

From Hills to Coast

08 nights/ 09 days

DAY 01 - Arrival at the Colombo International Airport the Clients will be met by our Italian speaking driver guide / Italian speaking National guide and offer assistance. Thereafter, to Proceed to Galle. (Approx. travel time 3 Hrs.)

Check in at the Hotel.

P.M Free at leisure by the poolside enjoying hotel amenities.

Dinner & Overnight Stay at Radisson Blu Galle -

<https://www.radissonhotels.com/enus/hotels/radisson-blu-galle>

DAY 02 - After breakfast visit the Market/ Bazaar Area and the Galle Fortress.

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.

Thereafter Proceed to Galle Gedara for a Cooking Class experience.

This is a unique cooking experience where all clients will be given the opportunity to partake in the Cooking process. So they will be able to prepare their own dish for the lunch and learn how to prepare traditional Sri Lankan dishes. While at the Lunch time we will be serving Toddy as they demonstrate the toddy tapping in the Garden where you find plenty of Coconut Trees.

Thereafter proceed to Yala. (Approx. travel time 3 Hrs.)

Check in at the hotel.

Dinner & Overnight Stay at Oak ray wild Yala

<https://www.oakrayhotels.com/wildyala/>

DAY 03 - After an Early breakfast, commence a 4x4 Jeep Safari to Yala National Park. *The Ruhunu National Park covers 126,786 hectares including the Strict Natural Reserve. The most familiar is Block I (14,101 hectares) and these blocks were established in 1938. Yala is famous for its big herds and large number of Elephants, Leopards, Spotted Deer, Sambhur, Crocodiles, Mongoose, Wild Boar, Wild Buffalo, and many other animals. More than 130 bird species are recorded which includes the resident and winter visitors.*

Thereafter proceed to Ella while visiting the Ravana Water Falls en route.

Ravana falls is named after the demon King Ravana who according to traditional folklore is believed to have ruled Sri Lanka. It is a popular sightseeing attraction in Sri Lanka and currently ranks as one of the widest waterfalls in the country. It is best visited during the local wet season when the water is said to resemble an Areca flower with withering petals. This is situated in the 12-13th milepost of Ella Wellawaya road. Ravana Falls can also be reached by travelling 10km towards Wellawaya from Kubalwela junction in Badulla Bandarawela road and could be a quick stop along the way as it can be viewed from the main road.

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P.M. visit the Nine Arch Bridge. Ella.

The Nine Arch Bridge also called the Bridge in the Sky, is a viaduct bridge in Sri Lanka. It is one of the best examples of colonial-era railway construction in the country. The construction of the bridge is generally attributed to a local Ceylonese builder, P. K. Appuhami, in consultation with British engineers. It is located in Demodara, between Ella and Demodara railway stations. The surrounding area has seen a steady increase of tourism due to the bridge's architectural ingenuity and the profuse greenery in the nearby hillsides.

Dinner & Overnight Stay at Oak Ray Ella Gap -
<https://www.oakrayhotels.com/oak-ray-ella-gap/>

DAY 04 - After breakfast proceed Ella Railway Station in order to take the train to Nanu Oya railway Station (the closes station to Nuwara Eliya) (Approx. 2 & 1/2hrs train ride).

Upon reaching Commence a brief city tour of Nuwara Eliya.

The 'Little England' of Sri Lanka, is set against beautiful backdrops of Mountains, Valleys, Waterfalls and Tea Plantations. It is one of the coolest places in the Island, but it is really just like an English spring day, although the temperature does drop at night. All around Nuwara Eliya you will see evidence of the British influence, houses like country cottages or Queen Ann style mansions. The Victoria Park, in the middle of the town, is a lovely place for a stroll or a picnic and is also good for Birding as you get some rare birds in this Park. 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 lowcountry folk flock to Nuwara Eliya to escape the sea level heat and humidity.

Thereafter proceed to Kandy visiting a Tea Factory/Plantation and the famous Ramboda Waterfalls en route.

Check in at the Hotel

P.M. Visit the Kandy Temple of the Tooth Relic, followed by a Cultural Dance Performance.

The hill capital is another "World Heritage Site". 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 Buddhists 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 Pathhini Devala are situated close by. 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 summerhouse. Today it is the center of Buddhism, Arts, Crafts, Dancing, Music and Culture.

Dinner & Overnight Stay at Thilanka Hotel. - <https://www.thilankahotel.com/>

DAY 05 - After breakfast, commence a brief City Tour of Kandy. Thereafter proceed to Dambulla visiting the Dambulla Rock Cave Temple en route.

Dambulla Cave is a vast isolated rock mass 500 feet high and a mile around the base. Within these rock columns you find the Dambulla Cave Temple which is one of the UNESCO World Heritage sites in Sri Lanka. 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.

Check in at the Hotel.

P.M. Commence a Village trek in Sigiriya with a Bicycle tour in the rural village, visiting a Farmers Tree House.

- **Bicycle Ride:** You will cycle through the rural landscape, passing by vegetable fields, rice paddies, and local farms, offering a close look at the region's agricultural basis and a chance to interact with locals.
- **Village Trek/Walk:** A guided walk through the village and surrounding jungle/fields allows you to learn about the local culture, traditional farming methods, and the natural environment.
- **Visit to a Farmer's Tree House:** A highlight of these tours is a visit to a farmer's tree house, often built to protect crops from wild animals like

- elephants. You may get to climb up and enjoy a snack or king coconut water while taking in the views of the fields and the distant Sigiriya Rock.
- **Other Activities:** Tours frequently combine these with other traditional experiences such as:
 - A bullock cart ride.
 - A catamaran or boat ride on a local lake, spotting birdlife and local fishermen.
 - A traditional cooking demonstration followed by an authentic Sri Lankan lunch cooked over a wood fire.

Dinner & Overnight Stay at Sigiriana Resort, Dambulla -

<https://sigirianaresort.com/>

DAY 06 - After an early breakfast, commence an excursion to the Sigiriya Rock Fortress. Sigiriya is a “World Heritage Site” which is built in the 5th Century and known as the “Fortress in the Sky” which is perhaps the most fantastic 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 still shining in their original colors. This magnificent creation is preserved as a UNESCO Heritage and also known to be the Eighth World Wonder.

Thereafter proceed to Trincomalee for the Beach extension.

Trincomalee is 165 miles from Colombo, is one of the largest and safest Natural Harbours in the World. Trincomalee is connected by Rail and Road. It has sunny weather throughout the year, with white sandy beaches, calm, placid and warm waters, ideal for underwater activities and for Whale watching. Trincomalee was a Buddhist Center known as “Gokanna” from very early times and later a Hindu Kovil was constructed at the site. In 1617 five (5) Danish ships entered Koddigar Bay, but the negotiations with the Kandyan King was fruitless and they sailed away. In 1624 the Portuguese completed the construction of a Fort here after destroying the Hindu Temple at Swami Rock in the Fort. The Fort, which had only 3 Bastions was taken by the Dutch in 1639, but abandoned, re-fortified in 1675 and named it Fort Fredrick. In 1795 the British captured it after a 4-day bombardment and it became the first possession of the British in Sri Lanka. Nilaveli-10 miles away are the finest beach in Trincomalee starting at Uppuveli- 5 miles away extending all the way to Nilaveli. Pigeon Island is a great place for Diving, Snorkeling and sea bathing.

Check in at the Hotel.

Dinner & Overnight Stay at Trinco Blu by Cinnamon -

<https://www.cinnamonhotels.com/trinco-blu-by-cinnamon>

DAY 07 - After breakfast, full day free at leisure by the Beach enjoying hotel amenities.

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DAY 08 - After breakfast, proceed to Negombo. (Travel time approx. 6hrs)

A famous fishing village North of Colombo, with a Dutch built Canal. The canal itself is a hive of activity with fishermen traveling up and down in their gaily-painted boats. On the shores of the canal you will find many homes and many species of birds including spectacular Kingfishers. Also the fish market "Lellama" in Negombo is a prominent place where vendors come from all areas in the morning hours to bargain & Purchase the days catch.

Check in at the hotel

P.M. – Proceed to Muthurajawela in order to commence a boat ride.

It a coastal ecosystem located in Negombo and has vast bio- diversity. "Muthurajawela" which means in Sinhala "Supreme Field of Pearls" is a real gem of wetland which provides a heaven to some 75 bird species, as well as crocodiles, monkeys and even some very rarely seen otters. Purple herons, Cormorants and Kingfishers are some of commonly seen birds in this area.

Dinner & Overnight Stay at Goldi Sands Negombo - <https://www.goldisands.com/>

DAY 09 - After breakfast departure transfer to the Airport (30 Minutes Transfer time)

END OF OUR SERVICES

The Quotation is based on group travelling on 01st December to 30th April 2026 inclusive of an Italian Speaking Driver/National Guide.

Rates are in EURO

Cost valid from 01/12/2025 – 14/12/2025 & 16/01/2026 – 30/04/2026

-	02 – 03 pax	04 – 06 pax	07 and Above
<i>Per person sharing DBL</i>	<i>1,250/-</i>	<i>1,060/-</i>	<i>950/-</i>
<i>Per person sharing TPL</i>	<i>1,235/-</i>	<i>1,045/-</i>	<i>935/-</i>
<i>Single room supplement</i>	<i>485/-</i>	<i>485/-</i>	<i>485/-</i>

Cost valid from 15/12/2025 – 15/01/2026

	02 – 03 pax	04 – 06 pax	07 and Above
<i>Per person sharing DBL</i>	<i>1,410/-</i>	<i>1,215/-</i>	<i>1,110/-</i>
<i>Per person sharing TPL</i>	<i>1,395/-</i>	<i>1,200/-</i>	<i>1,095/-</i>
<i>Single room supplement</i>	<i>650/-</i>	<i>650/-</i>	<i>650/-</i>

Compulsory supplements

Christmas Eve's Dinner Supplement – Euro 60 per person

New Year Eve's Dinner Supplement – Euro 65 per person

COST INCLUDES:-

- ❖ Meet & Greet services at the Airport.
- ❖ Transportation in an Air-conditioned Car or Mini/Large Coach as per the given programme.
- ❖ Hotel Accommodation at above mentioned hotels on **Half Board Basis**.
- ❖ Service of an Italian speaking Driver/National Guide.
- ❖ 2 No's of (500 ml) Mineral water bottles for each guest.
- ❖ Train Tickets (Reserved Seats on Availability.)
- ❖ All taxes.

COST DOES NOT INCLUDE: -

- ❖ Entrance fees to the places mentioned in the programme. (Approx. 70 EURO PER PERSON)
- ❖ Jeep Costs & Entrance for Yala National Park. (Approx. Euro 65/- Per person.)
- ❖ Dinner cost through-out the tour.
- ❖ Camera & Video permits.
- ❖ Any beverages & Optional Tours
- ❖ Airfare
- ❖ Visa fees
- ❖ Any additional visits which occur a cost
- ❖ Early check-in and late check-out (Standard check-in time 14:00hrs and check-out time 12:00hrs)