

Colombo/ Kandy / Nuwara Eliya / Horton Plains / Yala / Bentota Duration : 6 night, 7 day

1st day

On arrival in Sri Lanka you will be met and assisted by our Airport Representative, who will direct you to your very own chauffeur who will transfer you into Colombo.

Afternoon you can drive through the commercial and city centre known as the "Fort", built by the Portuguese in the 16th century where grand colonial era buildings stand alongside modern office structures. See the vibrant markets and bazaars of Pettah, and the National Museum with its fine collection of lovely antiques and art of Sri Lanka.

Alternatively you may indulge in some shopping and sightseeing or take a walk down Galle Face a long walk stretch along the beach side with food stalls and vendors.

Kandy 2nd day

En route Visit to the Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage

Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage - This orphanage was set up by the government to take care of baby elephants lost or abandoned in the wild. Witness the feeding of the elephants. Thereafter observe them as they take their daily bath in the river nearby, which affords marvelous photo opportunities. Bath time is enjoyed by all elephants, young and old alike and it is a good time to closely observe their tightly knit family structure. Daily feeding times - 9.15 am, 1.15 pm, and 5.00 pm. bathing times – 10.00 am, 2.00 pm, and 4.00 pm

En route you will visit a spice garden in Mawanella. You will check in at your hotel on arrival and once you are rested, continue on to your tour of Kandy!

Kandy, the bustling hill country capital is now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It is famous for the Temple of the Tooth which houses the most sacred religious relic, the tooth of the Buddha, the Kandy Lake built in 1807 which is an attractive centrepiece to the town.

In the Evening you will visit the sacred Temple of the Tooth Relic. Thereafter enjoy the Kandyan Cultural show at the Kandyan Arts & Cultural Centre. The show features the graceful and rhythmic dancers and drummers culminating in an impressive fire walking display.

Other attractions in Kandy include The Dalada Maligawa, Peradeniya National Park, Tea Museum

leave for Nuwara Eliya En route visit the Peradeniya Botanical Gardens where a rare collection of tropical exotic and indigenous flora including the famous Orchid House could be viewed. The total amount of species of plants are approx. 4000 this includes medicinal plants, and palm trees as well.

The beautiful town of Nuwara Eliya, set in the heart of Tea country and situated 1890 meters above sea level, is where the British succeeded in creating an English countryside with homes in styles from Georgian to Queen Anne.

leave for Horton plains, the highest plateau in the country. It is one of the very important National parks in Sri Lanka especially for its topographical variations. It has unique vegetation and is famous for many rare and endemic highland birds. The most awesome physical feature of the Horton Plains is the escarpment that falls 880 meters to the lowlands of the southern region of the island. Aptly known as the 'World's End' the view from the precipice of the countryside below towards the south coast is spectacular. The climate is very cold in this area.

Return to Nuwara Eliya upon completion. After lunch and at your convenience commence a sightseeing tour of the city. Visit the Nuwara Eliya Town, Market place, Golf Course, (one of the finest 18 holes Golf courses in Asia) the Hill club, and drive around this hill station viewing Lake Gregory.

Afternoon descend from cool hills to the jungles of Yala. En route visit Rawana Waterfalls, a sight to behold with a scenic backdrop of mountains and valleys. It is featured in the Rawana mythology, where Sita is said to have bathed from this waterfall while she was in captivity,

a jeep safari in the Yala National Park by private jeep accompanied by a tracker. Yala National park one of Sri Lanka's premier eco tourist Destinations and is renowned for its variety of wildlife notably its many elephants. It is also home to the spotted deer, sambar, wild buffalo, sloth bear, jackal, mongoose and crocodiles. The peacock is easily the most famous of the birds in this park. Yala has a high concentration of Leopards although seeing these nocturnal carnivores still requires some luck. The Park also houses a number of species of butterflies such as crimson rose, common lime butterfly, common jezebel and many more.....

delightfully located along one of the finest beaches on the South West coast. Spend the afternoon at leisure watching the waves as they bounce off the sun-kissed sands.

Blissfully spend your time as you wish whether it be indulging in fine spa treatment or relaxing by the beautiful Indian Ocean.

Other Attractions : Bentota Beach, Turtle Hatchery, Brief Garden

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We hope your adventure with us was enjoyable and wish you a safe and pleasant flight home!

Habarana / Polonnaruwa / Dambulla / Sigiriya / Pinnawala / Nuwara Eliya / Kitulgala / Colombo

On arrival to our beautiful island you will be assisted by our Airport Representative who will introduce you to your chauffeur. You'll be transferred to Habarana – a location of spectacular sceneries, where you'll be checked in at the hotel. You may spend the rest of the evening at leisure.

Fuelled by a hearty breakfast the day begins by exploring one of the best kept ruins of ancient Ceylon - the UNESCO World Heritage City of Polonnaruwa. This was the Capital of Sri Lanka from the 11th to 13th century, which was a well-planned medieval city defended by enclosing walls, graced by palaces, shrines, monasteries, pavilions, parks, ponds and irrigation lakes. Polonnaruwa is strewn with ruins in a resplendent state of preservation.

The 'Gal Vihara' which consists of statues of the recumbent, standing and seated Buddha have been cut from a single granite wall and rank among the true masterpieces of Sri Lankan Art.

city of Dambulla to explore the famous Golden Rock cave temple, which is one of the eight UNESCO World Heritage Sites in Sri Lanka.

Being a sacred pilgrimage site for 22 centuries, this cave monastery is a vast isolated rock mass with its five caverns recorded as the largest best preserved cave-temple complex in Sri Lanka.

The Buddhist mural paintings (covering an area of 2,100 sq. meters) are of particular importance as are the 157 statues including a 47 foot long statue of the recumbent Buddha. Destination: Sigiriya Drive: Approximately 1/2 an Hour.

The next in line would be Sri Lanka's famous fallen kingdom - Sigiriya The Rock Fortress. Climb the 5th Century "Fortress in the Sky", built by King Kassapa. The fortress was a Royal Citadel for more than 18 years. The lion rock (A UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE) is a citadel of unusual beauty, rising 200 metres from the scrub jungle. The base of the rock is ringed by a moat and rampart and the extensive gardens are a glorious splendour pumped by advance plumbing techniques that baffles the historians to this day. The majestic Lion's Paw picturesquely guards the stairway of the palace on the summit. See the famous frescoes of the "Heavenly maidens" of Sigiriya in a sheltered pocket of the rock and the 10 foot high Mirror

visit to the Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage. This project was initiated by the Government of Sri Lanka to take care of baby elephants that are lost or abandoned in the wild. Now it has become one of the hottest tourist destinations in the isle, where

anyone can witness the innocence of the second largest land animal without a fear. While you are here, you will be offered the rare opportunity to observe the feeding of the elephants. Bath time is enjoyed by all elephants, young and old alike and it is a good time to closely observe their tightly knit family structure, which is also a marvellous photo opportunity. Daily feeding times - 9.15 am, 1.15 pm, and 5.00 pm. bathing times 10.00 am, 2.00 pm, and 4.00 pm.

On completion, we will be leaving for Nuwara Eliya, En route visit the Peradeniya Botanical Gardens, where a rare collection of tropical exotic and indigenous flora including the famous Orchid House could be viewed.

Nuwara Eliya is a beautiful town, set in the heart of hill country and situated 1890 meters above sea level. It is where the British succeeded in creating an English countryside with charming homes inspired by Georgian to Queen Anne.

The main attractions include white water rafting, trekking and the Kelani Forest Reserve, renowned as a bird watching location.

On completion we will be leaving for City of Colombo. Once you checked in at the hotel you may spend the rest of the eve in leisure or drive around the city of Colombo, where the colonial remnants creatively fusions with the modern architecture.

Negombo / Dambulla / Sigiriya / Habarana / Hiriwaduna Village / Polonnaruwa / Kandy / Kitulgala / Nuwara Eliya / Horton Plains / Ella / Yala / Galle / Bentota

Warmly welcomed by our Airport representative, you will be introduced to your dedicated **chauffer** for the tour, to be transferred to your first stay in the fishing village of Negombo.

If the time permits and if you would like to explore the history of the dynamic city, you will be taken on a brief tour to see Dutch churches or for a boat ride along Dutch canals.

The tour begins by leaving for Dambulla to explore the famous Golden Rock cave temple which has been declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

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leave for the Hiriwadunna Village. Hiriwaduna situated in Habarana is small farming village where you will experience the simple lifestyle of our native culture. A morning bullock cart ride will take you through the village. Then stop for lunch and be treated to a delicious local cuisine served on lotus leaves by a village family. End your local adventure with a catamaran ride on the lake

After Breakfast head to Kandy. En route you will visit a spice garden in Matale. You will check in at your hotel on arrival and once you are rested, continue on to your tour of Kandy!

Kandy, the beautiful hill country capital is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, which is famous for the Temple of the Tooth which houses the most sacred religious relic, the tooth of the Buddha. The Kandy Lake built in 1807 and the Peradeniya Botanical Gardens, are some of the key jewels of the town that elevate its magnificence.

After breakfast leave for Kitulgala a small town perched on the hills that slope down to the flowing waters of the Kelani River. The main attractions include white water rafting, trekking and the Kelani Forest Reserve a popular bird watching location. Enjoy a thrilling day of white water rafting

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leave for Ella. A little village surrounded by high mountains and breath-taking vistas in the central hills of the country. It is Famous for the Ella Gap – a gap in the mountains where you can see all the way up to the ocean. It is also a base for plenty of trekking expeditions to the surrounding countryside and offers plenty of beautiful scenery and waterfalls.

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