

15 Days Full Of Sri Lanka Tour

Program in Brief

Day	Date	Program
1	Aug 19 - Apr 20	Arrival transfer to Negombo & in the evening do the sightseeing tour
2	Aug 19 - Apr 20	Transfer to Habarana via visit to Millennium Elephant Foundation
3	Aug 19 - Apr 20	Morning Sigiriya Rock & evening sightseeing tour of Anuradhapura
4	Aug 19 - Apr 20	Morning sightseeing tour of Polonnaruwa & evening Minneriya Jeep Safari
5	Aug 19 - Apr 20	Transfer to Kandy via visit to Dambulla Cave Temple & Matale Spice Garden visit
6	Aug 19 - Apr 20	Sightseeing Tour of Kandy
7	Aug 19 - Apr 20	Transfer to Nuwara Eliya by Train & evening leisure at hotel
8	Aug 19 - Apr 20	Morning Horton Plains visit & evening sightseeing tour of Nuwara Eliya
9	Aug 19 - Apr 20	Transfer to Yala via sightseeing tour of Ella
10	Aug 19 - Apr 20	Morning Yala Jeep Safari & evening leisure at hotel (Optional Evening Yala Jeep Safari)
11	Aug 19 - Apr 20	Transfer to Bentota via do the sightseeing tour of Galle
12	Aug 19 - Apr 20	Leisure day at hotel
13	Aug 19 - Apr 20	Leisure day at hotel
14	Aug 19 - Apr 20	Transfer to Colombo & do the City tour & Shopping tour of Colombo
15	Aug 19 - Apr 20	Transfer to Airport for Departure transfer

Program in Detail

D1 | COLOMBO AIRPORT - NEGOMBO SIGHTSEEING TOUR

Arrival at the Colombo International Airport, meeting and assistance by Local staff. Then, transfer to Negombo.

Negombo

North of Colombo and a short drive along the coast from the International Airport, lies Negombo, a seemingly laid-back town crisscrossed by canals. A major beach resort, Negombo is home to a small port based on its centuries-old fishing industry. It still retains its quaint, tranquil air despite the stir of a busy town. Aptly nicknamed 'Little Rome', there are a few colonial remains in Negombo's old town, otherwise the road running parallel with the sandy beach is a good place to soak up the atmosphere created by its trendy cafes and bars.

Evening at leisure.

D2 | TRANSFER TO HABARANA VIA MILLENNIUM ELEPHANT FOUNDATION

After breakfast set out to Habarana in the cultural region with a stop at Pinnawala.

Millennium Elephant Foundation

The Millennium Elephant Foundation looks after elephants for their owners, and are an organization that have been working continually since their inception to improve the care, protection and treatment of captive elephants in Sri Lanka. The island has a historical cultural connection with elephants which dates back many years, and the ownership of these magnificent creatures - and their use in religious ceremonies and processions - is common practice across Sri Lanka. There are many organizations in the country which 'rescue' elephants which are privately owned and give them a home when they are old, sick or badly injured, including the Millennium Elephant Foundation, who provide not only a place of sanctuary but also medical services and the necessary facilities to look after the elephants properly.

Check-in to your hotel for a relaxing evening.

D3 | SIGIRIYA ROCK FORTRESS & SIGHTSEEING TOUR IN ANURADHAPURA

Its an early start to the day with a visit to Sigiriya.

Sigiriya (UNESCO World Heritage site)

The shortest lived but the most extraordinary of all Sri Lanka's medieval capitals, declared a world heritage site, this ancient ruin was once the Capital of King Kasapa¹. A lover of beauty, he ruled Sigiriya for 18 years, transforming the surroundings of his historical palace into a thing of beauty. Only 19 of the original 500 immortal frescoes, representing celestial maidens remain today. Its extensive network of beautifully laid out gardens; reservoirs and other structures including its unique plumbing system stand witness to the grandeur of its architecture, during its day.

It can be a hard 200m climb to the top, but once there, the view is magnificent.

After descending, transfer Anuradhapura.

Anuradhapura

Anuradhapura (UNESCO World Heritage site), possibly the most celebrated ancient capital and the first kingdom of Sri Lanka that dates back from 4th century BC to the 1st century AD flourished for nearly 1500 years BC. Anuradhapura is most notable for its Hydraulic Technology. Though it stands in ruins today, the ultimate structures still stand tall. Second only to the pyramids in Giza, the dagobas, are an amazing work of architecture in honor of Buddhism. The sacred Sri Maha Bodhi Tree in Anuradhapura (related to Lord Buddha attaining enlightenment) is the oldest recorded tree in the world (2,250 years).

The Anuradhapura Archeological Museum, the Abhayagiri and the Jetavanarama Museums, the Ruwanwelisaya are worth a visit.

Return to hotel a relaxing evening

D4 | POLONNARUWA & MINNERIYA JEEP SAFARI

After breakfast set out Polonnaruwa and Minneriya.

Polonnaruwa

Polonnaruwa, a UNESCO World Heritage site blending both culture and religion is the 2nd recorded ancient kingdom that many visitors find the time or the archeological enthusiasm to visit. The ruins at Polonnaruwa that cover a smaller area, are better preserved and offer a more digestible and satisfied bite of ancient Sinhalese culture and artistry of the Quadrangle and Gal Vihara. One of the best planned archaeological relic sites, it is famous for its reservoir the Parakrama Samudra (Sea of Parakrama) the best example of the advanced irrigation engineering and construction prevalent during ancient times.

Transfer to Minneriya.

Minneriya National Park

Minneriya National Park offers something of a change of scenery from anyone suffering from ruin fatigue. Set amidst a beautiful landscape of open country, the terrain is a mixture of scrub and forest surrounding an ancient tank, and a short distance from Habarana. Rated, as the World's 6th greatest wildlife spectacle by Lonely Planet, "The Gathering", the largest meeting of Asian elephants anywhere in the world is the principle attraction at Minneriya, which provides the opportunity to witness elephants gathered in greater numbers than anywhere else in Sri Lanka, often in herds of over 100.

They are most numbered from July to October peaking in August and September. Other mammals found in the park include a small number of leopard, sloth bear, sambar, spotted deer and macaque and purple-faced langur monkeys. The park boasts an enormous variety of bird life too.

Return to hotel a relaxing evening

D5 | DAMBULLA CAVE TEMPLES AND MATALE SPICE GARDENS

After breakfast, set out to Kandy via Dambulla & Matale.

Dambulla - The Golden Cave Temple

At the heart of the cultural triangle lies Dambulla known for its famous Golden Rock Temple, a most impressive cave monastery and one of the largest in South Asia. Of the 157 Buddha statues found in the five dimly lit grottos, 73 were gold plated at the behest of King Nissanka Malla, the 12-century monarch. Its walls decorated with some of the finest murals in the country are a showcase of sacred Buddhist art at its finest. A sacred pilgrimage site for nearly 22 centuries, it has been declared a world heritage site and its spectacular setting overlooking the surrounding is truly awe-inspiring.

Continue to Kandy via Matale.

Matale

Matale is a major town, bordering the knuckles mountain range and is located in a region famous for its spices.

It is a mainly agricultural area, where tea, rubber, vegetable and spice cultivation dominate. Spices pervade the air of this broad fertile valley at an elevation of 300 m.

A quick visit will give an introduction to the island's spices, their role in Sri Lanka's traditional cuisine and their medicinal properties.

Transfer to Kandy.

Check-in to your hotel for a relaxing evening.

D6 | SIGHTSEEING TOUR IN KANDY

After breakfast set out to explore Kandy.

Kandy

Kandy (UNESCO World Heritage site), is the Hill Capital of Sri Lanka, locally referred to as "Nuwara" meaning The Great City, the most scenic ancient city in the country and the only one that borders a natural reserve - the Udawatte Kele famous for its avifauna.

Nestled in the highlands, not only does its rich historical significance make "Nuwara" a popular tourist destination, but also the many shops displaying precious and semi-precious stones, skillfully crafted jewelry, handicrafts, colorful batiks and silks, and local food add unforgettable flavor to this beautiful city.

Temple of the Tooth

Sri Dalada Maligawa as its known locally or The Temple of the Tooth is one of the most sacred & famous Buddhist sites, not just in Sri Lanka but also in the religion worldwide.

The spectacular 17th century temple took nearly a hundred years to construct from 1687 to 1782 and houses the sacred tooth relic of Lord Buddha. Rituals are performed daily at 04:30, 10:30 and 6:30 p.m. The sacred square and old city centre within the temple complex contain the four shrines of the Gods Vishnu, Natha, Kataragama and the Goddess Pattini and many historical buildings and museums.

The temple is host to one of Asia's most celebrated festivals, The "Esala" procession, held during the month of July/August around the Full Moon. The casket of the tooth relic is paraded through the streets on the back of a tusked elephant in a grand procession followed by several traditional dancers, drummers and torch bearers accompanied by over a hundred beautifully costumed elephants.

Return to hotel a relaxing evening

D7 | TRAIN JOURNEY TO NUWARA ELIYA

After breakfast in Kandy, leisurely transfer to the train station in Peradeniya to board the train to Nuwara Eliya.

The journey will pass through lush mountains and provide glimpse of water falls and tea fields.

Don't forget to carry your camera as this route is considered to be one of the most scenic routes in Sri Lanka.

Check-in to your hotel for a relaxing evening.

D8 | HORTON PLAINS AND SIGHTSEEING TOUR OF NUWARA ELIYA

Its an early start to the day to visit the Horton Plains nature reserve.

Horton Plains

Horton Plains National Park is Sri Lanka's most scenically stunning national park: a misty mix of moorland and cloud forest, home to rare indigenous flora and fauna. A high-altitude grassland located at an elevation of over 2000 meters in the hill country, between Nuwara Eliya and Haputale, provides a completely different experience to the other natural reserves in the island.

Offering views of a marvelously rugged stretch of unspoilt hill country culminating in the spectacular view at World's End, areas of the plains is covered in beautiful and pristine stands of cloud forest.

You got to be extremely lucky to spot an elusive leopard, about 45 are thought to live in the area, besides sambar deer, the thick coated purple faced or bear-faced monkey, bird watching and the dramatically coloured lizards are some of the species found here that are endemic to the region.

Return to Nuwara Eliya for a relaxing sightseeing tour.

Nuwara Eliya

Perched high up in the hills, nearly a mile above sea level, Nuwara Eliya sits like a sentinel overlooking tea country on all sides. A replica of English country towns with their lush greenery and profusion of gorgeous flora, Nuwara Eliya is touted as "Little England" with its Victorian houses, a colourful park, a golf course, Lake Gregory, a racecourse and Hakkgala Botanical Gardens. A number of hotels including colonial structures like the Hill Club and the Grand Hotel which lives up to its name to this day, a uniquely converted tea factory hotel, with amazing attention to detail built among tea gardens only hours away from the town.

The climate is cool throughout the year with an annual average temperature of a chilly 15.9C and nearly 2,000 mm of rain, alternated by days of bright sunshine.

Return to hotel a relaxing evening

D9 | ELLA SIGHTSEEING TOUR & TRANSFER TO YALA

After breakfast, set out to Ella before heading to deep south of Sri Lanka - Yala.

Ella

Due to its elevation, Ella enjoys a cooler climate that supports an amazing variety of lush flora and fauna. This same elevation allows Ella to provide clients with unique opportunities for Adventure and it is highly regarded as a destination for providing some of the most admired views.

If it's sheer magnificent beauty that you seek, Ella must be on your list.

Take a stroll on the road less travelled. Experience kayaking at the Buduruwagala Reservoir, or a relaxing cycle tour absorbing the picturesque Ravana Falls, or enjoy bird watching at Ella jungle.

Take a train ride to absorb the scenic beauty of this area from the tracks, it is sure to leave you in awe. Don't forget the nighttime either; if you are lucky on a clear night, you will be able to see the Galle City - Light House.

Continue to Yala.

Check-in to your hotel for a relaxing evening.

D10 | MORNING JEEP SAFARI (OPTIONAL EVENING JEEP SAFARI)

Start the day early with a visit to Yala National Park.

Yala National Park

With an area covering 1260 square kilometers, of which only one-fifth of the area is open to visitors, Yala not surprisingly, is still the most visited reserve located in the deep south. The rest of the Park is a strict natural reserve, and you are only allowed entry into the park in a vehicle. Its charm lies in its unspoilt dry zone landscape, dotted by low scrub; rocky outcrops, lush green trees and its serene lakes are particularly magical.

The main attraction and thrill in Yala is to spot leopard and perhaps the cubs too, the largest population of leopard in a natural environment - approximately 40 in Block 1. The park is home to 44 species of mammals including elephants and the sloth bear, and an incredible 215 bird species; Huddles of colorful painted storks among many a species of waders found feeding on the edge of the water holes, the sight of dozing crocodiles, elephants cooling off in the water or quenching their thirst, or a glimpse of the elusive sloth bear, leave an indelible mark on any nature lover.

Today's program also allows you to conduct an afternoon tour - not included in this program.

Please speak to your guide or our local representative for further information.

Return to hotel a relaxing evening

D11 | GALLE DUTCH FORT TOUR AND TRANSFER TO BENTOTA

After breakfast set out to Bentota via Galle.

Galle (UNESCO World Heritage site)

The Port city of Galle has grown from its ancient origins and distinct charm that stands out from the rest in terms of character &

atmosphere. At the heart of the city - but strangely detached from it - lies the Old Dutch Quarter known as the Fort. Its entrance, a massive archway gives it a medieval air and appears magically time warped, with its red tiled Dutch period villas, their open verandahs facing the narrow streets. A well-preserved townscape with a number of imposing churches, Dutch period storehouses, a courthouse and a lighthouse jutting out to sea, it has lasted through the centuries.

Life moves at an easy pace within the Fort. Visitors may relax at any of its several arty restaurants and watering holes. A stroll on its lengthy ramparts overlooking a natural harbour at sunset is a must. Other places to visit include a marine museum, the St. Mary's Church and thoughtfully restored Amangalle, a historic luxury hotel.

Its sea front gives it a languid air and a string of resort hotels along its coast; a favourite for visitors, has been the beautiful stretch at Unawatuna beach.

Continue to Bentota.

Check-in to your hotel for a relaxing evening.

D12 | DAY AT LEISURE BY THE BEACH

Day at leisure by the beach.

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D14 | COLOMBO SIGHTSEEING TOUR

After breakfast, transfer to Colombo leisurely.

Colombo

A cosmopolitan city boasting fine dining restaurants, trendy boutiques and a history which vies many other large cities around the world has evolved to be the commercial hub of the island. The city's impressive commercial and cultural life grows apace and a heady mixture of Asian anarchy, colonial charm and modern progress defines its character. Showily opulent and shiny office blocks rub shoulders with tumbledown local cafes and shops while serene Buddhist shrines and colonial churches stand cheek-by-jowl with ornate, colourful Hindu temples - all evidence of a rich mix of races and religions that has blossomed into this cosmopolitan city.

A rebuilt and revitalized Pettah, the more colonial styled Fort area, the renovated Dutch Hospital, the old parliament, the Independence Square, Beira Lake, the Nelum Pokuna theatre hall, the Victoria Park, now ablaze with lights are all elegant architectural landmarks, that the city can justly be proud of.

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D15 | DEPARTURE TRANSFER

After breakfast, set out the airport to board your flight for your onward journey.

End of Tour

Applicable Rates

STANDARD OPTION

Hotels Used - Goldisands Hotel or Similar
 Habarana Village By Cinnamon or Similar
 Oak Ray Regency Hotel or Similar
 Lourdes Hotel By Jetwing or Similar
 Oak Ray Wild Yala Hotel or Similar
 The Palms Hotel or Similar
 Mirage Colombo Hotel or Similar

AUG 01 – NOV 30

No of Pax	2 Pax	3-6 Pax	7-12 Pax	13-20 Pax	21-25 Pax	26-40 Pax	41-45 Pax
Per Person Sharing Double	1,550.00	1,430.00	1,380.00	1290.00	1250.00	1245.00	1225.00

Single Supplement	435.00
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DEC 01 – APR 30

No of Pax	2 Pax	3-6 Pax	7-12 Pax	13-20 Pax	21-25 Pax	26-40 Pax	41-45 Pax
Per Person Sharing Double	1,615.00	1,495.00	1,445.00	1,355.00	1315.00	1310.00	1290.00

Single Supplement	480.00
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HOTEL PEAK PERIOD SUPPLEMENTS

Preferred Category	Hotel Supplement Charges - All Hotels			Per Person Supplement	
	Hotel Name	Effective Period / in USD / Per Room Per Night		24 DEC-19	31-DEC-19
Standard	Goldi Sands	20-DEC-19 to 10-JAN-20	70	60	65
		11-JAN-20 to 31-MAR-20	60		
		01-APR-20 to 30-APR-20	40		
	Habarana Village by Cinnamon	21-DEC-19 to 29-FEB-20	116	120	130
		01-MAR-20 to 30-APR-20	107		
	Oakray Regency	15-DEC-19 to 20-JAN-20	30	35	35
	Loudres Hotel	NA	NA	NA	NA
	Oakray Wild Yala	15-DEC-19 to 20-JAN-20	30	35	35
	The Palms	21-DEC-19 to 10-JAN-20	100	75	80
		11-JAN-20 to 29-FEB-20	70		
		01-MAR-20 to 31-MAR-20	60		
	Mirage Colombo	21-DEC-19 to 30-APR-20	15	30	40

The above rate is US\$ and based on 02 - 45 Pax

SUPERIOR OPTION

Hotels Used - Amora Lagoon Hotel or Similar
 Cinnamon Lodge Hotel or Similar
 Cinnamon Citadel Hotel or Similar
 Araliya Green Hills Hotel or Similar
 Cinnamon Wild Hotel or Similar
 Cinnamon Bey Hotel or Similar
 Ramada Colombo Hotel or Similar

AUG 01 – NOV 30

No of Pax	2 Pax	3-6 Pax	7-12 Pax	13-20 Pax	21-25 Pax	26-40 Pax	41-45 Pax
Per Person Sharing Double	1,790.00	1,670.00	1,620.00	1,530.00	1,490.00	1,485.00	1,465.00

Single Supplement	660.00
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DEC 01 – APR 30

No of Pax	2 Pax	3-6 Pax	7-12 Pax	13-20 Pax	21-25 Pax	26-40 Pax	41-45 Pax
Per Person Sharing Double	1,875.00	1,760.00	1,705.00	1,620.00	1,580.00	1,575.00	1,550.00

Single Supplement	730.00
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HOTEL PEAK PERIOD SUPPLEMENTS

Preferred Category	Hotel Supplement Charges - All Hotels			Per Person Supplement	
	Hotel Name	Effective Period / in USD / Per Room Per Night		24 DEC-19	31-DEC-19
Superior	Amora Lagoon	21-DEC-19 to 14-JAN-20	20	55	60
	Cinnamon Lodge	21-DEC-19 to 29-FEB-20	109	130	140
		01-MAR-20 to 30-APR-20	86		
	Cinnamon Citadel	21-DEC-19 to 29-FEB-20	146	120	130
		01-MAR-20 to 30-APR-20	126		
	Araliya Green Hills	NA	NA	70	70
	Cinnamon Wild Hotel	21-DEC-19 to 29-FEB-20	178	140	150
		01-MAR-20 to 30-APR-20	158		
	Ramada Colombo	NA	NA	45	50

The above rate is US\$ and based on 02 - 45 Pax

Includes

- ❖ Hotel Accommodation on the given basis at hotels mentioned or similar
- ❖ Transport for the entire tour including sightseeing
- ❖ Local government taxes
- ❖ Services of an English Speaking Guide throughout the entire tour
- ❖ Welcome Garlands & Mineral Water Bottles on Tour
- ❖ Meals: Dinner & Breakfast basis at Hotels (Half board Basis)
- ❖ Entrance fees to

Mihintale
Millennium Elephant Foundation
Polonnaruwa Ancient City
Anuradhapura Ancient City
Sigiriya Rock Fortress
Dambulla Cave Temples
Kandy Temple of the tooth
Kandy Cultural Dance Show
Peradeniya Botanical Garden - Kandy
Tea Factory & Plantation Visit
Galle Museum
Kosgoda Turtle Hatchery
Horton Plains National Park
Minneriya National Park with Jeep
Yala National Park with Jeep
Train Ride from Kandy to Ella (Bases on seat availability at the time of confirmation)

Does Not Include

- ❖ Tips and portage
- ❖ Visas | Insurance | Flights | Airport Taxes | Camera & Video Permits At The Cultural Sites
- ❖ Expenses of a personal nature
- ❖ Any services not mentioned
- ❖ Lunch on Tour
- ❖ Breakfast on Day 1
- ❖ Dinner on Day 15
- ❖ Beverages - Alcoholic and Non Alcoholic

Notes

Significant fluctuation in the currency rates or taxes may affect final rate

If the given hotels are not available at the time of allocations, alternate properties of a similar or better standard will be provided

Quote is subject to room availability and price fluctuations prior to booking.

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