# **Sri Lanka Ultimate** Luxury



12 Nights/ 13 Days



**STARTOFTOUR** 

**Day 01** 

Air Port - Via Pinnawala to Sigiriya 190 KM approx. 04 1/2 Hrs Drive

Visiting Places:- Pinnawala elephant orphanage Overnight stay at hotel - Jetwing Vill Uyana or Water Garden

Arrive in Sri Lanka. You will be met by our representatives of Royal Holidays and transferred to Sigiriya. Enroute to your destination, you can visit one of the most important tourist attractions in Sri Lanka, the Pinnawela Elephant Orphanage, Volunteers and caretakers provide shelter and take care of orphaned, abandoned and injured elephants within the park. You can watch caretakers feed, bathe and help these gentle giants. You want walk with the herd to the nearby river to watch the elephants bathe and play around in water.

Afterward, spend the rest of the day relaxing at the hotel in Sigiriya.

#### **Day 02**

Sigiriya – Hiriwaduna – Minneriya – Sigiriya Visiting Places :- Sigiriya Rock forest , Hiriwaduna Village safari , Minneriya national park Overnight stay at hotel - Jetwing Vill Uyana or Water Garden

After breakfast, Visit Sigiriya rock forest, which is a world heritage site, The "lion rock" is a citadel of unusual beauty rising 200 meters from the scrub jungle. The rock was the innermost stronghold of the 70-hectare fortified town. The base of the rock is ringed by a moat, rampart, and extensive gardens including the renowned water gardens. The worldrenowned frescoes of the "heavenly maidens' of Sigiriya which are in a sheltered pocket of the rock approached by a spiral stairway is one of the main attractions.

Then transfer to do Village safari, Hiriwadunne village in Habarana offers a unique village safari for tourists. Any traveller wanting to gain an insight in to the daily lives of the locals in this village can participate on their own volition in excursions, adventure safaris, agro tourism, night camping and Jeep safaris. Hiriwadunna is just 02 Km (05 minutes drive from Habarana. The village trek begins with an awesome walk along a bund of a Wewa or manmade reservoir. The reservoir itself, the surrounding scrub jungle, marshland and village are a hive of early morning or an evening activity. The amazing birdlife, butterflies and possible sightings of crocodile only add to the charm of seeing the villagers as they go about their early morning tasks of fishing, or washing clothes at the periphery of the lake.

In the evening, you'll be transferred to do a Jeep Safari in Minneriya National Park. Minneriya National Park is a national park in North Central Province of Sri Lanka. The reason for declaring the area as protected is to protect the catchment of Minneriya tank and the wildlife of the surrounding area. The tank is of historical importance, having been built by King Mahasen in third century. The park is a dry season feeding ground for the <u>elephant</u> population dwelling in forests of Matale, Polonnaruwa, and Trincomalee districts.

Afterward, spend the rest of the day relaxing at the hotel in Sigiriya.

#### **Day 03**

Sigiriya – Mathale – Kandy 02 ½ Hrs Drive 100Km Approx

Visiting Places: - Mathale Spice Garden. Dambulla cave temple Overnight stay at hotel - Jetwing Kandy Gallery

After breakfast, transfer to Kandy. En-route visit Dambulla cave temple and Mathale spice Garden. Dambulla Cave Temple – was built by king Walagambahu in the 1st century B.C. 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. meters of painted walls and ceilings is the largest area of paintings found in the world. The caves contain over 150 images of the Buddha of which the largest is the colossal figure of the Buddha carved out of rock and spanning 14 meter.

Mathale Spice Garden - Visit a spice garden in Matale to learn about the various spices that Sri Lanka is famous for. The Matale spice gardens, located just 25 kilometers from Kandy's hill capital, are among the best on the island. You'll be introduced to various spices and shown how some of them are grown and processed. A processing and training unit have been established in the area, and farmers have formed a cooperative to ensure fair prices. Spices will also be available for purchase.

Afterward, spend the rest of the day relaxing at the hotel in Kandy.

#### **Day 04**

#### Kandy

Visiting Places :- Temple of the tooth, Peradeniya Botanical garden, Kandy city tour Overnight stay at hotel – Jetwing Kandy Gallery

After breakfast, visit

One of the holiest and most important places for Buddhists is the Temple of the Tooth Relic in Kandy, also known as Dalada Maligawa, which is located in the old kingdom in the country's central highlands. One of Lord Buddha's teeth is believed to be housed in the temple. The tooth relic was delivered to Sri Lanka by an Indian princess by the name of Hemamala many years after Buddha's passing. A moat surrounds the temple complex, which is bordered by white elephant carvings. The temple complex also provided views of the four primary Devalas (God temples). As soon as you approach the temple grounds, you see statues of revered and well-known monks, including the Hikkaduwe Sri Summangala Thera and Weera Keppetipola Disawe, a hero of the Uva uprising against the British. You can see the Octagon and the golden canopy over the chamber holding the tooth relic clearly from this location.

Peradeniya Botanical Garden was established in 1821, six years after the final occupation of the Kandyan Kingdom by the English. The site is less than 5.5 km from Kandy on the Colombo Road, and occupies a loop of the river Mahaweli, which surrounds it on all sides except the south, where it is bounded by the main road. The area, 61.25 ha in extent, is about 1550ft from sea level. More than 4,000 species of plants, including woody trees, palms, ferns, orchids, and shrubs, are currently present within the gardens.

You can explore the sacred city of Kandy by visiting the Temple of Tooth Relic of Buddha as well as its sub-temples dedicated to the deities Paththini, Katharagama, and Natha. If you prefer to do a shopping tour, you can visit KCC as well as street shops in Kandy city.

Afterward, spend the rest of the day relaxing at the hotel in Kandy.

#### **Day 05**

Kandy – Nuwara Eliya 03 1/2 Hrs Drive 95Km Approx Visiting Places:- Tea Factory visit, Ramboda water Fall

#### Overnight stay at hotel - Langdell by Amaya Nuwara Eliya

After breakfast, proceed to Nuwara Eliya. Visit a tea plantation and a tea factory where some of the best tea in the world is produced. You will be told all about the process of manufacturing tea and also see how tea is graded. Try tasting a cup of pure Ceylon tea in the factory. Nuwara Eliya is Sri Lanka's premier hill resort with a fine, bracing mountain climate.

Nuwara Eliya is also the heart of Sri Lanka's tea country, producing 50% of the world's best tea. Sri Lanka's highest mountain, Pidurutalagala (8280 ft), is located here. It is also famous for British architecture.

Ramboda Falls is located in Kandy's Pussellawa district. The region is known for its beautiful landscapes, which include highlands, ridges, plains, streams, and hilly mountains. The Ramboda falls are the best of the attractions. Ramboda also has stunning scenery and rare birds cooing in the dense forests. Overall, a visit to Ramboda Falls will take you on a nature retreat.

Afterward, spend the rest of the day relaxing at the hotel in Ella.

#### **Day 06**

Nuwara Eliya – ELLA (Train ride) 80 KM approx. 02 ½ Hrs Drive

Visiting Places: — Train ride from Nanu-oya to Ella, 9 Arch bridge Overnight stay at hotel — Nine Skies Ella (All Inclusive Basis)

After breakfast, you will be transferred to Ella by train.

Anyone that visits Sri Lanka should experience a train ride. It is not only a wonderful cultural experience but also a great adventure. Out of all the train rides that you can choose in Sri Lanka, the Kandy to Ella train ride is the most fascinating. It is one of the most beautiful train rides in the world.

The Nine Arch Bridge, also known as the "Bridge in the Sky," was built to connect two bog mountains while building the Badulla-Colombo railway. This bridge is 300 feet long, 25 feet wide, and 80–100 feet tall. It is one of the country's best examples of colonial-era railway construction. The bridge is 2 kilometers away on Gotuwala road, beginning at Halpe Textile Centre on Badulla Bandarawela road. Because of the bridge's architectural ingenuity and the abundant greenery in the nearby hillsides, the surrounding area has seen a steady increase in tourism.

Afterward, spend the rest of the day relaxing at the hotel in Ella.

#### **Day 07**

#### **ELLA**

# Visiting Places: - Little Adam's peak, Ravana Waterfall Overnight stay at hotel - Nine Skies Ella (All Inclusive Basis)

Breakfast at the hotel. Visit surroundings of Ella.

Climbing up the Little Adams Peak in Ella is one of the favorite activities of tourists where they can enjoy the view of the valley, relax, and connect with other travelers. The drive from Ella Town to the foothills of Little Adams Peak takes about 45 minutes, and the summit takes about 15 minutes. While some might find the climb a bit tiring, the whole journey is very pleasing while passing through the local villages and tea plantations.

Ravana Waterfall When it comes to Ella sightseeing, it is a must to visit the famous Ravana Waterfall. It is one of the main waterfalls to see in Ella and is located at a distance of just 10 minutes from the city center. One can also find tent accommodation being set up along with snacks as well as souvenirs near the waterfall site. While the views are breathtaking indeed, it is a perfect spot to enjoy some quality time with friends and family.

Afterward, spend the rest of the day relaxing at the hotel in Ella.

#### Day 08

ELLA – YALA 220 KM approx. 03 Hrs Drive

Visiting Places: — Evening Jeep Safari in Yala national park Overnight stay at hotel in Yala — Chena Huts (All Inclusive Basis)

After breakfast, we proceed to Yala. In the evening, Yala National Park Safari is located in the southeastern corner of the island, approximately 1259 kilometers south of Colombo. The landscape is varied, with flat plains interspersed with rocky outcrops. The vegetation varies between open parkland and dense jungle. An abundance of elephants is the local

specialty. Yala is Sri Lanka's largest national park and home to wild elephants, wild boar, wild buffalo, leopards, bears, deer, and crocodiles. Large flocks of migratory and indigenous birds can also be seen by visitors.

Afterward, spend the rest of the day relaxing at the hotel in Yala.

# **Day 09**

#### **YALA**

## Visiting Places: — Morning Jeep Safari in Yala national park Overnight stay at hotel in Yala — Chena Huts (All Inclusive Basis)

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Afterward, spend the rest of the day relaxing at the hotel in Yala – Chena Huts.

#### **Day 10**

Yala – Bentota 70 KM approx. 02 ½ Hrs Drive

# Visiting Places: — Mangrove boat ride in Madhu river, Galle Fort Overnight stay at hotel Bentota — Saman Villas

After breakfast, proceed to Bentota.

The Madu River, which flows across Balapitiya (approx 80km south of Colombo), is one of the rarely visited and unspoiled attractions any nature lover can find in Sri Lanka. She boasts of having a cluster of 64 small islands scattered along her path, most of which are uninhabited and covered with mangroves. The smallest islet of the lot is called "Satha Paha Doowa", where there is a tiny shrine with a statue built in respect of the gods of Kataragama (Katharagama). According to folklore, this islet was purchased for five cents, but some claim the name comes from the shape of the five cent coin.Madu is certainly a placid and memorable place of interest to any nature lover who longs to witness the mesmerizing landscape of nature. Visitors who are overjoyed should be warned!— The Madu River is also a known den for crocodiles.

Visit the ancient city of Galle en route after breakfast at the hotel. Visit the Galle Dutch Fort. The Galle Fort, also known as The Dutch Fort or the "Ramparts of Galle," withstood the Boxing Day tsunami, which damaged a portion of Galle Town's coastal area. It was later repaired. The Galle Fort also houses the prestigious Amangalla resort hotel, which is close to the Dutch Reformed Church. It was constructed in 1684 to house the Dutch Governor and his staff. In 1865, it was converted into a hotel called the New Oriental Hotel, which catered to European passengers traveling between Europe and Galle Port in the nineteenth century.

Afterward, spend the rest of the day relaxing at the hotel in Yala.

#### **Day 11**

Bentota
Visiting Places: — Leisure Day at the Hotel
Overnight stay at hotel — Saman Villas
Relax in hotel.

#### **Day 12**

# Bentota – Colombo Visiting Places: – Leisure Day at the Hotel Overnight stay at hotel in Colombo – Residence by Uga

After breakfast, proceed to Colombo. Similar to many other capital cities in developing nations, Colombo is rapidly evolving. Where ancient ones once stood, new ones appear virtually overnight, although some locations still have an oldworld charm. The city still has a century-old clock tower and a number of colonial structures constructed by the British. The folk-art center, the new parliament in Sri Jayawardenapura, the Bandaranaike memorial international conference hall, the Pettah bazaar, where one can find bargains, a Hindu and a Buddhist temple, residential areas where mansions

of the wealthy can be found, the Colombo Museum (outside visit only), and others are some of the places of interest that one can visit.

Dinner and overnight stay at the hotel in Colombo.

# Day 13

Colombo –APT 40 KM approx. 45min Drive

We wish you farewell as our Chauffeur Guide drives you to the airport to catch your return trip home because all wonderful things must come to an end.