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Resort Address

purity and purespa at Lake Vembanad East of Muhamma Police Station Muhamma P.O

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Location

Situated on the shores of Lake Vembanad, Muhamma, Alappuzha district Kerala

Accessibility

By air: Nedumbassery Cochin International airport gets daily flights from all Indian metros. International flights connecting from all major European metros via Bangalore, Madras, Mumbai, Delhi, Dubai, Kuwait, Doha, Muscat, Bahrain, Abu Dhabi, Colombo, International flights connecting from Asia via Singapore & Malaysia.

By car: NH47 Highway from the airport, 1hour 45 minutes, 1hour 30 minutes from Fort Cochin

By Train: Ernakulum Junction South, the station connected to all major cities in India and Kerala, followed by a 1.45 hour car drive. Alternatively train to Alleppey, followed by 30min car drive.

By Road: NH47 Highway from Thiruvananthapuram or Ernakulum to Alleppey, Muhamma.

Transfers Time

purity arranges transfers on request. Time to Cochin International Airport is approximately 1hour 45 minutes, to Ernakulum train station 1½ hours, to Alleppey train station about 30 min. Transfer time to The Malabar House, Fort Cochin, 1½ hours.

The resort

Purity is member of Relais and Chateaux it is a unique backwater retreat situated on the banks of Lake Vembanad. Nestled in a lush tropical garden, it overlooks beautiful and relaxing panorama of the lake and the life at the backwaters from either the garden pavilion, the infinity pool with its sun deck and sitting areas or from the privacy of your terrace.

purespa

Exclusive Ayurveda therapies under the supervision of an ayurvedic doctor are offered in a beautiful setting. Purespa consist of 2 treatment rooms with dedicated spa menu for an intimate and cocooning treatment experience. Five suites have on suite spa facilities.

Yoga

A complementary yoga session is offered between 7.30 and 8.30 am. Additional individual classes are charged 15 Euro per person. Purity offers yoga retreats for group to individuals on request.

Cooking demonstrations: purity is equipped with a separate kitchen to offer cooking classes and demonstrations by our in house chef.

Accommodation

5 DELUXE; 5 GARDEN SUITES; 4 VEMBANAD SUITES

5 Deluxe Rooms (2 twins, 3 double): all 5Deluxe rooms are located on the ground floor facing the garden and the lake from it private sit outs terraces and private back gardens, all are decorated individually with antiques and art, the rooms are equipped with large bathrooms with bathtub or shower facilities.

5 Garden Suites (1 twin, 4 double): 3 located on the ground floor; 2 are equipped with wellness spa facility en-suite and private terrace facing the lake; 1 of them consisting of an individual bungalow, an ideal suite for families set back by the pool area. 2 are located on the first floor out of which one is equipped with wellness spa facilities en-suite, both have private terraces overlooking the lake and the garden.

4 Vembanad Suites (4 double): 1 located on the ground floor with wellness spa facilities ensuite, prime waterfront lake view terrace and private garden; 3 located on first floor: 1 prime lake view balcony & prime lake view terrace with day bed; 2 equipped with wellness spa facilities ensuite with either lake & pool view private terrace or prime lake view balcony & prime lake view terrace.

Facilities

separate kitchen for cooking classes, lakefront pavilion, infinity double pool with sun deck terraces, purespa, dedicated spa for intimate, cocooning and highly personalized ayurveda treatments. Complementary yoga sessions and and individual classes on request.

All rooms are air conditioned, bathrooms are equipped with bathtub and separate shower some offers ensuite massage facilities. Private terrace sit out or private garden / balcony / day bed overlooking the lake. All rooms have hairdryers, internet access WIFI, fans, air-conditioning, mini bar, tea & coffee making facilities, TV, safe lockers, bath robes & chappals. Garden Suite with easy access for wheelchairs. There are no inter-connecting rooms but deluxe rooms can be booked immediately next to each other.

A front desk opened and staffed 24/7.

Dining

The purity kitchen offers creative cooking with distinct local flavours. The menu offers the best of market fresh products sourced from local producers. Meals are taken either in the privacy of your veranda, in the gardens by the lakeside restaurant area or in the covered patio. Breakfast is included in the daily room rate and is served at the covered patio.

Meal Times

Breakfast 07.00 am to 10.00 am Lunch 12.30 pm to 15.00 pm Dinner 19.00 pm to 23.00 pm

This is a guideline only as meal times are not strictly imposed. Room Service is available from 7 a.m. till midnight.

Children

Children of any age are very welcome at purity. The swimming pool has a maximum depth of 1.5m, and the garden provides a fun & safe playground. Being close to the lake, however, vigilance is required for children that cannot swim. We suggest the Garden suite (bungalow) for a family stay, but extra bed can be added to the deluxe rooms also. Babysitting can be arranged on prior notice.

Dress code

There is no official dress code at purity. It is extremely relaxed.

Check-in / out time

Midday. Extended check-out is subject to availability.

Electricity

220 volts. The standard two round pin adaptors work.

Credit cards / currency

We accept Visa, Master & Amex cards. If the payment is made in foreign currency, the resort accepts US dollars, Euros and Sterling Pounds.

Mobile telephones

All mobile telephones work on local networks.

When to go/Climate

Kerala benefits from a tropical climate and it is warm and humid all year round. Due to the South West Monsoon it tends to rain in June and July and there can

again be sporadic showers during the retreating monsoon in October and November.

Opening and closing

Purity operates on all 365 days of the year.

Pests

Being a coastal, tropical area, there are mosquitoes. However the hotel takes precautions through pest control; it sprays the public areas and gardens daily. The rooms have mosquito repellents provided and mosquito coils are available for added protection when dining outside. Occasionally crows are approaching the garden or terraces areas where food is served; we recommend not encouraging them by giving food.

Resort facilities

Lake front infinity pool scape with 2 pools surrounded by sun decks (pool size: 5 X 10 meters, depth 1.5m& 7x11 meters). Free WIFI. Malabar escapes 'arrow' speedboat is available for excursions & transfers. Bicycles with gears for the use of hotel residents are complimentary subject to availability. Sightseeing & tours can be arranged on site by contacting the unit manager.

Possible excursions

Country or Speedboat rides around the lake and in the backwater channels. Visit of Kumarakom by boat. Village walks in the rural surrounding. Visit to nearby coir factories. Enjoy an excursion to the nearby beach with its fishing villages. a day trip to the historic canals and sights of the port town of Alleppey. attendance at local church or temple service, day cruise on our discovery houseboat.

Average length of stay

There is no minimum stay requirement. Average package stay would be 3 to 5 night. It is possible to book purespa treatments for 1 and 2 weeks.

Reservations

Reservations may be made by telephone +91 484 221 6666, fax +91 484 221 7777, by e-mail to reservations@malabarhouse.com or info@malabarhouse.com or through our website www.malabarescapes.com there is no minimum stay requirement.

Packages & offers

Special packages are available if combining your stay with the hotel's sister Properties; 'The Malabar House', 'trinity', 'serenity' and our houseboat 'discovery'. We also have special offers for an extended stay of 3 nights and more at any individual property.

Management

Corporate General Manager Malabar escapes & The Malabar House, Mr. Mervin Isaac General Manager, Mr. Samboo. G