

9 Days 7 Nights



# Exclusive Sri Lanka

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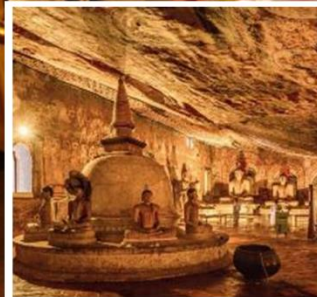
Once a year  
*The Festival of the Tooth*



Life in Galle



Train riding to Ella



Dambulla cave temple



Alu Viharaya

**13-21 August, 2024**





YOU are invited to enjoy unfolding the mysteries of Sri Lanka, as we take you through Colombo, the commercial capital and city, to ancient archaeological cities, towns, Hill stations and beaches. Sri Lanka is a fascinating island of paradise and a destination where tourists and travelers will come across rich culture, scenic beauty and a variance of locations to explore with a taste culinary cuisine at its best. We will end this exclusive trip with one night stay at the famous Queens Hotel in Kandy to watch the end of the famous Kandy Esala Perahera also known as The Festival of the Tooth.

## DAY BY DAY ITINERARY

**DAY 01: 13 Aug 2024 Colombo Airport - KELANIYA TEMPLE – Colombo City (-/Lunch/Dinner)**

07.45 am Depart from Bangkok to Colombo by Sri Lankan Airline flight UL403



09.35 am Arrive at Colombo and after completing arrival formalities, we will start our tour of this fantastic island.

**Visit KELANIYA TEMPLE IMAGES** - the temple, built during the 3<sup>rd</sup> century BC, has often been associated with the rise and fall of Ceylon and has had a deep association with the political powers of the country. It also famous for the image of the reclining Gautama Buddha and paintings by the native artist Solius Mendis which depict important events in the life of the Buddha, in the history of Buddhism in Sri Lanka, also the incidence from the Jataka tales.

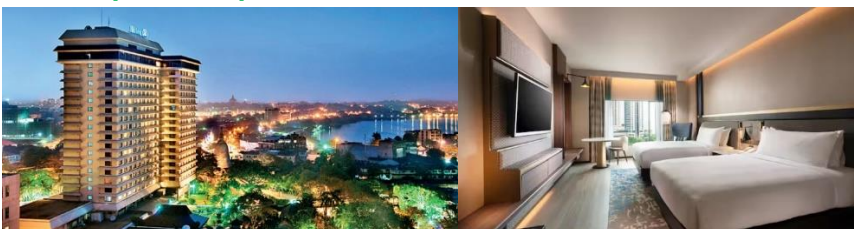


Lunch at Moon River Chinese Restaurant.

**Afternoon: Colombo City** – Drive along the clean streets of metropolis Colombo passing Galle Face Green, Old Parliament, Town Hall, Viharamahadevi Park, Gangarama Temple Seemamalakaya and **Independence Square**, one of the trendiest shopping and hangout zones in Sri Lanka.



Check in and rest at the hotel before dinner and **overnight stay at Colombo Hilton Hotel (5 stars)**



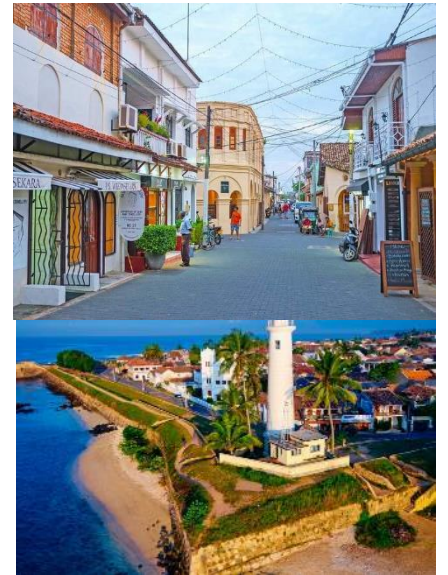


**DAY 02: 14 Aug 2024 Colombo – Galle - Ahungalla**  
**(Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)**

Breakfast at Colombo Hilton Hotel

**Transfer to Galle (Around 2.5 hours) and Ahungalla**

**Galle city tour:** the epic Southern capital, is the intersection where classic Dutch architecture meets a tropical setting creating a vivid atmosphere in beauty. Walk the **Dutch-haunted streets** listening to the creaks of wooden saloon doors and observe how European architecture mingles with South Asian traditions today flooding cultural enthusiasts on a global scale. Walk clockwise within the fort to observe the '**old gate**' carrying the British coat of arms. Flanking the old gate is the **Zwart bastion** - the oldest of all - and the lighthouse standing 18 feet in its glory next to the Point Utrecht Bastion.. Hop into the **Dutch Hospital Shopping Complex** to be mesmerized by an array of souvenir selections. However, its hallmark stands a reality where the Dutch fort remains a working community with its usual buzz of administrative offices, court complex, commercial buildings, churches and Southern folks frequenting its streets bracing the air of the Elysium of architecture, Galle.



Lunch at local restaurant

**Transfer to Heritance Ahungalla (around 1 hour)**

Evening leisure at hotel and dinner

**Overnight stay at Heritance Ahungalla (5 stars)**



**DAY 03: 15 Aug 2024 Ahungalla - Hatton (Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)**

Breakfast at Heritance Ahungalla

**Transfer to Hatton** (Around 4-5 hours ). Enjoy the beautiful drive on the highland of Sri Lanka and the tea plantations. Hatton is a picturesque town nestled in the hills, known for its cool climate and rich tea heritage. It stands at an elevation of 1,271 meters above sea level. Once a British colonial retreat, Hatton is now celebrated for its vibrant tea plantations and natural beauty. Key attractions include the tea workers in colourful sarees, the historic Adam's Peak and the serene Castlereigh Reservoir. Founded during the British Raj, Hatton transitioned from coffee to tea plantations, which thrive to this day to earn the title of being "Tea Capital" of Sri Lanka.



On the way lunch at **Kithulgala Rest House**



Arrive The Argyle Hotel, one of the beautiful hotel on the highland of Hatton. Enjoy the excellent views from this luxurious hideaway to relax, rejuvenate and achieve complete peace of mind.

**Dinner and Overnight stay at The Argyle Hotel (5 stars)**





**DAY 04: 16 Aug 2024 Hatton – Nuwara Eliya - Kandapola  
(Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)**

Breakfast at The Argyle hotel

**Then transfer to train station**

10:45 Leave to Hatton Station for train ride to Ella

11:20 Transfer to Ella by train



On board picnic lunch (Arranged by The Argyle)

Throughout the train ride you will experience the tea estates, water falls, misty hills & manmade tunnels.

15:30 Arrive Ella railway station.

Visit **nine arches bridge**. If wait till 17:00 hrs guests can experience the train passing Nine arches bridge



Transfer to Nuwara Eliya. **(30 Mins Drive Approx.)** Misty steep roads, twisting through lush green blankets of tea bushes in a cool climate, remind visitors that they are within the range of the renowned British colonial retreats, Nuwara Eliya.

Dinner and overnight **stay at Heritance Tea Factory Hotel (5 stars)**





**DAY 05: 17 Aug 2024 Nuwara Eliya - Kandapola – Nanuoya – Peradeniya - Sigiriya (Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)**

Breakfast at Heritance Tea Factory Hotel

**Nuwara Eliya city tour** - Augmented by an English countryside atmosphere, the city of light - once governed by English & Scottish planters - is still studded with colonial bungalows, hedgerows & one of the finest 18-hole golf courses in the world. A hike through the green grass and red-brick walls should present breathtaking views of a buzzing countryside hamlet. Drive through green valleys of the hill country pierced by endless waterfalls & dotted by tea pluckers draped in bright-colored saris.



**Transfer to Sigiriya** (approximate 5 hours)

Enroute visit Tea Factory and tea field

Lunch at Oakray Regency Restaurant in Perdeniya

After lunch continue to Sigiriya

Arrive Sigiriya, dinner and **overnight stay at The Covandro Sigiriya (5 stars)**





**DAY 06: 18 Aug 2024 Sigiriya – Anuradhapura – Habarana – Dambulla  
(Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)**

Breakfast at the Covandro Sigiriya

**Depart via Sigiriya Rock** before continue our journey. We will have a glimpse of the absolute splendor that once dominated this rock fortress. Surrounded by ramparts & moats the Lion Rock - resembling the mythological 'City of Gods' . Unfortunately, due to time limitation and the hardship of the stairs, we will skip the climbing up this time.



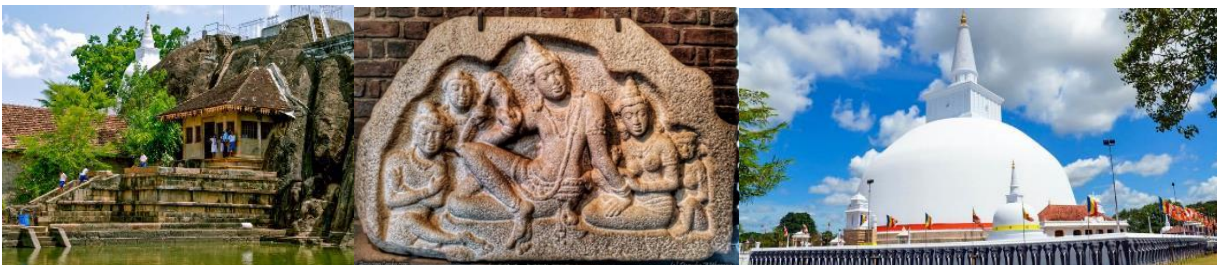
**At Anuradhapura**, visit **Sri Mahabodhiya, Isurumuniya and Ruwanvelimahaseya**.

Anuradhapura, one of the greatest and oldest civilization in the world starring 113 Kings spanning over 1300 years in its peak – avows of being the greatest city of ancient Sri Lanka following its reign as the first capital. The sapphire of its crown is the Sri Maha Bodhi – the sacred Bo sapling extracted from the tree under which Lord Buddha attained enlightenment – standing more than 2200 years in its pride. Stroll through the sacred trails of the venerated city to adore the legacy that interweaves Ruwanweliseya – the gigantic dagoba resting alongside the Basawakkulama Tank – shading the Samadhi Buddha Statue; Isurumuniya Rock Temple that empower the culture, heritage and supremacy of arguably the strongest kingdom in Sri Lankan history.



**Isurumuniya**

**Ruwanvelimahaseya**



Lunch enroute and continue to **Dambulla**,



### Visit Dambulla cave temple.

In the city of Dambulla lies a hub which has been treasured by many kings since the 1<sup>st</sup> century B.C. Today, an icon in the face of Sri Lanka, Dambulla Rock Temple houses some of the most unique drawings in magnificently constructed 5 cave temples flanking the golden temple of Dambulla. Observe how exquisitely cave paintings are done along walls that shelter 150 statues of Lord Buddha. As you enter the retreat, look straight up to the gigantic Buddha statue glittering in gold over a land, which today houses an important junction in the country economic and cultural uplifting.



Continue to Habarana for dinner and overnight at **Habarana Village By Cinnamon (4 stars)**





**DAY 07: 19 Aug 2024 Habarana - Kandy (Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)**

Breakfast at Habarana Village By Cinnamon

**Transfer to Kandy** (approx 2.5 hours)

Kandy was the last royal capital of the Sinhalese kings, before it was brought under the British rule in 1815. It crafts an array of culture, history and heritage in the minds of visitors across the globe. And the crown jewel of the ancient Kandyan legacy is the **Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic of Lord Buddha** which is located in the royal palace complex. Kandy is a UNESCO World Heritage Site partly due to the temple. The temple which houses the Sacred Tooth Relic of the Buddha is one of the holiest shrines in the entire Buddhist world. Buddhist laymen, wearing white, will have the chance to pay respect closely to the holy relic.



Lunch at Queens Hotel.

Afternoon will be at leisure to explore the city center. It is very fortunate that we managed to secure the accommodations at the prestige Queens Hotel which is situated in front of the Palace where you won't have to travel to watch the procession in the evening.

**At 6pm, the Kandy Esala Perahera (the Sri Dalada Perahara processions of Kandy or The Festival of the Tooth) will start.** This historical procession is held annually to pay homage to the Sacred Tooth Relic of Buddha housed in the Sri Dalada Maligawa in Kandy. A unique symbol of Sri Lanka, the procession consists of traditional local dances such as fire dances and performances in whip-dance garments. The festival ends with the traditional Diyakepeema ritual, a water cutting ceremony which is held at the Mahaweli River at Getambe, Kandy. Tonight is the end of the festival at midnight.



Dinner and overnight at **Queens Hotel.**





**DAY 08: 20 Aug 2024 Kandy – Matale - Airport (Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner)**

Breakfast at the Hotel.

**Transfer from Kandy to Colombo Airport** (around 3 hours)

**Enroute enjoy:**

**Peradeniya Botanical Garden** - These stunning gardens were once reserved exclusively for Kandyan royalty. Today, even commoners are allowed in to enjoy the most impressive and largest (60 hectares) botanic gardens in Sri Lanka. Highlights include a fine collection of orchids, a stately avenue of royal palms, the extraordinary, aptly named cannonball fruit tree and 40m-high Burma bamboo. Another big hit is the giant Javan fig tree on the great lawn, with its colossal central trunk and umbrella-like canopy of branches.



Transfer to Matale for Lunch at Ranweli Spice Garden Restaurant



and visit the famous **NORITAKE Factory Outlet**





Visit to **Alu Viharaya in Matale** - Set in the foothills 3km north of Matale, surrounded by giant boulders, this monastery is a low-key, but intriguing, site. There's a charming series of Buddhist caves, religious paintings, and a stupa or two. It's easily accessible just off the main highway. Legend has it that a giant used three of the rocks as a base for his cooking pot, and the name Aluvihara (Ash Monastery) refers to the ashes from the cooking fire.



**Transfer to Negombo (approx 3 hours)**



Seafood dinner in Negombo and opportunity for change of clothes.



Transfer to Airport for departure. **(1 Hrs Drive Approx.)**

**DAY 09: 21 Aug 2024 COLOMBO - BANGKOK**

01.10 am Fly from Colombo back to Bangkok

06.15 am Arrive Bangkok safely

**- END OF THE TOUR**

**REMARKS: The organizer reserves the right to change the program for the best interest of customers.**



## Price per person for 15 PAX

Price per person (Bht)	Single supplement (Bht)	Business Class Supplement (Bht)
<b>87,900</b>	<b>22,920.-</b>	<b>29,000.-</b>

Using exchange rate 1USD = 36THB

### Cost includes:

- Accommodation in Double Occupancy at the mentioned hotels or similar (07 Nights)
- Meals are on Full board basis (Tour will start with Lunch and end with dinner)
- Private tour Transportation with the service of English speaking Guide as per the itinerary except during free times.
- All entrance fees including train ticket, etc.
- All government taxes
- 2 water bottles per person per day.
- Flight ticket (Economy class by Sri Lankan Airline, add 29,000 bht for Business Class)
- Travel insurance

### Cost excludes:

- All beverage
- Entrance Fees for any other destination not mentioned in itinerary
- Video and Camera Permits
- All expenses of personal nature such as Telephone Calls, Laundry and Tipping etc.

### Terms of Payment :

- Deposit of 30,000 baht required after booking is confirmed.
- The rest is to be paid 25 days before departure.

### Cancellation fee:

- Full refund 30 days before departure.
- 15-29 days, 50% refund and minus deposit of 30,000 baht.
- Cancel within 14 days before departure, no refund in any case.



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