

# VS-004-A traditional Bungalow on a Lake in Kerala



This is a beautiful traditionally built bungalow surrounded by the vast Vembanad lake on all three sides. Behind the house, there are paddy fields and natural tropical gardens, charming villages and beautiful old temples. From the sit out in front of the house you will have a breath-taking view of the lake spread out in all its glory.



A stay here will give you a taste of heaven, for this place is indeed an exquisite Piece of property in God's own country, Kerala. Besides providing you with an utterly comfortable stay, it will give you a chance to go through the beauty, the authentic Kerala lifestyle, ethnic food and of course the natural Kerala village life. It is indeed a special place and a perfect holiday spot.

### **ABOUT VEMBANAD LAKE**



Vembanad Lake is at the heart of Kerala Backwaters tourism with hundreds of kettuvallams plied on it and numerous resorts on its banks. The Kumarakom Bird Sanctuary is located on the east coast of the lake.

Known for its captivating beauty and calm waters, Vembanad Lake is gradually making its way to the list of prime tourist attractions in Kerala. ... Cruises amidst the tranquil waters in luxurious houseboats is one of the

most well-liked activities on the lake. The cruises range from those for a few hours to a few days.

Vembanad Wetland is hosting many of migratory birds in the season. In addition to this the fragile ecosystem carries more than 100 birds as native. It comes in the way of Central Asian flyway.

## **ROOMS IN THE HOMESTAY**



We have a total of four rooms at Vembanad House, all are conditioned rooms with big comfortable beds, large wardrobes, writing tables and chairs to accommodate a family.

The rooms have their own private sit outs facing the lake. The aesthetic sense of Kerala is displayed with lots of antique furniture and traditionally carved furniture, mostly made of teak and rose wood. There is a common drawing room and a common refrigerator. Room service is not available.

The ceilings are made of wood which gives a cooling effect to the rooms.



### **FAMILY ROOM**:



Family room consists one double plus one twin bed and a common bathroom.

### **DOUBLE ROOM:**



Two spacious and air-conditioned Double rooms, big comfortable bed with attached modern bathrooms, large wardrobes, writing tables and chairs.

### TWIN ROOM:



A spacious and air-conditioned twin room, big comfortable bed with attached modern bathrooms, large wardrobes, writing tables and chairs to accommodate two people.

#### **AMENITIES**

Free internet and wi-fi available and also a small library.

- We have a generator back up in case of an unexpected power shut down.
- We have a water purification plant and water from reverse osmosis plant, which is used for cooking. Bottled water is also available.
- We have a solar water heater for hot water purposes.

There are no televisions or telephones in the room.



### FOOD:

The food available is here is something to die for.



We serve authentic Kerala food on fixed menu basis. Breakfast lunch and dinner are available. We serve both vegetarian and non-vegetarian food. The meat and veggies are procured from the local markets and our own organic farms in the property itself. Authentic Kerala food using coconut and spices which are stone ground will indeed be a treat for your taste buds and will leave you tingling and drooling for more.

And the show stopper will be meals served on banana leaves in our open dining space, hot rice and tempting curries along with both veg and non veg accessories. Fish (karimeen) that's is pearl spot fish, jumbo prawns, shell fish, and crabs from our lake will adorn the table and menu.



## **ACTIVITIES AROUND THE HOMESTAY:**



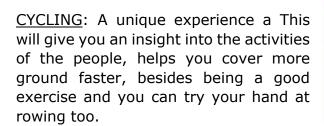
<u>CRUISES</u>: Cruises every evening are arranged in local boats to catch the glorious sunset and if you are lucky, you may even catch the moon rise. The evening sounds, sights and smells create a soothing experience.

<u>SWIMMING</u>: The wide calm lake invites you to swim in its waters- very refreshing!





<u>CANAL CRUISE</u>: A canal leading from the lake snakes its way around the premises of the House and can be navigated by small boats.







SPIRITUALITY: There are in numerous temples around the property and some functions or festivals are always being celebrated, thus giving you a chance to know more about the religious aspect of the land. The soft glowing oil lamps in the fading sunlight accompanied by chanting or the sounds of temple drums will have a calming effect on you.



<u>VILLAGE WALK & FOOD</u>: This is an ideal place to know about the native village life of Kerala. Their occupation, the simple lifestyles of the villagers, the simplicity of their homes their food will indeed be eye openers.

<u>BIRD WATCHING</u>: The abundance of Nature with all its greenery, thick lush foliage invites innumerable kinds of birds such as woodpeckers, sparrows' egrets, etc., indeed a bird lovers paradise.



### **GETTING HERE:**

From Nedumbassery airport Kochi, it is about 65 kms.

From Thiruvanthapuram airport, it is about 175 kms.

From the airport, our property is accessible by road, and the journey down gives you a sneak preview of nature's beauty and abundance.

Travel arrangements by road from the airport to the house can be arranged on request, at an additional cost.

## **DISTANCES TO NEARBY TOWNS:**

Fort kochi: 51 km, Alleppey town: 10 km, Thekkady: 150 km, Munnar: 148 km

Kumarakom: 24 km, Kovalam: 171 km, Varkala: 123 km.

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