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## Detailed Itinerary

### Day 1:

We will commence our kayaking near the coastal town of Alleppey and paddle through the famed backwaters – exploring the lagoons and the lakes. The vast expanse of water, the friendly people, and their life styles from up close is bound to mesmerize you. We will settle into a small cozy resort on an island in the midst of the backwaters!

Meals: All meals.

### Day 2:

Our destination today will be a heritage villa along the backwaters. We will paddle through the narrow canals near Kavalam – an erstwhile headquarters of affluent agrarian families - the majestic homes standing testimony to their grandeur past. An excellent opportunity to see village life at close quarters - local people engaged in fishing, duck rearing, and shell and mud collection for the farms. You may also see the traditional toddy tappers at their work on coconut palms.

Toddy 'shops' (bars), traditional meeting places for men after a grueling day at work dot the landscape. We will stop for lunch at a beautiful coconut grove on a 'bund' by the lakeshore. We will continue our kayaking till we cruise into the beautiful heritage villa on the banks of the river Manimala to enjoy a delicious Kuttanadan dinner and a well-deserved rest..

Meals: All meals

### Day 3:

Depart after breakfast. End of Tour (B).

Meals :Breakfast only



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## General Info

### Visas

Visitors to India must obtain a Visa before departure. For details and an application form please contact the local Indian Embassy or High Commission.

### Safety

You would be accompanied by a guide throughout the trip. These guides are experienced, trained in First Aid and fully qualified for the purpose of the tour. They would handle all concerns with regards to your safety and well being.

### Airport taxes

There are no airport taxes if you depart from Kochi International Airport.

### Currency Exchange

Currency exchange is possible at the Airport, Hotels and many outlets along the way. We could help you with the exchange where the authorized agent comes to your hotel and do the necessary transactions at a much better rate than otherwise available. Kindly let us know if you'd like to make use of this facility.

### Telephone and Internet Access

You would have access to telephone and internet at most of the hotels. In case there are no internet access at the hotel, you would be able access it in the nearest town.

### Insurance

We recommended that you take your insurance that covers illnesses and accidents abroad.



## Trip Notes

### Inclusions

- Accommodation
- Meals as mentioned in the itinerary
- Prijon Capri Kayaks
- Accompanying Guide
- Accompanying support boat
- Refreshments & mineral water while kayaking

### Exclusions

- Insurance –please take your own insurance
- Tips
- Beverages
- Laundry
- Telephone bills
- Expenses of a personal nature

## What to Bring

### Clothing:

- Kayaking kit consisting of shorts, T shirt and kayaking footwear
- Sunscreen lotion (SPF minimum 35)
- Cap
- Camera (optional)
- Rain jacket (during Monsoons)

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