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GODS OWN BACKWATER JOURNEY

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Day 1: Arrival in Cochin
Colonial Charm & Culture

Morning: Arrive at Cochin International Airport. Meet your driver and transfer to your hotel in Fort Kochi.
Afternoon: Explore Fort Kochi's colonial landmarks — the Chinese Fishing Nets, St. Francis Church, and Santa Cruz Basilica.
Evening: Stroll through Princess Street for art galleries and cafés. Attend a Kathakali dance performance at the Kerala Kathakali Centre.

Day 2: Cochin
Heritage & Spice

Morning: Visit the Mattancherry Palace (Dutch Palace) and Jew Town, home to the Paradesi Synagogue and antique shops.
Afternoon: Take a harbor cruise to see Cochin's skyline and shipping channels.
Evening: Relax at a waterfront café or enjoy a sunset walk along the promenade.

Day 3: Cochin to Marari
(Approx. 1.5 hours drive)

Morning: Drive to Marari Beach, a peaceful fishing village near Alleppey. Check into your beach resort.
Afternoon: Relax by the sea or take a bicycle ride through coconut groves and local villages.
Evening: Enjoy a sunset yoga session or Ayurvedic massage at your resort

Day 4: Marari – Leisure
Local Life

Morning Jeep Safari: Explore Nagar Hole National Park — home to elephants, tigers, and rich birdlife.
Breakfast by the River: Enjoy a serene riverside meal.
Afternoon: Visit a local tribal hamlet to learn about their crafts and customs.
Evening: Optional boat safari on the Kabini River for sunset views.

Day 5: Marari to Alleppey (Approx. 1 hour drive)
Backwater Houseboat Stay

Morning: Drive to Alleppey and board your private houseboat for an overnight cruise through Kerala's backwaters.
Afternoon: Glide past palm-fringed canals, paddy fields, and village life. Enjoy freshly cooked meals on board.
Evening: Anchor in a quiet backwater stretch and watch the sunset over the water.

Day 6: Alleppey to Kumarakom (Approx. 1.5 hours drive)

Morning: Disembark from your houseboat after breakfast and drive to Kumarakom, a tranquil backwater village on Vembanad Lake.
Afternoon: Check into your lakeside resort. Visit the Kumarakom Bird Sanctuary, home to herons, egrets, and migratory birds.
Evening: Enjoy a canoe ride at sunset through the narrow canals. Dinner at your resort overlooking the lake.

Day 7: Kumarakom
Relaxation & Ayurveda

Morning: Begin your day with a yoga or meditation session by the lake.
Afternoon: Visit a local toddy shop (for those curious about Kerala's traditional palm wine) or enjoy an Ayurvedic spa treatment.
Evening: Relax with a book or take a gentle boat ride before your final dinner in Kerala.

Day 8: Departure (Approx. 1 hour drive)

Morning: After breakfast, transfer to Cochin International Airport (approx. 1.5 hours) for your onward flight.

Day 6: Mysore Heritage
Return to Bangalore

Chamundi Hills: Visit the Chamundeshwari Temple and enjoy panoramic city views.
Jaganmohan Palace Art Gallery: Admire traditional Mysore paintings and royal-era art.
Drive Back to Bangalore: Evening drop-off at Kempe Gowda International Airport.