Stories

Read

Narrative, historical, more than one place. 22 pieces, and the cats who wrote some of them.

Art

1. Story 4 April 2026

   Santa Cruz Basilica in Fort Kochi and its painter Antonio Moscheni
   Antonio Moscheni painted the interior of Santa Cruz Basilica in Fort Kochi. He died on Nov. 15, 1905, four days before the church was consecrated.

2. Story 3 April 2026

   Wall paintings on Poovath Street
   Ginger the cat, a self-described ally, joins a mural painting day on Poovath Street.

3. Story 3 April 2026

   Mesmerized by Kathakali. Daily shows in Fort Kochi
   Ginger the cat discovers Kathakali, Kerala's 400-year-old dance-drama, and shares what makes the performances special.

4. Story 12 February 2026

When Fort Kochi was a merry-go-round of colonial powers, Bastion Bungalow's history

The Portuguese built Fort Immanuel in 1503 and the Dutch had built a bungalow on the Stromberg Bastion by 1667. Read about the museum, the Dutch kitchen and the tales of secret tunnels.

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Story 27 June 2025

Mattanchery Palace: a royal walks among royals

Mia the cat explores Mattancherry Palace and finds it disability friendly. There is a stairlift at the entrance and information in braille inside.

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Story 24 June 2025

Music and memories: inside the Mehboob Memorial Orchestra

Mehboob Memorial Orchestra is a community music space in Fort Kochi, named after singer Bayi Mehboob. Fridays at 6:30 p.m. are open for karaoke in Hindi, Malayalam and Tamil.

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Story 20 June 2025

Fugudo: dance tradition of Kerala's Konkani-speaking Kudumbi community

During a getaway to Mattancherry, Bandit the cat overhears a song and meets Maya of the Kudumbi community. She explains Fugudo, a folk dance with songs in Old Konkani, and its closing song, Marauli.

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Story 12 June 2025

The real story behind Kochi's Chinese fishing nets

Aroo tells the story of Mama Aroo, who sailed with Zheng He and later drew a fishing net design on the shore at Fort Kochi.

9. Story 25 April 2025

Chavittu Natakam - the Indian Opera with Christian roots from Kerala

Uncover Chavittu Natakam, Kerala's unique blend of opera, dance & drama influenced by Portuguese history. Learn about its powerful chenda drumming, chavittu footwork, Kalari combat & sung epics like Charlemagne.