

THE HOUSE BOAT SERVICE ADVENTURE!

- Learn about Indian Culture
- Experience House Boat Living
- Community Education Service
- Baot around Vembanand Lake
- Enjoy and Experience a Festival

Experiential Pathways



DAY 01 - WELCOME TO INDIA!

Welcome to New Delhi! to meet your trip leaders eagerly awaiting your arrival. Once everyone collects their baggage, and head straight to your hotel with a formal welcome from our local staff and an overview of the week to come.

DAY 02 - EXPERIENCE HOUSEBOAT LIVING

Catch a flight from Delhi to Cochin, then head directly to Alleppey where you will settle into a traditional Ketuvallam houseboat. While cruising in the houseboat design your lesson plans with help from local staff to make them as fun and impactful as possible for the rest of the week.

DAY 03 - EDUCATION SERVICE

Continue your service at the nearby school, splitting your time between teaching and working on a small construction project designed with the school. Take a dip in the peaceful Kerala backwaters right off the deck of your mobile boat home!

DAY 04 - SWIMMING AND SERVICE

Head back to the school for another morning of service and then visit the Santhwan Home to continue the interactions and activities from the previous day. In the evening, take an (optional) trip to the beach for swimming or camel rides!.

DAY 05 - PADDLE ON VEMBANAND LAKE

After another morning of service at the school visit Santhi Bhawan, a home for the elderly. Spend time with the residents, help build a vegetable garden, and harvest tapioca. In the evening, paddle in traditional country boats through the secluded waterways of Vembanand Lake. Pass by small villages and see how village life is attuned to the waterways of this area.

DAY 06 & 07 - EXPERIENCE A FESTIVAL AND AYURVEDA

Focus on cultural immersion these two days. Participate in an Onam festival that welcomes the Gods to Kerala. Create beautiful patterns from freshly picked flowers on the deck of your boat, dress in traditional Indian clothing, and have a huge feast on banana leaves as you dive into the local culture. You'll also have the chance to get a massage in the birthplace of the Ayurveda massage. In the evening, enjoy your last sunset cruise through Kerala's backwater canals, lakes, and rivers.

DAY 08 - NAMASTE, INDIA! YOUR PERSONAL

We genuinely hope your time spent here, the experiences you've shared, and the things you've reflected on will stay with you for a lifetime. After some final group photos with Team India, your Program Leaders will take you to the airport for your departure as you say goodbye and reflect on your adventure.