorer Vasco da Gama, who landed at Calicut in 1498, **Mattancherry Palace** (*remains closed on Fridays*) - Even though it is austere in its appearance, the Mattancherry Palace of Cochin has a quaint charm of its own. The credit for building this landmark monument partly goes to the Dutch, who captured Cochin city of Kerala during the pre-British period & **Chinese Fishing Net** - The Chinese fishing nets at Fort Kochi, located in the Kochi city of Kerala, make up a very popular tourist attraction. They are fixed land installations, which are used for a very unique and unusual method of fishing.



Later drive to Kumarakom (Approx 50 Kms / 01 Hrs).
Check-in at hotel upon arrival.
Overnight at hotel.

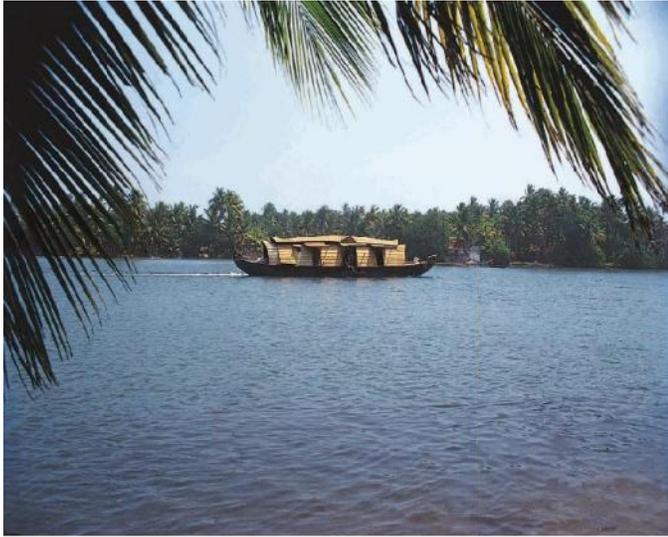
Day 09 InKumarakom

Buffet breakfast at the hotel.

Proceed for half day tour visiting **Vembanad Lake**- is the largest lake in Kerala. It is India's longest lake too as the vast expanse of water runs from Kochi in north to Alleppey in south. It is otherwise known as VembanadKayal. It invites migratory birds from all parts of the world. It is a confluence of three rivers. To explore Kumarakom, you could hire a houseboat and sail the stretch of water. The small islands around and the serene atmosphere will be heavenly. The lake is rich in marine creatures with over 150 different kinds of fish in the waters.

Kumarakom Bird Sanctuary- The 14 acre bird sanctuary is the favorite spot for migratory birds from all parts of the world. It is situated on the banks of Vembanad Lake. The bird sanctuary

houses a wide range of birds including cuckoo, water duck, owl, kingfishers, woodpeckers and egret. The migratory birds that attract attention include Siberian cranes, teal, wood beetle and many more. It is a birdwatchers' paradise and you could make best use of your visit to this place by hiring houseboats and motorboats.



Rest of the day at leisure.

Overnight at hotel.

Day 10 Drive Kumarakom- Alleppey

Buffet breakfast at the hotel.

Drive to Alleppey (Approx. 35 Kms / 01 Hrs) to board traditional Houseboat (Check-in time 1200 Hrs).

Kerala offers unique opportunity to experience breathtakingly beautiful backwaters which consist of a complex network of brackish lagoons, lovely lakes and canals. The most predominant way to experience the Kerala backwaters is Kerala houseboats. Take a leisurely journey along Kerala backwater on luxurious Alleppeyhouseboats . Have opportunity to reside at houseboat floating over beautiful Alleppey and Kumarakom backwaters. Houseboats are also very popular among honeymooner as they provide sheer verdant green surrounding and exceptional natural beauty.

Lunch, Dinner & Overnight stay onboard Houseboat.



Day 11 Drive Alleppey- Marari

Breakfast on board Houseboat.

Disembark from houseboat and drive to Marari Beach (Approx. 15 Kms / 30 Minutes drive).

Check-in at hotel upon arrival.

Ever noticed this strange trend in modern life? People are constantly doing things to 'try and relax'. Yet, the word relaxation means not trying anything. In fact, the exact opposite.

Marari Beach, you'll find, is the one place where you can unwind completely, without the trying bit. You can't watch TV to relax, for example. There isn't one in your room. You can't plunge into a whirl of holiday activities like surfboarding or beach parties.

Rest of the day at leisure to avail Ayurveda Massage on direct payment basis.

Overnight at hotel.



Day 12 In Marari

Breakfast at the hotel.

Rest of the day at leisure to avail Ayurveda Massage on direct payment basis.

Overnight at hotel.

Day 13 In Marari

Breakfast at the hotel.

Rest of the day at leisure to avail Ayurveda Massage on direct payment basis.

Overnight at hotel.

Day 14 Marari - Cochin + Departure

Breakfast at the hotel.

In time transfer to Cochin Airport (Approx. 40 Kms / 01 Hrs) to board onward / return flight.

End of Tour....