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8D7N SRI LANKA TOUR 02 - 09 May 2025

HOTELS						
DAY	DATE	CITY NAME OF HOTELS				
1	02 May	Colombo	Fairway			
2	03 May	Dambulla	Tropical Life			
3	04 May	Kandy	Topaz			
4	05 May	Nuwaraeliya	Araliya Red / Mirage			
5	06 May	Mirissa	Mandara Resort			
6	07 May	Colombo	Fairway			
7	08 May	Colombo	Fairway			
8	09 May		Departure			

AIR LANKA FLIGHT SCHEDULES						
DATE	FLIGHT NO.	DESTINATION	DEP. TIME	ARR. TIME		
02May 2025	UL 307	SIN / CMB	09.45	11.05		
09 May 2025	UL 308	CMB / SIN	12.15	18.55		
AIR TICKETS ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY						



ITINERARY

DAY 01 (02 MAY) - AIRPORT - COLOMBO (38 kms - 1 Hour)

Upon on arrival at Bandaranaike International Airport, meet and greet our tour guide.

Transfer to Colombo

Lunch at Local Restaurant

Check into the hotel

Afternoon spend some time on the Beach & Casino

Dinner & overnight stay at Fairway Hotel - Colombo

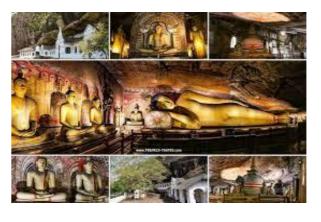
DAY 02 (03 MAY) - COLOMBO - PINNAWALA - DAMBULLA (200kms -5 Hours)

Breakfast at the hotel. Thereafter depart for Dambulla

Visit Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage

Upon arrival in Dambulla, visit Cave Temple.

Dambulla - is a vast isolated rock mass 500 feet high and a mile around the base. Here is found the famous Rock Temple dating to the First Century B.C. The caves of Dambulla sheltered King Walagamba during his 14 years of exile from Anuradhapura. When he regained the throne he built the most magnificent of Rock Temples to be found in the Island.



In the first Cave is a recumbent image of the Buddha 47ft long cut out of the Rock. There are images of deities associated with Buddhism all around. The frescoes on the walls and the ceiling are the oldest here but they are over painted in the Kandy period. In the Second Cave, the finest and the largest of all, there are 150 life-size statues of the Buddha in various postures with few statues of Gods and Kings. The ceiling is also covered with frescoes, which depict great events in the life of the Buddha and landmarks in the history of the Sinhalese people.

(Excursion Duration 01.5 hours)

Lunch at a Local Restaurant. Thereafter check in to the hotel.

Dinner & Overnight stay in Tropical Village - Dambulla

DAY 03 (04 MAY) – DAMBULLA - SIGIRIYA - MATALE – KANDY (95 kms - 2 hours)

Early morning depart for **Sigiriya** – **Photo Stop only** Approx. 20 minutes drive to Sigiriya.

Sigiriya – is a "World Heritage Site" and the 5th Century "Fortress in the Sky" which is perhaps the most fantastic single wonder of the Island. It is also known as Lion Rock because of the huge lion that used to stand at the entrance to the Palace on the summit of the 600-foot-high rock. On its summit are the foundations of the Royal Palace, Water Tanks



to supply water and all other buildings and at the edges the guardhouses. On one of the stairways the only known ancient work of Sinhala secular painting survived in the form of Frescoes of 21 life sized damsels in all the freshness and delicacy of their original color. The Water Gardens Fountain.

Thereafter transfer to Kandy (72 kms / about 2 hours drive to Matale)
En-route make a stop at the at the Spice Gardens at Matale.

Matale, this midsize regional city at the heart of the island lies in a broad, fertile valley at an elevation of 300m. Matale is a featureless urban sprawl with a congested one-way system, so you're unlikely to want to linger long. However, the road north of town is lined with dozens of visitor-friendly spice plantations where vanilla, rubber, cinchona,



jackfruit, cocoa and cardamom thrive. The area is also famous for kohila (a type of watercress) and small, mild chilies. (Excursion Duration 01 hour).

Cooking Demonstration followed by **Lunch at the Spice Garden with Cooking Demo**.

Kandy – the hill capital is another "World Heritage Sites". It was the last stronghold of the Sinhalese Kings during the Portuguese, Dutch and British rule and finally ceded to the British in 1815 after an agreement. To the Buddhist of Sri Lanka and the World, Kandy is one of the most sacred sites as it is the home



of the "Dalada Maligawa" - Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic of Lord Buddha. Close by are the remains of the Royal Palace (Maha Wasala), Palle Wasala- where the Queens stayed - now used for the National Museum, Meda Wasala where other close relatives lived, Audience Hall, Natha Devala and Vishnu Devala are situated. The Bathing Pavilion (Ulpenge) is by the Lake and in the Center of the lake is the Island called "Kiri samudraya" (Milk white ocean) used by the kings as the summer house. Today it is the center of Buddhism, Arts, Crafts, Dancing, Music and Culture. Visitors can see these Dance & Music at the daily Cultural Performances held at several places in the city. (Happens daily 1700 hrs – 1800 hrs) Including fire walking. (Excursion Duration – 01 hour.)

You will also make a visit to the Gem Shop, Silk Gardens & Wood Carving Factory where you will learn how the world renown marvels are produced in Sri Lanka.



Thereafter check in to the hotel.

Dinner & Overnight stay in Toapz - Kandy

DAY 04 (05 MAY) - KANDY - NUWARA ELIYA (78kms / about 2.5 hours)

After breakfast depart for Nuwara Eliya.

En-route make a stop at **Ramboda Water Falls** for a photo taking, visit **Hanuman Temple** and then visit a **Tea Plantation and a Tea Factory.**

Sri Lanka is one of the highest producers of tea in the world and if you are traveling in Sri Lanka, visiting a tea plantation is a must. The best place to go is the hill country and you are about to witness it. The tea plantation spreads across many hectares. While visiting the plantation and learning the process of making the Tea to the finest quality drop in also purchase tea at your wish. (Excursion visit – 45 mins)

Lunch at Local Restaurant

Upon Arrival proceed on a city tour of Nuwara Eliya.

Nuwara Eliya - The 'Little England' of Sri Lanka, is set against beautiful backdrops of mountains, valleys, waterfalls and tea plantations. It is supposed to be one of the coolest places on the Island, but it is really just like an English spring day, although the temperature would drop at night. All around Nuwara Eliya you will see evidence of the British influence. houses like country cottages or Queen Ann style mansions.



Seasons may be absent elsewhere in Sri Lanka, but here you can read them by the flowers, which bloom in the spring (March to May) and the fall (August and September). These are the "seasons" when low-country folk flock to Nuwara Eliya to escape the sea level heat and humidity.

Thereafter check in hotel.

Dinner & overnight stay at Mirage / Araliya Red - Nuwaraeliya

DAY 05 (06 MAY) - NUWARAELIYA - GALLE / MIRISSA

Breakfast at the hotel. Thereafter depart for Galle
On the way Lunch at Local Restaurant
In the evening visit Galle fort

The Dutch Fort - Galle - The South Coast's major city is Galle, whose oldest landmark is the massive Portuguese and Dutch Fort which is a "World Heritage Site" in which the central city is contained. But the city may be much older. Some scholars believe it to be the "Tarshish" of the Old Testament, to which King Solomon sent his merchant



vessels, and to which Jonah fled from the Lord.

Today, the 90-acre Galle Fort shows no evidence of the Portuguese founders. The Dutch incorporated the Portuguese northern wall in a great rampart in 1663. A second, taller wall was built inside of it. Between the two walls, a covered passage connected the central bastion with the Fort's two half bastion's overlooking the sea.

The Dutch also installed a sophisticated drainage system, complete with brick-

lined underground sewers that were flushed twice a day by the high and low tides. The original gate to the fort was by the harbour. It is still there, marked by the British Coat-of-arms on the front and the Dutch V.O.C. (Vereenigde Oost Indische Compagnie) with the Coat-of-arms with a rooster crest, is on the inner side of the Fort. (Excursion Duration 2 hours)

Dinner & overnight stay at Mandara Resort - Mirissa

DAY 06 (07 MAY) - MIRISSA / GALLE - COLOMBO

Breakfast at hotel.

At 05.30 am, transfer to Whale Watching with packed breakfast.

Check out hotel at 12.00 noon.

Make a stop at Weligama to witness the stilt fisherman in Sri Lanka.

Lunch at local Restaurant.

Kosgoda Turtle Hatchery - Where you can see five species of turtles-Green Turtles (Chelonia mydas), Hawksbill Turtle (Eretmochelys imbricata), Loggerhead Turtle (Caretta caretta), Leatherback Turtle (Dermochelys coriacea) and Olive



Ridley Turtle (Lepidochelys olivacea). The eggs collected by the Villagers and Fishermen are purchased by the Kosgoda Hatchery and kept in sandy pens until they are hatched. The newly hatched ones are kept in tanks and released to the sea in the night. This Hatchery alone has released more than 1,750,000 young turtles to the sea. An endowment by the Hasselblad Estate was responsible for the establishment of this hatchery.

Enjoy the mangrove Boat ride in Madu river (1.5 Hours)

Dinner & Overnight stay at Fairway – Colombo

DAY 07 (08 MAY) - MIRISSA / GALLE - COLOMBO

Breakfast at the hotel

Proceed for Colombo city tour & Shopping

Colombo – is the business and commercial center and the new capital is Sri

Jayawardhanapura Kotte, which is only a few miles away. Colombo was only a small seaport, which came into prominence in the 16th Century with the arrival of the Portuguese in 1505 and the development of it as a major Harbour during the British period and became the capital in 1815 after Kandy was ceded to the British.



The remains of the buildings during the period and the Portuguese, Dutch and British rule are found in every area of the city. None of the Portuguese & Dutch fortifications are found today but some of their buildings and churches could be seen in the Fort & Pettah areas. Visit Fort, the former British administrative center and military garrison, Sea Street - the Goldsmith's quarters in the heart of Pettah, the Bazaar area where there is also a Hindu Temple with elaborate stone carvings, the Kaymans Gate with the Belfry at the original gate to enter the Fort, the Dutch Church of Wolfendhaal dating back to 1749, Davatagaha Mosque, Colombo Museum and the Natural History Museum are some of the sites to be visited. Also visit the BMICH (Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall), see the replica of Avukana Buddha and the Independence Square.

(Excursion Duration – Approx. 02 – 03 hours).

Lunch at Local Restaurant
Visit Local Market & Shopping Malls

Drop off at Casino







Evening pick up from Casino Special Sri Lankan Crab Dinner at Chinese Restaurant Overnight stay at Fairway – Colombo

INCLUSIONS

- 07 Nights' accommodation at the hotels specified above.
- All Transport Transfers
- Meet and Greet at the Airport
- Meals on FB basis (Starting with Day 01 Lunch and Ending with Breakfast on Day 08 – Lunches at local Restaurants)
- Transportation in an Air-Conditioned Luxury Coach.
- Service of an English speaking National Tour Guide
- Entrance Fees to the sites namely:
 - o Dambulla Rock Cave Temple.
 - o Pinnawela Elephant Orphanage
 - o Kandy Temple of the Tooth Relic.
 - Cultural Dance show
 - Whale watching
 - o Turtle Hatchery Visit
 - Madu river boat ride

EXCLUSIONS

- Casino Entrance Fees
- Visa, if required
- All Personal Expenses
- ♣ Entrance Fees not specified above
- Additional Optional Tours
- **♣** Entry visa fees <u>www.eta.gov.lk</u> please visit the site.



