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(Kandy-Sigiriya-Hatton-Nuwaraeliya-Ella-Waligama-Mirissa-Bentota)

Itinerary

Day 1

Arrival at Bandaranayake International Airport (CMB)

Welcome to Sri Lanka.

A warm welcome await you at the arrival lounge of the Bandaranaike International Airport, Katunayake. Your tour guide will give you a brief introduction and commence the trip to Colombo. Check in to hotel rest of the day at leisure and overnight stay at the hotel.

Meals: On-flight meals

Accommodation: 3* or 4* similar

Day 2

Colombo - Kandy

After breakfast, Embark on a captivating journey from Polonnaruwa to Kandy, covering around 140 kilometers. Witness the transition from ancient ruins to the cultural heart of Sri Lanka. Explore Kandy's renowned Temple of the Tooth Relic, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, surrounded by scenic hills. En route, visit spice gardens, revealing the island's aromatic treasures. Delight in the lush landscapes and serene lakes that characterize the route. As you reach Kandy, immerse yourself in its vibrant markets, colonial architecture, and the tranquil Kandy Lake, encapsulating the city's historical and natural charm. The journey seamlessly blends cultural exploration with the picturesque beauty of Sri Lanka.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner.

Accommodation: 3* or 4* similar

Tips & suggestions:

During the visit of Temple of the Tooth please wear clothing covering knees and shoulders, as a sign of respect. You will also be required to leave your shoes at the shoe counter near to the entrance before entering the temple.

Optional Tour: Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage (Highlight Tour)

Immerse yourself in the enchanting world of elephants at the Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage in Sri Lanka. Witness the gentle giants during their daily bathing sessions in the river, creating a mesmerizing spectacle. The orphanage, established in 1975, not only cares for orphaned elephants but



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also contributes to vital conservation and breeding programs. Engage with these majestic creatures, learn about their behavior, and support eff orts to protect Sri Lanka's elephant population. Located in the scenic town of Pinnawala, this unique experience blends education, wildlife conservation, and the sheer joy of encountering elephants up close, making it a must-visit destination for every traveler.

Day 3

Kandy – Sigiriya

After breakfast, Embarking on a journey from Kandy to Sigiriya promises a blend of cultural richness and scenic beauty in Sri Lanka. As you leave Kandy, the road winds through picturesque landscapes, offering glimpses of lush hills and local life. After approximately90 kilometers, you reach Sigiriya, home to the iconic Sigiriya Rock Fortress, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Explore the ancient marvels of this rock citadel, including its historic frescoes and breathtaking views. Consider stopping at the Dambulla Cave Temple en route for a cultural immersion. The journey seamlessly combines historical xploration with the enchanting landscapes of Sri Lanka's central region.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner.

Accommodation: 3* or 4* similar

Tips & suggestions:

Start early, wear comf

ortable attire, and stay hydrated. Dress modestly for religious sites. Pack snacks for energy. These tips enhance your journey from Kandy to Sigiriya, making it more enjoyable.

Day 4 & 5

Sigiriya - Hatton

After breakfast, Embarking on a journey from Sigiriya to Hatton unveils the diverse landscapes of Sri Lanka. Leaving the historical marvels of Sigiriya behind, the route takes you through scenic Countryside and winding roads. After approximately 150 kilometers, you reach Hatton, nestled in the picturesque hill country. Known for its cool climate and tea plantations, Hatton offers a tranquil escape. Consider exploring the lush greenery of the surrounding hills or visiting a tea estate to learn about the tea-making process. The journey from Sigiriya to Hatton seamlessly transitions from historical wonders to the serene beauty of Sri Lanka's hill country.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner.

Accommodation: 3* or 4* similar

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Day 6

Hatton - Nuwaraeliya

After breakfast, you will depart from Hatton to Nuwara Eliya is a delightful venture through Sri Lanka's scenic hill country. Departing Hatton, the route unfolds approximately 30 kilometers of winding roads, surrounded by verdant tea plantations. En route, enjoy panoramic views of mist-covered mountains and cascading waterfalls. As you ascend, the cool climate of Nuwara Eliya welcomes you. Known as "Little England" Nuwara Eliya off ers colonial charm, well-maintained gardens, and the opportunity to explore tea factories. The road trip seamlessly combines natural beauty and cultural experiences, providing a picturesque transition from Hatton's tranquility to Nuwara Eliya's hill station allure.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner.

Accommodation: 3* or 4* similar

Tips & suggestions:

Please note that you will be ascending to an altitude of 1900 meters, and consequently, the temperature in Nuwaraeliya is expected to range from 20-25°C during the day and 10-15°C during the night. It is advisable to bring warm clothing to ensure your comfort in the cooler climate of Nuwaraeliya.

Day 7

Nuwaraeliya - Ella

After breakfast, Embark on a picturesque bus journey from Nuwaraeliya to Ella, winding through Sri Lanka's scenic highlands. As the bus navigates the serpentine roads, be captivated by the everchanging views of sprawling tea plantations, mist-kissed mountains, and vibrant rural landscapes. The approximately 2-3 hour journey offers glimpses into local life and the verdant beauty that haracterizes this region. Marvel at the twists and turns, immersing yourself in the journey's slower pace, allowing for a deeper connection with the breathtaking surroundings. Upon arrival in Ella, you'll be greeted by the charming mountain town, known for its relaxed ambiance and panoramic vistas. Promises an enriching experience as you traverse the stunning route from Nuwaraeliya to Ella.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner.

Accommodation: 3* or 4* similar

Tips & suggestions:

Wear comfortable clothing and sturdy footwear for the bus journey, especially if you plan to explore Ella's landscapes upon arrival. Bring snacks and a water bottle for the journey, as there may not be regular stops. Opt for a window seat on the bus to fully enjoy the breathtaking scenery and capture memorable moments along the picturesque route.



Day 8

Ella - Waligama

The journey from Ella to Weligama off ers a transition from the misty hills to the coastal beauty of Sri Lanka. Departing from Ella's scenic landscapes, the route spans approximately 140 kilometers. As you descend, witness the landscape transform from lush tea plantations to coastal vistas. Weligama, famous for its golden beaches and surfing, welcomes you with its laid-back atmosphere. Consider stopping at the picturesque Dondra Head Lighthouse en route. The road trip seamlessly combines the charm of Ella's hills with the coastal allure of Weligama, providing a diverse and memorable experience in the island's southern region.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner.

Accommodation: 3* or 4* similar

Day 9

Waligama - Mirissa

The short journey from Weligama to Mirissa, along the southern coast of Sri Lanka, covers a scenic distance of about 6 kilometers. The coastal road off ers breathtaking views of the Indian Ocean. Weligama, known for its surfi ng beaches and stilt fi shermen, transitions seamlessly into the lively beach town of Mirissa. Mirissa is famed for its golden sandy shores, vibrant beachside atmosphere, and as a popular starting point for whale watching excursions. The journey is a swift and picturesque drive, allowing travelers to enjoy the coastal beauty and easily access Mirissa's relaxing beaches and exciting water activities.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner.

Accommodation: 3* or 4* similar

Day 10 & 11

Mirissa - Bentota

Embark on a scenic journey from Mirissa to Bentota, spanning approximately 100 kilometers. Enjoy a leisurely drive along the coastal route, witnessing golden beaches and charming villages. Arrive in Bentota, known for its pristine beaches and water activities. Immerse yourself in relaxation, explore the Bentota River, or indulge in water sports for a coastal retreat.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner.

Accommodation: 3* or 4* similar

Optional Tour: The Madu River boat safari (Highlight Tour)

The Madu River boat safari off ers a captivating journey through the lush mangrove forests and vibrant biodiversity of Sri Lanka. Spanning approximately 30 kilometers, the river cruise unveils a serene landscape, dotted with islets and abundant wildlife. Explore the enchanting Cinnamon Island, where

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traditional methods of cinnamon cultivation are showcased. Visit the picturesque Kothduwa Temple on an islet, adding cultural richness to the experience. The boat ride also includes stops at a fi sh therapy center and a vibrant fi sh market. Immerse yourself in the tranquility of Madu River, discovering the natural and cultural treasures that make it a unique and memorable excursion.

Day 12

Bentota - Airport

After breakfast, you are free at leisure. Then you were transferred to the airport for the flight back ome.

Meals: Breakfast.

INCLUSIONS

- 02 water bottles per person per day
- Airport transfers included on the first and last day of tour
- 11 nights in 3* and 4* hotel accommodation
- Dedicated transportation in comfortable, air-conditioned vehicles
- Daily Breakfasts, 11 dinner
- Fully escorted by English-speaking local guides
- All entry fees as per the itinerary

EXCLUSIONS

- Meals and drinks are not mentioned in the program
- Visa fee in Sri Lanka
- Tipping for driver and tour guide (\$10/per person/day)
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance (we strongly recommend you hold a valid travel insurance policy for all domestic and overseas travel)
- Trip delay or interruption by airline schedule change
- Extra cost or missing tour caused by flight delay or cancel
- Any service not clearly mentioned in the program

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Physical Requirements

The tour requires a reasonable level of fitness, emphasizing time spent on your feet rather than covering extensive distances. Expect to embark and disembark from coaches and boats, stroll around various sights, and navigate stairs, adding a moderate physical activity component to the experience.

Tipping

A friendly reminder that tipping is not included in your package. Please note that tipping for tour guides, drivers, and bellmen is a customary practice and is required. Your travel consultant will collect



gratuities seven days before your departure. A suggested gratuity of 10\$ per person per day can make a significant impact on the livelihoods of local professionals in the tourism industry who have diligently served you throughout your holiday. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Accommodation

The accommodation listed is subject to change. Any changes will be of an equal or higher standard. Bedding configurations (double or twin) are requests only. All eff orts will be made to meet your preferences however any changes are beyond our control.

Group size:

2-16 Pax

Travel Insurance

Travel insurance is crucial for unexpected situations. In addition to potential assistance, you may need to show your insurance documents while traveling. We've teamed up with Nib Travel Insurance to offer competitive rates. Book Comprehensive or Essentials cover for domestic, international, or multitrip journeys easily through us. Prioritize peace of mind with travel insurance to stay prepared for the unexpected during your travels.

Visa & Passport information

It is the traveler's responsibility to ensure they have a valid passport. The passport must be valid for a minimum of six months from the intended date of return and must have more than 2 blank pages.

An e-visa is required for entry into Sri Lanka. The Department of Immigration and Emigration launched a system called "Electronic Travel Authorization – ETA" in order to grant prior approval for a visa online for foreign nationals who visit Sri Lanka. You can visit http://eta.gov.lk/slvisa/ to purchase your visa online.

E-Visas are only valid for 30 days, so you can only apply closer to your travel dates. Please do not apply for your visa until you have your travel documentation. It will take 3 business days to be approved. The cost is US\$50 per person.

Please note that these details are subject to change without notice. We recommend visiting Government travel information web site for up to date information in terms of entry requirements.

Tour Documentation

Final documentation, including e-tickets and hotel details, will be provided approximately 30 days prior to travel.

Children

40% Child sharing with parents WITH an extra bed (40% on the Double Room Rate) 25% Child sharing with parents WITHOUT an extra bed (25% on the Double Room Rate)



Tour Length

The total tour duration, including specific time spent on land, can be found in the day-by-day itinerary. This provides accurate information about the overall length of the tour and the duration spent at each destination.

Terms and Conditions

- Please note that the above rates are compiled with the hotels mentioned in the program and subject to change if any changers take place of the government taxes.
- The rooms will be confirmed according to the availability at the time of check in, unless the client make a block booking with the hotels with a 50% advance payment to us to make it against the hotels.
- Please note that the above rates are applicable for the above program only and if the client needs a specific destination included or omitted we could adjust the same accordingly and further if you need us to tailor make any programs we could arrange it for your convenience

Cancellation Policy

- If cancelled 30 days or more prior to arrival no charge any payments made prior to this date will be reimbursed (less any bank charges)
- If cancelled between14 to 29 days (inclusive) prior to arrival 30% of the total booking value will be charge
- If cancelled between 7 to 14 days prior to arrival 75% of the total booking value will be charge
- If cancelled less than 7 days prior to arrival 100% of the total booking value will be charge

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