6 DAYS BUDDHIST & CULTURAL HIGHILIGHTS

VALIDITY: 01-MAY-18 TO 31-OCT-18

DAY 01 Arrival and transfer to Kandy

Lunch at a Restaurant

Dinner & Overnight stay in Kandy.

DAY 02 After Breakfast 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.

Lunch at local restaurant.

Do a city tour of Kandy. Kandy was the last capital of the Sri Lankan kings, and is a World Heritage Site. The name Kandy conjures visions of splendour and magnificence. Many of the legends, traditions and folklore are still lovingly kept alive. Drive around the Kandy Lake built by the last Sinhala king Sri Wickrama Rajasinghe in 1798. Visit the Kandy town and Bazaar,

the arts & crafts centre and a gem museum and a lapidary. In the evening visit the Temple of the Tooth Relic and thereafter witness a cultural show featuring traditional Sri Lankan dancing.

Dinner & Overnight stay in Kandy.

DAY 03 After Breakfast proceed to Anuradhapura via Matale.

> Visit a spice garden in Matale to see 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.

Lunch at a Restaurant

Visit Anuradhapura. It was the first capital and undoubtedly the grandest city of the ancient Sri Lanka. It is the home of two World Heritage sites. Many places of historical and archaeological interest could be visited.

Sri Maha Bodhi (Sacred Bo-Tree) was brought as a sapling of the tree under which prince Siddhartha attained to enlightenment

and it is over 2,200 years old and is the oldest historically documented tree in the world. At Brazen Palace (2nd century B.C), the 1600 stone columns you see are all that is left of a magnificent multi-storied residence for monks. Ruwanweliseya (2nd century B.C) is the most famous of all the Dagobas. It originally depicted the perfect 'bubble shape" that modern restoration has not been able to accurately reproduce. 'Samadhi' Buddha statue (4th century AD) is one of the most famous statues, depicting the Buddha in a state of 'Samadhi' or deep meditation. Isurumuniya rock temple (3rd century B.C) is well known for its rock carvings of 'The Lovers'. Kuttam Pokuna - twin ponds (6th century AD) was used by the Buddhist monks as a bathing pool. Thuparama Dagoba (3rd century B.C) is the oldest Dagoba in the island, which enshrines the right collarbone of the Buddha.









Dinner & Overnight stay in Sigiriya.

After Breakfast visit Sigiriya and Climb the 5th century Sigiriya rock DAY 04

> fortress (Entrance fees - US\$ 32.00 per person) which is a world heritage site, built by King Kashyapa (477-495 AD). The 'Lion Rock' is a citadel of unusual beauty rising 200 metres from the scrub jungle.

> The rock was the innermost stronghold of the 70 hectare fortified town. A moat, rampart, and extensive gardens including the renowned water gardens ring the base of the rock. Visit the world-

renowned 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.

Lunch at a Restaurant

Visit Polonnaruwa, which was the 2nd capital city of Sri Lanka, built in the 11th and 12th centuries AD, and which is a world

heritage site. Here you can see the ruins of the Royal Palace, the Gal Viharaya -where 4 splendid statues of the Buddha in 'Upright', 'Sedentary' and 'Recumbent' postures carved out of rock, the Audience Hall, the Lotus Bath, king Parakramabahu's statue, and the Parakrama Samudraya lake built by King Parakramabahu the great. There are also monuments of famous places of worship such as the Shiva Temple, the Lankathilake, the Watadage, the Galpotha, the Kiri Vehera and the remains of a former Temple of the Tooth

Dinner & Overnight stay in Sigiriya.

DAY 05 After Breakfast proceed to Colombo via Dambulla.

> Visit the Dambulla Rock Temple. Climb up to the temple, which was donated by king Walagambahu in the 1st century BC to Buddhist monks. Dambulla is a World Heritage site and is the most impressive of Sri Lanka's cave temples. The complex of five

caves with over 2000 sq. metres of painted walls and the ceiling is the largest area of paintings found in the world. These caves contain over 150 images of the Buddha of which the largest is the colossal figure of the Buddha carved out of rock spanning 14 metres.

Visit the Kelaniya Raja Maha Viharaya, which was built in the 3rd century B.C. Kelaniya is one of the three places visited by the Buddha in Sri Lanka. Kelaniya is also the centre for traditional Sinhala pottery.

Lunch at a Restaurant.

Do a city tour of Colombo. Colombo like many capital cities in developing countries is fast changing its face. Almost overnight, skyscrapers arise from where old buildings once stood. Yet in some parts, the Old World charm is retained. As an example there is a 100 year old clock tower and several British built colonial

buildings. Other places of interest are the old Parliament in Fort, a Hindu and a Buddhist temple, residential areas where you find the stately homes of the affluent and the Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall -BMICH, an outright gift to Sri Lanka from the People's Republic of China. Do a shopping tour. Visit the Ceramics Corporation Showrooms, Majestic City Shopping complex and ODEL Unlimited Dress Boutique.



Dinner a Restaurant

Overnight stay in Colombo

DAY 06 : After Breakfast, transfer to Airport for departure

All rates in US Dollars, Per Person twin sharing basis:

	STANDARD Package(3 star)	DELUXE Package (4 star)
Negombo	Camelot Beach Hotel or similar	Arie Lagoon or similar
Sigiriya / Dambulla	Kassapa Lions Rock or similar	Amaara Forest or similar
Kandy	Emerald Hill or similar	Earl's Regent or similar
Nuwara Eliya	Oakray Tea Bush or similar	Araliya Green Hills or similar
Kataragama / Tissamaharama	Oga Reach or similar	Ekho Safari or similar
Beach	Insight Ahangama or similar	The Surf or similar
Colombo	Grand Oriental Hotel or similar	Galadari or similar

STANDARD PACKAGE

Prices – (1st May 18 to 14th July 18 & 1st Sept 18 to 31st Oct 18)

STANDARD Package	2 Pax	4 Pax	6 Pax	SGL room Supplement
Buddhist & Cultural Highilights – 06D	615	565	526	155

COMPULSORY SUPPLEMENTS

(Supplements Based on per person sharing DBL Room on HB Basis per night)

Camelot Beach Hotel:

 1^{st} Sept to 31^{st} Oct = USD 13.00 per person

<u>Insight Ahangama:</u>

 1^{st} Sept till 31^{st} Oct = USD 10.00 per person

Prices – (15th July 18 to 31st August18)

STANDARD Package	2 Pax	4 Pax	6 Pax	SGL room
				Supplement
Buddhist & Cultural Highilights – 06D	661	612	572	202

COMPULSORY SUPPLEMENTS

(Supplements Based on per person sharing DBL Room on HB Basis per night)

Camelot Beach Hotel:

 1^{st} Aug to 31^{st} Aug = USD 15.00 per person

Insight Ahangama:

 1^{st} Sept till 31^{st} Oct = USD 10.00 per person

Oakray Tea Bush:

 21^{st} July till 31^{st} Aug = USD 17.00 per person

Emerald Hill:

 $\overline{21^{\text{st}} \text{ July till } 31^{\text{st}} \text{ Aug}}$ = USD 30.00 per person

DELUXE PACKAGE

Prices – (1st May 18 to 31st July 18 & 1st Sept 18 to 31st Oct 18)

DELUXE Package	2 Pax	4 Pax	6 Pax	SGL room Supplement
Buddhist & Cultural Highilights – 06D	655	613	572	205

COMPULSORY SUPPLEMENTS

(Supplements Based on per person sharing DBL Room on HB Basis per night)

Amaara Forest:

16th July to 31at July = USD 33.00 per person

Aaraliya Green Hills:

 1^{st} July till 31^{st} July= USD 25.00 per person 1^{st} Sept till 31^{st} Oct= USD 10.00 per person

Ekho Safari :

 $\overline{16^{\text{th}} \text{ July till } 31^{\text{st}}} \text{ July}$ = USD 15.00 per person

Prices $-(1^{st} \text{Aug } 18 \text{ to } 31^{st} \text{Aug } 18)$

DELUXE Package	2 Pax	4 Pax	6 Pax	SGL room Supplement
Buddhist & Cultural Highilights – 06D	735	695	654	270

COMPULSORY SUPPLEMENTS

(Supplements Based on per person sharing DBL Room on HB Basis per night)

Earl's Regent:

16th Aug to 25th Aug (Perahera Supp) = USD 35.00 per person

Ekho Safari :

 $\overline{\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{ug} \mathbf{till} \mathbf{20}^{\text{th}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{ug}} = \text{USD } 15.00 \text{ per person}$

Above prices are in U.S. DOLLARS, nett and valid from 01-MAY- 2018 TO 31-OCT-2018

The above prices include:

- ♦ Accommodation (in standard rooms) on Full Board Basis from Breakfast on day 2 to breakfast on last day at hotels specified or at hotels of similar standard.
- Transportation by air-conditioned vehicle as per the above itinerary.
- Entrance fees to places mentioned as per the itinerary excluding Sigiriya.
- Services of an English Speaking Driver Guide

The prices do not include:

- Video & Camera permits
- Supplements of the hotels on peak season
- Sigiriya Entrance fees (USD 32.00 per person)
- ♦ Expenses of personal nature
- Any other services not specified above
- Guide Tips

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