





# **Sri Lanka Tour - 15 Days (#20238)**

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### **Overview**

Welcome to Sri Lanka, the pearl of the Indian Ocean! In keeping with Sri Lankan tradition, all of us here would like to extend to you our heartiest "Ayubowan!" (Traditional Sri Lankan greeting wishing long life to the other).

# **Trip Highlights**

Negombo-Dambulla-Kandy-Ella-Gal Oya-Tangalle-Galle-Colombo

# **Detailed Itinerary**

Day 01

Day 1: Airport - Negombo

On arrival at the Bandaranaike International Airport, you will be met by your Chauffeur guide & transferred to your hotel in Negombo. Transfer Time (Airport to Negombo): Approximately 20 minutes. Check in at the hotel and relax.





Meal: Breakfast

**Day 02** 

#### Day 2: Negombo - Dambulla - Minneriya - Dambulla

Pick up time 08:00 am this day after breakfast you will proceed to Dambulla. Transfer Time (Colombo to Dambulla): Approx. 03 ½ hours. Check in to the hotel and relax till afternoon before heading to Minneriya National Park. Transfer Time (Hotel to Minneriya): Approx. 15 minutes.

Pick up time 02:00 pm afternoon, visit the Minneriya National Park for a safari. The park extends to 8,889 hectares and is well known for its large population of elephants in herds of 100 to 150 roaming in the jungle and seen in the catchment area of the lake. Other wildlife that can be sighted include wild buffaloes, wild boar, spotted deer, sloth bear, sambhar, leopards, crocodiles, jackals, and numerous species of amphibians, reptiles, birds, fish and butterflies.

Return back to your hotel in Habana and spend the rest of the day at leisure.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

**Day 03** 

### Day 3: Dambulla - Sigiriya - Polonnaruwa - Dambulla

Pick up at 07:00 am in the morning after the early breakfast you will be taken to climb Sigiriya Rock Fortress.

Transfer Time (Hotel to Sigiriya): Approx. 30 minutes.

One of Sri Lanka's major attractions, the Sigiriya Rock Fortress was built by King Kashyapa (477-495 AD) for the purpose of protecting him from his rivals. An UNSECO World Heritage listed site, also known as the "Fortress in the Sky". The climb up to the top of the fortress doesn't only offer the reward of breathtaking views but there is so much to discover during your climb to the top.

Highlights of the climb include water gardens, artistic frescoes, mirror walls, the lion gate and the magnificent views from the rock summit.

Return to your hotel for breakfast and relax till afternoon before heading to Polonnaruwa.

Transfer Time (Hotel to Polonnaruwa): Approx. 01 hour.

Pick up at 02:00 pm Polonnaruwa was founded in the 11th Century AD and was governed by many Kings. King Parakramabahu I's reign was considered the most significant for this ancient kingdom. During his reign (12th Century AD)





this second Kingdom of Sri Lanka (after Anuradhapura) was known as the Golden Age of Polonnaruwa, as Parakramabahu ruled during an era where trade and agriculture was at its peak.

Return to the hotel and relax for the rest of your day enjoying hotel facilities.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

**Day 04** 

#### Day 4: Dambulla - Kandy

Pick up at 08:30 am after leisurely breakfast you will be taken to visit Dambulla Cave temple. Transfer Time (Habarana to Kandy via Dambulla): Approx. 02 ½ hours.

Dambulla cave temple is part of the Golden Triangle of Sri Lanka and is encrusted into a magnificently large rock. It sits more than 160m above the surrounding land and spans for more than 1.5 km around the base. Also known as the "Golden Temple" it was listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site in 1991. This ancient complex was initially established in 3rd Century BC and is truly a wonder as it is the largest and best-preserved cave temples in Sri Lanka. The cave temples are home to numerous religious and cultural paintings and sculptures.

Continue your journey to Kandy, check in to the hotel and relax till evening before heading to Kandy Temple of the Tooth Relic.

Transfer Time (Hotel to Kandy Temple of the Tooth Relic): Approx. 20 minutes.

The Temple of Tooth Relic ("Dalada Maligawa" as known to the locals) is in Kandy. This sacred temple is also home to the palm-leaf transcripts and its history dates to 1687. This stunning piece of architecture is instantly recognized by its octagonal shape and golden roof. Although you are not able to view the actual tooth itself, the casket within which it is held is displayed twice a day.

Return to the hotel and relax for the rest of your day enjoying hotel facilities.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

**Day 05** 

## Day 5: Kandy – Ella (Approx. 05 hours' journey)

Pick up time at 08:00 am today and after breakfast you will be taken to Ella by train.





#### Notes

- It is important to note that there have been delays in the train timings quite often.
- Please note the purchase of train tickets cannot be guaranteed currently due to the process in place within the Sri Lanka Railways Department especially during peak periods. Tickets for travel are issued 30 days in advance of travel, they are limited and extremely difficult to obtain. In the unlikely event a ticket/s cannot be obtained we will of course make the necessary refunds & the clients will travel by road. This is a destination issue, and it is best expectations are managed accordingly.

Check in at the hotel and relax for the rest of your day enjoying hotel facilities.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

**Day 06** 

#### Day 6: Ella

Pick up at 07:00 am After an early breakfast, you will be taken to hike Little Adam's Peak, followed by a visit to the Nine Arches Bridge.

The hike to Little Adam's Peak in Ella is a captivating journey that offers stunning panoramic views of the lush Sri Lankan landscape. This moderate trek typically takes 2 to 3 hours round trip. At the summit, you're rewarded with breathtaking vistas of Ella Rock and the surrounding valleys.

Thereafter visit Nine Arch Bridge.

The Nine Arches Bridge, located near Ella, is a stunning railway bridge completed in 1921, renowned for its striking architecture featuring nine elegant arches. Built from local materials, it seamlessly blends into the lush landscape of tea plantations and rolling hills. The bridge offers breathtaking views and is a popular spot for photography, especially when trains pass over it.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

**Day 07** 

#### Day 7: Ella - Gal Oya

Pick up time 08:30 am this day after breakfast you will proceed to Gal Oya. Transfer Time (Ella to Gal Oya): Approx. 3 hours.





Gal Oya is a serene and picturesque destination in eastern Sri Lanka, celebrated for its lush landscapes and diverse wildlife. Home to Gal Oya National Park, this area features stunning lakes, rolling hills, and a mix of dry and wetland ecosystems. Visitors can enjoy boat safaris on Gal Oya Lake, where they may encounter elephants and an array of bird species. This area also offers hiking trails that showcase the natural beauty of the surroundings. With fewer crowds than other parks, Gal Oya is an ideal spot for those seeking a peaceful escape in nature.

Check in at the hotel and relax for the rest of your day enjoying hotel facilities.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

**Day 08** 

Day 8: Gal Oya

Pick-up time is at 05:30 am. You will then proceed for a Gal Oya boat safari, where you will enjoy a packed breakfast during the safari.

Transfer Time (Hotel to Gal Oya Reservoir): Approx. 01 hours.

Start your day early with a Gal Oya Boat Safari. Located in the scenic Gal Oya National Park, this safari offers a unique opportunity to explore the park's waterways and surrounding jungle. The boat safari is known for its serene beauty and wildlife sightings, including elephants, crocodiles, and a variety of bird species. The park's large reservoir also provides a beautiful setting for a peaceful morning adventure. As you glide through the calm waters, you'll have the chance to spot wildlife and enjoy the tranquil atmosphere of one of Sri Lanka's lesser-visited parks.

Return to your hotel and spend the rest of the day relaxing and unwinding. Enjoy the hotel's amenities and take some time to rest before your next adventure.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

**Day 09** 

Day 9: Gal Oya - Tangalle

Pick up time 08:00 am this day after breakfast you will proceed to Tangalle.

Transfer Time (Gal Oya to Tangalle): Approx. 4 1/2 hours.

Tangalle is a charming coastal town located in the southern part of Sri Lanka, known for its peaceful, unspoiled beaches and laid-back atmosphere. Unlike the more touristy areas along the island's coast, Tangalle offers a quieter retreat where you can





relax and enjoy the natural beauty of the surroundings. The town is home to several pristine beaches, including Goyambokka Beach, Silent Beach, and Marakolliya Beach, all offering golden sands, crystal-clear waters, and stunning sunsets. Tangalle is also a gateway to nearby attractions, such as the Rekawa Turtle Conservation Project, where you can observe sea turtles nesting, and the Mulkirigala Rock Temple, an ancient Buddhist temple set atop a hill with panoramic views of the surrounding countryside.

After a scenic drive from your previous destination, Tangalle provides the perfect setting to unwind and enjoy some peaceful time by the beach or explore the area's natural and cultural attractions.

Meal: Breakfast

**Day 10** 

Day 10: Tangalle

Breakfast at the hotel and spend the day at leisure or enjoying your own activities

Meal: Breakfast

**Day 11** 

Day 11: Tangalle

Pick up time 08:30 am After enjoying a delicious breakfast at the hotel, you'll proceed to visit the Mulkirigala Rock Temple.

Transfer Time (Hotel to Mulkirigala Rock Temple): Approx. 40 Min.

This ancient Buddhist temple, perched atop a 200-meter-high rock, offers stunning panoramic views of the surrounding countryside and coastline. The temple is renowned for its impressive cave shrines, vibrant frescoes, and intricate carvings that date back to the 2nd century BC. It's a peaceful place steeped in history and spirituality, where you can explore the caves and marvel at the religious art and architecture.

Meal: Breakfast

**Day 12** 

Day 12: Tangalle - Galle

Pick up time 08:30 am depart for Galle after breakfast.





Transfer Time (Tangalle to Galle via Koggala): Approx. 02 hours.

En route, you'll visit the? Koggala? stilt fishermen and watch them go? about their daily routine. In chest-deep water, just a few? meters? off the? shore, the stilt fishermen perch on a single pole planted into the seabed. ? This is a common fishing method among the locals in the southern part? of Sri Lanka.

Upon arrival in Galle, enjoy a guided tour of the Galle Fort, renowned for its colonial architecture and the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Galle Fort, a 16th-century landmark. Before Colombo, Galle was the island's main seaport and is home to the historic fort, originally built by the Portuguese in 1619 and later expanded by the Dutch and British. After exploring the fort and the charming streets of Galle.

Transfer to hotel in Galle for night stay.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

**Day 13** 

Day 13: Galle

Breakfast at the hotel and spend the day at leisure or enjoying your own activities.

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

**Day 14** 

Day 14: Galle - Colombo

Pick up time 08:00 am after breakfast, you will proceed to Colombo. Transfer Time (Galle to Colombo): Approximately 2 Hrs. Check in at the hotel and relax till evening before explore Colombo city.

Colombo City tour Colombo tour includes a drive through the city taking you to the busy commercial areas as well as the tree-lined residential, Cinnamon Gardens. Visit Lotus tower, Fort, the former British administrative center and military garrison, Sea Street - the Goldsmith's quarters in the heart of Pettah, the Bazaar area, a Hindu Temple with elaborate stone carvings and the Dutch Church of Wolfen dhal dating back to 1749. If time permits, you may also see the replica of Avukana Buddha & the Independence Square. You will be taken to visit the lotus tower to get mesmerizing views of the city line.

Return to the hotel and relax for the rest of your day enjoying hotel facilities.

Meal: Breakfast





**Day 15** 

#### Day 15: Colombo - Airport

Having reached at the end of your program, you will be transferred to the Bandaranaike International Airport from where you will continue onwards to your next destination.

Transfer Time (Colombo to Airport): Approximately 40 Min.

Meal: Breakfast

### **Inclusions**

- Accommodation in all hotels mentioned above (Subjected to availability upon confirmation).
- Private air-conditioned car for 01 02 pax and Toyota KDH High roof van for 03 06 pax with an English-speaking chauffeur guide.
- Government taxes & service charges.
- Meals (basis mentioned above) Half board basis throughout tour except during the Negombo overnight stay.
- Oil and Fuel charge.
- Reusable water bottles.
- A Dedicated tour consultant to attend to all your requirements/needs from the time you land in Sri Lanka till Departure 24 hours 7 days a week.
- Entrances fees to the sites as mentioned above.

## **Exclusions**

- Other Insurances
- Anything mentioned as optional
- Camera and Video Permits
- Optional tours and activities
- Flights
- Airport taxes
- All expenses of personal nature
- Tips and porterage
- All entrance fees to tourist and other attractions not specified above





#### Note

Hotels Used OR Similar

Negombo - Jetwing Beach (Deluxe Room)

Dambulla - Jetwing Lake (Deluxe Room)

Kandy - Amaya Hills (Superior Room)

Ella - Mountain Heavens (Deluxe Room)

Gal Oya - Wild Glamping Gal Oya (Deluxe Tent)

Tangalle - Sooriya Resort & Spa (Luxury Room)

Galle - Jetwing Lighthouse (Luxury Room)

Colombo - Jetwing Colombo Seven (Deluxe Room)

Please note that the prices are starting from and that upon sending a new request with specific date we will send the applicable rate and availability.

\*\*The compulsory Perahara supplement for the period from 30th July to 9th August 2025 will be AUD 101 per room per night.

- 1. Quote is subject to availability and price fluctuations prior to booking.
- 2. All drive times are approximate and are subject to change
- 3. All reservations subject to availability at time of booking
- 4. The standard check in time in Sri Lanka is 14:00hrs
- 5. The standard check out time in Sri Lanka is 11:00hrs

# **Program Touring / Guide**

Private touring

# **Periodic Departure**





#### 01 Jul, 2025 to 31 Aug, 2025

2-3 pax AUD 5,287 P P twin share

AUD 7,415 P P single
AVAILABLE

4-5 pax AUD 4,830 P P twin share AUD 6,959 P P single AVAILABLE

6 plus AUD 4,480 P P twin share AUD 6,608 P P single AVAILABLE

#### 01 Sep, 2025 to 31 Oct, 2025

2-3 pax

AUD 5,146 P P twin share AUD 7,181 P P single AVAILABLE

4-5 pax AUD 4,690 P P twin share AUD 6,725 P P single AVAILABLE

6 plus AUD 4,398 P P twin share AUD 6,433 P P single AVAILABLE

#### 01 Nov, 2025 to 15 Dec, 2025

2-3 pax

AUD 5,263 P P twin share AUD 7,509 P P single AVAILABLE

4-5 pax AUD 4,807 P P twin share AUD 7,053 P P single AVAILABLE

6 plus AUD 4,468 P P twin share AUD 6,713 P P single AVAILABLE

