

Ayubowan!

(Typical Sri Lankan way of wishing the recipient a long life, as a greeting or a goodbye)

12 Night Tour (13 Days)

DAY 1: Airport / Colombo

Welcome to Sri Lanka, as you set foot on this beautiful island, you'll be met by a Chauffeur Guide of Hayleys Tours and transported in an air-conditioned vehicle to your hotel in Colombo.

(Airport to Colombo: Approx. 45 Mins – 1 Hr)

In the afternoon, you will proceed on a city tour of Colombo where you will spend the afternoon visiting, Arcade – Independence Square, the Gangaramaya Temple and the National Museum concluding your day with a shopping experience.

Colombo is the largest city and former capital of Sri Lanka. It is located on the west coast of the island and adjacent to Sri Jayawardenapura Kotte, the capital. Colombo is a busy and vibrant city with a mixture of modern life and colonial buildings. The main city is home to a majority of Sri Lanka's corporate offices, restaurants and entertainment venues. Colombo is a shopper's paradise! Choose from the many branded wear available at a fraction of the price.



Overnight stay at Fairway Colombo 4* or Similar.

DAY 2: Colombo /Anuradhapura

After breakfast check out of the hotel and proceed to Anuradhapura

(Colombo to Anuradhapura : Approx. 3 1/2 - 4 1/2 Hrs)

Do a city tour of Anuradhapura

Founded around 5th Century BC, Anuradhapura is the oldest city in the Cultural Triangle and Sri Lanka's first capital lasting for about 1500 years until the 10th century AD. In its heyday, tens of thousands of people lived in a city of royal palaces, monasteries, temples topped by glittering jewels, houses of two or three storeys, shops, pleasure gardens, bathing pools and wooded parks.



Dinner & Overnight stay at Alakamanda 3*+ or Similar.

DAY 3: Anuradhapura / Minneriya National Park / Dambulla

After breakfast, check out of the hotel and proceed to Dambulla

In the afternoon proceed to do a jeep safari at Minneriya National Park

Minneriya is yet another haven for the elephants that migrate from surrounding jungles to enjoy the lush grass fields on the banks of the Minneriya reservoir, during the dry season. Reports of elephant sightings range from a mere 100 to an astounding 700. The central feature of the park is the ancient Minneriya Tank (built in 3rd century AD by King Mahasena). This tank is generally known as a place to observe the elephants that come to bathe and graze on the grasses as well as the huge flocks of birds that come to fish in the shallow waters.



Return to the hotel and spend the day at leisure

Dinner & Overnight stay at Amaya Lake 4* or Similar.

DAY 4: Sigiriya Rock Fortress / Dambulla Cave Temple

Today, In the morning visit Sigiriya (World Heritage Site) by 0700 hrs with packed breakfast - Optional

(Climbing Sigiriya: Approx 03 hrs)

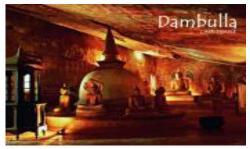
Referred by locals as the Eighth Wonder of World, this ancient palace and fortress complex has significant archeological importance and attracts thousands of tourists every year. The palace is located in the heart of the

island between the towns of Dambulla and Habarana on a massive rocky plateau 370 meters above the sea level. Sigiriya rock plateau, formed from magma of an extinct volcano, is 200 meters higher than the surrounding jungles. Its view astonishes the visitors with the unique harmony between the nature and human imagination.



In the afternoon visit Dambulla Cave Temple

Dambulla Cave Temple - Dambulla Cave Temple is a vast isolated rock mass and it was here that king Valagambahu took refuge in the 01st century B.C. He later turned the caves into a rock temple. 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 ceiling found here are over 2000 years old and is the largest area of painting 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 meters.



Dinner & Overnight stay at Amaya Lake 4* or Similar.

DAY 5: Dambulla / Matale / Kandy

After breakfast, you will proceed to Kandy with an en-route stop at the famous a Matale Spice Gardens.

(Dambulla to Matale to Kandy: Approx.2 – 2 ¹/₂ Hrs)

Sri Lanka has always been renowned for its spices. Over 15 different spices call Sri Lanka home and many of them are traded in the international spice market. Cinnamon especially is endemic to Sri Lanka, and highest quality 'true cinnamon' can be obtained here. The A9 Hwy between Matale and Dambulla is famous for its spice gardens, with over 30 dotted along the road. All offer free tours of their gardens with an English-speaking guide who can explain the merits and health properties of herbs, spices and plants including cocoa, vanilla, cinnamon, cloves, coriander, coffee, nutmeg, pepper, cardamom, aloe vera, iriweriya and the henna plant.



Dinner & Overnight stay at Amaya Hills 4* or Similar.

DAY 6: Kandy

After breakfast, you will visit the Royal Botanical Gardens which includes more than 4000 species of lovely flowers, herbs and tall trees; it is renowned for its collection of orchids.

Located in Peradeniya near Kandy, the gardens are noted for its rich and varied collections of tropical woody plants. Occupying 59 hectares (146 acres), it has about 4,000 species of plants. The most important specimens of the garden include palms, some of which are planted in impressive avenues. Significant, too, are the collections of orchids, gymnosperms, and flowering trees.



Thereafter, you will continue do some sightseeing including a visit to the Temple of the Tooth Relic. The sacred Temple of the Tooth is a vital Buddhist site that contains a tooth of Buddha which was collected from his funeral pyre also; this beautiful temple holds great ancient history and artefacts.

In the crown jewel of the city, Kandy is the famed Sri Dalada Maligawa, also known as the Temple of the Tooth. The golden-roofed Temple of the Sacred Tooth houses Sri Lanka's most important Buddhist relic – a tooth of the Buddha. The entire complex is over three centuries old at least, and has seen many a king's rise and fall. It has seen bloody wars and peaceful reigns and is one of the most historical places still standing in the island. The entire temple complex, from peaked tiled roofs to white walls with large airy windows, is built using classical Kandyan architecture.



In the evening, you will be taken to witness the famous cultural show.

These classical dance forms are associated with the performance of various rituals and ceremonies which are centuries old and are based on the folk religion and folk beliefs going back to times before the advent and acceptance of Buddhism by the Sinhalese people in the third century B.C. These rituals and ceremonies reflect the values, beliefs and customs of an agricultural civilization of Sri Lanka.



Dinner & Overnight stay at Amaya Hills 4* or Similar.

DAY 7: Kandy / Nuwara Eliya

After breakfast Check-out the hotel and proceed to Nuwara Eliya.

(Kandy to Nuwara Eliya: Approx. 2 ¹/₂ - 3Hrs)

Get ready to traverse from the humid weather to a chilly surrounding in just a few hours. You will proceed to the hill station of Nuwara Eliya today. The "little England" of Sri Lanka, home to all the tea estates manufacturing the best-flavored tea, an immense field of beautiful flowers and vegetables. Thereafter, you'll be stopping at a tea factory to witness and discover more about the process of transforming the fresh tea leaves into delightful sips of tea.

Pure Ceylon Tea is regarded as the finest tea in the world and visiting a tea estate will be an unforgettable experience for any visitor to Sri Lanka. There is an oasis of calm and quiet in the middle of a tea estate. Tea estates in Sri Lanka are wonderful places to chill out and breathe in the fresh mountain air while enjoying great views of the surrounding mountains and valleys.



In the afternoon, you will be taken on a Nuwara Eliya City Tour

Nuwara Eliya is a mountain station at 1,868 m (6,128 ft) of altitude, in a splendid landscape. The city is particularly well-kept and neat, and the design of the locality exudes an air of "colonial British style". Nuwara Eliya was built entirely during the 19th century and its architecture mimics that of an English country town, with red-brick walls, country house like hill club and mock-Tudor half-timbering. Blessed with salubrious climate, breathtaking views of valleys, meadows, mountains and greenery; it's hard to imagine that Nuwara Eliya is only 180 Km from the hot and humid Colombo.



Dinner & Overnight stay at Horton Towers 3* or Similar.

DAY 8: Nuwara Eliya /Horton Plains / Nuwara Eliya

With a packed breakfast you'll be leaving for the Horton Plains National Park and hike to the World's End and Bakers Falls - one of the best Nuwara Eliya waterfalls!

(Nuwara Eliya to Horton Plains: Approx. 1 – 1 ¹/₂ Hrs)

Horton Plains is the coolest and windiest place in Sri lanka. Horton plains is the destination for nature lovers and nature researchers alike with its rich biodiversity and consist of ecosystems such as montane evergreen forests, grasslands, marshy lands and aquatic ecosystem. At an altitude of 2,100 meters above sea level, Horton Plains spreads across over 3,169 hectares of the highest tableland of the island. It also holds an ecological importance of being in Sri Lanka's most important catchment area of almost all major rivers and containing most of the endemic plants and animals representative of the country's wet and Montane zones.



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DAY 9: Nuwara Eliya / Yala / Tissamaharama

After breakfast Check-Out the hotel and proceed to Tissamaharama.

(Nuwara Eliya to Tissamaharama: Approx. 3 ¹/₂ - 4 Hrs)

In the afternoon, you can take another safari through the Yala National Park. Yala reveals the beauty of the Sri Lankan wildlife in its unblemished and natural form. Overflowing with birdlife and wildlife, the Yala national park is unquestionably the best in Asia, the best place in the world to spot leopards, sloth bears, elephants and a huge diversity of wonderful birds.

The second largest national park in Sri Lanka, Yala is situated in the Southeast part of the island in the dry, semiarid climate region, bordering the Indian Ocean. The number of mammals recorded at Yala is as high as 44 while it also boasts of one of the highest leopard densities in the world. None other than the majestic Sri Lankan elephant and the leopard take pride of place at this amazing national park.



Dinner & Overnight stay at The Chaarya resort and spa 4* or Similar.

DAY 10: Tissamaharama / Bentota

After breakfast, you will proceed to Beruwala for your long awaited beach stay.

(Tissamaharama to Bentota : Approx. 4 – 4 ½ Hrs)

Bentota is a town in Kalutara District, Western Province, Sri Lanka, governed by an Urban Council. Bentota with a total area of approximately 15 square kilometres and is located on the south-west coast of Sri Lanka, 60 km south of Colombo

Check-In to the hotel and spend the rest of the day at leisure.

Dinner & Overnight stay at EKHO Surf 4* or Similar.

DAY 11: Bentota / Galle / Kosgoda / Bentota

After breakfast, you will proceed to Galle and continue to visit the famous Galle Dutch fort and the Lighthouse.

(Bentoa to Galle: Approx. 1 – 1 ¹/₂ Hrs)

The Galle Dutch Fort is the slow beating heart of Galle's history with the town growing greatly and spreading into the surroundings. Since the early sixteenth century, the walled city has stood through the colonial periods of the Portuguese, Dutch and British and has proclaimed as an Archeological reserve during the present times. The Galle Dutch Fort has been identified as a living World Heritage site.



In the evening, you will be visiting the Kosgoda Turtle Hatchery enroute to Bentota

(Galle to Kosgoda: Approx 1 – 1 ¹/₂ Hrs)

The Kosgoda Sea Turtle Conservation Project follows a sustainable model operated by a very friendly owner. The place is run by the locals, with international volunteers helping out throughout the year. They aim to protect sea turtle eggs and increase hatching rates while also treating disabled turtles. If you're lucky, you will get to experience a turtle release, and a hatching if you get there just before 6 PM.



Dinner & Overnight stay at EKHO Surf 4* or Similar.

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In the morning, you will be taken on a River Safari in Bentota.

On this safari, you will explore the uncharted mangroves that grow along the Bentota River. The boat men will guide the boat through the islets and mangrove swamps located haphazardly on the river. They would delve into the mangroves and sail amidst the tangled roots under the shelter of shade provided by the trees and vines entangling each other. Get lost amidst these thick growths and spot aquatic birds such as herons, kingfishers, cormorants as well as the monitors and crocodiles that wade through the water



Spend the rest of the day at leisure.

Dinner & Overnight stay at EKHO Surf 4* or Similar.

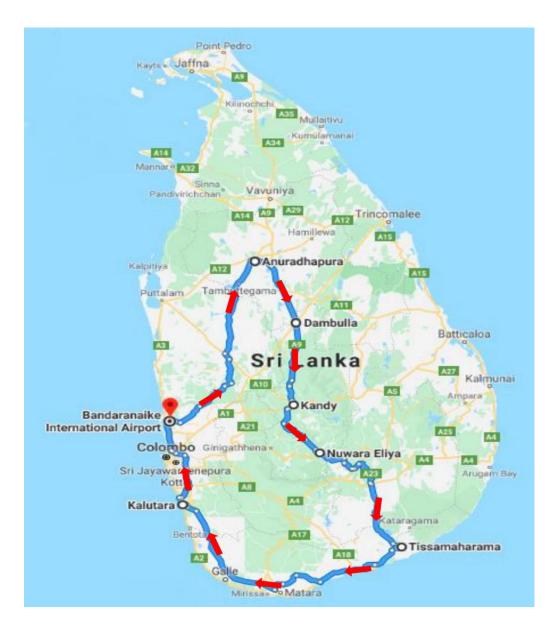
DAY 13:	Bentora / Airport

Today after the Breakfast you will be transferred to the Colombo Airport via Express way to catch your flight back home accompanied with all the happy memories of the tropical isle; Sri Lanka once known as **TAPROBANE**.

(Beruwala to Airport: Approx. 2 – 2 ½ Hrs)

END OF SERVICES





General Package for the period (Applicable for the month of April 2020)

Location	Hotels	Nights	Meal Plan	Room Type
Colombo	Fairway Colombo 4*	1	Bed & Breakfast	Sleep
Anurahapura	Alakamanda 3*+	1	Half Board	Deluxe
Dambulla	Amaya Lake 4*	2	Half Board	Superior
Kandy	Amaya Hills 4*	2	Half Board	Superior
Nuwara Eliya	Horton Towers 3*	2	Half Board	Standard
Tissamaharama	Chaarya resort and spa 4*	1	Half Board	Deluxe
Bentota	EKHO Surf 4*	3	Half Board	Deluxe

Period	Month of April 2020
	Minimum of 02 Pax
Cost Per Person sharing a Double Room	US\$ 1080/-

Bed & Breakfast	: Brekfast only
Half Board	: Breakfast and Dinner Only

Package includes:

- Accommodation in hotels specified in the itinerary or in hotels of a similar standard.
- Air conditioned transport with services of an English speaking Chauffeur Guide throughout the Round tour.
- Entrance fees to

-Yala National Park

-Turtle Hatchery

-Minneriya National Park

-Temple of the Tooth Relic (A World Heritage Site)

-Tea plantation and factory

-Royal Botanical Gardens, Peradeniya

- -Sigiriya Rock Fortress
- -Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage
- -Horton Plains

-Dambulla Rock Cave Temple

- -Cultural Dance
- -Anuradhapura City Tour
- Transport fees to

One JEEP at Yala National Park One JEEP at Minneriya National Park One BOAT at Bentota River Safari

• All applicable current local taxes, but subject to change at the time of booking.

Package excludes:

- Any meals not mentioned in the inclusions list.
- Expenses of personal nature.
- Cost of optional excursions.
- Cost of beverages throughout the tour.
- Tips and Portages.
- Visa fee <u>http://www.eta.gov.lk</u>

<u>Notes</u>

- Please note that standard check-in time is 1400hrs and standard check-out time is 1200hrs.
- This is only an offer without any obligation on the hotel rooms, until such time the tour is confirmed and availability is checked.
- When making payment, kindly ensure that the entire amount given in our offer (finally in our invoice) is made without any deductions to us. All bank charges to be borne by remitter. As such total amount in our final invoice to be credited to our account without any deduction please. In the event of any deductions, such differences are to be collected in cash on arrival of the guests.
- If required, you may reach out to your Chauffeur / Guide for comfort stops and photo opportunities while en-route.
- If payment is to be made via credit card, then a 2.75% to be added on top of the quote we made in our offer and represented in our final invoice for payment.

Cancellation Policy

- Cancellation within 29 days of arrival full cancellation will be charged.
- Cancellation before 30 days of the arrival date free of charge.

Good to know

- On Arrival at the Airport, you will first reach Immigration, then to collect your 'checked-in' baggage. Once you clear customs, our representative will page you and meet you just outside the arrival hall. In an unlikely event if you are unable to locate him, you may kindly proceed to our flagship hotel counter THE KINGSBURY and report your arrival in Sri Lanka.
- Sri Lanka being a tropical county, ideal clothing would be cotton and comfortable clothing. Shorts and T shirts are ideal other than when visiting the temples. Ladies are required to cover the shoulders as well.
- Temperature throughout the year in lowland areas ranges between 25 to 35 C and in hill country between 20 to 25 C during day time. During the nights it can drop little below 15 C in certain months of the year.
- Liquor will NOT be served on Poya days and on any other Religious holidays. These are considered dry days. There is a Poya day for each calendar month.
- All major credit cards will be widely accepted in all reputable outlets (restaurants / shops etc.)
- Tipping is customary, but not obligatory. But if you are keen to know what is acceptable in local terms, it ranges between US\$.5/- per day up to US\$.25/- per day depending on the level of satisfaction of your driver when it comes to individual / family travel. For group travel other than the guide, the coach crew is to be

tipped too. The amount for a day can vary depending on group size, but the recommended amount is US\$.15/- to 40/- per day.

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