



Adventure week in Sri Lanka

Travel through the southern, central and western regions of this gorgeous tropical island for an unforgettable experience that's sure to create memories of a lifetime. Our Sri Lanka program packs the best of the island's beauty and diversity within a week !

Program description

Program highlights:

- Half-day safari adventure at Yala National Park
- A day and night in Ella, a scenic town in the Sri Lankan Highlands, with visits to the famous Nine Arches Bridge, Little Adam's Peak and Ravana Waterfalls
- Visit a historical tea factory to learn all about Ceylon Tea
- Visit to a local Buddhist clothing shop to try on native Sri Lankan dresses like sarees (females) and sarongs (males)
- Guided tour of the Sacred Temple of the Tooth Relic
- Visit the region's Arts & Craft centres to get a glimpse of traditional Sri Lankan crafts
- Visit to Sigiriya, a UNESCO World Heritage site which is an ancient rock fortress in the Central Province
- Visit to Dambulla Vegetable Market, the largest vegetable and fruit wholesale market in Sri Lanka

Packing list:

- Wear comfortable attire (not too bright)
- Comfortable walking shoes
- Sunscreen, scarf or mask to cover face as it can get dusty
- Bottled water and any snacks you may like
- Modest clothing for cultural respect



Schedule

Day 1

- The tour begins in Galle (usually 8:00 AM start) with a leisurely 2.5-3 hour drive across the beautiful southern coast of Sri Lanka towards the wilderness of the Deep South
- Arrive at the hotel to check in after enjoying a nice lunch at a nearby restaurant
- half-day wildlife safari at Yala National Park: opportunity to view wild elephants, leopards, sloth bears, crocodiles, wild buffaloes, monkeys, deer, wild boars, peacocks and various other species of birds up close.
- After the safari, we return to the hotel

Day 2

- After a leisurely breakfast at the hotel, checkout mid-morning for a 2.5-3 hour drive to Ella, a laid-back town in the Sri Lankan highlands, surrounded by scenic hills and serene tea plantations
- Visit the majestic Nine Arches Bridge, a colonial-era railway construction marvel
- Enjoy a freshly prepared lunch in a local restaurant, then check in to the hotel
- Afterwards, climb up (approximately 45-60 minute hike) to Little Adams Peak for spectacular views of the mountain and valleys of the region

Day 3

- Wake up to breath-taking views of the Ella sunrise from the hotel through the Ella Gap, followed by a relaxed breakfast at the hotel
- Checkout from the hotel by 8:30 AM for a short drive to Ella Railway Station for a memorable and picturesque 3-4 hour train ride from Ella to Nanu Oya through tea carpeted hills, quaint rural villages and lush green mountain jungles that define these majestic highlands. This epic journey is regularly rated as one of the most beautiful train rides in the world!
- On arrival at Nanu Oya Railway Station you will be picked up by the driver and taken straight for lunch
- We drive towards the historical and cultural city of Kandy

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Day 4

- We visit a traditional Buddhist clothing shop for participants to be able to dress up in traditional Kandyan Sarees (for females) and Sarongs (for males).
- After that, enjoy lunch at a Hela Bojun, a traditional food court run by local women, an initiative by the Department of Agriculture to assist the livelihoods of rural women.
- Then we head back to the hotel
- We start the next session with a brief late afternoon City Tour of Kandy taking participants to some key sites viewing points of this historical and cultural city.
- In the evening, we visit the Sacred Temple of the Tooth Relic, perhaps the most famous Buddhist temple in Sri Lanka and a UNESCO World Heritage site. Located in the royal palace complex of the former Kingdom of Kandy. The visit includes a guided tour of the temple from an experienced guide.

Day 5

- After an early breakfast (included) in the hotel, check out by 8:00 AM to drive towards the town of Dambulla.
- On the way, we visit the region's famous Arts & Craft centres to get a glimpse of traditional Sri Lankan crafts.
- We then visit Dambulla Vegetable Market to see the widest array of tropical fruits and vegetables in the country. Driver will guide the group (no local guide needed).
- After that, we visit Hiriwadunna Village, for a serene village walk to experience the laid-back rhythms of small village life in Sri Lanka.
- Observe a wide range of bird species at the reservoir in a traditional boat and enjoy a traditional Sri Lankan lunch freshly made in the village.
- We then check in to the hotel in Dambulla by late afternoon and get settled and refreshed. In the evening guests will have time to relax at the hotel or to do the optional activity.

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Day 6

- It is an early start around 6:00 AM to embark on a short drive to Sigiriya
- Visit Sigiriya's fortified city complex, walk through its beautiful gardens and climb up to the summit to see the remains of the palace complex and enjoy panoramic views of the surrounding plains. The experience should last 2-3 hours approximately. Local guide included.
- After some rest, we check out of the hotel by 12:00 PM to head towards the last destination on the Tour, Negombo, a beach town near Colombo airport. On the way we have lunch at a traditional local restaurant.
- we continue the drive to Negombo with a short break in Kurunegala to ease the journey.
- Spend the last night of the tour with a relaxed and comfortable stay by the beach.

Day 7

In the morning, after breakfast (included), check out and be driven to Colombo International Airport to catch your flight back home. Airport transfers will be provided to all participants at any time until 12:00 PM on the last day which is the last checkout time from the hotel. Participants are advised to book their return flights before 4 PM on the last day of the tour (Friday) to avoid long wait times or extra accommodation charges.

*This schedule can be changed and/or amended depending on weather conditions, local conditions, and unforeseen circumstances.