

KOCHI & MUNNAR

Learning Along the
Currents of Culture

5 DAYS

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FROM TRAVEL TO TRANSFORMATION

We design curriculum-aligned, measurable learning experiences that build knowledge, skills, and student agency.

OUR LEARNING FRAMEWORK



Explore

Students engage with real-world environments through structured inquiry



Reflect

Guided journaling, discussion, and critical analysis of experience



Apply

Connecting field insights to classroom concepts and broader contexts



Demonstrate

Students present, publish, or perform assessable learning outcomes

Aligned with Inquiry-Based Learning | 21st Century Skills | Experiential Education

MEASURABLE IMPACT



90%+

Improved Collaboration



85%+

Higher Student Engagement



Strong

Gains in Confidence & Application

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Kochi & Munnar — Culture, Community & Adventure

Kochi, in the southwestern Indian state of Kerala, is renowned for its scenic backwaters, ancient Chinese fishing nets, and vibrant spice markets. Munnar is home to rolling hills and valleys full of flowers and greenery — making it an ideal destination for trekking, camping, and team adventure. Together they form a perfect experiential learning journey through Kerala's cultural heart and natural splendour.

Edutour Objectives

- ▶ **Discover more about themselves,** developing critical thinking, leadership styles, self-reliance, adventure preparedness, and strategic planning
- ▶ **Volunteer at a tea estate** assisting workers in plucking tea leaves — a real-world community immersion
- ▶ **Improve physical fitness levels** through hiking, raft building, rope adventures, zorbing, and zip-lining
- ▶ **Immerse in local culture** by interacting with indigenous communities, learning customs, and experiencing the unique landscapes of the Western Ghats

Destination Snapshot

Kochi

Cultural heritage, backwaters, fishing nets

Munnar

Tea estates, Western Ghats, adventure

Season

October to March

Group

15 – 60 Students

Duration

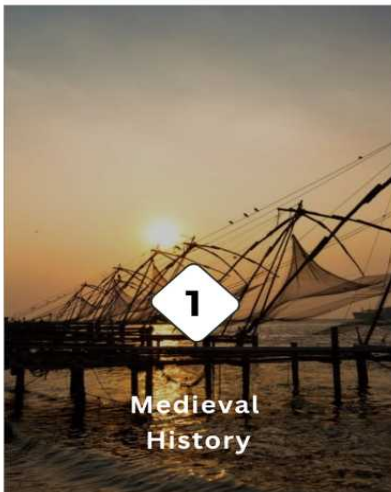
5 Days / 4 Nights

Base

Kochi (D1) → Munnar (D2–D5)

KEY TAKEAWAYS FOR STUDENTS

What Students Will Gain



1. Backwaters & Fishing Communities

Experience Kerala's iconic houseboat cruise, learn how backwaters shaped centuries of local life and livelihoods.

2. Rope Adventures

High rope courses, zip-lining, and zorbing build self-confidence, collaboration, communication, and motor skills.

3. Team Building Activities

Raft building using bamboo and coir rope, learning design thinking, knot-tying, and testing structural stability.

4. Cultural Immersion

Kerala Sadhya, mock Onam celebrations, flower rangoli, folk music, and Kalaripayattu — India's oldest martial art.

HOW WE DELIVER OUTCOMES

Pre-Tour	On-Tour	Assessment	Post-Tour
Orientation kit Pre-learning worksheets Parent briefing	Field journals Role-based learning Expert facilitators Group challenges	Rubrics Daily reflections Presentations	Projects & portfolios Outcome reports Teacher feedback

DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

5-Day Program Schedule

DAY 1	Program Kickoff & Sunset Cruise! <i>Arrival in Kochi • Icebreakers • Kerala Backwater Houseboat Cruise</i>	Kochi & Munnar
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Immerse in the vibrant cultural kaleidoscope of Kochi — its ancient spice trade history, enchanting backwaters, vibrant markets, and fusion of Portuguese, Dutch, and Indian heritage create an unforgettable tapestry of experiences.

- ▶ **Arrive at Kochi airport.** Check-in to hotel, lunch, and orientation to kick off the Edutour
 - ▷ **as you familiarize yourself with the location, facilitators, and program** Participate in fun icebreakers and energizers
 - ▷ Set expectations and norms for the coming days
- ▶ **Experience a cruise on a houseboat** at one of Kerala's most unique backwater areas later in the day
 - ▷ Learn how Kerala backwaters have been used for centuries by local communities
 - ▷ Explore Kochi's enchanting coast with lush coconut groves, charming channels, and vibrant birdlife
- ▶ **Dinner and overnight stay in Kochi**

DAY
2

Explore Fort Kochi & Tea Plantations

Heritage Walk • Chinese Fishing Nets • Transfer to Munnar •
Tea Estate

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The history of tea cultivation in Munnar dates back to the late 19th century when British planters introduced tea plants from China. The cool climate, abundant rainfall, and fertile soil proved ideal — and the plantations flourished across these misty hills.

- ▶ **Begin with a heritage walk in Fort Kochi** to learn about the city's history and remarkable religious plurality
 - ▷ Visit the historic Fort Kochi, St. Francis Church, and the Jewish Synagogue
 - ▷ **introduced by Chinese traders in the 14th century — still in use today** Study the iconic Chinese fishing nets,
- ▶ **Transfer to Munnar (4 hrs)**, stopping on the way for lunch
- ▶ **Explore one of the highest tea estates in Munnar** walking through the unending plantations in the evening
 - ▷ **learn about the rich history of tea, its impact on global trade, and its journey to India** Visit the tea plantation and factory:
 - ▷ Volunteer alongside estate workers in tea leaf plucking — a hands-on community immersion
- ▶ **Check-in to hotel. Dinner and overnight stay in Munnar**

DAY
3

Day of Adventure & Cultural Immersion

Rope Course • Zorbing • Zip-lining • Kerala Sadhya •
Kalaripayattu

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Kerala Sadhya is a traditional vegetarian feast served during festivals and special occasions — a variety of dishes served on a banana leaf, comprising a range of flavours, textures, and spices. Today blends high-energy adventure with rich cultural immersion.

▶ **Adventure activities at the tea plantation:**

- ▶ **a challenging personal development activity that strengthens collaboration and communication**
High rope course:
- ▶ **building self-confidence, balance, and motor skills in the stunning Western Ghats setting**
Zorbing and zip-lining:

▶ **Experience several unique cultural encounters through the day:**

- ▶ **— a traditional feast served on a banana leaf for lunch** Partake in an authentic Kerala Sadhya
- ▶ **making floral rangoli (pookalam) and dancing to folk music** Mock Onam celebrations:
- ▶ **— one of the world's oldest martial art forms, born in Kerala** Experience Kalaripayattu

▶ **Dinner and overnight stay in Munnar**

DAY
4

Morning Trek & Raft Building!

Seethadevi Sunrise Trek • Raft Building • Rafting • Musical Bonfire Night

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Seethadevi is a picturesque lakeside trek through lush forests, rolling hills, and tranquil waters. Immerse in the serenity of the Western Ghats as you encounter diverse flora and fauna — then put your engineering minds to the test on the water.

▶ **Trek to Seethadevi Lakeside** to witness the sunrise and experience the incredible panoramic views of the Western Ghats

▶ **Participate in raft building in teams** using bamboo sticks, coir rope, and circular floats

- ▶ **using a limited set of materials — bamboo, rope, and air-filled tubes** Ideate the design and construction
- ▶ **and ideate structural designs as a team** Learn the knots needed to assemble the raft
- ▶ **before deploying them in a controlled water body** Test your rafts for strength and stability

▶ **Groove to favourite tunes at a musical bonfire night** creating unforgettable memories to close the day

▶ **Dinner and overnight stay in Munnar**



Kochi is renowned for its spice plantations — offering a fascinating glimpse into Kerala's rich agricultural heritage. These plantations showcase cardamom, pepper, cinnamon, cloves, vanilla, and nutmeg thriving in fertile tropical soil.





- ▶ **Summative reflection and gratitude session:** write notes for peers and facilitators as you reflect on learnings and fond memories from this Edutour
- ▶ **Transfer back to Kochi Airport (5 hrs)**
 - ▷ **learn about the importance of cinnamon, vanilla, nutmeg, and pepper to local livelihoods and global trade** Visit a spice plantation en route Kochi:
- ▶ **Begin your journey back home** with memories of breathtaking landscapes, tea garden explorations, thrilling adventures, and a deep connection with Kerala's natural wonders

Travel & Accommodation Details

Transport <ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Private AC buses for all local transfers▶ Houseboat cruise on Day 1 (Kochi backwaters)▶ Flight: Bengaluru → Kochi (IndiGo / Air India)	Accommodation <ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Night 1: Hotel in Kochi▶ Nights 2–4: Hotel in Munnar▶ Safe, comfortable, and hygienic hotel partners▶ 3 - 4 students share a room
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