

TOUR ITINERARY – 7 NIGHTS/8 DAYS

Day 01

Airport | Colombo

Welcome to Sri Lanka!

Meet, greet and assist by our representative and transfer from Airport to Colombo. (Approximately 40 minutes' drive)



Arrive and check in at the hotel. Spend the day at leisure.
 Overnight Stay in Colombo

Day 02

Colombo | Dambulla

After breakfast leave for Sigiriya (Approximately 2 hours' drive), enjoy a village safari including a bullock cart ride, catamaran ride on the lake, lunch with a local family by the paddy field and a tuk-tuk ride.

Make a visit to a village in Sri Lanka. Make a cart ride through the village, rice fields. Later make a short walk (a about 15 minutes) to the tank, to make a boat ride of about 20 minutes to a nearby vegetable field of the village. Enjoy cookery demonstration at local village house.



Arrive and check in at the hotel.
 Overnight Stay in Dambulla.



Day 03

Dambulla

After Breakfast, climb up the Pidurangala Rock.

Pidurangala - This rock has a much more natural feel, despite also housing a Buddhist temple. Pidurangala Rock is adjacent to Sigiriya Rock and is the best viewing spot of Sigiriya Rock as it is only slightly lower. Pidurangala is a popular spot for sunrise as you can enjoy 360-degree views of not only the valleys but also Sigiriya Rock. It is believed that the history of the temple at Pidurangala goes back beyond to the first and second century BC. From those days Pidurangala was used as a Buddhist monastery and but became a prominent place during the reign of King Kashyapa (473 – 495 AC). According to ancient chronicles, Prince Kashyapa had killed his father King Dhatusena and fled to Sigiriya to find out a more secure place to prevent retaliation attacks from his half-brother, Mugalan. With the arrival of King Kashyapa, the Bhikkus who meditated there were requested to move to the nearby Pidurangala. As compensation, King Kashyapa refurbished the temple and made it a prominent place.



Thereafter go on a safari to Minneriya National Park.

Minneriya National park- located in the North Central Province of Sri Lanka, was designated as a national park on 12 August 1997. Located in the centre of the cultural triangle, Minneriya is a good alternative to the busier parks in the south and it's easy to weave in a day here between visiting the ancient cities. it is possible to see herds of up to 150 elephants feeding and washing, as well as toque macaques, sambar deers.



Thereafter, return to hotel and relax.

Overnight Stay in Dambulla.



Day 04

Dambulla | Kandy

After breakfast transfer to Kandy via visiting Dambulla Cave Temple. (Approximately 2 ½ hours' drive)

Dambulla Cave Temple - Dambulla is famous for the five cave temples on a rock. The first three caves are better, older and larger than the other two. Some caves date back to the 1st century BC. All the five cave walls and ceilings are covered with Buddhist murals and there are more than 130 Buddha statues. Statues of gods and kings are also found here.



Thereafter leave for Kandy, visiting a spice garden and a Batik factory en-route.

Spice garden-Since time immemorial, this emerald isle has remained popular for its exotic spices, world over. To those who bear an interest in these rich elements that stirred the interests of many nations, the spice gardens located in Kandy, Matale and Mawanella offer wonderful opportunities to view these spices up-close. The gardens are not only delightful spots for a stroll midst the fragrant greenery but also offer interesting perspectives into the local spices, as the visitors are educated on the diverse variety of spices available in the country as well as on how they are grown and processed.



Often referred to as the hill capital of Sri Lanka, Kandy offers a diverse variety of experiences to its visitors ranging from history, culture and simple scenic beauty coupled with a touch of urbanity. It was the last Sinhalese Kingdom that fell under British rule in 1815. The journey to this mellow weathered city can be quite enjoyable, particularly by train owing to the scenic delights that lie alongside. The city's colonial architecture has been preserved well even in the backdrop of rapid urbanization. Close to the city's centre is the prime landmark - Sri Dalada Maligawa that houses the sacred tooth relic of Buddha. Apart from the ancient monuments of the Kandyan era, the delightful jumble of antique shops and the bustling market in the city also make up for interesting places of visit.

Visit Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic and Witness a cultural show in the evening.





Arrive and check in at the hotel.
Overnight Stay in Kandy.

Day 05

Kandy | Nuwara Eliya

After breakfast, leave for Nuwara Eliya. (Approximately 2 hours' drive)

OPTIONAL – Scenic train ride between Kandy and Nuwara Eliya @ USD 25 per person (Seats on availability)



Nuwara Eliya—Dubbed the ‘Little England of Sri Lanka’, Nuwaraeliya is located in the thick, misty hills of this paradise isle, 180 km away from Colombo. The summer resort of Sri Lanka, it is one of the few areas where the colonial atmosphere is preserved, still resembling a British countryside complete with rose gardens, hedges and red-roofed bungalows. Although the town-center has receded from its old-world charm, the lush tea-plantations, the racecourse, the English country house–styled Hill Club and the beautifully kept golf course instantaneously rushes its visitors back to the colonialtimes.

Return to Kandy, visiting a tea plantation & factory en-route.

Tea Plantations – tea was first planted in Sri Lanka in 1824 at the Royal Botanical Gardens in Peradeniya, when a few plants were brought from China. More were introduced from Assam in 1839. In 1867, a Scottish planter named James Taylor planted tea seedlings in 8 hectares of forestland in the Loolecondera Estate. In 1873, the tea export industry of Sri Lanka began with a modest 23 lbs being shipped to London. Today more than 200,000 hectares in highlands and other areas are under tea and around 300 million kilograms (nearly 25% of world tea exports) are exported by Sri Lanka as the world’s second largest tea exporter. Tea grows only on rolling terrain and is classified by elevation into Low Grown, Medium Grown & High Grown.





Thereafter, return to hotel and relax.
Overnight Stay in Kandy.

Day 06

Kandy | South Beach

After breakfast leave for South Beach. (Approximately 4 ½ hours' drive)
Arrive and check in at the hotel. Evening spend relax at the hotel.
Overnight Stay in South Beach.

Day 07

South Beach

Breakfast in the hotel.

OPTIONAL – Excursion to Galle Fort & Turtle Hatchery @ USD 55 per person (Minimum of 2 Pax)

Turtles Hatchery - Established in 1981, the Ahangama turtle hatchery in the Southern province was one of the earliest attempts to safeguard local turtles from extinction. Managed by the Sri Lanka Wildlife Protection Society, the Ahangama hatchery offers a wildlife experience of a different sort. Its visitors are offered the opportunity to watch new-born turtles as well as some rare species of adult turtles including Olive Ridley, the Hawksbill, the Green Turtle, the Loggerhead and the Leatherback, swimming about the massive tanks as they beat their flippers against the water.

Galle -which is the south coast's major city, whose oldest landmark is the massive 17th century Portuguese and Dutch Fort in which the central city is contained. Along the streets, you can see strong Dutch influences in the architecture, along with some old British residences and various mosques with Arabic touches. Galle the port of Galle, thought by some to be the Biblical city of Tar shish, splendidly illustrates the solidity of the Dutch presence in Sri Lanka. The 36-hectare (89 acre) Dutch Fort, built in 1663, has withstood the ravages of time. Its massive ramparts surround the promontory that forms



Overnight Stay in South Beach.



Day 08

South Beach | Airport

Breakfast in hotel.

According to your flight time check out from the hotel and leave to the airport (Approximately 4 hours' drive)

End of Service

HOTELS DETAILS

Location	Superior	Deluxe
Colombo	Fairway Colombo	Cinnamon Lakeside
Sigiriya	Paradise Resort and Spa	Seerock "The King's Domain"
Kandy	Amaya Hills	The Golden Crown
Beruwela	The Palms	Eden Resort & Spa

Package Includes

- Meet & greet services at the airport on arrival
- Private air-conditioned transport
- Services of an English-speaking chauffeur-guide (for up to 6 Pax) OR English-speaking national guide (for 7 Pax and above)
- 7 nights' accommodation on bed & breakfast basis
- All sightseeing including entrance fees, village safari, jeep safari etc. as per the itinerary
- All applicable taxes

Package Does Not Include

- Early check-in (prior to 1400 hrs) & late Check-out (after 1200 hrs)
- Additional meals
- Mineral water, soft drinks & alcoholic beverages
- Camera permits
- Tips & portorage
- Anything not mentioned under "Package Includes"

Complimentary

- Flower garlands on arrival
- Farewell gift on departure



General Terms & Conditions

- Children under 12 years sharing room with parents will pay 50% of the “Per Person Sharing Double Room” price and other supplements.
- Prices for tours falling into (two) different rate slabs will be invoiced at the higher rate.

General Cancellation Policy –

- 22 to 30 to days prior to arrival date – 25% of the full price (excluding weekends and international holidays)
- 15 to 21 days prior to arrival date – 50% of the full price (excluding weekends and international holidays)
- Less than 15 days prior to arrival date – 100% of the full price
- No Shows and Early Departure – 100% of the full price

Tariff & Validity

- All rates quoted are in US Dollars (USD) and are not commissionable.

Important

- The sale and/or consumption in public of all alcoholic beverages on full moon (Poya) days and other days of national/religious significance is prohibited in Sri Lanka by law.

