

21 Days / 20 Nights

## **Amazing Sri Lanka to Encompass *Lifetime Experiences***

A journey that is overflowing with the best of what the island has to offer!



## WELCOME TO SRI LANKA.

### (THE LAND OF PARADISE)

#### HISTORY

The history of SRI LANKA begins around 30,000 years ago when the island was first inhabited. Chronicles including the Mahawansa, The Dipavamsa, the Culavamsa and the Rajaveliya record events from the beginning of the Sinhalese monarchy in the 6th century B.C. Through the arrival of European Colonialists in the 16th century, and to the disestablishment of the monarchy in 1815. Some mentions of the country are found in the RAMAYANA. Buddhism was introduced in the 3rd century B.C by Arhath Mahinda (son of the Indian emperor Ashoka the Great).

#### THE FACTS:

- Population 21 million.
- 3 main languages - Sinhala, Tamil and English.
- Buddhist majority (70%), with Hindu, Christian and Muslim minorities.
- Gained independence from Britain in 1948.
- Democratic Socialist Republic since 1978.
- The top exports are: Tea, Textiles, Gems AND Foreign Remittances.

#### THE TRIVIA:

- Has the highest concentration of Leopard in the world.
- 7 of the world's UN World Heritage Sites.
- Is one of the world's 25 Biodiversity Hot Spots
- World's 3rd largest tea producer.
- The Sinhalese name, Sri Lanka, means, "The Resplendent Land" or "Holy Ceylon."
- Is famous for its Ceylonese Sapphire
- Has 1,340km of tropical coastline.





### **DAY 01: BIA – COLOMBO (50 Kms – 45 minutes approx.)**

On arrival at the Bandaranaike International Airport, you will meet your representatives & transferred directly to Colombo. Check into your hotel with day free to relax.

#### **Evening activities by own arrangements:**

- **Dinner:** Start your evening with a delicious dinner at one of Colombo's many restaurants. Whether you're craving local Sri Lankan cuisine, international flavors, or seafood specialties, you'll find plenty of options to choose from.
- **Rooftop Bars:** Experience Colombo's skyline by visiting one of the city's rooftop bars. Enjoy panoramic views of the city while sipping cocktails or enjoying live music.
- **Nightclubs:** Dance the night away at one of Colombo's vibrant nightclubs. From trendy clubs playing international music to venues featuring local DJs and live bands, there's something for everyone.
- **Casinos:** If you're feeling lucky, try your hand at one of Colombo's casinos. Enjoy a variety of table games, slot machines, and entertainment options at these establishments.
- **Beach Bars:** For a more relaxed atmosphere, head to one of Colombo's beach bars along the coastline. Sip cocktails with your toes in the sand while enjoying the sea breeze and live music.

#### **Overnight Stay in Colombo.**





### **DAY 02: Explore Colombo. (60 Kms – 4 Hrs approx.)**

After breakfast, embark on a full day of exploring **Colombo**, the vibrant capital city of Sri Lanka. Known for its mix of modernity and colonial charm, Colombo offers a variety of attractions that showcase the rich culture and history of Sri Lanka.

Colombo, the commerce and commercial center, has long been considered the historic gateway to the Orient. Sri Lanka's largest city, located on the west coast, combines all of the cultures, faiths, and influences of distant nations into a potpourri of noises, smells, and a kaleidoscope of color. The early traders and immigrants, the Arabs, Portuguese, Dutch, and British, left behind churches and monuments, names and religions, clothing and food, as well as smatterings of their languages that have become ingrained in Sri Lankan speech. Today, Colombo is a fascinating city - a harmonious blend of east and west, past and present, with its own distinct charm.

A lesser-known but astonishing fact is that Colombo boasts an excellent selection of high-quality restaurants providing food from all over the world, as well as some of Asia's best shopping choices. Sri Lanka's largest seaport is in Colombo, and adjacent to it is Pettah, a local mart and trading hub. Other attractions include the majestic Buddhist temples, the Colombo Museum, the Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall, the New Parliament in Sri Jayewardenepura, and Independence Square.





Evening visit the **Gangaramaya Temple**, one of Colombo's most significant Buddhist temples, known for its eclectic mix of modern and traditional architecture, as well as a museum showcasing a vast collection of artifacts. Head to **Beira Lake**, which is nearby, where you can enjoy a peaceful walk around the lake or visit the **Seema Malaka Temple**, situated on the water.

Visit **Pettah Market**, one of the most vibrant and busy markets in Colombo. It's a sensory overload with narrow streets packed with vendors selling spices, textiles, and souvenirs, a great place to immerse yourself in local life.

**Overnight Stay in Colombo.**

### **DAY 03: COLOMBO – ANURADHAPURA (220 Kms – 4 to 5 Hrs approx.)**

After breakfast, check out of your hotel in **Colombo** and begin your journey to **Anuradhapura**. This ancient city, one of Sri Lanka's cultural capitals, is about a 4–5-hour drive from Colombo (approximately 205 km).

Enjoy scenic views of rural Sri Lanka as you travel through villages and lush landscapes.

Call it a day after checking into your hotel.

**Overnight Stay in Anuradhapura.**





#### **DAY 04: EXPLORE ANURADHAPURA (50 Kms – 3 to 4 Hrs approx.)**

After breakfast, take a bike ride to explore the ancient ruins of Anuradhapura. (The bike ride tour will take approximately 4-5 hours with refreshments.)

Start your day by visiting the Sri Maha Bodhi, one of the most revered Buddhist sites in Sri Lanka. The sacred tree is a serene and peaceful spot, perfect for reflection. Spend some time soaking in the calm atmosphere as you begin your spiritual journey.

Next, head to the nearby Ruwanwelisaya Stupa. This striking stupa is an iconic landmark and an impressive example of ancient Sri Lankan architecture. It's easily accessible and offers a tranquil environment to explore.

From there, make your way to the Isurumuniya Temple, known for its beautiful rock carvings and peaceful setting by a pond. This temple offers a quiet retreat where you can appreciate the intricate art and the natural surroundings.

Afterward, visit Jetavanaramaya, one of the largest stupas in the world. While it's a bit farther from the city center, the trip is well worth it. The site is awe-inspiring, and the journey there takes you through scenic rural landscapes, offering a peaceful contrast to the busier areas.

Continue to the Tissa Wewa Reservoir, located just outside the main city. You can relax by the water and enjoy the views, which are especially beautiful in the afternoon. It's a great place to unwind and take in the serene surroundings.

**Overnight Stay in Anuradhapura.**





#### **DAY 05: ANURADHAPURA – JAFFNA (230 Kms – 4 Hrs approx.)**

After breakfast, check out of your hotel in **Anuradhapura** and begin your journey to **Jaffna**, located in the northernmost region of Sri Lanka. The drive is approximately **4-5 hours (around 200 km)**, offering you a chance to enjoy the changing landscapes as you head toward the vibrant cultural hub of the Tamil community.

Upon arrival in **Jaffna**, check in to your hotel and take some time to relax and refresh after the long drive.

Enjoy a leisurely evening exploring **Jaffna's local markets** or **Jaffna Lagoon**, where you can enjoy the tranquil environment and perhaps take a walk along the shore.

#### **Overnight Stay in Jaffna.**

#### **DAY 06: EXPLORE JAFFNA (80 Kms – 5 Hrs approx.)**

After breakfast, head out to explore more of Jaffna's cultural and historical sites. Start with a visit to the **Nallur Kandaswamy Kovil**, one of the most important Hindu temples in Sri Lanka, dedicated to Lord Murugan. Its intricate architecture and vibrant atmosphere make it a must-see.

Next, head to **Jaffna Public Library**, a landmark of cultural significance that was once one of the largest and most important libraries in Asia before being destroyed during the civil war. The library has been rebuilt and is a symbol of resilience.

Visit **Point Pedro**, the northernmost point of Sri Lanka. This quiet area offers beautiful coastal views and provides a sense of the remote and peaceful nature of the region. It's also a good spot to enjoy a relaxed walk and connect with nature.





**Nainativu Island**, located about 25 km from Jaffna, is home to the **Nagadeepa Purana Vihara** Buddhist temple. This island is a serene and spiritually significant location, known for its peaceful atmosphere and beautiful surroundings. It's accessible by boat from Jaffna.

Evening visit Jaffna Fort. Built by the Portuguese in the 17th century and later expanded by the Dutch, **Jaffna Fort** is one of the most iconic landmarks in the city. Explore its well-preserved ramparts, bastions, and the peaceful atmosphere. You can also enjoy stunning views of the surrounding area, including the nearby lagoon and the bustling town.

End your evening in Jaffna with a relaxing visit to **Rio Ice Cream**, a popular spot known for its delicious range of ice cream flavors. Whether you prefer a classic vanilla scoop or want to try something unique, Rio Ice Cream offers a sweet treat to cap off your day.

#### Overnight Stay in Jaffna.





### **DAY 07: JAFFNA – TRINCOMALEE (240 Kms – 4 to 5 Hrs approx.)**

After breakfast in **Jaffna**, check out of your hotel and begin your journey to **Trincomalee**, a coastal city located on the eastern coast of Sri Lanka. As you travel, enjoy the scenic views of rural landscapes and the transition to the beautiful beaches of Trincomalee.

Call it a day after checking in to your hotel.

**Overnight Stay in Trincomalee.**

### **DAY 08: EXPLORE TRINCOMALEE (60 Kms – 3 to 4 Hrs approx.)**

Early in the morning, embark on a thrilling whale-watching tour in Trincomalee.

#### **Optional: Whale Watching in Trinco – Seasonal activity**

Trincomalee is located on the northeastern coast of Sri Lanka, an area known for its rich marine biodiversity. The best time for whale watching in Trincomalee is from **March to August**, when the weather is calm and the seas are clearer, offering better visibility for spotting whales. During this period, the waters around Trincomalee attract large numbers of migratory whales. This tour offers a unique opportunity to spot majestic blue whales, sperm whales, and playful dolphins in their natural habitat.

On completion proceed back to the hotel.

In the afternoon, visit the **Koneswaram Temple**, an ancient Hindu temple perched on a hilltop overlooking the beautiful Trincomalee Bay. Known for its stunning views and intricate architecture, the temple is dedicated to Lord Shiva and is one of the five sacred shrines of the island.

After exploring the temple, head to **Fort Frederick**, a historic fort built by the Portuguese in the 17th century and later expanded by the Dutch. The fort offers a glimpse into the colonial past and boasts panoramic views of the surrounding area, including the harbor and the Koneswaram Temple. Enjoy the rich history and scenic beauty of both landmarks.

In the evening, head to **Nilaveli Beach** for a peaceful and relaxing time. Known for its pristine white sand and clear turquoise waters, Nilaveli is perfect for unwinding after a day of sightseeing. You can enjoy a leisurely walk along the shore, take a dip in the calm waters, or simply sit back and enjoy the stunning sunset views.

**Overnight stay in Trincomalee.**





### **DAY 09: TRINCO – HABARANA (100 Kms – 2 Hrs approx.)**

Before embarking on your journey to Habarana, you can indulge in a delicious breakfast served at your hotel in Trincomalee. Sri Lankan cuisine offers a diverse array of flavors and specialties, providing a delightful culinary experience to start your day. Afternoon Experience Sri Lankan rural village experience with traditional cookery demo. Here's what you can expect from the Village Trek.

#### **Scenic Nature Walk:**

The trek typically begins with a walk through lush green forests and along the edges of a reservoir or lake. The path winds through the village, offering picturesque views of paddy fields, mountains, and waterways.

#### **Bullock Cart Ride: (If interested only)**

Participants often have the chance to ride in a traditional bullock cart, which is an ancient mode of transportation still used in rural areas. This ride provides a nostalgic experience and a glimpse into the traditional lifestyle of Sri Lankan villagers.

#### **Village Experience:**

The trek includes a visit to a typical village home, where you can interact with the locals and learn about their daily lives. Often, visitors are invited to take part in traditional cooking demonstrations or to enjoy a freshly prepared meal with the villagers, offering an authentic taste of Sri Lankan hospitality.

#### **Catamaran Ride:**

A highlight of the trek is a serene ride on a traditional catamaran, a type of wooden boat used by local fishermen. The boat ride allows you to enjoy the tranquility of the lake and observe the surrounding wildlife, including birds and possibly even elephants if you're lucky.

In the evening, head to **Kalawewa** for a serene **kayaking** experience. This large reservoir, surrounded by lush greenery and scenic landscapes, provides the perfect setting for a peaceful paddle as the sun begins to set.

#### **Optional: Kayaking with elephants in Kalawewa**

Kayaking in Kala Wewa offers a unique and eco-friendly way to appreciate the reservoir's natural beauty and wildlife. This important water source supports elephants, and kayaking here gives you the chance to see elephants swimming and observe tuskers in their natural habitat, offering a fresh and fascinating perspective on their daily lives. Call it a day after checking in to your hotel in Habarana.

### **Overnight stay in Dambulla/Habarana**





#### **DAY 10: Explore Pidurangala & Polonnaruwa. (125 Kms – 3 Hrs approx.)**

In the early morning, visit the **Pidurangala Rock Fortress** to catch a breathtaking sunrise.

This ancient rock formation offers a rewarding climb that leads to panoramic views of the surrounding landscape, including the iconic Sigiriya Rock in the distance. As the sun rises, you'll be treated to stunning views of the golden light casting over the lush greenery and the historic ruins below. It's a perfect spot for nature lovers and photographers looking to capture the beauty of Sri Lanka's landscape at dawn.

On completion return to the hotel for breakfast.

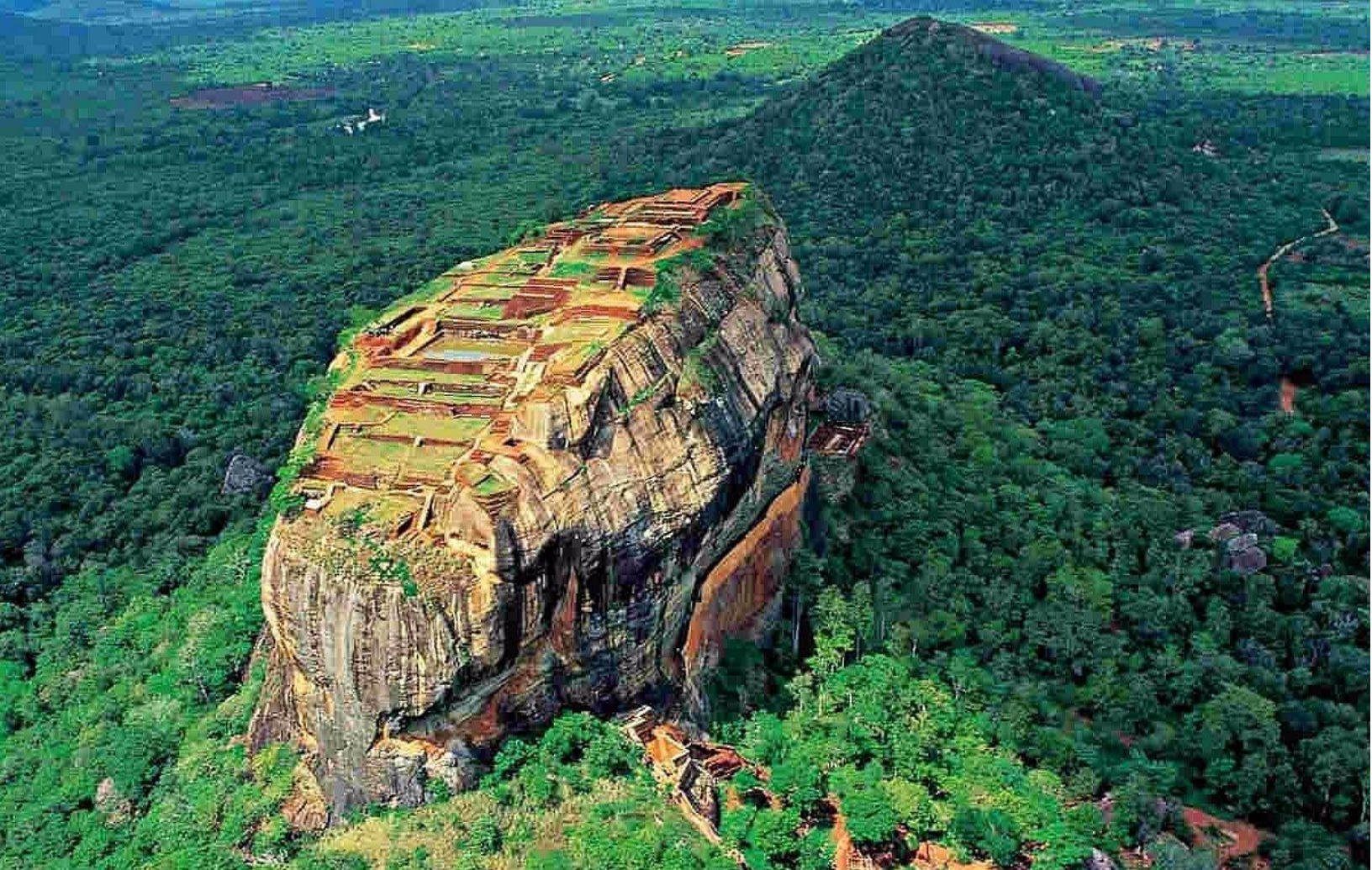
In the evening, explore the ancient village of **Polonnaruwa** by bike for a unique and active experience. **Cycling** through this **UNESCO World Heritage** site allows you to leisurely discover the ancient ruins, including the Royal Palace, the stunning Gal Vihara rock temples, and the grand Parakrama Samudra reservoir. As you ride through the village, you can enjoy the tranquil atmosphere, stopping at key historical sites while taking in the beauty of the surrounding landscape. The evening light creates a serene and picturesque setting, making it an ideal time to explore this ancient city on two wheels.

After completing the tour, return to your accommodation in Habarana.

Time to rejuvenate and refresh yourself. Whether you prefer to lounge by the pool, indulge in a spa treatment, or simply rest in the comfort of your room, the choice is yours.

**Overnight stay in Dambulla/Habarana.**





#### **DAY 11: Explore Sigiriya & Dambulla. (70 Kms – 2 Hrs approx.)**

After breakfast, enjoy the day at a relaxed and leisurely pace. Take your time to explore hotel amenities. Evening visit Sigiriya Lions Rock. Visiting the Sigiriya Rock Fortress, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, during sunset is an extraordinary experience that offers breathtaking views and unparalleled photo opportunities.

##### **Optional: Sigiriya Lions Rock**

Sigiriya, also known as Lion Rock, is a majestic rock fortress rising dramatically from the surrounding plains of central Sri Lanka. It holds immense historical and cultural significance, dating back to the reign of King Kasyapa in the 5th century AD. Ascending Sigiriya Rock during sunrise allows you to witness the magical moment when the first rays of sunlight illuminate the landscape, casting a golden glow over the ancient ruins and lush greenery below. The panoramic vistas from the summit are truly awe-inspiring, offering sweeping views of the surrounding countryside and distant mountains.

The ascent to the top of Sigiriya Rock involves climbing steep staircases and narrow pathways, but the effort is well worth it for the unparalleled sights awaiting you at the summit. Along the way, you'll encounter the remnants of King Kasyapa's palace complex, including the iconic Lion Gate, frescoes depicting celestial maidens, and the mirror wall inscribed with ancient graffiti.

Sigiriya is indeed celebrated as one of the world's wonders due to its remarkable architecture, engineering, and artistic achievements. The combination of natural beauty and human ingenuity makes it a must-visit destination for travelers seeking to delve into Sri Lanka's rich cultural heritage.

**Overnight stay in Dambulla/Habarana.**





## **DAY 12: HABARANA – KANDY (100 Kms – 3 Hrs approx.)**

After enjoying a hearty breakfast at your hotel in Dambulla/Habarana, we will arrange for a comfortable drive to Kandy, a city renowned for its cultural heritage, scenic beauty, and sacred Buddhist sites. En-route visit a Spice Garden.

### **Spice Garden**

Matale is well-known for its spice gardens, where you can explore the rich diversity of spices that grow abundantly in Sri Lanka's tropical climate. During your visit, you'll have the opportunity to learn about various spices such as cinnamon, cardamom, cloves, nutmeg, and pepper, among others. Knowledgeable guides will lead you through the gardens, providing fascinating insights into the cultivation, harvesting, and uses of these aromatic treasures.

You can also enjoy demonstrations on how spices are processed and transformed into essential oils, powders, and other products. Additionally, you may have the chance to sample some traditional Sri Lankan dishes flavored with these fresh spices. Visiting the Matale Spice Garden will not only enhance your understanding of Sri Lanka's agricultural heritage but also add a delightful sensory experience to your journey. On completion proceed to Kandy. Check in at the hotel in Kandy.





In the evening, you can visit the **Temple of the Tooth Relic** (Sri Dalada Maligawa) in Kandy, which is one of the most sacred and revered Buddhist sites in Sri Lanka.

### **Temple of the Tooth Relic**

The Temple of the Tooth Relic houses the relic of the tooth of the Buddha, which is believed to be enshrined within the temple. This relic is highly venerated by Buddhists worldwide, and the temple itself is an architectural marvel, adorned with intricate carvings, golden embellishments, and beautiful paintings.

Temple of the Tooth Relic offers a profound spiritual experience as you witness devotees paying homage to the sacred relic and participating in religious rituals and ceremonies. The atmosphere is imbued with a sense of reverence and tranquility, making it a deeply moving and memorable experience for visitors.

After your visit to the temple, you can explore the vibrant streets of Kandy, perhaps indulging in some shopping for souvenirs or sampling delicious local cuisine at one of the city's many restaurants. Visit a gem museum to learn about Sri Lanka's rich history of gemstone mining and craftsmanship.

### **Gem museum**

Sri Lanka is renowned for its precious and semi-precious gemstones, including sapphires, rubies, cat's eye, and alexandrite, among others. The country's gem industry has a long and storied history, dating back thousands of years.

A visit to a gem museum in Kandy allows you to explore the fascinating world of gemstones, from their geological formation to the intricate artistry involved in cutting and polishing them into exquisite jewels. Knowledgeable guides will provide insights into the different types of gemstones found in Sri Lanka, their characteristics, and their cultural significance.

Moreover, if you're interested in acquiring gemstones or jewelry, the museum may have a showroom where you can browse and purchase authentic Sri Lankan gemstones and jewelry pieces, ensuring you take home a beautiful memento of your time in Kandy.

After a day filled with exploration and cultural immersion in Kandy, spending the evening at your hotel and utilizing its facilities is a fantastic way to relax and unwind.

Whatever your preferences may be, spending the evening at the hotel allows you to relax and recharge, ensuring you're ready for more adventures in Kandy the next day.

### **Overnight stay in Kandy.**





### **DAY 13: KANDY – NUWARA ELIYA (100 Kms – 3 Hrs approx.)**

After enjoying a delightful breakfast at your hotel in Kandy, we will begin our journey to Nuwara Eliya, Sri Lanka's picturesque tea region. The drive to Nuwara Eliya will take you through stunning landscapes characterized by rolling hills, lush tea plantations, and cascading waterfalls. As we venture towards Nuwara Eliya, you'll notice a change in scenery, with the climate becoming cooler and the air crisp and fresh. The area surrounding Nuwara Eliya is often referred to as "Little England" due to its colonial charm, abundance of colonial-era architecture, and the cool climate reminiscent of an English countryside. En route from Kandy to Nuwara Eliya, we can arrange for a visit to a tea factory, providing you with a fascinating insight into the process of tea production in Sri Lanka.

#### **Tea Factory Visit**

Sri Lanka, formerly known as Ceylon, is renowned for its tea industry, and Nuwara Eliya is at the heart of this renowned tea-growing region. A visit to a tea factory allows you to learn about the art and science of tea cultivation, processing, and packaging. You'll also learn about the different types of tea produced in Sri Lanka, including black tea, green tea, white tea, and oolong tea, each with its own unique characteristics and flavors. On completion visit **Ramboda Waterfall**.

#### **Ramboda Waterfall**

Ramboda Falls is a stunning, tiered waterfall located in the central highlands of Sri Lanka, specifically in the Nuwara Eliya District. It is one of the most iconic waterfalls in the country, known for its natural beauty and cascading waters. Ramboda Falls is approximately 109 meters (358 feet) tall, making it one of the highest waterfalls in Sri Lanka. It is a tiered waterfall, with water flowing in multiple stages down a rocky cliff. After a day of exploration in Nuwara Eliya, you can retire to your hotel and unwind in the comfort of your accommodation, surrounded by the natural beauty and tranquility of Sri Lanka's hill country.

**Overnight stay in Nuwara Eliya.**





#### **DAY 14: NUWARA ELIYA (80 Kms – 3 to 4 Hrs approx.)**

Breakfast at the hotel. **Optional:** Proceed to Horton Plains National Park for a scenic and exhilarating trek. The Horton Plains trek is a well-known hike/Trek in Sri Lanka's central highlands, situated within Horton Plains National Park. Renowned for its rich biodiversity, montane grasslands, and cloud forests, the park is part of the UNESCO-listed Central Highlands. The trek provides breathtaking views, opportunities for wildlife encounters, and visits to several iconic landmarks.

#### **Key Highlights of the Trek**

- **World's End:** This is one of the most famous viewpoints in Sri Lanka. The sheer drop of about 870 meters (2,854 feet) offers breathtaking panoramic views. On clear days, you can see as far as the southern coastline.
- **Baker's fall:** A beautiful waterfall located along the trek, named after the British explorer Sir Samuel Baker. It's surrounded by lush vegetation and is a great spot for photography.
- **Flora and Fauna:** Horton Plains is home to unique wildlife such as the sambar deer, purple-faced langur, and various bird species. You may also spot endemic plants and flowers in this unique ecosystem.
- **Misty Plains and Grasslands:** The hike passes through misty grasslands, making it a unique experience compared to other tropical hikes in Sri Lanka. The plains are usually enveloped in fog during the early morning.

#### **Trek Details**

- **Distance:** The loop trail is about 9 km (5.6 miles) and typically takes 3 to 4 hours to complete.
- **Difficulty:** It's considered a moderate trek, accessible to most fitness levels. The trail is well-marked and mostly flat, though there are some rocky and uneven sections.

On completion proceed back to Nuwara Eliya.





Evening, you can explore the town's attractions, including the picturesque Lake Gregory, Victoria Park, and the historic Nuwara Eliya Golf Club (optional) .

1. **Boating:** Rent a paddleboat or rowboat and take a leisurely ride on the serene waters of Gregory Lake. It's a relaxing way to soak in the beautiful scenery and enjoy the tranquility of the surroundings.
2. **Cycling:** Rent a bicycle and explore the scenic trails around Gregory Lake. Cycling is a great way to get some exercise while taking in the fresh mountain air and breathtaking views.
3. **Horse Riding:** Take a horseback ride along the shores of Gregory Lake and enjoy a unique perspective of the surrounding landscape.
4. **Walking:** Stroll along the lakeside promenade and enjoy the peaceful ambiance of Gregory Lake. It's a great way to stretch your legs and take in the sights and sounds of nature.

After a day of exploration in Nuwara Eliya, you can retire to your hotel and unwind in the comfort of your accommodation, surrounded by the natural beauty and tranquility of Sri Lanka's hill country.

**Overnight stay in Nuwara Eliya.**





### **DAY 15: NUWARA ELIYA – ELLA (by Train) (80 Kms – 3 to 4 Hrs approx.)**

After breakfast, proceed to Nanu Oya Station to catch the scenic train to Ella.

The journey offers a breathtaking ride through lush tea plantations, mist-covered mountains, and picturesque landscapes, making it one of the most memorable train rides in Sri Lanka. As you travel through the heart of the island's hill country, you'll be treated to stunning views of valleys, waterfalls, and charming villages along the way, making this experience truly special.

Upon arriving in Ella railway station, your chauffeur guide will pick you up and proceed to famous **Nine Arch Bridge**.

This iconic bridge, built during the colonial era, is known for its stunning design with nine graceful arches spanning the valley below. Surrounded by tea plantations and rolling hills, it's a perfect spot for photos and to enjoy the beauty of the Sri Lankan countryside. You can also take a walk along the tracks for a closer view or simply relax and appreciate the tranquil setting.

Call it a day after checking into your hotel.

**Overnight stay in Ella.**





### **DAY 16: EXPLORE ELLA (60 Kms – 3 Hrs approx.)**

Start your day by visiting Little Adam's Peak after breakfast.

Little Adam's Peak is located near the town of Ella in Sri Lanka. It offers beautiful views and is a relatively easy hike for most visitors. The hike typically takes around 1.5 to 2 hours, making it perfect for a morning adventure. The path is well-maintained, with a gradual ascent. Along the way, you'll pass through tea plantations, lush greenery, and small villages. The climb is relatively easy compared to the higher Adam's Peak, but you'll still get some breathtaking views of Ella Rock, the surrounding valleys, and the famous Nine Arches Bridge.

Spend the day at your own pace, strolling through Ella town and exploring the surrounding areas.

**Overnight stay in Ella.**





### **DAY 17: ELLA – YALA (130 Kms – 3 to 4 Hrs approx.)**

After breakfast proceed to Yala, which is located in the southern part of Sri Lanka. En-route visit Ravana waterfall.

#### **About Yala National Park:**

Yala National Park is one of Sri Lanka's most renowned and oldest national parks, located in the southeast region of the country. It's famous for its diverse wildlife and stunning natural landscapes, making it a popular destination for nature lovers and wildlife enthusiasts. The park is home to a wide variety of animals, including the Sri Lankan leopard, elephants, sloth bears, crocodiles, and numerous species of birds. Yala is particularly known for its high density of leopards, making it one of the best places in the world for leopard sightings. Yala National Park is divided into five blocks, with Block 1 being the most visited and accessible to tourists. Each block offers its own unique ecosystem and wildlife experiences. Visitors to Yala can explore the park through safari tours, either in the early morning or late afternoon when wildlife is most active. These safaris provide an opportunity to observe animals in their natural habitat and capture breathtaking views of the park's landscapes. Overall, Yala National Park offers an unforgettable wilderness experience, combining adventure, natural beauty, and wildlife encounters in one of Sri Lanka's most iconic destinations.

**Optional:** 4X4 Evening Safari at Yala National Park.

Call it a day after checking in to your hotel.

**Overnight stay in Yala.**





### **DAY 18: YALA – BENTOTA (250 Kms – 4 Hrs approx.)**

After breakfast, begin your journey to Bentota, a beautiful beach destination on the southwest coast of Sri Lanka. En route, make a stop at the historic Galle Dutch Fort, a must-visit landmark for history enthusiasts.

#### **Galle Dutch Fort**

The Dutch Fort is a UNESCO World Heritage site and one of the best-preserved examples of European architecture in South Asia. Built by the Portuguese in the 16th century and later expanded by the Dutch in the 17th century, the fort has witnessed centuries of trade, conflict, and cultural exchanges. Today, it stands as a reminder of Sri Lanka's colonial past.

On completion proceed to Bentota.

As you approach Bentota, you'll be greeted by the sight of palm-fringed beaches, swaying coconut trees, and the shimmering waters of the Indian Ocean. Bentota is blessed with a tropical climate and offers a wide range of activities and attractions for visitors to enjoy.

Call it a day after checking in to your hotel.

#### **Overnight stay in Bentota.**





### DAY 19: Bentota

After enjoying breakfast at your hotel in Bentota, visiting a turtle hatchery is a wonderful way to spend the morning and learn about conservation efforts aimed at protecting endangered sea turtles.

In Bentota, you'll find several turtle hatcheries dedicated to the conservation and protection of sea turtles. These hatcheries play a crucial role in preserving sea turtle populations by providing a safe environment for nesting, hatching, and releasing turtles into the ocean.

In the evening, a boat ride along the Madu River is a perfect way to immerse yourself in the natural beauty and tranquility of Bentota's surroundings. The Madu River, located near Bentota, is a scenic waterway that meanders through lush mangrove forests, small islands, and traditional fishing villages.

Here's what you can expect from your boat ride on the Madu River:

1. **Scenic Beauty:** Sit back and relax as your boat glides along the calm waters of the Madu River. Enjoy panoramic views of dense mangrove forests, vibrant foliage, and abundant wildlife thriving in this pristine ecosystem.
2. **Mangrove Forests:** Cruise through winding channels flanked by mangrove forests, home to a diverse array of plant and animal species. Keep an eye out for colorful birds, monitor lizards, and maybe even a crocodile basking in the sun.
3. **Island Exploration:** Visit some of the small islands dotting the Madu River, where you can disembark and explore. You may have the opportunity to visit a cinnamon island, where local villagers demonstrate traditional cinnamon peeling techniques.





4. **Fishermen's Lifestyle:** Pass by traditional fishing villages along the riverbanks and observe the daily life of local fishermen. You'll see fishermen casting their nets, repairing their boats, and going about their daily routines in this picturesque setting.
5. **Therapeutic Experience:** Allow the soothing sounds of nature and the gentle rhythm of the boat to relax and rejuvenate your mind, body, and soul. The tranquility of the Madu River provides a peaceful escape from the hustle and bustle of everyday life.
6. **Sunset Views:** If you time your boat ride right, you may be treated to a spectacular sunset over the Madu River. Witness the sky ablaze with hues of orange and pink as the sun dips below the horizon, casting a golden glow over the tranquil waters.

#### Overnight stay in Bentota.





## **DAY 20: BENTOTA**

Day at Leisure

**Overnight stay in Bentota.**





**DAY 21: BENTOTA TO COLOMBO AIRPORT (150 Kms – 3 Hrs approx.)**

As your journey in Sri Lanka comes to a close, our chauffeur guide will ensure a seamless transfer to the BIA Colombo international airport for your departing flight back home. for your departing flight back home. You'll be picked up from your accommodation at the designated time and transported to the airport in a comfortable and reliable vehicle.

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### Itinerary Overview – 20 Nights/ 21 Days

<u>Day</u>	<u>Tour</u>	<u>Overnight</u>
Day 01	<b><u>Airport – Colombo</u></b> Leisure	Colombo
Day 02	<b><u>Colombo</u></b> Colombo City Tour	Colombo
Day 03	<b><u>Colombo – Anuradhapura</u></b> Leisure	Anuradhapura
Day 04	<b><u>Anuradhapura</u></b> City tour - Anuradhapura Ancient village	Anuradhapura
Day 05	<b><u>Anuradhapura – Jaffna</u></b> Leisure	Jaffna
Day 06	<b><u>Jaffna</u></b> Jaffna Fort Point Pedro Nallur Temple Nainathiv Temple	Jaffna
Day 07	<b><u>Jaffna – Trincomalee</u></b> Leisure	Trincomalee
Day 08	<b><u>Trincomalee</u></b> Optional tour: Whale Watching tour – Seasonal activity Koneshwaram Temple Fort Fedrick Nilaveli Beach	Trincomalee
Day 09	<b><u>Trincomalee – Habarana</u></b> Village Tour Optional Tour: Kayaking with Elephants in Kalawewa	Habarana/Sigiriya
Day 10	<b><u>Habarana</u></b> Pidurangala Rock fortress Polonnaruwa Ancient Village	Habarana/Sigiriya
Day 11	<b><u>Habarana</u></b> Optional Tour: Sigiriya Lions Rock	Habarana/Sigiriya
Day 12	<b><u>Habarana – Kandy</u></b> Spice Garden Temple of the Tooth Relic Gem Museum Cultural Dance show	Kandy
Day 13	<b><u>Kandy – Nuwara Eliya</u></b> Tea Factory Visit Ramboda waterfall Evening City tour	Nuwara Eliya
Day 14	<b><u>Nuwara Eliya</u></b> Optional tour: Horton Plains National Park Trek Ambewella Farm Gregory Lake	Nuwara Eliya



<b>Day 15</b>	<b><u>Nuwara Eliya – Ella (Train Journey)</u></b> Train Journey from Nanu Oya to Ella Nine Arch Bridge	<b>Ella</b>
<b>Day 16</b>	<b><u>Ella</u></b> Little Adams Peak Ravana waterfall Explore nightlife in Ella	<b>Ella</b>
<b>Day 17</b>	<b><u>Ella – Yala</u></b> <b>Optional Tour:</b> Evening Safari at Yala National Park	<b>Yala</b>
<b>Day 18</b>	<b><u>Yala – Galle – Bentota</u></b> Galle Dutch fort	<b>Bentota</b>
<b>Day 19</b>	<b><u>Bentota</u></b> Turtle Hatchery Madu River Boat Ride Leisure	<b>Bentota</b>
<b>Day 20</b>	<b><u>Bentota</u></b> Leisure	<b>Bentota</b>
<b>Day 21</b>	<b><u>Bentota – Airport</u></b> Departure transfer to the airport	<b>-</b>



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Option A : Standard category of Hotels inclusive of daily Breakfast and Dinner (on half board basis) Minimum 2 Persons travelling together, in the hotels mentioned or similar				
Nights	Name of the Hotel	Location	Validity Period	
02	Morvan Hotel	Colombo	1 <sup>st</sup> May 2025 to 31 Oct 2025  *Package Price USD 2685 per person on Twin sharing basis	1 <sup>st</sup> May 2026 to 31 Oct 2026  Package Price USD 3095 per person on Twin sharing basis
02	Miridiya Lake Resort	Anuradhapura		
02	The Thinnai Hotel	Jaffna		
02	Pigeon Island Resort & Spa	Trincomalee	01 Nov 2025 to 30 Apr' 2026  Package Price USD 2950 per person on Twin sharing basis	01 Nov 2026 to 30 Apr' 2027  Package Price USD 3390 per person on Twin sharing basis
03	Fresco Water Villa	Sigiriya		
01	The Swiss Residence Hotel	Kandy		
02	Hotel Heaven Seven	Nuwara Eliya		
02	Oak Ray Ella Gap	Ella		
01	Oak Ray Wild Hotel	Yala		
03	Hotel Club Bentota	Bentota		
Duration of Stay = 20 Nights				
Additional Supplement for Christmas Eve or New Year Eve @ US Dollars 100 Per Person				



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Option B : Superior category of Hotels inclusive of daily Breakfast and Dinner (on half board basis) Minimum 2 Persons travelling together, in the hotels mentioned or similar				
Nights	Name of the Hotel	Location	Validity Period	
02	Courtyard by Marriott	Colombo	1 <sup>st</sup> May 2025 to 31 Oct 2025  Package Price USD 3100 per person on Twin sharing basis	1 <sup>st</sup> May 2026 to 31 Oct 2026  Package Price USD 3565 per person on Twin sharing basis
02	Rajarata Hotel	Anuradhapura		
02	Fox Jaffna	Jaffna		
02	Trinco Blu by Cinnamon	Trincomalee	01 Nov 2025 to 30 Apr' 2026  Package Price USD 3375 per person on Twin sharing basis	01 Nov 2026 to 30 Apr' 2027  Package Price USD 3880 per person on Twin sharing basis
03	Habarana Village by Cinnamon	Sigiriya		
01	Cinnamon Citadel Hotel	Kandy		
02	The Lynden Grove	Nuwara Eliya		
02	88 Ella	Ella		
01	Chaarya Resort & Spa	Yala		
03	The Palms Hotel	Bentota		
Duration of Stay = 20 Nights				
Additional Supplement for Christmas Eve or New Year Eve @ US Dollars 150 Per Person				

#### **Value Additions from Adventure World India Pvt Ltd**

- ✓ Meet & Assist at the airport by dedicated airport reps 24X7
- ✓ Welcome at the airport with Garlands
- ✓ Room upgrade on availability
- ✓ Express way charges wherever applicable
- ✓ 2 X 500 ML water bottle per person per day
- ✓ Map of Sri Lanka



**Optional Tour Cost:**

- Whale Watching in Trincomalee: USD 100 per person approx

**The above package includes:**

- ✚ Accommodation at the above-mentioned hotels or similar
- ✚ Daily breakfast and Dinner at the hotel
- ✚ City tours as per the itinerary.
- ✚ Kayaking with elephants in Kalawewa
- ✚ Entrances fee at Sigiriya Lions Rock
- ✚ Entrances fee at Horton Plains National Park
- ✚ Horton Plains Jeep Safari
- ✚ Entrances fee at Yala National Park
- ✚ Yala National Park Jeep Safari
- ✚ Visit to Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage
- ✚ Village trek & Sri Lankan Cookery Demo with Lunch
- ✚ Entrance fee at Pidurangala Rock Fortress
- ✚ Entrance fee at Polonnaruwa Ancient Village
- ✚ Entrance fee at Dambulla Cave Temple
- ✚ Entrance fee at Temple of the Tooth Relic
- ✚ Cultural Dance Show
- ✚ Entrance fee at Spice Garden Visit
- ✚ Tickets for Scenic Train ride from Nanu oya to Ella
- ✚ Visit to Little Adams peak
- ✚ Visit to Turtle Hatchery
- ✚ Madu River Boat Ride
- ✚ Air-conditioned vehicle throughout the tour
- ✚ Service of an English-Speaking Chauffeur cum guide.
- ✚ All applicable Government taxes.

**The above package excludes:**

- ✚ *International Airfare, Visa charges & Travel Insurance.*
- ✚ *Entrance fees to any sites not mentioned above.*
- ✚ **Optional tours.**
- ✚ *Compulsory Supplements.*
- ✚ *Meals Outside of the stated meal plan.*
- ✚ *Use of vehicles other than the specified itinerary.*
- ✚ *Expenses of personal nature.*
- ✚ *Any other services not specified above.*
- ✚ *Early check-in & Late check-out at the hotels (Check-in & check-out time 14.00 to 12.00 Noon)*
- ✚ *Tips of any personal nature.*

