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6 Nights/7 Days

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Sri Lanka

Yala National Park Jeep Safari



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ITINERARY HIGHLIGHTS

- **Colombo** heritage & seafront city tour
- Ancient city of **Anuradhapura** & sacred Bodhi Tree
- Climb the UNESCO-listed **Sigiriya** Rock Fortress
- Explore **Polonnaruwa** ruins & Gal Vihara Buddha statues
- **Matale** Spice Garden & **Dambulla** Cave Temple
- **Kandy – Temple** of the Tooth Relic & Cultural Capital
- **Royal Botanical Gardens** in Peradeniya
- Colonial charm of **Nuwara Eliya** with Tea Plantation visit
- Scenic drive via **Ella**, Ravana Falls & Nine Arches Bridge
- **Yala** National Park Jeep Safari – chance to spot leopards
- Historic **Galle Fort** (UNESCO site)

MAP OF SRI LANKA



Itinerary at a glance

DATE	DAY DESCRIPTION	ACCOMMODATION
DAY 01	Airport → Colombo City Tour → Stay in Colombo	Grand bell Colombo 4* or similar Cinnamon Lakeside 5* or similar
DAY 02	Colombo → Anuradhapura → Stay in Sigiriya/Dambulla	Elysia Sigiriya 4* or similar Aliya resort Sigiriya 5* or similar
DAY 03	Polonnaruwa → Sigiriya Hike → Stay in Sigiriya/Dambulla	Elysia Sigiriya 4* or similar Aliya resort Sigiriya 5* or similar
DAY 04	Dambulla Hike → Matale Spice Garden → Kandy Temple → Stay in Kandy	Oak ray Heritage 4* or similar Golden Crown 5* or similar
DAY 05	Kandy → Peradeniya botanical Gardens → Ambulawawa towers → Stay in Nuwara Eliya	Ripon Grand Hill 4* or similar Golden Ridge 5* or similar
DAY 06	Nuwara Eliya city tour → Ella City tour → Stay in Yala	Chaarya Resort Yala 4* or similar Cinnamon Wild Yala 5* or similar
DAY 07	Yala Safari → Galle city tour → Galle Coastal Hotel stay (not included)	Beach Resort of your choice (at your own expense)

Inclusions:

- Meet and Greet with a warm Sri Lankan welcome on arrival at Bandaranaike International Airport by an English-speaking guide (French speaking guide can be provided at an extra cost)
- Accommodations at 4 or 5-Star hotels as per option selected
- Breakfast and Dinner during tour
- Transportation by air-conditioned car, van or mini coach or long coach as per the above itinerary
- Entrance tickets to all sites mentioned in program
- Complimentary bottled water provided during the tour (two bottles per guest per day)

Exclusions:

- Roundtrip Airfare to/from Sri Lanka
- Return transfer to airport for departing flight (unless purchased at additional cost)
- Tips
- Lunches
- Optional/additional excursions and activities
- Photo/video permits
- Personal expenses
- Hotel stays before or after the tour
- Meals not listed in the itinerary
- French Speaking Guide (can be provided for USD 480 for entire tour including accommodations and all fees)

Cancellation Policy:

- 45 days prior – full refund
- Full charge will apply if cancellation is not received within above deadline

PRICING (IN USD, PER PERSON BASED ON DOUBLE OCCUPANCY)

- Prices quoted are in USD and based on double occupancy. Discounts for groups are listed below.
- Children below the age of 5 are free of charge. Discounted price for children aged 5 and 11 when sharing a room with parents. Anyone 12 and over will be charged the adult rate.
- Entrance fees to attractions/excursions listed in the itinerary are included in the pricing unless otherwise stated.

Pricing (USD, Per Person)

Hotel Category	Season (Non-Peak/Peak)	Tour Price (Per Person)			
		2 Ppl	3-6 Ppl	7-13 Ppl	14-20 Ppl
4★ Hotels	Jan 15 to Dec 15	\$1150	\$1100	\$1080	\$1070
	From Dec 16 to Jan 14	\$1200	\$1150	\$1125	\$1100
5★ Hotels	Jan 15 to Dec 15	\$1450	\$1400	\$1375	\$1350
	From Dec 16 to Jan 14	\$1600	\$1550	\$1400	\$1375

All prices are subject to hotel availability.

The below fees (quoted in USD) are extra during peak season and will be charged by the hotel directly.

- Christmas Eve Supplement for 4★ Hotels \$50
- Christmas Eve Supplement for 5★ Hotels \$80
- New Years Eve Supplement for 4★ Hotels \$70
- New Years Eve Supplement for 5★ Hotels \$125

DAY 01 – Arrival and stay in Colombo

A warm welcome awaits at *Bandaranaike International Airport*. Your English-speaking guide escorts you to vibrant **Colombo**.

Colombo is the vibrant capital of Sri Lanka, serving as the country's largest city and a major economic and administrative hub. Situated on the west coast, it's a bustling port city with a rich history and a mix of colonial architecture, modern buildings, and cultural attractions. Colombo is known for its vibrant markets, beaches like *Mount Lavinia*, and historical sites like *Galle Face Green*

Assuming the flight is in the morning before 10:00 am, the below sites can be visited



Afternoon/Evening Tour (if the arrival flight is in the morning)

- *Independence Square & Arcade*
- *Old Parliament & Fort colonial quarter*
- *Bustling Pettah Bazaar*
- *Sunset stroll on Galle Face Green*

Dinner and overnight stay at your choice of 4 or 5-Star Hotel or similar in Colombo

DAY 02 – Travel to Dambulla via Anuradhapura

After breakfast, depart for **Anuradhapura**, the first capital of ancient Sri Lanka and a UNESCO World Heritage site. This sacred city was once the heart of the island's civilization, flourishing for over a thousand years.

Here you will witness:

Sacred Bodhi Tree (Sri Maha Bodhi): The oldest historically documented tree in the world, grown from a cutting of the very tree under which Prince Siddhartha attained enlightenment in India. It has been worshipped for over 2,000 years.

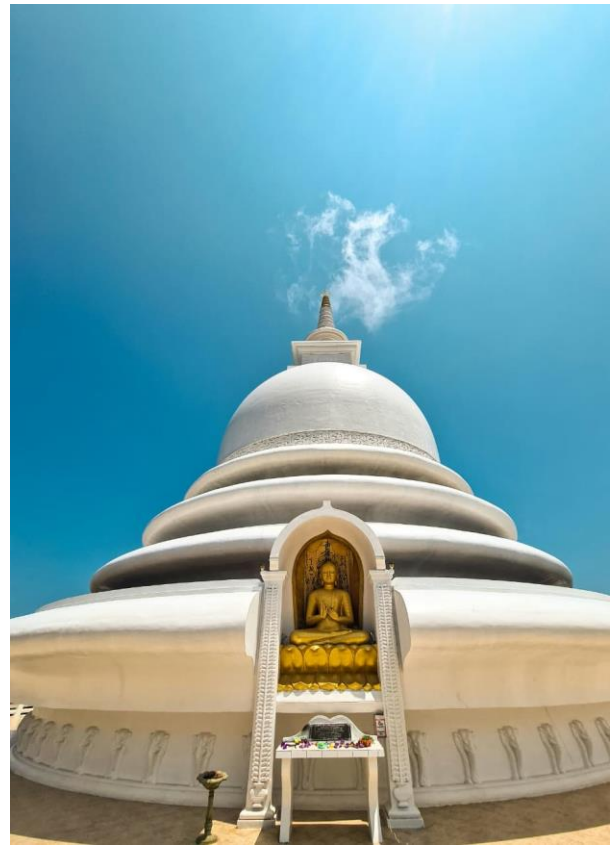
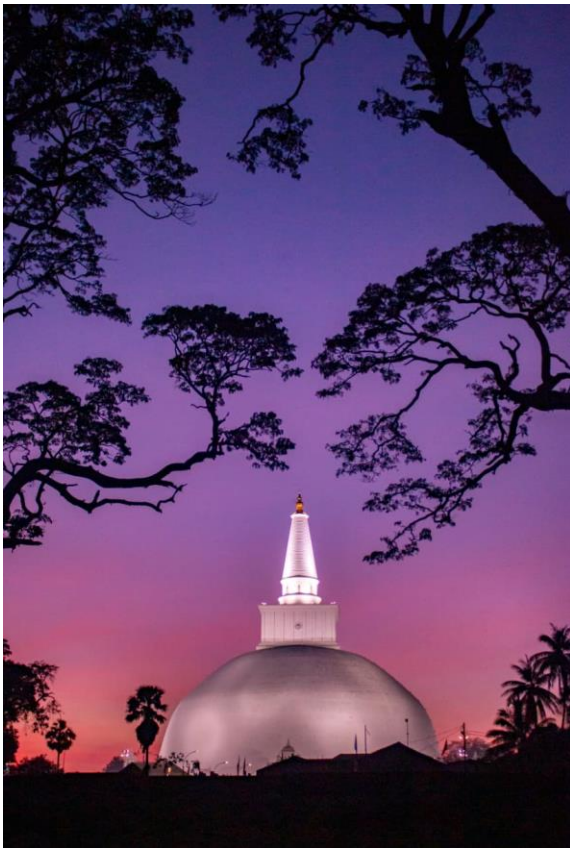
Gigantic Stupas (Dagobas): Including Ruwanwelisaya, Jetavanaramaya, and Abhayagiri, which are architectural marvels built to enshrine relics of Lord Buddha.

Samadhi Buddha Statue: A serene 4th century sculpture of Lord Buddha in deep meditation, representing ultimate peace.

Royal Palaces, Temples & Monasteries: Impressive ruins showcasing the grandeur of Sri Lanka's ancient kings.

Artificial Reservoirs: Ingenious ancient irrigation systems, still functional, that earned Sri Lanka its title as the "Granary of the East."

Anuradhapura is not just an archaeological wonder, but also a living spiritual hub, where pilgrims dressed in white come daily to worship, creating a deeply authentic cultural experience.



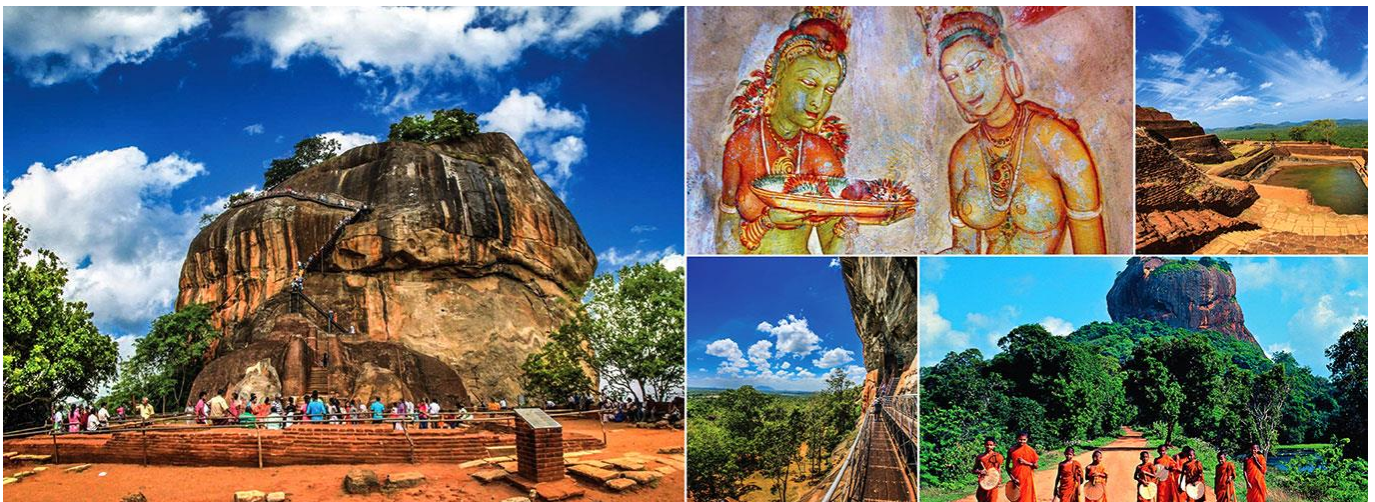
Dinner and overnight stay at your choice of 4 or 5-Star Hotel or similar in Dambulla

DAY 03 – Visit Polonnaruwa and Sigiriya Rock Fortress

Continue to **Polonnaruwa**, the medieval capital famed for its well-preserved ruins. Visit the **Gal Vihara Rock Temple** with its four iconic Buddha statues, the elegant **Vatadage relic house**, and the vast **Parakrama Samudra reservoir**. Walk through temples, palaces, and shrines that reflect the grandeur of Sri Lanka's golden age.



Late Afternoon: Visit **Sigiriya Rock Fortress (Lion Rock)** and enjoy panoramic views and frescoes - A UNESCO World Heritage site, Sigiriya is an enormous rock boulder rising up 200 meters above the surrounding jungle. Incredibly, the rock fortress was built by King Kassapa I in the fifth Century and served as a royal citadel for more than 18 years, something that seems more astonishing with every step you climb. Pause occasionally during your ascent to admire the mirror wall, the sigiri graffiti, the famous Sigiriya frescoes (paintings) and the great lion paws.



Upon reaching the summit you'll immediately see that it was worth the effort. Wander through the ruins and admire the courage and work it must have taken to build this palace all those years ago- you will even find a fully-functional swimming pool up there. Aside from the ruins, with the unparalleled 360-degree view of the surrounding jungle and hills, it will not be just the climb that takes your breath away.

Dinner and overnight stay at your choice of 4 or 5-Star Hotel or similar in Dambulla

DAY 04 – Dambulla and Kandy Sightseeing

After breakfast, visit the **Dambulla Cave Temple (UNESCO)**, a sacred complex of five caves filled with over 150 Buddha statues and vibrant frescoes dating back more than 2,000 years.

Continue to **Matale Spice Garden** to learn about Sri Lanka's famous spices and Ayurveda traditions. Enroute to Kandy, stop at a **tea factory** for an insight into Ceylon tea production. In the evening, explore the hill capital **Kandy** and visit the revered **Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic**, the island's most important Buddhist shrine.

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Kandy is the hill capital and venue of the annual Perahera. The last stronghold of the Sinhala Kings was finally ceded to the British in 1815. Kandy is an example of the Buddhism's influence in Sri Lanka today. Temple's shrines and monasteries keeping alive Buddhist traditions are everywhere.

Late Afternoon: City tour of Kandy, including Upper Lake Drive, Market Square, Arts and crafts Centre and the Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic.



Dinner and overnight stay at your choice of 4 or 5-Star Hotel or similar in Kandy

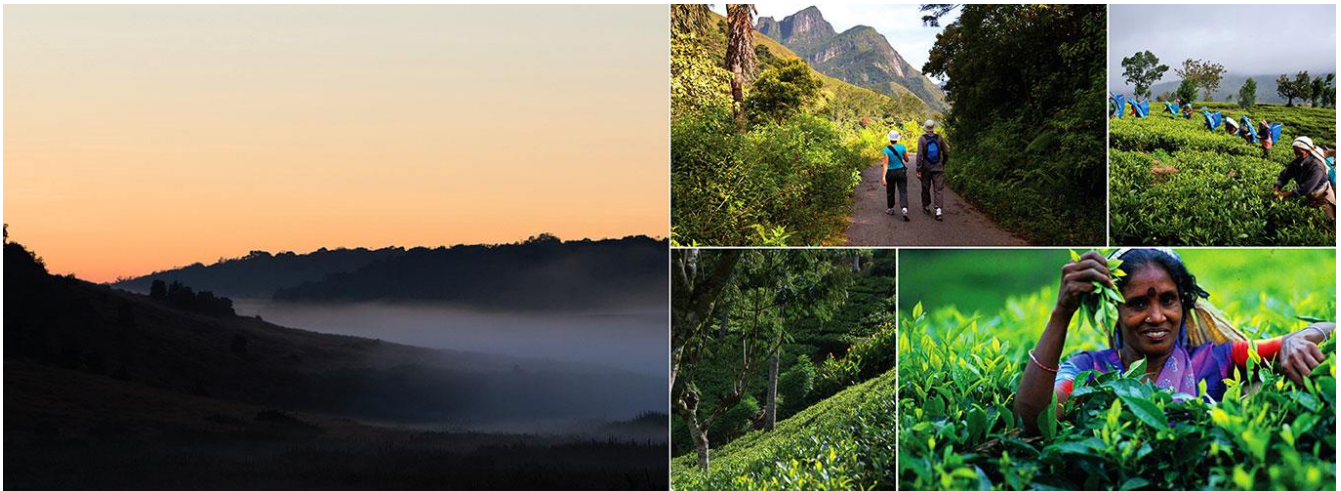
DAY 05 – Royal Botanical Gardens, Ambulawawa Tower and Nuwara Eliya

After breakfast, travel to Peradeniya (approximately 30 minutes' drive), visit the Royal Botanical Gardens at Peradeniya, located in the hill capital of Kandy. The Gardens house over 4,000 species of plants and trees. The guide would explain how this ancient royal pleasure garden transformed into a botanical garden in 1821 and also about the 'Grand Circle' where world leaders have donated and planted trees since 1875.

Ambuluwawa Tower View



Wind into emerald highlands. Pause at **Ambuluwawa Tower** — spiral to sky-high panoramas. Next, a working **Tea Factory** unveils the journey from tender leaf to ‘liquid gold’. Photograph cascading **Ramboda Falls** before arriving in colonial **Nuwara Eliya**.



Your guide will assist you on a “Tea Experience”, where you will get up close and personal with handpicked Ceylon tea, learn about tea manufacturing process and enjoy a tea tasting session and learn about many varieties of tea available in Sri Lanka. (Tea Factories are generally closed on Sundays and Public holidays in Sri Lanka).

Dinner and overnight stay at your choice of 4 or 5-Star Hotel or similar in Nuwara Eliya

DAY 06 –Nuwara Eliya Sightseeing and visit to Ella enroute to Yala

Nuwara Eliya is Sri Lanka’s highest town and a favorite hill station during British colonial times. The town is still touted as ‘Little England’, an illusion maintained by the presence of the Nuwara Eliya Golf Club, a racecourse, the Victoria Park and excellent trout fishing in nearby lakes and rivers. The temperature can drop close to freezing at night, and log fires are a common feature of the many Tudor-style houses. Guided stroll by **Gregory Lake**, floral **Victoria Park** and Tudor-style Post Office.

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Walk the photogenic **Nine-Arches Bridge** and climb **Little Adam's Peak**. The Nine Arches Bridge, also known as "The Bridge in the Sky," is a stunning viaduct railway bridge in Ella, Sri Lanka. Built entirely of stone, brick, and cement without any steel, it is a prime example of colonial-era railway construction. The bridge spans 91 meters (300 feet) and rises 24 meters (80 feet) above the ground, featuring nine arches that support its structure. Then continue the journey to Yala. .



Dinner and overnight stay at your choice of 4 or 5-Star Hotel or similar in Yala

DAY 07 –Yala Wildlife Safari and transfer to Galle

*Descend to the southern plains. At Yala National Safari Park enjoy beach-meets-jungle luxury. Early morning **Jeep Safari** in Yala National Park — scan for elusive leopards, elephants, sloth bears and iridescent birdlife.*



Travel along Sri Lanka's picturesque southern coastline, stopping enroute in Galle to witness the age-old tradition of fishing – an iconic sight where fishermen gracefully balance on poles above the waves. Perfect for capturing memorable photos.

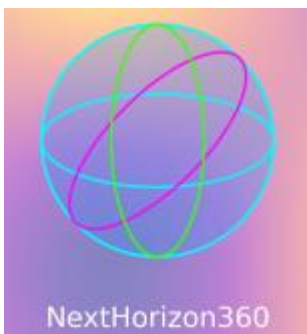
*Continue to explore the historic **Galle Fort**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, where colonial architecture, cobbled streets and ocean views offer a step back in time. Visit the **Galle National Museum**, which showcases fascinating artifacts from Sri Lanka's rich cultural and maritime history.*



This ends the tour covering the main highlights of Sri Lanka and hotel accommodations in Galle are not provided. You have the option to stay in the coastal city of Galle or travel to other cities and/or cover additional historic landmarks that you may be interested in visiting.

Should you require to be transported to a different coastal city (eg: Bentota, Hikkaduwa) for a beach vacation or Bandaranaike International Airport in Colombo for your departing flight, we are happy to arrange transportation for your group. Additional charges will apply based on your request.

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