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KARNATAKA - TAMILNADU

MYSORE – COORG – OOTY – KODAIKANAL

7 Nights 8 Days

TOUR SUMMARY

DAY	OVERNIGHT	PARTICULAR
DAY 1	MYSORE	BANGALORE ARRIVAL AND TRANSFER TO MYSORE (145KM / 3HRS)
DAY 2	MYSORE	MYSORE LOCAL SIGHTSEEING
DAY 3	COORG	TRANSFER MYSORE TO COORG (120KM / 3HRS)
DAY 4	OOTY	TRANSFER COORG TO OOTY (245KM/6HRS)
DAY 5	OOTY	OOTY LOCAL SIGHTSEEING
DAY 6	KODAIKANAL	TRANSFER OOTY TO KODAIKANAL (250KM/6HRS)
DAY 7	KODAIKANAL	KODAIKANAL SIGHTSEEING
DAY 8	DEPARTURE	COIMBATORE AIRPORT DROP (172KM/4HRS)

DETAIL ITINERARY

DAY 1

BANGALORE ARRIVAL AND TRANSFER TO MYSORE (145KM / 3HRS)

OVERNIGHT : MYSORE

The historic settlement of **Mysuru** (which changed its name from Mysore in 2014) is one of South India's most enchanting cities, famed for its glittering royal heritage and magnificent monuments and buildings. Its World Heritage-listed palace brings most travellers here, but Mysuru is also rich in tradition, with a deeply atmospheric bazaar district replete with spice stores and incense stalls. Ashtanga yoga is another drawcard and there are several acclaimed schools that attract visitors from across the globe

On arrival at Bangalore Airport /Railway station, meet our representative Proceed to Mysore. Mysore is a beautiful city located in Karnataka state at the base of the Chamundi Hills about 146 km southwest of Bangalore. It was the capital of the Kingdom of Mysore from 1399-1947. Today, it is counted among one of the cleanest city in India.

On the way to Mysore visit **Daria Daulat Bagh, Tippu Fort & Gumbaz**

Daria Daulat Bagh is built in Indo-Islamic style. The lush green garden and the majestic open space stand as an embodiment of the majestic existence of the king Tipu Sultan. Tipu Sultan used this palace as a retreat from the strenuous life of a king. The vibrant color of the monument and the arabesque work gives the palace a different and attractive dimension. Daria Daulat Bagh at present houses a museum which is better known as the Tipu Sultan Museum. This museum is one of its kinds in the whole country by keeping in mind the fact that this is a museum that is devoted fully to a person.



Tipu Fort: the origins of the fort date back to 1537 by Kempe Gowda the founder of Bangalore who constructed a mud fort with a perimeter of one mile surrounded by a trench and nine gates. The Fort also bears the imprint of the struggle of the mighty King against the British domination.

The Tipu's Fort which is a prominent landmark of the city of Bangalore depicts intricate Islamic style architect. The palace was built by Tipu Sultan and he named it as "Rash e Zannat" meaning "Envy of Heavens". The sultan used the palace as a summer retreat and was built completely of teak wood..

Thereafter, we will continue our journey to Mysore. On arrival check in to Hotel. Overnight at Mysore

DAY 2

MYSORE LOCAL SIGHTSEEING

OVERNIGHT : MYSORE

Have your breakfast and proceed to visit **Chamundi hills, St. Philomenas Church, World famous Mysore Palace & evening visit Brindavan Gardens KRS** which is famous for musical Color Fountain,

The Chamundi or Chamundeshwari Temple is one of the most famous temples in Karnataka. It is a 1000 year old temple dedicated to Devi Chamundeshwari, a form of Durga or Devi Parvati. Located on top of the 3,000 ft high Chamundi Hill, this temple is one of the most prominent landmarks of Mysore. The temple can be reached by a flight of a 100 steps or by road. This ancient temple is thought to have been built around the 12th century by the Hoysala King Vishnuvardhana. The shrine might probably be even older.



St. Philomena's Church, Mysore :Recognized as the second tallest church of Asia, St. Philomena's Church was constructed to pay tribute to the Catholic Saint and martyr of Roman Catholic Church, Saint Philomena. It is one of the most important historical sites in Mysore and is frequently visited by tourists from all over the country. The church is beautiful and one of the most distinctive landmarks of the city. The foundation for the church was laid in the year 1933 by the then king of Mysore, Sri Krishnarajendra Wodeyar Bahadur IV for the European residents in the city. After the construction went on for about eight years, the church started functioning in the year 1941. The remains of Saint Philomena have been preserved here and are present even today.

Mysore Palace: Also known as the Amba Vilas Palace, it is the former palace of the royal family of Mysore and is still their official residence. Referred to as the 'City of Palaces', Mysore houses seven other places, but none come close to awe - inspiring grandeur of this palace. Mysore Palace was built in the year 1912 for the 24th Ruler of the Wodeyar Dynasty and is counted amongst one of the biggest palaces in the country. The construction of the Mysore Palace was orchestrated by the Maharaja Krishnaraja Wadiyar IV referred as "Rajarishi" (saintly king) by Mahatma Gandhi. It was then further expanded by his son and the last Maharaja of Mysore, Maharaja Jayachamaraja Wadiyar. The facade of the palace is a harmonious blend of Hindu, Muslim, Rajput and Gothic styles which imparts it a regal quality. With the Chamundi Hills towards its eastern side, the spectacle of the Mysore Palace is an enchanting sight to behold. Needless to say, it is the second most visited historical monument visited by both local and foreign tourists after the Taj Mahal.



Evening back to Hotel , Overnight at Mysore



DAY 3

TRANSFER MYSORE TO COORG (120KM / 3HRS)

OVERNIGHT : COORG

After breakfast proceed to Coorg. Coorg, officially known as Kodagu, is the most affluent hill station in Karnataka. It is well known for its breathtakingly exotic scenery and lush greenery. Forest covered hills, spice and coffee plantations only add to the landscape

After check-in to hotel, proceed to sightseeing including, **Abbey falls, Bhagamandala, Golden Temple, Madikeri fort, Nisargadama, Omkareshwara** and later proceed to hotel. Overnight at Coorg hotel.

Abbey Falls: Its scenic charm, coupled with aromatic plantations of coffee and spices and peaceful surroundings deserve to be not just visited but remembered by every traveller.



Bhagamandala is a pilgrimage site situated in the scenic foothills of Talacauvery, at a distance of only 39 kms from Madikeri. Talacauvery is the source and origin of the River Kaveri, which is often referred to as 'Dakshin Ganga' which means 'Ganga of the South' and is one of the seven sacred rivers of the country. A bath in the holy waters of the Bhagamandala is not only sacred but also a very spiritually uplifting and cleansing experience. Immersing in the pure and thoroughly enchanting waters of the holy Triveni Sangam has an infinitely positive effect on the mind, body and soul.

Golden Temple or Namdroling Monastery is a beautiful Buddhist Monastery situated in Bylakuppe. Bylakuppe is the second largest Tibetans settlement in India after Dharamshala. This Buddhist Monastery is one of the most popular tourist places to visit in Coorg. The Golden Temple complex is huge and it houses 40 feet high gilded images of Guru Padmasambhava (also known as Guru Rinpoche), Buddha Sakyamuni and Amitayus. The temple tower is highly ornate. The outer walls flanking the doorway are decorated with huge colorful murals. The doors, red in color, have huge gold knockers and a thick plaited rope with tassels hanging from it. The walls are adorned with colourful paintings depicting gods and demons from Tibetan Buddhist mythology.



Madikeri Fort is a historical landmark of Coorg. The fort stands in the center of the Madikeri town, still preserving the remnants of a bygone era within its proud walls. Some of the elevated structures inside the fort present astounding view of the surrounding areas. Needless to say, the fort is one of the most famous tourist attractions of Coorg. The Madikeri Fort was constructed in the later part of the 17th century by Muddu Raja, the then king of Coorg. Since then the fort has seen many changes.

Nisargadhama Falls is an ideal destination for those who love nature and would like to spend time by themselves. This picturesque location has a guest house run by the forest department. The most dominating feature of the fall is the number of rivers located around it. The fall is a perfect picnic spot and also offers boat rides in the calm and serene atmosphere. Nisargadhama falls has the kind of beauty that never fades away.





The **Omkareshwara Temple** is an ancient shrine dedicated to Lord Shiva. It is situated in the town of Madikeri in Coorg, Karnataka. The speciality of the temple is that its construction reflects a mix of Gothic and Islamic styles. It is a popular religious destination of Coorg. The temple draws a large number of tourists and devotees regularly.

DAY 4

TRANSFER COORG TO OOTY (245KM/6HRS)

OVERNIGHT : OOTY

In the morning, after breakfast, check out from the hotel and visit **Dubare Elephant Camp**

Dubare Elephant camp is a project undertaken by forest department and Jungle Lodges and Resorts Ltd. This camp has plenty of elephants which are trained under naturalists. A trained Naturalist is at hand to explain the various aspects of Elephant history, ecology and biology. The visitor can not only observe and learn but also participate in various activities involving Elephants. The Karnataka Forest Department has about 150 Elephants in various camps and Dubare has been historically an important camp.



Later you'll take a transfer to **Ooty**, it will be around 4 hours of journey around 140 KMs. Then drive to Ooty - the "Queen of Hill stations" nestled in the Nilgiri range and popularly known as Ooty, The Blue Mountains have always been shrouded in mysticism, and Ooty is no exception to that. For every mountain lover, the very idea of travelling to the city known as the Queen of the Hills holds an allure like no other. Once regarded as the summer headquarters of the East India Company (and for a very good reason), Ooty, also known as Udagamandalam, is a hill station in Tamil Nadu which serves as a very popular tourist destination for anyone looking for a picturesque place to relax and unwind. Ooty is nestled amidst the Nilgiri hills at an altitude of 2,240 meters above sea level and enjoys a favourable climate all year round.

Ooty oozes simplicity, devoid of any boundaries, so anyone who visits the place can feel at one with the local culture.



Enroute, visit **Bandipur National Park**. This National Park was formed by including most of the forest areas of the then Venugopala Wildlife Park established under Govt. Notification dated 19th February 1941 and the area was enlarged in 1985 extending over an area of 874.20 Sq.Km and named as Bandipur National Park. This reserve was brought under Project Tiger in 1973. Subsequently some adjacent reserve forest areas were added to the reserve and extending to 880.02 Sq. Km. The present area under the control of Bandipur Tiger Reserve is 912.04 Sq. Km. An area of 39.80 Sq. Km of KFDC plantation area was handed over to this division during 2007-08. During 2010-11 the Nugu Wildlife Sanctuary was handed over to Wildlife Division, Mysore



On reaching to the hotel just check-in to your room. Rest of the time is free for shopping and your other areas of interest. Overnight stay at Hotel in Ooty

DAY 5

OOTY LOCAL SIGHTSEEING

OVERNIGHT : OOTY

After breakfast, get ready for an exciting excursions of Ooty, enjoy the beautiful attractions of **Doddabeta Peak, Popular Botanical Garden, Rose Garden and Ooty Lake/Boat House** - here you can enjoy boating, horse riding etc. activities.

Dodabetta, literally translating to mean - Big Peak, is located approximately 10 km away from Ooty. It towers to a staggering height of 8650 feet or 2,623 meters above the sea level and is the highest peak in the Nilgiri Hills. A treat to the eyes, this picturesque land is indeed a great sightseeing place. Dodabetta is one of the most preferred places to visit in Ooty and is also a popular trekking destination. The summit offers an astounding view of the nearby areas which are covered with dense forests and, on clear days, one can see as far as Mysore. Dodabetta is strategically located between the Western and Eastern Ghats, thus it is an ideal vantage point for the entire Nilgiris.



Ooty **Botanical Gardens** lie on the lower slopes of the Doddabetta peak, the Government Botanical Garden is a splendid garden in Udthagamandalam, near Coimbatore in the state of Tamil Nadu. Sprawled over an area of 22 hectares, the garden is divided into several sections that are trimmed beautifully to present an endearing sight. Visitors are greeted with astounding colourful natural beauty from the moment they pass through the gates. For

more than 160 years, foreign and local travellers have visited the lush green lawns of the garden, admiring the stunning variety of flowers, ferns, and orchids present here. Another highlight of the Botanical Garden is the Toda hill, known as the Toda mund, which gives the visitors an insight into the lives and culture of Todas (a tribe of the Nilgiris).

Ooty Lake is one of the most refreshing and beautiful places to visit in Ooty. It lies at a distance of approximately 2 km from Ooty city in the green hills of the Nilgiris district. The stunning lake is spread over an area of 65 acres, and its foundation was laid down by John Sullivan who was the collector of Coimbatore in 1824. Ooty Lake is surrounded by Eucalyptus trees and greenery all around and is a great place to experience the beauty of this hill station. One can also spot numerous streams coming out through the hills. This is a perfect place to capture people who are genuinely interested in photography. The lake is filled with beautiful water birds with the exotic Nilgiri mountain ranges in the background



Return back to the hotel & stay overnight in Ooty

DAY 6

TRANSFER OOTY TO KODAIKANAL (250KM/6HRS)

OVERNIGHT : KODAIKANAL

After breakfast check out & precede Kodaikanal visit Sim's Park, Lamb's Rock, Dolphin Nose, Tea Factory and Tea Gardens

Sims Park : An excellent and delightful treasure trove of some of the most exquisite plant species in the world, the Sim's Park is an outstanding sightseeing destination in Coonoor that boasts of being home to over one thousand different species of flora. All of these different plants and trees are scattered all across the park, and a walk through the lush greenery and colourful, vibrant flowers provides refreshment, inner peace and tranquillity, not to forget the unique and beautiful views.



The Lamb's Rock is just 8 km outside Coonoor while on the way to Dolphin's Nose. The place provides some fascinating views of the Coimbatore Plains and the Coonoor hills.

Located about 12 km away from Coonoor is the **Dolphin's Nose** about 1,500 meters above sea level. The tip of the peak of this enormous rock resembles a dolphin's nose and this is one of the most visited tourist spots in The Nilgiris District of Tamil Nadu. It is set amidst the rolling

hills of the Nilgiris Hills (or the Blue Mountains). The gigantic rock formation is entirely unprecedented. There are enormous canyons found on both the sides of the destination and there is a clear view of the Catherine Falls, another popular tourist destination with its ongoing current several thousand meters below, which is located at a short distance from the Dolphin's Nose.

Ooty Tea Factory or Tea Museum is situated on the Doddabetta Road in Ooty. Surrounded by emerald green tea plantations, the museum takes you on a tour of tea evolution from the origin to the present. It has a variety of preserved tea leaves on display. It also has an adjacent souvenir shop where you can try and buy various kinds of tea leaves.



Thereafter, proceed to **Kodaikanal**, famously known as the Princess of Hill Stations. Kodaikanal offers the perfect mix of culture and nature to tourists, and its perfectly manicured slopes, scenic waterfalls, rolling hills and clear lakes all come together to create the perfect setting for an ideal mountain getaway. Kodaikanal is a place you can go to take a break from the rigours of daily city life, and this hill station lets you sit back and connect with nature as you head out on biking or trekking trails or take a stroll through the huge forests surrounding the town.



On arrival check into the hotel. Overnight stay at Kodaikanal.

DAY 7

KODAIKANAL SIGHTSEEING

OVERNIGHT : KODAIKANAL

After breakfast proceed for half day local tour of Kodaikanal covering: Bryant Park, Coaker's walk, Pillar Rock and Suicide point.



Bryant Park : Situated on the eastern side of the Kodai Lake, the park is bejewelled with various species of plants and shrubs. They vary in a range of flowering plants, hybrids and grafts. Once you've had a stroll on the Coakers walk, the pathway will lead you towards the park. It is a popular spot amongst families as they can set up a picnic area in the park and watch their kids run around and tumble in the grass. The park also educates and trains students of Ornamental Horticulture as it is also recognised as a demonstration centre.

Coakers Walk is a beautiful man-made one-kilometre-long walking. The lovely path of Coakers Walk that curves by the edge of the gorgeous mountain have been constructed mainly for visitors to get a glimpse of Paradise on Earth. It is a preferred location for morning and evening walks, and admirers of nature visit the location often to capture the wonderful lush green valleys and the hills of Kodaikanal. One can also choose to ride a bicycle to explore the scenic location. The sight is breathtakingly beautiful, and it almost makes one feel like they are walking in the clouds.



Formerly known as **Suicide point**, the Green Valley View offers a breathtaking view of the plains, deep valleys and hills. The mesmerizing view of the Vaigai Dam is an unforgettable experience. It used to be known as suicide point because of the dangerous valley which is dense and deep; below the point of more than 5000 feet drop.

Located at a distance of 5.5 km from the Kodaikanal Lake, the Green Valley View not just offers a gorgeous view, but is also surrounded by a lot of monkeys

Evening visit **Kodai Lake**, the man-made star shaped lake, which spreads out over sixty acres. Kodaikanal Lake is a manmade lake in the Kodaikanal city which is also known as Kodai Lake. Vera Levinge was the man responsible for the creativity and resources of this lake amidst Kodaikanal town. This lake was developed by the British and early missionaries from the USASA. The star-shaped lake is centrally located in Kodaikanal and is surrounded by the rich green Palani Hills Range the main watershed for the lake. The lake is situated at an elevation of 2285m above sea level and has an average depth of 3.0m. The lake is at a distance of 3 km from the Kodai Bus stand.



Evening return back to hotel and overnight stay at hotel

DAY 8

TRANSFER KODAIKANA TO COIMBATORE (172KM/4HRS)

DEPARTURE

Today after Morning breakfast, check- out and get ready to take a transfer to Railway St. / Airport for your scheduled onward journey. We wish that you had a wonderful tour , Kindly don't forget to post your feedback on our website after your completion of tour, and don't forget to use wonderworldtravels.com to plan your holiday packages. Have a safe journey!!

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