

Day Cruise

A six hour Day cruise in Houseboat through Alleppey Backwaters is also popular and tourists get to enjoy the unique sights and sounds of Kerala and core village life. These trips commence at around 11 a.m. and are over by 5 p.m. Traditional Kerala lunch is offered on the Houseboats. More than 500 Houseboats are plying in the Kerala Backwaters.



A unique one day tour of Kerala Backwaters starting from Kollam and reaching Alleppey and vice versa is also being organized by District Tourism Promotion Councils (DTPC) of both Kollam and Alleppey. This eight hour trip takes tourists to Karumadikuttan Buddha idol, Kumarakody, Matha Amrithanandamayi Madom, Alumkadavu and Kayamkulam Lake.

Security of River Cruise Vessels

Safety and security of River Cruise Vessels and tourists, domestic or foreign, is the responsibility of the concerned State Governments. Government of Bihar have recently notified five River Thanas (River Police Stations) and will be setting up twenty three more River Police Stations in due course covering the entire area of Ganga from Farakka to Ballia in Uttar Pradesh.

In West Bengal, the river police having jurisdiction of Hooghly river from Konnagar to Budge Budge patrols the area with two launches, one speed boat and 34 police personnel. However, outside the city limits of Kolkata, river policing is an additional duty of the Police Station and they neither have additional manpower nor equipment. Similar is the case in Uttar Pradesh, Assam and Kerala.

However, it is learnt that some State Authorities have provided on-board security to River Cruise operators upon payment of requisite fees.



Snake Boat Race