

PROGRAMME: GLIMPSE OF SRI LANKA DURATION: 05 NIGHTS / 06 DAYS



DAY 01

: Arrival, meet greet and proceed to Sigiriya/Dambulla via Pinnawala. The Pinnawela Elephant Orphanage, established in 1975, commenced with seven orphans. Today some of these orphans enjoy the fortune of seeing their grandchildren born in the same location. The original objective of establishing the orphanage inclined more towards tourism, but is soon became a conservation and educational center. With the help of local and foreign elephant experts, Pinnawela started a scientific captive-breeding programme for elephants. The free movement of the herd enhanced the chances for respective individuals of both sexes to get together and mate. The nearby river played a dominant role in this regard, and in 1984, the first baby of Pinnawela was born. The success story of Pinnawela has drawn the attention of scientists from all over the world. A considerable number of books and research articles on Pinnawela have been published in several languages. The members of the Pinnawela herd have been filmed, videoed and photographed thousands of times by professionals. On completion proceed to hotel & check-in.

→ Overnight stay at Covanro Sigiriya / Tropical Life



## DAY 02

: After breakfast climb the 5th century Sigiriya rock fortress which is a world heritage site, built by King Kashyapa (477-495 AD). 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. Visit the world-renowned frescoes of the 'Heavenly Maidens' of Sigiriya, which are in a sheltered pocket of the rock approached by a spiral stairway. These frescoes are painted in earth pigments on plaster.

→ Overnight stay at Covanro Sigiriya / Tropical Life

### **DAY 03**

: After breakfast proceed to Kandy en-route visiting a spice garden in Matale to see different spices for which Sri Lanka is famous for. Here, clients could see different spices and how some of these spices are grown and processed. Witness a Cookery demonstration.

Check in to the hotel. Afternoon do a city tour of Kandy. Kandy was the last capital of the Sri Lankan kings which is a World Heritage Site. The name "Kandy" conjures visions of splendor and magnificence. Drive around the Kandy Lake built by the last Sinhala king, Sri Wickrama Rajasinghe in 1798. Visit the Kandy town and Bazaar, the arts and crafts center, a gem museum and a lapidary. Also visit the Temple of the Tooth Relic in Kandy and witness a Cultural show.

→ Overnight stay at The Grand Kandyan / Hotel Topaz.

# DAY 04

: After breakfast proceed to Peradeniya Botanical Gardens. This Botanical Garden was first built as a pleasure garden by a Sinhala king and was expanded by the British. It is 147 acres in extent and provides an amazing variety of trees, plants and flowers.

On completion proceed to Nuwara Eliya & en-route visiting a tea plantation and a tea factory, where the best tea in the world is produced. Here you could observe all about the process of manufacturing tea. You can also see how tea is graded. Taste a cup of pure Ceylon tea in the factory.

Thereafter continue to Nuwara Eliya, because of its invigorating mountain climate and scenery, is Sri Lanka's most popular hill resort. Nuwara Eliya is also the heart of Sri Lanka's tea country producing a significant share of the world's best tea. Sri Lanka's highest mountain Pidurutalagala (8282 feet) is located here. Nuwara-Eliya also has one of the finest 18-hole golf courses in South Asia.

Continue to the hotel and check-in.

→ Overnight stay at The Golden Ridge Hotel / Mirage Kings Cottage



DAY 05 : After breakfast proceed to Colombo via Kitulgala.

Check in to the hotel.

Afternoon do a city tour of Colombo, like many capital cities in developing countries is fast changing its face. Almost overnight, skyscrapers arise from where old buildings once stood. Yet in some parts, the old-world charm is retained. Other places of interest are the Pettah bazaar, a Hindu and a Buddhist temple, residential areas where you find the stately homes of the affluent, the Colombo museum, the Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall (BMICH)- an outright gift to Sri Lanka from the People's Republic of China, and the Dutch Museum.

→ Overnight stay at Cinnamon Lakeside / Mirage Colombo

DAY 06 : After breakfast proceed to airport for the departure.

SUPERIOR PACKAGE (STANDARD ROOMS)		
TROPICAL LIFE / HOTEL TOPAZ / MIRAGE KINGS COTTAGE / MIRAGE COLOMBO		
Compulsory Perahera supplement		
USD 60 Per Room Per Night		
Per Person in Double Room		
From Dubai	USD 1,165	
From Doha	USD 1,295	
From Riyad	USD 1,315	
From Abijan	USD 2,650	
From Accra	USD 2,365	



From Libreville	USD 1925
From Brazzaville	USD 2,425
From Pointe Noire	USD 2,145
From Kinshasa	USD 1,610
From Monrovia	USD 2,835

DELUXE PACKAGE (STANDARD ROOMS)		
COVANRO SIGIRIYA / THE GRAND KANDYAN / THE GOLDEN RIDGE / CINNAMON		
LAKESIDE		
Compulsory Perahera supplement		
USD 70 Per Room Per Night		
Per Person in Double Room		
From Dubai	USD 1,355	
From Doha	USD 1,480	
From Riyad	USD 1,500	
From Abijan	USD 2,835	
From Accra	USD 2,550	



From Libreville	USD 2,110
From Brazzaville	USD 2,615
From Pointe Noire	USD 2,330
From Kinshasa	USD 1,800
From Monrovia	USD 3,025

# The Prices are Per Person and Includes

# **Round Trip Tickets**



Round-Trip economy class flights as per the lowest fare on Air Arabia

## **Cruise Accommodation**



Accommodation in standard room on Bed & Breakfast basis for 5 nights from breakfast on day 2 to breakfast on day 6 at hotels specified or of similar standard.

# **Round-trip Transfer**



Transportation by air-conditioned vehicle as per the itinerary with English-Speaking Chauffeur Guide.

#### **Travel Insurance**



Travel insurance provides protection against unexpected events, offering travelers peace of mind

### Visa Fees



Your Visa Fee is included. In most cases, the ETA is approved within a few hours to a few days after submitting the application.



## The Prices does not include

- → Video and Camera permits.
- ightarrow Lunch and dinner throughout the tour.
- → Entrance fees to the sites specified above.
- → Compulsory Perahera supplement.
- → Excursion
- → Any other services not specified above.

SUPPLEMENT FOR ENTRANCE FEES		
Pinnawela Elephant Orphanage	US\$ 18.00 Per person	
Sigiriya Rock Fortress	US\$ 36.00 Per person	
Peradeniya Botanical Gardens	US\$ 10.00 Per person	
Kandy Temple	US\$ 07.00 Per person	
Cultural Show	US\$ 05.00 Per person	

COMPLEMENTARY VALUE ADDITIONS	HOTEL RULES AND REGULATIONS
♣ Welcome by Garlanding at the	♣ The official check-in time at all
Airport	hotels will be 1400 hrs (depend on
♣ Visit to a spice garden, a gem	the hotel).
lapidary, and a Tea factory.	♣ The official check-out time at all
Live video call consultations with a	hotels will be 1200 hrs.
doctor anytime during the tour for	♣ Hotel Check in/Check out times are
medical emergency.	fixed and there are no guarantee
	for early/late check in /out unless
	paid for.



### What is Perahera?

The Perahera, also known as the Esala Perahera, is a grand cultural procession in Sri Lanka. It is held annually to honor the Sacred Tooth Relic of Lord Buddha, which is housed in the Temple of the Tooth Relic (Sri Dalada Maligawa) in Kandy.

The Perahera features a majestic parade of elephants adorned with lavish garments, along with traditional dancers, drummers, acrobats, and various other performers. The procession also includes representations of different regions of Sri Lanka, showcasing the country's rich cultural diversity.

The event usually takes place over several nights, with each night's procession being more elaborate than the previous one. <u>In 2024, this event will take place from 10 till 20 August.</u> The highlight of the Perahera is the Randoli Perahera, which takes place on the final night and is the most grand and spectacular of all.

The Perahera is not only a religious and cultural event but also a significant tourist attraction, drawing visitors from around the world to witness its splendor and beauty.

Kindly note that the Compulsory Perahera supplement is only collected in Kandy's hotel.

# Sri Lanka, the "Pearl of the Indian Ocean"

Sri Lanka is a captivating island nation located in South Asia. Renowned for its stunning landscapes, rich history, and vibrant culture, Sri Lanka is a treasure trove for travelers seeking diverse experiences.

Tourism in Sri Lanka offers a wide range of attractions for visitors. From pristine beaches along the coastal areas to lush greenery in the central highlands, the country boasts a natural beauty that is truly enchanting.

The cultural heritage of Sri Lanka is equally compelling. The island is also home to several UNESCO World Heritage Sites, including the iconic Sigiriya Rock Fortress and the sacred city of Kandy.

In addition to its natural and cultural attractions, Sri Lanka is renowned for its warm hospitality and delicious cuisine. The local cuisine is a delightful blend of flavors and spices, influenced by the country's rich history and diverse cultural heritage.

Whether you're seeking adventure, relaxation, or cultural immersion, Sri Lanka offers a wealth of experiences that are sure to leave a lasting impression.



