
Excursion Programs in Sri Lanka

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Day Excursion to Colombo (Based on traveling from Beruwela and Bentota)

Clients will leave for **COLOMBO**

COLOMBO - is the trade capital has long been the traditional gateway to the orient. Today, Colombo is a fascinating city with a happy blend of east & west, past & present with a charm of its own. The main seaport of Sri Lanka is in Colombo & adjoining it, is Pettah, which is the local bazaar & trading area. Other places of interest are the beautiful Buddhist temples, Hindu temples, the historic Wolfendhal church, the main residential area - cinnamon gardens and the BMICH - International Conference Hall and the commercial area - Fort.

Clients will be able to visit the popular Pettah Market, the Kochchikade Church, the famous Muslim Mosque down 2nd Cross street, old colonial buildings in Fort, old Parliament of Sri Lanka, the popular Galle Face, Hindu Kovil, the Gangaramaya Temple, Victoria Park, Museum of Sri Lanka, Town Hall, Vihara Mahadevi Park, the famous BMICH and the Buddha Statue and proceed to the Independence Square where Sri Lanka gained independence from the British in 1948.

Visits would also include shopping stops to a Gem & Jewelers shop, departmental stores, handicraft shops and tea boutique.

	2 Pax	3-6 Pax	7 pax & above
Per person (US\$)	55/-	45/-	40/-

Cost Includes: -

- Transport in an air-conditioned vehicle with all sightseeing as per the itinerary
- All applicable entrance fees and Porterage
- Services of an English speaking Chauffeur guide up to 6 Pax and an English Speaking National Guide for 7 Pax and above
- Taxes

Day Excursion to Kandy (Based on traveling from Beruwela and Bentota)

You will commence this excursion early morning from your hotel for a day excursion to Kandy and return on the same day. The excursion includes visits to the Elephant Orphanage, Tea Factory, and Royal Botanical Gardens

KANDY - Kandy a lovely city, the Hill Capital and last stronghold of the Sinhala Kings retains an aura of grandeur, which time has not affected. Encircled by hills, with a tranquil lake in its center, it is the site of the renowned "Temple of the Tooth" and the Royal Botanical gardens home to one of the best collections of Orchids. Kandy and its satellite villages is the centre of the island's handicraft industry and its traditional dances are the most spectacular in the country.

ROYAL BOTANICAL GARDENS - Believed to be one of the most beautiful gardens in South Asia and begun as a pleasure garden by a Sinhala King. Every variety tropical and temperate tree and flower is cultivated here and special houses with orchids and cacti are too beautiful to be true.

ELEPHANT ORPHANAGE AT PINNAWELA - Pinnawela orphanage is situated northwest of the town Kegalle, halfway between the present capital of Colombo and the ancient royal residence Kandy in the hills of central Sri Lanka. It was established in 1975 by the Sri Lanka Wildlife department. This 24 acres large elephant orphanage is an also breeding place for elephants, more than twenty elephants were born since 1984, and it has the greatest herd of elephants in captivity in the world.

	2 Pax	3-6 Pax	7 pax & above
Per person (US\$)	130/-	120/-	95/-

Cost Includes: -

- Transport in an air-conditioned vehicle with all sightseeing as per the itinerary
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Day Excursion to Galle (Based on traveling from Beruwela and Bentota)

Leave after breakfast from hotel for a day excursion to Galle and return including visits to a Turtle Hatchery, Mask Museum, and Factory en- route and visit the Dutch Fortress in Galle.

GALLE - The port of Galle, thought by some to be the Biblical city of Tarshish, splendidly illustrates the solidity of the Dutch presence in Sri Lanka. The 36-hectare (89 acre) Dutch Fort, built in 1663, has withstood the ravages of time. Its massive ramparts surround the promontory that forms the older part of Galle, and shelters within its walls sturdy Dutch houses, museums and churches. This area has a quiet, relaxed atmosphere that seems almost detached from the flow of history. The New Oriental Hotel, built for Dutch governors in 1684, is a colonial gem with a wonderfully atmospheric bar. Nearby is a tiny sliver of a beach suitable for a dip, though most travelers prefer to head along the coast to the fine beaches at Unuwatuna, Weligama and Tangalla.

	2 Pax	3-6 Pax	7 pax & above
Per person (US\$)	65/-	55/-	45/-
Optional Boat Ride	US\$ 20 Per Person		

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2 - Day Excursion to Yala (Based on traveling from Beruwela and Bentota)

Day 1

After breakfast leave Beach Hotel and proceed to Yala.

YALA - Sri Lanka's most known national park is popular for Elephant, Leopard, Bear, Crocodile and Wild Boar. At 97,800 hectares, this is the second largest of Sri Lanka's national parks. Its open undulating terrain made it famous for elephants for many years. Claims have subsequently been made that Yala National Park has the world's highest concentration of leopard per square kilometer. This park is primarily shrub jungle with several salt and fresh water lagoons. The areas popular with leopard are rock strewn hillocks with dense shrub in which the animals hide.

P.M: Jeep safari to the Yala National Park.

Dinner & overnight at Yala Village or similar

Day 2

After Breakfast leave for the beach resort en route visiting Wevurukannala temple and proceed via Ratnapura the gem city of the island

	2 Pax	3-6 Pax	7 pax & above
Per person (US\$)	225/-	180/-	170/-
Single Supplement	US\$ 30		

Cost Includes: -

- 1 Night Accommodation on Half Board basis
- Transport in an air-conditioned vehicle with all sightseeing as per the itinerary
- All applicable entrance fees and Portage
- Services of an English speaking Chauffeur guide up to 6 Pax and an English Speaking National Guide for 7 Pax and above
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2 - Day Kandy Tour (Based on traveling from Beruwela and Bentota)

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Proceed to Kandy visiting Tea Factories, en-route.

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P.M: Sightseeing tour of Kandy including visits to Temple of the Tooth Relic, Upper lake Drive and Market Square. Late evening witness a Kandyan dance performance, shopping etc

TEMPLE OF THE TOOTH RELIC- Dalada Maligawa or the Temple of the sacred Tooth Relic in Kandy is the most venerated place of worship for Buddhists throughout the world. Built in the 16th century, this temple houses the sacred Tooth Relic of the Buddha brought to Sri Lanka from the Kalinga province in ancient India in the 4th century AD. Several buildings have been added to the temple complex by successive rulers, the latest being the Golden Canopy over the inner shrine where the Tooth Relic is placed. Originally the Temple was within the King's palace complex as it was the symbol of Royal Authority.

Dinner & overnight at Chaaya Citadel or similar

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Thereafter proceed to the Elephant Orphanage in time to witness the bottle feeding and bathing of the baby elephants around lunch time.

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	2 Pax	3-6 Pax	7 pax & above
Per person (US\$)	180/-	175/-	160/-
Single Supplement	US\$ 25		

Cost Includes: -

- 1 Night Accommodation on Half Board basis
- Transport in an air-conditioned vehicle with all sightseeing as per the itinerary
- All applicable entrance fees and Porterage
- Services of an English speaking Chauffeur guide up to 6 Pax and an English Speaking National Guide for 7 Pax and above
- Taxes

2 - Day Kandy & Sigiriya Tour (Based on traveling from Beruwela and Bentota)

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Proceed to Kandy visiting Tea Factories, Elephant Orphanage en-route.

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Dinner & overnight at Chaaya Citadel or similar

Day 2

After breakfast proceed to Sigiriya en-route visiting Dambulla Cave Temple

DAMBULLA - Dambulla is a part of the Cultural Triangle declared by UNESCO is on the main road from Sigiriya to Kandy about 19Km from Sigiriya. The main attraction, the Dambulla rock temple and caves are used by the Buddhist monks as a meditation centre. There are over 80 caves in which the major attractions are spread over 5 caves, which contain the statues and the paintings. This temple is a perfect location to view evolution of the ancient Sri Lankan arts. Dambulla is a unique and important historical site because of the amalgamation of the material from many eras.

Thereafter, proceed to **SIGIRIYA**

SIGIRIYA - This UNESCO World Heritage site, a spectacular Rock Fortress, is one of Sri Lanka's major attractions. The most impressive facets of the unique complex are the Water Gardens, the Frescoes of beautiful maidens, the Mirror Wall with ancient graffiti, the Lion platform and the Summit of 1.6 hectares, which was completely covered by buildings during the period of Sigiriya's glory.

P.M: Leave for **BENTOTA**

	2 Pax	3-6 Pax	7 pax & above
Per person (US\$)	240/-	210/-	195/-
Single Supplement	US\$ 25		

Cost Includes: -

- 1 Night Accommodation on Half Board basis
- Transport in an air-conditioned vehicle with all sightseeing as per the itinerary
- All applicable entrance fees and Porterage
- Services of an English speaking guide
- Taxes

Bentota River Cruise

Clients will proceed to Bentota Beach hotel premises where the river cruise commences.

BENTOTA RIVER CRUISE - The cruise begins approximately at 0800 hrs and ends approximately at 1500 hrs. This exciting river cruise takes you through a 32 km experience in through the Bentota river where clients have the opportunity to see birds, perhaps crocodiles and the beautiful mangroves.

	Details
Cost	US\$ 45 Per Person with Lunch

Cost Includes: -

- Lunch on river boat
- Services of an English speaking Chauffeur guide up to 6 Pax and an English Speaking National Guide for 7 Pax and above
- Taxes