Kerala · India state by state

Kerala's Anamudi, at 2,695 metres, is the highest point in South India

From the peak down to the backwaters, the state packs two tiger reserves, a mirror made of metal with its own GI tag, and Onam in September.



2,695 m

Anamudi, higher than any peak in the other southern states

Capital	**Thiruvananthapuram**
Official language	**Malayalam**
Area	**38,863 km², 21st largest of 28**
UNESCO World Heritage Sites	**1**
Tiger reserves	**2**
Highest point	**Anamudi, 2,695 m**

★ Capital ▲ Tiger reserve ● Town or sight

Tiger reserves: Periyar, Parambikulam. Also on the UNESCO list: Western Ghats (shared).

WHAT TO EAT

Sadhya
Appam
Puttu
Avial

WHAT TO TAKE HOME

Aranmula kannadi (metal mirror)
Nilambur teak
Malabar pepper

All have a GI tag

PLAN AROUND

Onam

12 September 2027

STATE ANIMAL	STATE BIRD	STATE FLOWER	STATE TREE
Asian elephant	Great hornbill	Golden shower	Coconut palm

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