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DAY WISE ITINERARY TO VISIT

Day 01 : Arrive in Chennai

- On arrival at Chennai airport, you will be met by our local representative and will be transferred to your hotel. Upon reaching the hotel, check into your rooms.

Dinner and overnight stay in Chennai.



Day 02: Chennai - Kanchipuram - Mahabalipuram (130 kms /02 Hrs)

- After breakfast check out from the hotel and visit Kapaleeswar Temple, Santhome Cathedral, National Art Gallery.
- In the afternoon, visit Kanchipuram. Visit its numerous temples dedicated to various gods and goddesses. It is also home of weavers of the famed Kanchipuram silks. Later drive to Mahabalipuram & check into your hotel.
- Early evening, visit Arjuna's Penance, the largest and finest rock carvings in India, Shore Temple, which belongs to the 8th Century AD & Crocodile Farm.



Dinner and overnight stay in Mahabalipuram.





Day 03: Mahabalipuram - Pondicherry (105 kms / 03 Hrs)

- After an early breakfast, proceed to Pondicherry, enroute, explore the Sri Aurobindo Ashram vicinity on foot & experience the vibrant centre of life in a modern urban setting.
- Continue to Pondicherry & check in to your rooms upon arrival. Later hop on a cycle rickshaw & proceed for sightseeing of Pondicherry.

Dinner and overnight stay in Pondicherry.



Day 04: Pondicherry - Tanjore (175 kms/ 04 Hrs)

- Relish your breakfast and proceed to Tanjore. leave for Chidambaram. Chidambaram is one of the most ancient and most celebrated of shrines in India. It is of great religious as well as historic and cultural significance.
- Proceed to Gangaikondacholapuram better known as Kumbakonam & visit four famous Temples here dedicated to Sarangapani, Kumbeswarar, Nageswara and Brahma. also visit Swamimalai
- Continue your journey to Tanjore, on reaching Tanjore check-in to your hotel.

Dinner and overnight stay in Tanjore.





Day 05: Tanjore - Trichy (50 kms/ 01 Hrs)

- This morning after breakfast, check-out from hotel and proceed to city tour Tanjore.
- Stop at Chettinad for lunch at a traditional South Indian lunch at a local home.
- Continue to Trichy after lunch & check into your hotel, In the evening, visit Ranganatha Swamy Temple & also a photo stop at the famous Rock Temple



Dinner & overnight stay in Trichy.

Day 06: Trichy - Madurai (170 kms/ 04 Hrs)

- After breakfast, check out from hotel & proceed towards Madurai. Later, set out for some sightseeing of Madurai.
- Afternoon, Visit Thirumalai Nayakar Mahal & Gandhi Museum. In the evening, visit the famous Meenakshi Temple. You will be able to also experience the thrilling rickshaw ride as the transfer to the temple will be done by rickshaws (Tuk Tuk). Witness the evening ceremony where, Lord Shiva is carried to the bed chamber of Goddess Parvathi (Meenakshi) which is considered as a holy ceremony.



Dinner & overnight stay in Madurai.



Day 07: Madurai - Periyar (130 kms/ 03 Hrs)



- After a good breakfast, check out from hotel & proceed to Periyar. On arrival, check into your hotel.
- Afternoon you will leave for an excursion of Periyar National Park by boat.
- Evening, go for a stroll in the nearby town of Kumily where you can see and shop for spices, and do a walking tour of the spice plantation.
- Late evening, enjoy a demonstration of Kalaripayatu - the mother of all martial arts in Kerala.



Dinner and overnight stay in Periyar.

Day 08: Periyar - Kovalam (330 kms/ 07 Hrs)

- This morning, after an early breakfast, check out from your hotel & proceed to Kottayam.
- Kottayam is cradled between the palm-fringed backwaters on the west and the wild Western Ghats on the east. Halt at a spice plantation to see the cardamom & pepper plantations. Also, visit rubber plantation fields.
- After lunch, continue towards Kovalam & check into your hotel, The palm-fringed beach of Kovalam is one of the most famous beaches in India.



Dinner and Overnight stay in Kovalam



Day 09: Kovalam - Trivandrum - Alleppey (175 kms/ 04 Hrs)



- Relish a good breakfast, check out from hotel & proceed to Trivandrum. Enroute, visit the nearby “Vizhingam” fishing village, it is a fascinating place where you can see hundreds of boats returning from sea with “catch of the day” & people selling fish.
- Later, proceed for some sightseeing of Trivandrum, visit Padmanabhaswamy temple, Horse Palace and Napier Museum. Continue towards Alleppey & board the houseboats from the jetty in Alleppey.
- Cruise along the narrow palm fringed canals of the back waters, while enjoying lunch on board. Watch the farmers work in Paddy fields, village folk.



Dinner and overnight stay in Houseboat.

Day 10: Alleppey - Cochin (175 kms/ 04 Hrs)

- After breakfast at the houseboat, check out and proceed to Cochin. Check in at hotel on arrival.
- Later in the afternoon, leave for some sightseeing of Cochin City visit the Jew Street which is famous for the Jewish Synagogue and Jew Town. Visit the Dutch Palace in Mattancherry.
- There after Free time in the Jew Street. It is fascinating & vibrant Narrow Street with many shops selling handicrafts, souvenirs, Antiques & Ethnic Garments. Later, transfer by Tuk Tuk to witness Chinese Fishing Nets.
- Late evening witness a show of Kathakali, the traditional art form of Kerala at the cultural centre.



Dinner and overnight stay in Cochin





Day 11 : Cochin - Ooty (281 kms/ 07 Hrs)

- This morning, after a leisurely breakfast, check out from the hotel and depart for Ooty via Coimbatore.
- Enroute stop at Guruvayur temple & Also visit Punathoorkotta. Later continue to Mettupalayam, the starting point for two of the Ghat Roads into the Nilgiri Hills.
- After lunch, proceed to Ooty via Coonoor. Visit Sinnar Tea Gardens & Sim's Park. Continue to Ooty & check into your hotel



Dinner and overnight stay in Ooty.

Day 12 : Ooty - Mysore (160Kms/ 04 hrs)

- After breakfast at the hotel, visit to the Botanical Gardens in Ooty.
- Later, check out & continue to Mysore, Land of Tipu Sultan.
- In the afternoon, visit the Maharaja's Palace
- Later proceed to St. Philomena's Church - A beautiful Cathedral, reminiscent of medieval architectural style, is one of the largest churches in the country.



Dinner and overnight stay in Mysore.





Day 13 : Mysore - Hassan (125Kms/ 03 hrs)

- After breakfast, proceed to Srirangapatnam. Visit the Tipu Sultan Mausoleum, where Tipu Sultan lies buried along with his family members & close army personnel.
- Later proceed to Hassan & check-in at hotel upon arrival. After lunch, proceed for an excursion to Halebid – Belur. The first thing that catches one's eye, is the beautiful ornamental Gopuram of the Channakeshava Temple. The main temple is surrounded by other small ones such as those of Soumyanayaki and Ranganayaki, beloved of Sri Chennakesava.



Dinner and overnight stay in Hassan

Day 14 : Hassan - Bangalore (180Kms/ 03 hrs)

- After breakfast, leave for Bangalore en-route Sravanabelagola. Continue to Bangalore upon completion.
- After lunch, proceed for city tour of Bangalore. A trip around the city can be very interesting and provides a varied sightseeing experience with Palaces, museums, temples, churches and gardens.
- Rest of the evening free for shopping. Transfer to hotel for wash & change.
- Later, transfer to Bangalore International Airport in time for your departure flight.



As a good thing come to an end so does our tour. Take back home lots of memories, photographs, selfies, smiles, moments to cherish for a long time until next time again with SHRINE VOYAGES....

****** Tour comes to an end with happy memories ******



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- Accommodation in above mentioned hotels or similar on full board basis (breakfast, Lunch and dinner).
- All transfers and sightseeing by A/C vehicles as per the itinerary.
- All entrance/ASI fees to sightseeing places and monuments as per the itinerary.
- Services of a GOITO approved local language speaking guide at sites of interest.
- Cycle Rickshaw ride in Pondicherry.
- Tuk-Tuk Ride to Meenakshi Temple, Madurai.
- Spice Plantation visit in Periyar and Boat ride in Periyar lake.
- Demonstration of Kalaripayatu in Periyar.
- Full Board stay in a Houseboat at Alleppey (Lunch, Dinner & Breakfast).
- Services/Assistance of Shrine Voyagges representatives at the airports.
- All currently applicable government taxes.

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