

To get information about cultural events and festivals in Kerala is very difficult.

The **engagements of the day** may be given in the local and regional newspapers; the event calendar of the official website of Kerala tourism --after it's initial enthusiasm -- fell back to a rather selective compilation of **advance information**.

Unless you are not a member of a variety of cultural clubs or cultural trusts that reflect not only the richness and diversity of Kerala culture but the 'ego' of the organizers as well, you will be at loss to plan a visit in advance.

The just and for the first time published **Kerala Festival Directory**, edited and compiled **by V.A. Menon** is therefore a laudable initiative that hopefully will develop into a reliable and exhaustive source of information about Keralas amazing beautiful, rich and deep-rooted culture.

The events -- listed below **district wise** and **by date** for February 2005 -- are mainly from this source. They are still quite selective as they may not include the variety of festivals in the art field like 'carnatic music festivals', all kind of performing art festivals not connected with temple, church or mosque festivals and so on.

It is intended to update this directory monthly.

Feb	description	place, town	district	km
15	KUMBA BHARANI (Several Devi temples)	-	-	-
17	Kathakali full night	Kizhakkanela, Parippally	-	-
18	Festival - 4 Theyyams - 2 days - Kankol	-	-	-
01	Kathakali	Puthiyakavu, Kayamkulam	Alappuzha	30
19	Temple festival -10 days	Pandavarkavu, Mavelikkara	Alappuzha	20
19	Temple festival -10 days	Malayalapuruzha, Aranmula	Alappuzha	25
19	Temple festival - 8 days - elephants & percussion	Thakazhi,	Alappuzha	15
02	Temple festival (*) - 7 days	Gopalakrishna temple, F. Kochi	Emakulam	7
02	Temple festival (*) - 7 days	Krishna temple, Irimpanam	Ernakulam	15
02	Temple festival (*) - 7 days Udayathumvathukkal	Krishna temple, Panamgad	Ernakulam	10
02	Temple festival (*) - 7 days	Thirumala temple	Ernakulam	city
04	Temple festival (*) - 10 days	Mookambika temple, N Parur	Ernakulam	35
08	(*) - 6 days	Paramara temple	Emakulam	city
13	Mudiyettu , Padayani, Art forms - 7 days	Thonnayakavu, N. Parur	Emakulam	25
13	Mudiyettu - Vaalakkarakavu Bhagavathy t. Alpara	Kolenchery, Perumbavoor	Emakulam	30
14	Elephants, Percussion, Bullock-cart races - 4 days	Kakkoor Kalavayal, Piravom	Emakulam	45
14	Percussion, Garudan thookkam, kavidi -13 days	Narayana temple, Poothotta	Emakulam	20
15	(*) spl. Feast - 5 days	Marampilly, Palluruthy	Emakulam	5
15	(*) -7 days	Devi temple, Udayamperoor	Emakulam	12
15	Various art forms , Kathakali etc. - 8 days	Pottayil, Eroor, Thrippunithur	Emakulam	15
15	Various art forms (Kavidi, Mudiyettu, fireworks)/7dys	Devi temple, Palluruthy	Emakulam	10
15	Kathakali - Keezhillam temple	Perumbavoor	Emakulam	10
16	(*) Kathakali - 7 days	Poonnirunni, Vyttila	Emakulam	5
16	(*) , -11 days	Pisharu koil, Eroor	Ernakulam	12
16	Elephants, percussion, Kavidi, Kathakali - 8 days	Marayil Devi, Alangad	Ernakulam	22
16	(*) , Kathakali 9 days	Cheranelloor Devi temple	Ernakulam	12
16	(*) - 6 days	Vyasapuram, panamgad	Ernakulam	10
19	Elephants etc, Garudanthookkam, Art forms - 6 days	Koottekkavu.Amballur,	Emakulam	30
19	Elephants, percussion, Kathakali, Art forms - 4 days	Nandyattukunnam, N parur	Ernakulam	30
19	Elephants, percussion etc. ■ 6 days	Kottaram Devi, Maradu	Ernakulam	12
19	Elephants, Nagakalam.Art forms - 7 days	Kariyampilly, Mannanam, N Parur	Ernakulam	25
19	Elephants percussion - 7 days	Panakkal devi temple	Ernakulam	20
21	Elephants, percussion, Kavidi	Mallikarjuna temple, Vypeen	Emakulam	12
22	Mudiyettu - Vayalkkara	Aluva.Athani	Emakulam	10
22	Garudanthookkam - Airapurathukavu	Keezhillom.Aluva	Emakulam	10
22	Mudiyettu - Vayalkkara	Aluva, Athani	Ernakulam	10
23	Parayanthullal, Art forms, Kalam etc. - 7 days	Parakkad, Kakkanad	Emakulam	10
24	Chenakkathur pooram	Ottappalam, Palakkad	Emakulam	30
24	Mudiyettu - Koovappadi Chelat kavu Bhagavathy t.	Perumbavoor	Emakulam	30
24	Elephants Percussions, Kathakali, Fire works	Kottaram Devi, Maradu	Emakulam	12
24	Temple festival - Chottanikkara	Emakulam	Ernakulam	-
25	Last day - Mudiyettu & various art forms	Panakkaldevi temple	Emakulam	20
25	Kathakali -full night	Emakulam club	Emakulam	city
15	Mudiyettu - Alpara Bhagavathy temple	Idukky	Idukki	30
25	Folk arts, village traditional performances - 3 days	Ganapathi-Kali temple, Kumali	Idukki	city
03	Theyyam festival - (??) Kakkarakavu, Nareekkamvalli	Pilathara	Kannur	city
03	Theyyam festival(**) - (10/4) Kannankat Alakkad	Eryam	Kannur	8
03	Theyyam festival - (4/?) Neeliyar Bhagavathy	Mathamangalam, Pilathara	Kannur	5
04	Theyyam festival - (??) Muchilot, Vellakkav	Kuttiyeri, Thaliparambu	Kannur	-
07	Theyyam festival - (7/5)	Konginichal, Alakkad -Korom, Payyannur	Kannur	city
08	Theyyam festival - (10/4)	Cheruvichery, Pilathara	Kannur	5
09	Theyyam festival - (5/3) Kuniyan, Oinakkunnu	Payyannur	Kannur	2
10	Theyyam festival - (2/4) Anthirimadam	Panapuzha, Eryam	Kannur	2
12	Kathakali , Percussions,& thullal- 2 days	Sankaranarayana temple, Ramanthali	Kannur	5
12	Theyyam , Nritham, Procession 9 days	Echhoor Kirathamoorthy, temple	Kannur	13
13	Art forms dancing etc., - 7 days	Antaloor Sree Rama temple, Thalassery	Kannur	8
15	Theyyam festival - (5/3) Kurumbakavu	Madayi, Pazhayangady	Kannur	1
18	Vannan family	Cheemeni, Payyannur	Kannur	city
19	Theyyam festival - (2/2) Muthappan Madapura	Chumaduthangi, Pilathara	Kannur	city
19	Percussion & procession - 8 days	SreeJagannatha temple, Thalassery	Kannur	3
22	Theyyam festival - (1/?) Kadankot Makkom	Kunjimangalam, Payyannur	Kannur	city

22	Theyyam festival – (3/?) Kodilon family, Peringom	Cherupuzha, Payyannur	Kannur	city
25	Theyyam festival – (3/3) Madathinkal, Kunnunbram	Pilathara, Payyannur	Kannur	city
27	Kathakali , ratholsavam, koothu - 7 days	Mattannoor Siva temple	Kannur	29
27	Theyyam festival – (14/4) Parol, Parammal	Kaiveli, Eripuram	Kannur	city
27	Theyyam festival – (10/4) Kizhakkara Chamundi	Pilathottam, Pilathara	Kannur	city
28	Theyyam festival – (7/4) Kurunthilkavil kulangara	Neduvappuram, Payyannur	Kannur	2
28	Theyyam festival – (10/2) family shrine Kunnummal	Alaparamba, Payyannur	Kannur	3
07	Thidambu Nritham, Theyyam - 3 days	Mahavishnu temple,	Kasargod	5
12	Yakshaganam & Art foms Parthasarathy Temple	Kumbala	Kasargod	2
12	Yakshaganam - 7 days	Parthasarathy temple, Kumbala	Kasargod	2
13	Yakshaganam 4 days	Gopalakrishna temple, Kumbala	Kasargod	1
16	Kathakali , Kalampattu - 5 days	Cheruvathurdevi temple, Neeleswaram	Kasaraod	city
17	Yakshaganam , Martial arts. theyyam - 5 days	Uppala bhagavathy temple	Kasargod	24
17	Yakshaganam , theyyam- 2 days	Katambaar vishnu temple, Manjeswaram	Kasargod	4
19	Ratholsavam, Theyyam , fireworks - 5 days	Sree Krishna temple, Kuthiyala	Kasargod	1
19	Theyyam & procession - 34 days	Cheruvathur Veerabhadrta tpl, Neeleswaram	Kasargod	1
22	Yakshaganam , Cock fight - 31 days	Vorkatti Ammanavaru tml., Manjeswaram	Kasargod	15
24	Theyyam - Hilltop	KambaarDurga temple, Banthiyot	Kasargod	13
24	Kathakali , theyyam, Koodikazhcha - 5 days	Nettanike Siva temple	Kasargod	40
02	Kathakali - Pavumba	Karunagappalli	Kollam	10
05	Kathakali - Anchel, Ayur	Kollam	Kollam	10
10	Kathakali -full night	Kadavur	Kollam	15
13	Temple festival - Manghat bhagavathy temple	Kallambalam	Kollam	30
14	Kathakali - full night	Mukhathala	Kollam	10
15	Elephants other Art forms	Kumaramchira, Karunagappilly	Kollam	12
15	Kettukazhcha	Chettikulangara, Mavelikkara -	Kollam	-
16	Temple festival - Mudi yettu	Karunagappilly	Kollam	-
16	Thookam	Ezhamkulam. Adoor	Kollam	5
16	Elephants, art forms, Garudan thookkam	Varkala	Kollam	5
17	Art forms Verious Performanse	Sasthamkotta, Karunagappally	Kollam	25
19	Elephants -do- -do-	Siva temple, Kadakkal	Kollam	30
19	Bhagavathy kalams 2 days - Feb 19 & 20	Pannivizha, Adoor	Kollam	1
19	Mudiyedduppu	Pannivizha, Adoor & Pattazhi	Kollam	city
20	Kettukazhcha	Pannivizha, Adoor	Kollam	city
23	Kathakali - Kurumandel temple, Paravur	Kollam	Kollam	30
24	Elephants, Motif horses, Bulls, art forms - 3 days	Sastha temple, Sasthamkotta	Kollam	30
01	Art forms other performense - 8 days	Njeezhoor, Ettumanoor	Kottayam	-
02	Aalpindi, vilakku utsavam/thalappoli sometimes	Kotta, Chengannur	Kottayam	8
03	Mudiyettu - Chittakkad kavu, Pindimana	Kothamangalam	Kottayam	20
06	Kathakali - Sreerangom Auditorium	Kottayam	Kottayam	city
08	Temple festival - 8 days - elephants & percussion	Keezhoor, Vaikkom	Kottayam	15
09	Temple festival - 10 days - elephants & percussion	Ettumanoor	Kottayam	city
10	Temple festival - 10 days	Ettumanoor	Kottayam	-
14	Mudiyettu - Maradikkavu Devi	Piravom	Kottayam	20
15	Aalpindi , vilakku - Pallimukkath, Kidangoor	Kozhenchery	Kottayam	7
15	Aalpindi , vilakku, thalappoli - Bhagavathykavu	Pulladu, Kozhenchery	Kottayam	5
17	Important festival idols of golden elephants displayed	Ettumanoor	Kottayam	city
19	Elephants & percussion, Kathakali, motif horses etc	Siva temple, Vettikkavala, Kottarakara	Kottayam	city
19	Padayani - Othara, Puthukulangara Azw-tf	Chengannur	Kottayam	7
21	Kathakali & various art forms, animal motifs - 5 days	Devi temple, Pattazhi, Kottarakara	Kottayam	10
23	Mudiyettu - Menmuni Namakulangara, Kallara	Kuravilangad	Kottayam	20
01	Temple festival	Cheruvot, Perambra	Kozhikkode	-
02	Kathakali, Kalampattu - 7 days	Velloor Vishnu temple, Vatakara	Kozhikkode	14
04	Art forms, Ottamthulla, Thayambaka- 5 days	Thiruvangoor Parthasarathy tpl. Quilandy	Kozhikkode	8
07	Breaking of 12000 coconuts ritual	Vettakkorumakan temple, Nadapuram	Kozhikkode	3
10	Thira, thullal, theyyam - 8 days	Thooneri Vettakkorumakankavu, Vatakara	Kozhikkode	14
12	Kalamezhuthupattu, art forms - 7 days	Perambra Kali Temple, Quilandy	Kozhikkode	22
12	Art forms, thira, thalappoli	Kaavil Siva temple, Quilandy	Kozhikkode	16
13	Thirayattom, vellat - 3 days	Azhiyoor Nagabhadragavathy tpl, Vadakara	Kozhikkode	8
14	Pattu/8 dys - coconut breaking & cattle fair	Chingamangalam Krishna t., Balusseri	Kozhikkode	2
17	Art forms percussion	Kolathur Narasimha temple	Kozhikkode	21
18	Colourful processions - 7 days	Durga devi temple, Puthur	Kozhikkode	8
19	Art forms etc.-3 days	Thamarassery bhagavathy temple	Kozhikkode	28
26	Art forms etc. - 3 days	Punnasserri siva temple	Kozhikkode	18
28	Thullal , art forms, motif horses - 9 days	Maraloor siva temple, Quilandy	Kozhikkode	4
14	Temple festival - Elephants & percussion	Kunnappilly, Mahi (Azhiyur, Koroth)	Mahi	-
02	Kavidi , Paloor Subramanya temple	Pulamanthole	Malappuram	-
13	Theyyam , thira, thiyattu, fire dance - 6 days	Vairamkod Devi temple, Thirunnavaya	Malappuram	6
19	Elephant percussion	Pariyanampatta	Malappuram	35
05	Kathakali -full night	Ottappalam	Palakkad	10
05	Elephants, percussion and fireworks	Chenakkathoor	Palakkad	20
05	Kathakali - Kamasapatham	Ottapalam,	Palakkad	15
06	Temple festival - Aamakkavu	Kumbidi	Palakkad	30
06	Kalampattu , performing art etc	Ramapuram Krishna tpl., Perintalmanna	Palakkad	1
06	Mosque festival - 60 ELEPHANTS	Pattambi	Palakkad	16
12	Shadow puppetry motif horses etc - 8 days	Cherukunnathu, Kadambazhipuram	Palakkad	30
13	Elephants & percussion , rituals - 2 days	Alanchery Kali temple, Pulamanthole	Palakkad	2
13	Motif bull, horses other art forms, Elephants	Puthanalakkal, Cherpulchery	Palakkad	40
15	Elephants, percussion & art forms (NearVidyamadom)	Pullanikkavu, Mezhathur, Koottanad	Palakkad	25
16	Kathakali - short	Killimangalam	Palakkad	-
17	Kathakali - 3 days - Meenkulathi	Pallassana	Palakkad	30
18	Pooram . Koothu, Ottamthullal	Mannarkkad	Palakkad	40
18	Colourful processions - 8 days	Udayarkanni Devi temple, Mannarkkad	Palakkad	city
18	Shadow puppetry -7 days - last day art forms	Pulapetta, Peringodu	Palakkad	24
19	Shadow puppetry -14 days - last day art forms	Pookkottukalikavu	Palakkad	30

19	Pooram Sree Kurumba bhagavathy	Puthussery	Palakkad	15
19	Ekadeshi Utsavam - elephants & percussion	Thirunnavaaya, Kuttippuram	Palakkad	7
19	Temple festival	Pariyanampetta	Palakkad	20
20	Temple festival - Folk arts	Elavathikal, Koottanad	Palakkad	25
20	Ratholsavam, ELEPHANTS 7 PERCUSSION -2 days	Perumkulam.Alathur	Palakkad	20
22	Pooram	Puthiyedath impl., Perumannur.Koottanad	Palakkad	25
22	Temple festival - Puthiyedath temple	Perumannoor, Koottanad	Palakkad	25
23	Folk Art forms etc.	Padoor	Palakkad	35
24	Pooram	Mannarkadu	Palakkad	30
24	Pooram	Vayilyamkunnath	Palakkad	35
24	Pooram	Mangot Kavuvu	Palakkad	-
24	AyyappanTheeyathu, Kalamezhuthu,	Mangot Kavuvu	Palakkad	20
24	Elephants, panchavadyam & cultural programmes	Chottanikkara	Palakkad	15
25	Koothu , Coconut breaking by Komaram	Mangot kavuvu	Palakkad	-
28	Temple festival - Arayalkal temple,	Edappal	Palakkad	25
12	Temple festival -10 days	Thiruvalla	Pathanamthitta	-
15	Aalpindi , vilakku, thalapoli - Puthiyakavuvu, Iravon	Konni	Pathanamthitta	2
15	Thazhooor- Padayani	Pathanamthitta	Pathanamthitta	5
15	Padayani	Pullad Bhagavathy temple , Kozhenchery	Pathanamthitta	5
15	Kettukazhcha (SE Kozhenchery)	Maddathunpadi, Narangaanam,	Pathanamthitta	5
15	Kettukazhcha	Ezhankulam - E Adoor	Pathanamthitta	5
15	Kettukazhcha	Saringakavuvu , Venmani, Pandalam	Pathanamthitta	5
19	Kettukazhcha	Mahadevar temple , Pandalam	Pathanamthitta	city
13	Elephants & percussions	Thirur	Thrissur	10
14	Elephants & percussions	Thirur	Thrissur	10
15	Elephants & percussions	Thirur	Thrissur	10
15	Motif horses percussions Oracle	Veloor	Thrissur	25
16	Elephants & percussions etc	Palakkal, Varavoor	Thrissur	35
26	Kathakali - full night	Kathakali club Thrissur	Thrissur	city
15	Elephants & percussions	Karuvanthala	Thrissur	25
01	Pana	Korallur, Wadakkancherry	Thrissur	25
01	Utsavam - 8 days - Kathakali, Art forms	Kuttankulangara,	Thrissur	city
02	Temple festival (*) - 8 days	Guruvayur	Thrissur	25
05	Thira - Vellat Mahotsavam	Peringottukara	Thrissur	10
06	Snake worship - 3 days	Mullassery	Thrissur	40
07	Elephants, Panchavadyam - night	Kuttankulangara,	Thrissur	city
08	Temple festival - elephants & percussion	Kaiparambu	Thrissur	-
11	Thira - Vellat Mahotsavam	Peringottukara	Thrissur	10
12	Pooram , Manalarukavuvu	Trichur	Thrissur	-
12	Pooram , Kittiyanakavuvu	Minalur	Thrissur	-
12	Krishnanattom - Melpathur auditorium	Guruvayur	Thrissur	city
12	Vishumayaswami thira vellat	Peringottukara	Thrissur	10
12	Elephants and percussion	Kurumakkavuvu, Wky	Thrissur	22
13	Elephants, percussion & art forms	Erattakulangara, Wky	Thrissur	25
13	Elephants, percussion & art forms	Thachanathkavuvu, Parlikad	Thrissur	15
13	Kuthiravela - large motif horses procession	Mangad, Pazhanji	Thrissur	5
15	Pooram , Karuvanthala	Enammavuvu	Thrissur	15
15	Elephants, percussion & art forms	Muthi Bhagavathy temple, Kadavallur	Thrissur	25
15	Elephants, percussion & art forms	Mangad, Pazhanji	Thrissur	35
16	Pooram , Kokkulangara	Engandiyur	Thrissur	-
17	Elephants, percussion & art forms	Ayiramkanni, Engandiyur	Thrissur	-
20	Motif Animals etc	Chiraravarambathukavuvu, Pazhanji	Thrissur	20
21	10 days Utsavam - elephant race - 3 pm	Flag hoisting, Guruvayur town	Thrissur	-
21	Church festival	Kunnankulam	Thrissur	-
21	Utsavam 8 days - Elephants & percussion	Thiruvambady	Thrissur	city
22	Dummy horse play - cultural progr & fireworks	Machad, Wadakkanchery	Thrissur	6
22	Elephants & percussion - morning and night	9 days - Guruvayur	Thrissur	city
25	Pooram - Kuttanellor	Thrissur	Thrissur	-
25	Pooram , Valarkavuvu	Anchery, Trichur	Thrissur	-
25	Thechikkavuvu, Ayyappan Theeyattu	Ayyappankavuvu, Chenthrappinni	Thrissur	-
27	Aarattu Procession, Elephants & percussion night	Thiruvambady	Thrissur	city
28	8th day - valiya vilakku - Sreebhoothabali	Guruvayur	Thrissur	city
28	Elephant procession, Shadow puppetry	Kozhimamparambu, Cheruthuruthi	Thrissur	-
28	Aarat - elephant procession outside temple	Thiruvambady	Thrissur	city
10	Kathakali - Mangalassery, Edava	Trivandrum	Trivandrum	15
10	Kathakali - Mangalassery temple, Venkulam	Edava.Varkkala	Trivandrum	15
10	Temple festival - 10 days	Kaddinankulam, Ulloor	Trivandrum	-
17	Kathakali	Thinnavilla, Varkala	Trivandrum	15
28	Temple festival 1- 10 days	Thottaikkat	Trivandrum	-
13	Vellat, thira, Uchha thira etc., - 3 days	Vaalavayal Vishnu temple, S. Bathery	Wayanad	8
27	Pampa melom, panchavadyam - 3 days	Mariyamman temple, S Bathery	Wayanad	1
07	Thullal, Thira, Theyyam - 7 days	Poothathi Siva temple, S.Bathery	Wayanad	18

(*) Elephants, percussions & art forms

(**) Theyyam (number of theyyams/days)

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