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Fact Sheet

Resort Address

Neeleshwar Hermitage
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Location

One of a kind and undoubtedly one of the best beach hotels in Kerala, this delightful place is set in a palm grove, just back from an unspoiled and safe beach. It is very convenient for flights to / from Mangalore or Calicut. Situated in the wonderfully unexploited area of North Kerala, near the mighty fort at Bekal, it is beautifully positioned for people ending a tour of the area as it is easily accessed from all directions. It has an immensely calm and peaceful atmosphere and has been constructed according to the architectural principles of Kerala Vastu. Along with yoga, spa treatments, long walks down the pristine beach, visits to local temples and villages, a stay here will allow you to gain an insight into local culture by way of fascinating evening lectures and cookery classes. Needless to say, the fresh seafood and mouth-watering local and international cuisine will have you longing for the next meal!

Accessibility

By air: To Mangalore followed by a 2.5 hour drive.
By train: From Calicut, Cochin, Trivandrum, Tellicherry, Mangalore, Cannanore to Neeleshwar Town, followed by a 10 minute drive.
By road: An easy drive from Tellicherry, Mysore, Coorg, Wynad, Cannanore, Calicut, Mangalore. A longer drive from Cochin.
Transfers: The resort is happy to arrange limousine transfers (at extra cost) from either the airport or the railway station to / from the hotel.

Accommodation

Accommodation comprises traditional / Kerala style 18 thatched cottages - 7 sea view, 9 garden view and 2 Pool view cottages. All the rooms are convertible into single/twin/double, they are

large, airy and wonderfully inviting, comfortable and spacious – each having its own, very private courtyard garden, balcony and bathroom. They are modern, slick and have superb mattresses and linens and furnishings and colour schemes. All of the rooms have overhead fans and air-conditioning. 1 of the Sea View cottages has a private pool and garden and 2 of them have large bathrooms with bath tubs (the other rooms have showers only). The garden view rooms are set back a little and are very private, in leafy gardens. The pool view cottages are down one end close to the pool so are a little less private.

Hairdryers are provided. They have beautiful teak floors with rugs. All bar 3 rooms have showers rather than a bath tub, a safe and internet connection. The bathrooms are open to the skies in one part but covered for the majority. They boast large rainshowers and state of the art fixtures and fittings. Televisions and DVD players can be provided upon request. The rooms have wired and wireless internet connection which is free of charge, along with CD players / personal stereos. The hotel has a no smoking policy. The rooms are all on the ground floor and have easy access for wheelchairs. Bathrobes are provided in the rooms and complimentary filtered water is provided daily. All the cottages have their own spacious verandah.

Dining

There is a main dining room in the centre of the resort called Meenakshi where lunch and dinner are served. Here local cooking skills join with Ayurvedic teaching on the importance of the appearance, balance, flavour, enjoyment and effects of a dish. An a la carte is available and it serves principally classic Indian and local cuisine but there is limited continental. The menu is predominantly vegetarian but chicken and fish are also served. There is also a nice sitting area and bar here, for late night or pre-dinner chats. There is also a delightful speciality seafood and fish restaurant, on the sand overlooking the beach, called Anopurna. Breakfast is served here, along with lunch and dinner. There is also a delightful small pool bar / snack area where light snacks are served at lunchtime. No red meat is served in the hotel and there are no fizzy drinks available. No spirits are available – wine only.

Breakfast is included in the daily room rate.

Room Service is available – 24 hours

Meal Times

Breakfast 07.30am to 10.00am

Lunch 12.30pm to 14.30pm

Dinner 06.30pm to 10.00pm

(Guideline only as meal times are not strictly imposed)

Children

The resort accepts children of all ages. Children may be accommodated in their parent's bedroom for an extra charge (between the ages of 2 to 10 years old). Only one additional child per room is permitted.

Dress code	There is no official dress code at Neeleshwar Hermitage. It is extremely relaxed and only beach clothes are required. Topless sunbathing is not allowed as it offends the locals.
Check-in / out time	Midday. Extended check-out is subject to negotiation/availability.
Electricity	220 volts. The standard two round pin adaptors work.
Credit cards / currency	The resort accepts Visa and Mastercard. If paying in foreign currency, the resort accepts US dollars, Sterling Pounds and Euros. Travellers cheques are also accepted.
Mobile telephones	Mobile telephones work here, on the local networks (Air Tel, Hutch, BSNL, Vodafone etc).
When to go / Climate	There are no particular seasonal weather changes in Kerala as it benefits from a tropical climate and is warm and humid all year round. Being on the coast, the humidity is heightened. No warm clothes are necessary. It tends to rain in June and July and there can be sporadic showers in October. The best time to visit is from November to March. April is getting hot and May, August and September are very humid.
Opening and closing	The hotel remains open 365 days per year.
Pests	Being a coastal, tropical area, there can be mosquitoes. However, the sea breezes tend to minimize the mosquito problem. Should there be mosquitoes about, the rooms have mosquito repellents provided and mosquito coils are available for added protection when dining outside. It is not advisable to leave windows open that do not have mesh insect protection, when your lights on as bugs will tend to fly in.
Hotel facilities	<p>Shop Beauty Salon Ayurvedic and international spa Swimming pool (unheated as not necessary) Table Tennis Complimentary bicycles Internet access in public areas Club room with television Email facilities for hotel residents I-Pod docking station and I-Pods</p>

The Spa at Neeleshwar Hermitage

The Spa is a beautiful building which is built (as with the whole of the resort), according to the laws of Vastu so it offers a wonderfully peaceful, calming and sublime atmosphere. The spa offers Ayurvedic treatments in collaboration with the Sahayadri Foundation who are the

most reputed 100% organic and herbal medicine manufacturers in India. As well as a wide variety of traditional massage and purification regimes, the spa offers aromatherapy, Dr Hauschka organic facial and beauty treatments from one of the UK's top practitioners, as well as rejuvenation therapy and lifestyle and dietary coaching.

Hotel services

Sightseeing excursions can be arranged on site by contacting the hotel reception.

Cookery and massage tuition

Dance performances

Turtle watching (on the beach in front of the hotel)

Lectures on Yoga and the flora and fauna of the area

Yoga and meditation tuition

Cycling

Tailor on site for getting your favourite clothes copied / made

Possible excursions

Backwater cruises in traditional rice barges.

Birdwatching.

Walking and trekking in the lush hills of the Western ghats

Visits to the unexploited Bekal Fort

Excursions to Mangalore

Village exploration of nearby settlements

Sunbathing and long walks down the beach

Visits to local temples and coir factories

Average length of stay

Three to seven nights. Neeleshwar Hermitage is the ideal resting place at the end of a holiday in Kerala. Spend time on the beach, relaxing, enjoying wonderful Ayurvedic treatments and contemplating what you have seen, before returning home.

Payment / cancellation

Pre-payment is compulsory if requiring a confirmed, advanced reservation. A deposit of 50% of the entire stay's cost is required at the time of booking.

For cancellations which fall with 7 days prior to check-in, 50% of the full, reserved stay will be forfeited. For cancellations which fall within 2 days prior to check-in, 100% of the full, reserved stay will be forfeited.

Reservations

By telephone by telephone or fax on +91 467 2287510 , email reservations@neeshwarhermitage.com or via the website www.neeshwarhermitage.com.

There is no minimum stay requirement.

Government Taxes

15% tax is applicable on the room rate. The room rate includes daily bed tea, breakfast and scheduled yoga classes, along with a free Ayurvedic consultation with the doctor.

Seasonal surcharges	A compulsory surcharge is applicable if your stay falls over the New Year. However, this includes a special dinner and drinks.
Ownership	Chapri Resorts & Hotels Pvt.Ltd.
Management	General Manager - Mr Biju