

## Transportation Guide

### Transportation Cards

**Kochi1 Card:** Integrated payment solution for Metro, Water Metro, and bus services. Available at all metro stations and major terminals for seamless connectivity across the city.

### Aluva - Your Gateway Hub

Aluva serves as the primary connectivity hub, offering direct access to both Kochi and Fort Kochi through multiple transport modes.

**Aluva Metro Station:** Starting point of the comprehensive Kochi Metro network, connecting to the entire metropolitan area with efficient rail services.

## Route Options

### From Aluva to Kochi

**Kochi Metro:** Comprehensive rail network spanning 25 stations across 28.125 km

- Key Stations:** Kalamassery, Edappally, Kaloor, M.G Road, Ernakulam South
- Operating Hours:** 6:00 AM - 10:00 PM
- Frequency:** Every 5-7 minutes during peak hours

### From Aluva to Fort Kochi

#### Multiple Route Options:

- Metro + Water Metro:** Aluva → Vytilla Metro → Water Metro to High Court → Fort Kochi
- Metro + Ferry:** Aluva → M.G. Road Metro → Walk to Ernakulam Jetty → Ferry to Fort Kochi
- Direct Bus:** From Aluva bus stand **Duration: 1.5-2 hours**

### Between Fort Kochi & Kochi

**Water Metro:** India's pioneering water metro system featuring 75+ electric boats

- Route:** High Court to Ernakulam South
- Operating Hours:** 7:00 AM - 7:30 PM
- Frequency:** Every 15-20 minutes
- Traditional Ferry Services:** Ernakulam Jetty to Fort Kochi
- Frequency:** Every 30 minutes
- Operating Hours:** 6:00 AM - 9:30 PM

## Cultural Events

- Kochi-Muziris Biennale:** International art festival held biennially, attracting 250,000+ visitors from around the world
- Cochin Carnival:** Vibrant cultural celebration during December-January period

## Kochi (Ernakulam)

### Dining Experiences

Restaurant	Cuisine Type	Specialties & Comments	Hours	Distance
Grand Restaurant	Traditional	Historic establishment, institutional quality	12:00 PM - 11:00 PM	0.5 km
Couchyn (Grand Hotel)	Bar/Restaurant	Premium bar with quality food offerings	6:00 PM - 12:00 AM	0.5 km
Karthiyani	Fish Curry Meals	Golden Clove Five-Star Rating winner 2025	11:00 AM - 10:00 PM	1.2 km
Arippa	Kerala Cuisine	Authentic local flavors, multiple locations	11:00 AM - 11:00 PM	0.8 km
Netoor Kallu Shap	Toddy Shop/Seafood	Scenic waterfront location experience	11:00 AM - 10:00 PM	8 km
Madhuban	North Indian	Famous for exceptional lassi varieties	7:00 AM - 10:30 PM	1.8 km
Cocoa Tree	Continental	Quality European cuisine offerings	12:00 PM - 11:00 PM	1.2 km
Milano Ice Cream	Desserts	Original flagship outlet location	10:00 AM - 11:00 PM	0.8 km

### Attractions & Experiences

Attraction	Description	Operating Hours	Contact Information
Heritage Walk	Curated historical tour experience	By appointment	Binny Johann: +91 70421 49051
Marine Drive	Scenic 3km waterfront promenade	24 hours	Public access
Bolgatty Palace	KTDC heritage property with grounds	9:00 AM - 6:00 PM	KTDC Official
Hill Palace Museum	Royal museum with extensive grounds	9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Archaeological Department
Athirampilly Falls	Spectacular waterfall excursion	8:00 AM - 6:00 PM	60 km from city
The Mangrove Odyssey	Eco-tourism boat experience	6:00 AM - 6:00 PM	+91 8075351559   +91 7306868740
Kochi Water Metro	Sustainable urban water transport	7:00 AM - 7:30 PM	watermetro.co.in

## Fort Kochi

### Culinary Destinations

Restaurant	Cuisine Type	Distinctive Features
Fort House	Restaurant/Hotel	Stunning waterfront location with exceptional cuisine
Malabar Junction	Fine Dining	Boutique hotel setting with Portuguese courtyard ambience
Seagull	Seafood Specialist	Renowned for premium beef specialties
Tower Road Pizzeria	Italian Authentic	Wood-fired oven with scratch-made preparations
Loving Earth	Vegan Restaurant	Premier destination for plant-based cuisine
Oceanos	Seafood	Specializes in traditional spicy fish curry
Kashi Art Cafe	Cafe Culture	Artistic ambience with quality refreshments
French Toast	Breakfast Cafe	Exceptional pancakes and egg preparations

### Accommodation Options

Property	Category	Distinctive Characteristics	Contact Details
Delight Home Stay	Heritage Homestay	Pioneer homestay on historic Lila Cafe road	David: +91 98461 21421
Fort House Hotel	Boutique Hotel	Prime waterfront location with superior dining	g.co/kgs/otoU2Lr
Malabar House	Heritage Property	Luxury heritage experience with modern amenities	Premium booking required
Brunton Boatyard	Heritage Hotel	Historic maritime-themed luxury accommodation	Heritage collection property
Khoder House	Heritage Boutique	Restored Jewish heritage house with authentic character	Boutique reservations
Port Muziris	Luxury Heritage	Marriott Tribute Portfolio historic property	marriott.com

### Historic Attractions & Cultural Sites

Attraction	Historical Significance	Visiting Hours	Special Notes
Chinese Fishing Nets	Iconic 14th-century fishing heritage	24 hours access	Located at Vasco da Gama Square
St. Francis Church	Oldest European church in India	9:00 AM - 5:30 PM	Historic burial site of Vasco da Gama
Santa Cruz Cathedral Basilica	One of eight Basilicas in India	6:00 AM - 8:00 PM	Magnificent architectural heritage
Mattancherry Palace	16th-century Portuguese palace	10:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Closed Fridays
Paradesi Synagogue	Historic Jewish heritage site	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM, 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Closed Fridays & Saturdays
Kerala Kathakali Centre	Traditional performing arts venue	Shows: 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM	+91 484 221 5827
Kochi-Muziris Biennale	Contemporary international art festival	December-March (biennial)	Multiple venue locations
Fort Kochi Beach	Historic coastal promenade	24 hours access	Ideal for sunrise and sunset viewing