

# Dewalokam: relax in our paradise of green

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**Welcome!** A stay at Dewalokam is a truly unique way to relax and unwind in our secluded and unspoiled heaven. Enjoy our home grown produce freshly cooked as you sample gourmet traditional Keralan food, and join our professional chefs in our state of the art kitchen in informal learn to cook sessions.

Ours is a working farm, run on organic and eco principles, where you will not only be welcomed by the warmest of Keralan families, but help the local community and the planet. Our water is heated with solar power, vegetables grown with home- made compost, chickens and goats fed on vegetable waste, and methane from our cows' manure is recovered to provide gas for cooking. Our staff are all local villagers, so our farmstay directly supports twenty local families, educating their children and allowing them to build their own homes.



different types of Kingfisher darting across the river on a lazy raft ride, swim in our freshwater swimming pool, fed from a well, or simply swing in the hammocks dotted around the estate. The choice is yours. What are you waiting for?

You will be amazed at the natural beauty of the place, with a safe, clean river forming a natural boundary, beyond which is a nature reserve, and the Nilgiri mountains, the area is a haven for wildlife. Watch 3



## About Dewalokam

Dewalokam is Jose and Cinta's family farm where guests are welcomed



with jasmine garlands and Keralan smiles. We always want our guests to feel relaxed, and happy. The family are delighted to show you their organic farm, and tell you about the unusual trees and plants, many of which have medicinal uses.





We are passionate about food and traditional keralan cooking, and our professional chefs will lovingly prepare 3 meals daily for you, included in the price of your stay. If you have particular food requirements, then the chefs will be pleased to accommodate them.

The area is tucked away beyond commercial rubber plantations in a secluded haven bounded by a tranquil river and nature reserve, where you can choose to be as active or relaxed as you choose, away from the bustle of tourist India.



Here you can truly unwind, swinging in the hammocks dotted between the trees on the estate, or gently floating in the freshwater pool.

And all this is as close to Kochi airport as Fort Kochi itself!

### Our Keralan cuisine

Using fresh ingredients, picked daily from our farm, our chefs will take you on a culinary journey through Kerala's delicious traditional food.

Breakfast is fresh fruit, freshly squeezed juice, and eggs from

our free range chickens, served just how you like them. Toast is served with honey from our farm bees, and our own delicious Arabica coffee. We may add a Keralan



speciality like dhoti, appam or idli.

Lunch and dinner are traditional Keralan dishes such as thoran (fragrant dry curry made with coconut and different vegetables), fish moilee (often made with the splendid kingfish, simmered in tomato, ginger, coconut, curry leaves and chilli) and tandoori chicken, made in

our authentic tandoor.

At least once during your stay you will experience the traditional Keralan meal served on a banana leaf, the sadya, traditionally eaten by every Keralan at the spring harvest festival of Onam. Fat grains of Keralan rice accompany at least ten separate mini dishes, all vegetarian, providing an extraordinary array of tastes. Each taste is balanced following the principles of Ayurveda, promoting equilibrium and a sense of wellbeing in mind and body.

## Learn Keralan cookery



Our chefs are delighted to show you how your food is prepared in our spotless state of the art professional kitchen, and give you their recipes, tips and cookery secrets. Learn to cook gourmet Keralan dishes and push the boundaries of your culinary world!





## Our accommodation

Choose from eight spacious air-conditioned rooms in our main guest house overlooking the river and forest, and, beyond, the Niligri mountains.



More privacy is offered by the three rooms in the Nalukettu cottage with an open-air shower in an inner courtyard within each room.

Either way, you will be soothed to sleep by the sounds of the forest and woken to the singing of myriads of tropical birds!

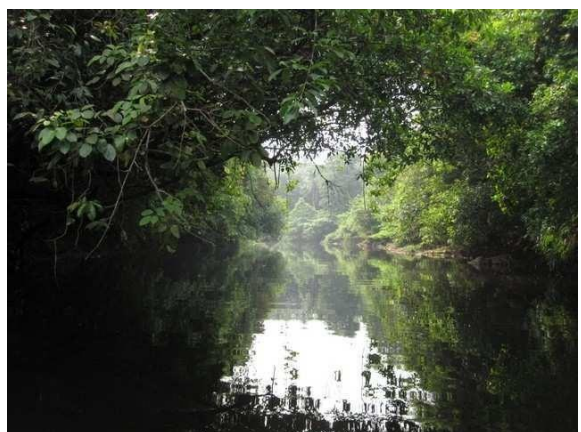
## Get away from it all



Choose how you want to relax at Dewalokam.

Lying in a hammock gazing up at the treetops far above, listening to birdsong, taking a leisurely walk through the grounds or nature reserve?

Or, if you enjoy the water, taking a dip in the freshwater pool, swimming in the gently-flowing river, or ask one of our helpful staff to take you punting to admire the stunning riverside scenery.



## Back to nature

If you appreciate the outdoors, there is plenty to see and do at Dewalokam.

Take a guided walk around the estate, to observe, taste and smell the many cultivated and wild exotic plants and trees, whilst learning about their culinary and medicinal uses.





Admire the honey bees and appreciate the contented animals in the small farmyard (there may well be baby goats, calves and chicks!). Prepare to be amazed at the way that nothing is wasted, even the cow manure is used to generate methane for cooking.



Go for a short trek through the wooded nature reserve and rubber plantation, and admire the huge colony of fruit bats, who fly way above your heads to fold away their wings and hang in the high branches like giant cocoa

Pods. They are so large that many guests mistake them for buzzards!

On the trek, or gently rafting up the river, you may see kingfishers large and small, fish owls, fish eagles, hornbills, drongo, and hummingbirds, amongst a variety of other wildlife.

### Yoga and Ayurveda (additional cost)

Yoga grand meister, Paul Madathikadam, will teach you Hatha yoga, whether you are a beginner or an



expert, in the lovely tranquil surroundings of the garden.

You can indulge in a massage from a skilled local Ayurvedic practitioner in our purpose-designed massage rooms, and emerge refreshed and rejuvenated.

Ayurvedic medicine is tailored to the individual and aims to restore body and mind to a state of equilibrium , thereby giving a feeling of true wellness.

### Honeymoon and special celebrations

Dewalokam is an ideal place for that special celebration. Whether you are a couple or a group of friends or family, we will ensure that your stay makes the occasion never to be forgotten.



## Contact and Booking

Please contact us for details of availability and to make a booking. We will also be delighted to answer any questions you may have.

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## Testimonials

See our tripadvisor page! [www.tripadvisor.com/dewalokam](http://www.tripadvisor.com/dewalokam)

## Location

You will be amazed how easily you can get to Dewalokam. It is as close to Kochi airport as Fort Kochi itself, and easily reached in around 90 minutes by taxi, which can be pre arranged to meet you. If you are coming from another resort, we can also arrange a taxi.

Distances:

Kochi airport 65km

Kochi City 75km

Munnar 95km

Alappuzha 140km

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