Spices of India tour with Craig Minielly

A holiday to remember!

12 nights/13 days

Mumbai /Mahabalipuram / Pondicherry / Tanjore / Madurai / Munnar / Houseboat / Cochin

Fairy Tale India is a boutique travel company. We specialise in providing exceptional travel experiences in 'Incredible India'. Our focus is to allow guests to explore the cultural diversity of India. The hotels we use are 4/5 star luxury hotels, many of which are old palaces. We ensure a high level of luxury, comfort and efficiency for our travelers.

"Essence of South India" tour usually is in the region of 12 – 15 days. This duration gives you the chance to taste the flavor of south of India, taking in the sights, tastes and smells of this varied nation.
Craig Minielly

A Nikon Ambassador, Craig was first published at the age of thirteen, starting his career when he was hired into the press realm two years later. He’s always pursued the storytelling image and since been published worldwide in the fields of editorial, advertising, and corporate assignments.

With a passion for travel, light styling and a flair for on-location and underwater opportunities, his image creations are a combination of diverse influences from the editorial team he started with, the commercial industry he thrived in, and the portrait culture he has always been a part of.

An avid sailor on his 40’ Bavaria and scuba diver any chance he can, he’s always been a fresh air enthusiast and travel hound for any destination past the horizon.

As a featured presenter to events across Canada, the US & Internationally, he has a long list of credentials including multiple Photographer of the Year Awards, Association Masters degrees, the Yousuf Karsh Lifetime Achievement Award and is a member of The Explorer Club.

Some Travel Highlights

* Dhobi Ghat in Mumbai
* Slums in Mumbai
* Temple in Mahabalupuram
* Pondicherry Stay
* Visit to Trichy
* Meenakshi temple Madurai
* Tea / Coffee plantation Munnar
* Stay on houseboat
* Chinese fishing nets cochin
01 Day – Arrive / Mumbai
Meeting & assistance on arrival at Mumbai International airport by our Travel director and transfer to hotel The Lalit Mumbai, you all can together or with different flights as per your convenience
Just relax this afternoon after such a long flight and get well equated with local atmosphere.
Dinner & Overnight at hotel The Lalit, Mumbai 5*

02 Day – Mumbai
After breakfast embark of Full day sightseeing of Mumbai, have you ever thought of a washing tour that would take you inside the world's largest open Air Laundry Welcome to the Dhobi Ghat – The Open Air Laundry. As the name suggests you will have a wonderful opportunity to see the dhobi Ghat from inside and understand some incredible facts about this washing place.
Lunch at Local restaurant
Visit to India Gateway of India and some slum area to experience other side of society in Mumbai.
Dinner & Overnight at hotel The Lalit, Mumbai 5*

03 Mumbai / Chennai by flight – 1030/1215 hrs - Chennai / Mahabalipuram – 1.30 Hrs Drive
After breakfast, in time transfer to airport to board Chennai flight, meeting & assistance on arrival and drive to Mahabalipuram. On arrival check in hotel Radisson -5*
Afternoon visit to temples, visit to Varaha Cave, Shore Temple in Mahabalipuram
Dinner & Overnight at Hotel Radisson blue resort temple bay, Mahabalipuram 5*

04 Day – Mahabalipuram / Pondicherry - 2 Hrs drive
After breakfast Enjoy the beach and later drive to Pondicherry, which carries a strong whiff of the French presence in India. This erstwhile French colony on the east coast of South India merged with the rest of the country in 1954. Legend says that Pondicherry is the place where St. Agasthaya
settled down on arrival check in at beautiful luxury boutique hotel De L’Orient, Pondicherry – Luxury Boutique
Afternoon visit to Auroville and town…. Explore the city and relax on beach side
Dinner & Overnight at hotel De L’Orient, Pondicherry – Luxury Boutique

05 Day – Pondicherry / Tanjore (Thanjavur) – 4 hrs Drive
After breakfast drive to Tanjore, on arrival check in hotel Ideal River View
Tanjore once the capital of Chola Kings, has the Brahadeswara temple(or the big temple of God). The temple tower rises to a height of 15mts from a square base of 29 mts and then tapers off, making a total of 66mts
Dinner & Overnight at hotel Ideal River View, Tanjore 4*

06 Day - Tanjore / Trichy / Tanjore
Same day trip to Trichy, Trichy, short name of Trichurapalli, 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
Dinner & Overnight at hotel Ideal River View, Tanjore 4*

07 Day - Tanjore / Madurai - 3 hrs Drive
After breakfast drive to Madurai, on arrival check in Hotel Taj Gateway. Afternoon city visit - ancient city of Madurai, some 2600 years old is laid out in the banks of river Vaigai as a lotus flower with the Meenakshi temple in the centre. After lunch city tour visiting - Meenakshi temple,
Dinner & Overnight at hotel Taj Gateway Pusumalai, Madurai 4*+

08 Day – Madurai / Munnar - 4 hrs drive
After breakfast drive to Munnar, enjoy the beautiful ride from planes to wester ghat mountains. On arrival check in beautiful resort, Blackberry hill resort
Spend your relaxing afternoon and evening here
Dinner & Overnight at Blackberry hill resort, Munnar 4*
09 Day – Munnar
After breakfast, proceed to Munnar tea/coffee gardens, Mountains (western ghat range)
Visit bazar
back to the hotel and relax in the evening or go to town
Dinner & Overnight at hotel Blackberry Hills Retreat, Munnar 4*

10 Day – Munnar / Kumarakom – 3.30 hrs drive
After breakfast drive to Kumarakom. Throughout the journey enjoy beautiful streams of small waterfalls, Rubber, Pepper cardamom and Tea plantations and thick forests; God has blessed his own country with incomparable beauty – to have everlasting memory of your stay in Kerala

At 12noon you going to board houseboat from Kumarakom jetty, this is going to be unique experience for you to sail in backwaters and spend overnight on houseboat. You’ll be served Lunch /Dinner & Breakfast on boat.
At sunset walk to small villages on backwaters
Overnight on Houseboat – Rainbow houseboat

11 Day – Houseboat
Just spend your whole day on house boat .. middle of the backwaters of Kerala, away from hassle bustle
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12 Day – Alleppy / Cochin – 1.30 hrs drive
After breakfast on houseboat you’ll get off at Alleppy Jetty at 9 am and drive to Cochin
On arrival check in hotel ler Meridien
Afternoon visit to old city, followed by sunset visit to Chinese fishing nets

Dinner & Overnight at hotel le meridian, Cochin 5*

13 Day – Cochin / Home Country
After breakfast in time transfer to airport to board home country flight with unforgettable memories of Fairy Tale India
**PRICES**

Cost on twin sharing - CAD 4490 per person (Till 1st April’18)
- CAD 4990 per person (After 1st April’18)

Single room Supplement - CAD 1100 per Single

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**Prices include the following: -**

**Accommodation** - 12 Nights accommodation on Bed & Breakfast basis at above hotels except one night on houseboat will be on Full board (Breakfast + Lunch + Dinner)

**Meals** – all meals (Breakfast + Lunch + Dinner) from Lunch on 01 Day to breakfast on 13 Day. Most of the time Dinners are at hotels where you staying and Lunches in local restaurants

**Essence of Fairy India activities**
- English speaking accompanying Travel director from on arrival in Mumbai to till departure in Cochin
- Monument entrances as per itinerary
- Boat ride on Munnar Lake
- Park visit in Munnar
- All transfer’s & excursion’s by A/C Tempo Traveler (9 Sitter)
- All Govt Taxes

**Cost does not include -**

Visa Charges, Travel Insurance
International flight
Items of personal nature- such as laundry, telephone bills, tips to room boys, drivers, guides etc
Any other expenses not specifically mentioned the itinerary

**Terms & Condition –**

- 50% of the total tour cost to be paid at the time of confirmation / booking, balance 50% two months before travel
- Payment & cancellation terms may change based on supplier terms & Conditions
- All hotel bookings are subject to availability at the time of confirmation
- For cancellations & refunds of any bookings, conditions apply
Cancellation Charges
- 4 months before the tour = 5%
- 2 months before the tour = 15%
- 1 month before the tour = 25%
- 15 days before the tour = 50%

HOTEL ENVISAGED

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To register your trip

*we accept payment through bank transfer, please find the details as follows –

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