

Wedged between a palm-fringed Arabian Sea on the west and the panoramic Western Ghats on the east, Kerala boasts of 11,270 sq km of forests. A must-see destination, Kerala is home to the exotic and the alluring, blending tradition with modernity. In 2008 alone, 5,98,929 foreign tourists and 75,91,250 domestic tourists visited the state. The Kerala Forests and Wildlife Department welcomes tourists to its 36 eco-tourism destinations. Many of them are managed by tribal communities under a Participatory Forest Management Programme. The mystique of the rain forest, the rich wealth of wildlife, impressive waterfalls and a sumptuous tribal cuisine thrill travellers in this Land of Gods.



Nestled in the Western Ghats, the Eravikulam National Park in Idukki district is home to the Nilgiri Tahr. A hundred kilometres to the south, the Periyar Tiger Reserve is the abode of the majestic Indian Tiger. The Parambikkulam Wildlife Sanctuary boasts of the Gaur and the Elephant, big attractions to wildlife enthusiasts and tourists alike.

In misty Munnar is the Kurinjimala Sanctuary, where Kurinji flowers bloom once in 12 years, offering a brilliant feast for the eyes. Thenmala, in the vicinity of the Shendurney Wildlife Sanctuary, is another eco-tourism draw.



Celebrating its silver jubilee, the Silent Valley National Park in Palakkad district is a rich repository of natural wealth. The rain forest is home to several endangered species, such as the Lion-Tailed Macaque and the orchid Malabar Daffodil (*Ipsea malabarica*), to name two.



Our eco-tourism centres offer attractive packages for tourists - adventure hiking, elephant trails, tree-top stays, birdwatching, bamboo rafting, night camps in the jungle to name a few.



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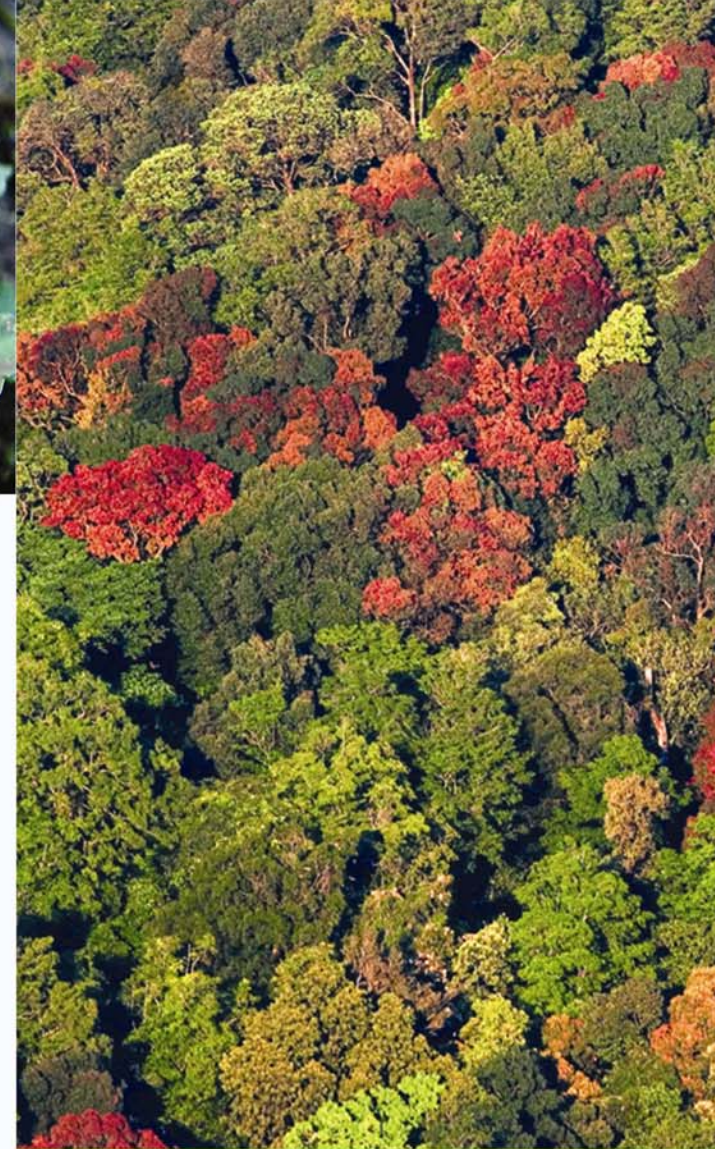
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