

Terms & Conditions for Remarkable Kerala small group tour, March 2 - 13, 2025

Prices / services do not include the following:

- Visa fees
- International air fare and airport taxes
- Movie camera charges at monuments and national parks,
- Any items of a personal nature
- Additional expenses resulting from the delay or extension of a trip due to weather, flight cancellations, political disputes, sickness or other causes beyond our reasonable control
- Lunches and dinners, which are usually not included in the tour unless explicitly noted such as at wildlife lodges. Wherever meals are included, it will be mentioned in the tour proposal

Deposits/Booking: A minimum deposit of 50% of the total tour cost is required at the time of booking.

- \$2,050 USD per person required to book twin sharing room
- \$3,100 USD required to book single occupancy room

The balance is payable by January 1, 2025.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The Remarkable Kerala Tour requires a minimum of 6 people booked to run the tour. If we do not have 6 people booked by November 3, 2024 we will completely refund your money 100%. Please do not book your international air tickets until we advise you that there are 6 people booked.

Cancellations/Refunds: If you cancel 60 days or more prior to the departure date, we offer a 100% refund minus 25% of the deposit (\$512.50 USD / \$775).

Within 60 days before departure, we do not offer any refund. Note: All cancellations should always be sent by email.

There is never any refund for wildlife safaris from government authorities. In the case of luxury train tours and cruises, packages, airfares, etc. the cancellation policy of the railway authorities or concerned departments / companies / airlines will apply. Transaction charges will be paid by the client or foreign tour operator.

If the Indian government SUSPENDS international travel from your country to India, we will offer a credit for the value of the trip and there will be 0% cancellation charges. You must use the credit within 12 months from the date of issue.

Insurance: Travel insurance is mandatory and we will ask for proof of insurance.

Tipping: Tipping your driver and guide at the end of the day / trip is normal but entirely at your discretion. If you are happy with the services you can tip. However, tipping is never included in the tour cost.

Changes in Tour Plan: India is a vast, diverse, chaotic, and intense country. At times there are situations where flights and trains are delayed, cancelled or rescheduled due to bad weather and other problems. Under such conditions, we always try to find the best solution possible, with your consent. It is to be noted that though we try our best we do not commit any refunds whatsoever for unutilized services due to unforeseeable reasons that are not within our control.

If for whatever reason you decide to change the tour plan while on the tour, no refunds or adjustments are possible in most cases. We will do our best, but please understand we will not be able to get refunds from our pre-paid suppliers (hotels, airlines, India Railways, etc.). At the same time, if because of any of the reasons mentioned above we need to buy new air tickets and book hotels or make any new arrangements, the same will be charged as applicable and payable by you.

Arrangements: Tour quotations are usually in USD (US\$). They include

planning, handling expenses, operational charges, and all government taxes, etc. and are based on the current rate of exchange and tariffs. These are subject to change depending on international currency fluctuations, fuel surcharges, and/or inflation before the tour is confirmed. Once a tour price is finalized and your deposit is paid, there will be no change in price.

Limitation of Liability: India for Beginners acts only as agents for hotels, transportation companies, land operators, and suppliers of travel services (railways and airlines) and assumes no liability in connection with the operation or service of any transportation, vehicle or hotel which may be used for services to India for Beginners guests. India for Beginners and its operators and agents will assume no liability for injury, damage, loss, accident, delay, irregularity or additional costs resulting directly or indirectly from any of the following causes: weather, failure of any means of transportation to adhere to schedules, quarantines, strikes, civil disturbances, theft, government regulations, or changes in transport and lodging beyond our reasonable control. India for Beginners reserves the right to change any itinerary at any time when it is deemed advisory for the safety of the guest or the group or to comply with government restrictions.

Assumption of Risk & Release of Liability: By booking a tour with India for Beginners, you acknowledge the risk and hazards of travel in India. You also accept the responsibility for your own welfare and waive future claims against India for Beginners for liability to the maximum extent permitted by law. You understand that India for Beginners contracts with a network of operators in India, Sri Lanka, Bhutan & Nepal through affiliate tour operators. These third-party service providers are deemed qualified and experienced to the best of the company's (India for Beginners) knowledge. Therefore, you fully release and hold harmless India for Beginners from any and all liability for all their acts or omissions. You agree that this Assumption of Risk and Release of Liability statement shall be legally binding upon yourself, all minors under the age of 21 travelling with you, your heirs, successors, and legal representatives. You further agree to fully indemnify India for Beginners from all and any liabilities to the maximum extent permitted by law and for all its costs, expenses, damages, etc. (including attorney's fees) arising from or attributable to any claims or actions arising from your travel with India for Beginners and which claims or actions are specifically released by you in this document.

Footnote: Booking a tour with us suggests that all of us understand and accept the above. We hope you understand that hotels, flights, trains, etc.

have stringent cancellation rules that we need to follow to be in business with them and maintain a sound track record. We always try to be very fair and to put customer service first.

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