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14) ENHANCING TAMILNADU WITH TIRUPATHI SPECIAL

Duration: 12 Days / 11 Nights

Destinations: Chennai – Tirupathi - Vellore -Kanchipuram –Tiruvannamalai - Pondicherry - Chidambaram - Kumbakonam – Tanjore – Madurai - Kanyakumari - Kodaikanal – Palani – Trichy – Chennai

Overview:

South India destination is the great way to explore Magnificent Nature, Beaches & Hill stations and it uncover the Rich Cultural Heritage. The Leading tourist destinations of India offering choices to discerning leisure Traveller, Heritage Explorer, Adventure Traveler, Honeymooner etc.

Trip Highlights:

Visit world second longest Marina Beach and Temples

Have Darshan in Richest Tirumala Balaji Temple

Darshan at t Sri Kanchi Kamakshi Amman Temple in Kanchipuram

Explore French enclave and pleasant walk in beach at Pondicherry

Darshan at Big Temple UNESCO World Heritage Sites Tanjore

Have Darshan at the well-known temple of Madurai-Meenakshi Amman Temple.

Visit Coacker's Walk which provides very picturesque view of the plains

Have Darshan in Rockfort Temple and Srirangam Temple at Trichy

Tour Itinerary:

Day01: Chennai

Arrive at Chennai Airport meet our representatives and Chennai, the gateway to southern India established in 1639 by the East India Company is one of the oldest cities of the country. After lunch, we take you for a half day sightseeing of Chennai by visiting to Marina Beach, Anna Memorial, M.G.R. Memorial, Valluvar Kottam and Mylapore Kabaleeswarar Temple. Overnight stay is at Chennai.

Day02: Chennai (Approx 146Km/2.5hr) - Tirupathi

After breakfast drive to Tirupathi Sri Venkateswara Temple, the ancient and sacred temple located on the seventh peak called Venkatachala of the Tirupathi Hill and lies on the Southern banks of Sri Swami Pushkarin River. On arrival check in to the hotel, if possible you have nice Dharsan on same day or next day. Overnight stay is at Tirupathi.

Day03: Tirupathi (Approx 38Km/0.6hr) – Kalahasti (Approx 125Km/2hr) - Kanchipuram

After breakfast drive to Sri Kalahasti Temple which is one of the five elements of lord Siva in the form the Air and later proceed to Kanchipuram visit Kamakshi Amman Temple - This temple is dedicated to Goddess Parvati in the form of Kamakshi or the goddess of Love. The main shrine in the inner sanctum of this temple can be reached by passing through a large hall (Mandapam) with decorated pillars. Ekambareswar Temple, dedicated to God Siva is one of the largest temples of Kanchipuram, Kailasanathar temple is the oldest and the most beautiful temple of Kanchipuram. Overnight stay is at Kanchipuram.

**Day05: Kanchipuram (Approx 74Km/1.2hr) - Vellore (Approx 78Km/1.2hr) -
Thiruvannamalai (Approx 103Km/1.7hr) - Pondicherry**

After breakfast drive to Vellore Golden Temple, a temple with Gold covering has intricate carvings and sculptures in gold and later proceed to Thiruvannamalai and visit to Annamalai Eswarer Temple dedicated to Lord Siva. Thiruvannamalai has been the abode of Siddhars. The earth is formed by five basic elements namely land, water, fire, air and ether. Our ancestors called them "Pancha Boothas" and associated them with five sacred places for worshipping Lord Siva. The center of these five elements fire is identified with Thiruvannamalai and later proceed to Pondicherry, the capital of the French colonies in India since the 17th century. Later take a sightseeing tour of Pondicherry visiting the Aurobindo Ashram, which has been a seat of learning and Vedic cultures since ancient times proceed to Auroville, the planned city of Dawn of the new world. Overnight stay is at Pondicherry.

Day05: Pondicherry (Approx 74Km/1.2hr) – Chidambaram – Vaitheeswaran Kovil (Approx 45Km/0.8hr) - Kumbakonam

After breakfast drive to Chidambaram called as Thillai, is known as Nataraj Temple a Cosmic Dancer which has the famous Nataraja temple with the root of the sanctum and it is one the PanchaBoothaSthala, dedicated Lord Siva. This is one of the very few temples where Lord Siva and Lord Vishnu are enshrined under one roof. And also visit Vaitheeswaran Koil and later proceed to Kumbakonam and visit Navagraha Temple. Overnight stay is at Kumbakonam.

Day06: Kumbakonam (Approx 8Km/10Min)- Swamimalai (Approx 35Km/0.5Km) - Tanjore

After breakfast drive to Swamimalai Murugan temple which one of the Six abode of lord Muruga, then drive to Tanjore which has been the chief political literacy and religious center of South India. The famous world Heritage monument one of the most famous land Marks of Tanjore is the Bragatheeswarar Temple, a built in at the beginning of the 12th century by the greatest Chola emperor Raja Raja Chola King with its lush green stretches of cultivated lands and later visit Saraswathi Mahal Library. Overnight stay is at Tanjore.

Day07: Tanjore - Pillayarpatti (Approx 100Km/1.6hr) - Madurai

After breakfast drive to Pillayarpatti and visit Karpaga Vinayagar Temple and then drive to Madurai which is known as the Nectar city of Tamilnadu and is the oldest city in Tamilnadu and after refreshment drive to visit Meenakshi Amman Temple, dominates the city evolved around it. The temple is mainly dedicated to Goddess Meenakshi and also to Lord Shiva known as Sundhareswarar. Later visit to Thiruparakundram temple this temple dedicated Lord Muruga which one of the six abode of Lord Muruga. Overnight stay is at Madurai.

Day08: Madurai -Kanyakumari (Approx 4hr/ 250km)

After breakfast drive to Kanyakumari which is formerly known as "Cape Comorin". Kanyakumari Beach has spectacular stretches of sands and the amazing sunrise and sunset views are the reasons enough to draw tourists. Later visit Kanya Devi Amman Temple which is located on the seashore in the youthful form of the primeval energy is dedicated to Goddess Paarvati and Vivekananda Rock, Gandhi Mandapam, Tiruvalluvar Statue. Overnight stay is at Kanyakumari.

Day09: Kanyakumari - Kodaikanal (Approx 6hr/ 350km)

After breakfast drive to Kodaikanal is situated over 7,000 feet in the Western Ghats the beautiful and spoilt will station of Tamilnadu. And later have local tour in Kodaikanal by visiting to Lake by boating, Garden Pillar Rock, Green valley view, Coakers Walk, Byrant Park. Overnight stay is at Kodaikanal.

Day10: Kodaikanal (Approx 134Km/2.3hr) - Palani (Approx 50Km/1hr) - Trichy

After breakfast drive to Palani which is one of the most important shrines of Lord Muruga. The temple is on top of a hillock and can be reached by 690 steps. This is one of the six abode of Lord Muruga. After dharsan drive to Trichy situated on the banks of Kaveri River is a blend of history and tradition as well as pilgrim centre. It is famous for Ranganath temple at Srirangam and Rock Fort and its temple at a height of over 83mts. Overnight stay is at Trichy.

Day11: Trichy (Approx 325Km/6hr) – Chennai

After breakfast proceed to Samayapuram MariAmman Temple and drive to Chennai enroute visit Melmaruvathur Adhi Parasakthi temple, dedicated to Goddess Parvati and later proceed to Chennai and have free for Shopping. Overnight stay is at Chennai.

Day12: Chennai

After breakfast, check out from the hotel and transfer to the airport. Leave our country carrying with you magical memories of our tour.

Quotation for 12Days/ 11Nights Enhancing Tamilnadu with Tirupathi Special Tour

No of Pax	2 Pax	4 Pax	6 - 8 Pax
Mode of Transport	Etios	Innova	Tempo Traveler
Tour Cost per Person	SGD 920/-	SGD 740/-	SGD 675/-

PACKAGE INCLUDES:

Hotel accommodation

Daily Breakfast

Transportation

TRANSPORTATION DETAILS:

All transfers and sightseeing by Air-condition Transport as per the itinerary.

Vehicle will be provide as per group size on sharing basis and Vehicle type cannot be confirmed till at the time of booking.

All toll, tax, parking, Driver Allowance & fuel cost all taxes.

Guests have to coordinate with the driver and guide, to leave the hotel on time so as to ensure that the sightseeing locations have reached on time.

HOTEL DETAILS:

The Hotels used are First Class Hotel ranging in the 3 Star Category.

Hotel accommodation is on Double Sharing Basis.

Daily buffet breakfasts at hotels.

The Hotels are subject to availability. In case of unavailability in the mentioned Hotels, alternate accommodation will be arranged in a similar category Hotel.

Standard Check-in at 12.00 Noon & Check-out at 09.00 AM. But for some Hotels, Check-in & Check-out at 10.00, 11.00 AM or 12.00 or 01.00 Noon it depends upon the Hotel rule. Kindly coordinate.

Non AC Rooms are provided in Hill Stations due to low temperature.

PACKAGE EXCLUDES:

Any Meals not mentioned in the itinerary.

Any entry fees for Monuments, Tourist Places, Temple, Monasteries, Gardens, Plantation, Park, Sanctuary, Forest, Rides, Safaris, Boating, Rafting, Skiing, Skating, Cable Car / Ropeway Rides, Helicopter Rides, additional sightseeing tours/ excursions not included in the itinerary.

Porter age at Hotels and Airports, Insurance, Tips, Guides, Room Service, Laundry, Mineral Water, Alcoholic or Non Alcoholic Beverages, Phone Calls, Room Heaters, Video Camera, Personal Nature viz etc.

Expenses caused by factors beyond our control like rail and flight delays, roadblocks, and vehicle mal-functions, political disturbances, strike etc

Air, Rail or Surface fare from / to your originating city of stay, unless specified.

Any item not specifically mentioned in "Inclusions" column.

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

The applicable rate of exchange for initial payment/ booking amount shall be determined by the prevailing rate on the date/ day of booking and balance payment will be charged as per the prevailing rates on that particular day

Any increase in the rate of exchange leading to increase in surface transportation and land arrangements which may come into effect prior to departure.

The tour price mentioned is applicable if there are more than 10 adult passengers travelling together on the tour. If there are less than 10 adult passengers on the tour, then a FIT supplement will be applicable.

It is mandatory to carry a valid photo identity card (Passport / Driving License / Voter ID card).

NOTES:

All sightseeing is subject to weather political conditions in the destination.

Do carry comfortable walking shoes and dresses.

Shopping would be on your own arrangements.

There will be peak season hike of minimum 20% from December 10 to January 15.

There will be a hike of minimum 10% in some of the hotels during the festival seasons.

Xmas and New Year supplement charges would be charged additional on actual.

Special dress code for all Temples: As per the dress code men have been advised to wear dhoti, shirt, pyjama or pant and shirt. Women and girls were advised to wear sari or churidar or half-sari.

Children: any fully-covered dress. Devotees wearing lungi, shorts, jeans, tight-leggings and any modern dresses should not be worn or taken inside the temple.

BOOKING POLICY

Deposit of 10% of the tour cost, if the booking is made before 30 days from the date of departure.

Deposit of 25% of the tour cost, if the booking is made between 16 to 30 days from the date of departure.

Deposit of 75% of the tour cost, if the booking is made between 8 to 15 days from the date of departure.

100% of the holiday cost if the booking is made between within 7 days from the date of departure.

CANCELATION POLICY:

16 to 30 days from the date of departure, 25% of the cost of the holiday.

8 to 15 days from the date of departure, 75% of the cost of the holiday.

7 days or less from the date of departure, 100% of the cost of the holiday.

PAYMENT POLICY:

Full Payment is required before the commencement of the Tour services in our bank