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HIGHLIGHTS OF SRI LANKA

FULLY ESCORTED JOURNEY

8 to 20 October 2025



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Visting Colombo, Dambulla, Kandy,
Nuwara Eliya, Yala, Galle and Negombo



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Embark on an unforgettable 11-day tour through the enchanting landscapes and rich heritage of Sri Lanka.

Start in Colombo, exploring the vibrant city before heading to Ridigama and Dambulla, where ancient cave temples await.

Marvel at the iconic Sigiriya Rock Fortress and the historical ruins of Polonnaruwa, then discover the wildlife of Minneriya National Park.

Travel to Kandy, renowned for its sacred Temple of the Tooth, and immerse yourself in the city's cultural richness.

Unwind in the coastal beauty of Galle, exploring its charming colonial architecture and stunning beaches.

Journey to the picturesque hill station of Nuwara Eliya, famous for its tea plantations, followed by a thrilling safari experience in Yala National Park.

Conclude your adventure in Negombo, reflecting on a journey filled with natural wonders, cultural treasures, and unforgettable memories.



Minneriya National Park is renowned for its large elephant gatherings, diverse wildlife, and beautiful landscapes, making it a must-visit destination.



The Temple of the Tooth in Kandy houses a sacred relic of the Buddha, attracting pilgrims and tourists with its stunning architecture.



Sigiriya Rock Fortress, a UNESCO World Heritage site, features stunning frescoes, ancient gardens, and breathtaking panoramic views from its summit.



Yala National Park is famous for its diverse wildlife, including leopards and elephants, offering exhilarating safaris amidst stunning landscapes.

YOUR ITINERARY

DAY 1 Wednesday 8 October 2025

Depart Australia/Arrive Colombo

We depart Australia today on our flights to Colombo, via Singapore. We will arrive in the late evening and are transferred to our hotel for check in. Please note we will arrive at the hotel after midnight.

DAY 2 Thursday 9 October 2025

Colombo

Mid-morning we are met by our local guide for a sightseeing tour of Colombo. We drive through the historic Fort area, bustling Pettah bazaar, and see the stunning Hindu temple. Experience the Jumi-UL Alfar Jumma Mosque, Wolvendaal Dutch Church, and Hultsdorf Law Courts. Explore Cinnamon Gardens, Independence Square, and the Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall, before finishing up at the serene Gangaramaya Temple.

DAY 3 Friday 10 October 2025

Dambulla

This morning we travel to Dambulla, stopping along the way in Ridigama to visit the Reedi Viharaya Temple. The Reedi Vihara Temple is a 2nd-century BCE Theravada Buddhist temple in

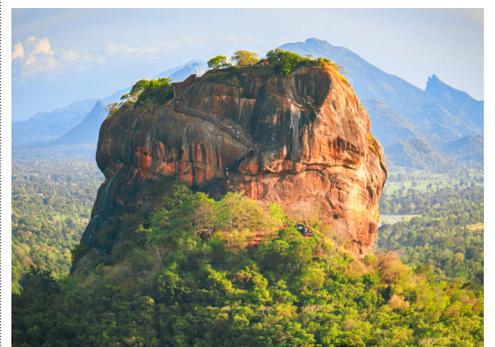


the village of Ridigama, Sri Lanka. Built during the reign of Dutthagamani of Anuradhapura, the temple is considered as the place where the silver ore, which provided silver to complete Ruwanwelisaya; one of the largest stupa in Sri Lanka, was discovered. According to the chronicles Mahavamsa and Thupavamsa, the Ridi Viharaya complex was built in gratitude for helping him cherish his dream of completing Ruwanwelisaya.

DAY 4 Saturday 11 October 2025

Dambulla

Our first visit of the day will be Sigiriya to climb the 5th century Sigiriya rock fortress which is a World Heritage Site, built by King Kashyapa (477-495 AD). The 'Lion Rock' is a citadel of unusual beauty rising 200 meters from the scrub jungle. A moat, rampart, and extensive gardens including the renowned water gardens ring the base of the rock. We then visit the famous frescoes of the 'Heavenly Maidens' of Sigiriya, which are in





a sheltered pocket of the rock approached by a spiral stairway. These frescoes are painted in earth pigments on plaster. Continue to the World Heritage City of Polonnaruwa, where you will see the ruins of the Royal Palace, the Gal Viharaya – site of the 4 statues of Buddha in 'Upright', 'Sedentary' and 'Recumbent' postures carved out of rock, plus much more.

Activity Physical Rating: Sigiriya Rock Fortress: Climb to the top requires very high fitness which is 1½ hours climb. However, you can opt to visit the museum and the ground level ruins.

DAY 5 Sunday 12 October 2025

Dambulla

This morning we will experience life in a local village. We'll enjoy a tractor ride through the village and cross the lake by canoe before taking part in a cooking demonstration by the local women. After enjoying lunch, travel back through the village by Tuk Tuk. In the afternoon, we take a jeep safari through the Minneriya National Park. It is a great place for elephant spotting all year round and is also home to 23 other species of mammals such as deer and sambur, leopards and sloth bears. Make sure you also watch the skies for the opportunity to spot some of the 150 bird species in the park.



DAY 6 Monday 13 October 2025

Kandy

Today we make our way south to Kandy, via the Dambulla Rock Cave Temple. We will climb up to the temple, which was donated by King Walagambahu in the 1st century BC to Buddhist monks. The complex of five caves with over 2000 sq. metres of painted walls and ceiling is the largest area of paintings found in the world. These caves contain over 150 images of Buddha of which the largest is the colossal figure of the Buddha carved out of rock spanning 14 meters. As we get closer to Kandy, we stop in Matale, to taste the different spices, which Sri Lanka is famous for. You will be introduced to different spices and shown how some of these spices are grown and processed. In the evening, we visit the Temple of the Tooth Relic and enjoy a cultural show featuring traditional Sri Lankan dancing.

DAY 7 Tuesday 14 October 2025

Kandy

This morning we visit the Peradeniya Botanical Gardens. This botanical garden was first built as a pleasure garden by a Sinhala king and was expanded by the British. It is 147 acres in extent and provides an amazing variety of trees, plants and flowers. We continue with a sightseeing tour of Kandy, including a drive around the Kandy



Lake built by the last Sinhala King Sri Wickrama Rajasinghe in 1798. We then visit the Kandy Town and Bazaar, plus the Arts & Crafts Centre and a Gem Museum.

DAY 8 Wednesday 15 October 2025

Nuwara Eliya

After breakfast we transfer to Kandy Railway Station for a scenic train journey through the tea plantations up to Nanu Oya. On arrival at Nanu Oya, we proceed to our hotel with a stop along the way to visit Pedra Tea Plantation and Factory, where the best tea in the world is produced. You will learn all about the process of manufacturing tea, including how tea is graded. During the visit you will have the opportunity to taste a cup of pure Ceylon tea in the factory. We check into our hotel late afternoon.

DAY 9 Thursday 16 October 2025

Yala

This morning, we travel to Yala via Elle & Wellawaya. On arrival, enjoy a jeep safari through the Yala National Park. The National Park is a huge area of forest, grassland and lagoons that border the Indian Ocean. It's home to wildlife such as leopards, elephants and crocodiles, as well as hundreds of bird species.

DAY 10 Friday 17 October 2025

Galle

This morning we travel by coach to Galle, located on the southwestern coast of Sri Lanka, it is a charming city known for its blend of colonial history and stunning coastal scenery. On arrival,

we visit Galle Dutch Fortress. The fortress was built first by the Portuguese, and then modified by the Dutch during the 17th century. Even today, after 400 years of existence, it looks new and polished with reconstruction work done by the Archaeological Department of Sri Lanka. We then check into our hotel.

DAY 11 Saturday 18 October 2025

Galle

Today is a free day to explore Galle. You may like to visit the famous Turtle Hatchery in Habaraduwa, the Galle National Museum which showcases Galle's cultural heritage or the serene Sri Sudharshanaramaya Buddhist Temple. It is also worth a stop at Galle's bustling markets for fresh produce, spices, and handmade crafts.



DAY 12 Sunday 19 October 2025

Negombo

This morning we travel by coach to the vibrant coastal city of Negombo. On arrival, we enjoy a sightseeing tour of this seaside town, including the fishing village to observe the colorful traditional fishing boats, known as "oruwa." We'll also make a stop at the bustling Negombo Fish Market, where you can see a variety of fresh seafood being sold. Early evening we are transferred to the airport to begin our journey home.

DAY 13 Monday 20 October 2025

Arrive Australia

Tour members arrive in Australia and arrangements conclude.



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Tour Price

Twin-share per person:	\$ 4,999
Single:	\$ 6,399
Includes air taxes as of 1 Nov 2024:	\$ 250

Included in the tour price:

- Return economy-class fares from Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney and Perth to Colombo
- Accommodation in four-star hotels on a bed and breakfast basis, including taxes and portage
- Travel in a private air-conditioned vehicle with local tour guide
- Sightseeing and entrances as per the itinerary
- Dinner each evening and lunch on Day 5, plus 2 bottles of water each day
- Air taxes as at 1 November 2024

Not included in the price:

- Travel insurance
- Additional arrangements not detailed in the itinerary – These will be quoted for separately
- Meals unless specified in the itinerary
- Passport and visa fees – an Electronic Visa Authorization (ETA) will be required for Sri Lanka
- Gratuities for the local guide



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PLEASE NOTE:

For the train ride to Nanu Oya, it is not possible to confirm the train ticket reservation due to the fact that Sri Lanka Railway has a manual system for reservations. Tickets can only be booked 30 days prior to departure. The 1st and 2nd class is basic but has air-conditioning. The non-air conditioned 3rd class sometimes is the only option based on availability. On the rare occasion the train is fully booked we'll conduct the route by road.

Yala National Park closes for a period between the months of September and October. The exact closure dates are made clear closer to the time. For departure dates that fall over this period, Yala National park will be replaced with a visit to Udawalawe National Park.

Extending: You can stay longer in Sri Lanka for minimal extra cost. Please contact Travelrite on 1800 630 343 for more information.

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