

# SRI LANKA PANORAMA

10-night Escorted Tour with optional Beach Extensions

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**COLOMBO • HABARANA / SIGIRIYA • KANDY • NUWARA ELIYA  
YALA OR UDAWALAWE NATIONAL PARK • BEACH**

Experience the splendours and diversity of the stunning island gem that is Sri Lanka. Marvel at the spectacular scenery, history, archaeological sites, tea plantations and so much more in this all encompassing, very special tour incorporating all the best highlights that Sri Lanka has to offer. We highly recommend upgrading to the private option.

## DAY 1 - LONDON to COLOMBO

Fly SriLankan Airlines from Heathrow.

## DAY 2 - COLOMBO to MOUNT LAVINIA

On arrival transfer to the Mount Lavinia hotel where you will stay in a Standard room. Here, you will have some time to relax.

COLOMBO



## DAY 3 - MOUNT LAVINIA to KANDALAMA

After breakfast, drive to Kandalama and the charming Heritage Kandalama hotel (Standard room), your base for the next three nights. En route Visit the famed Pinnawela Elephant Orphanage to see the elephants bathed and fed, and enjoy a typical Sri Lankan lunch whilst watching the elephants in the bay. In the evening take an optional elephant back safari.

## DAY 4 - KANDALAMA

Leave after breakfast for the staggering rock fortress at Sigiriya, where those of a more active disposition may experience this wonderful climb. The gallery of preserved frescoes and the view from the top is quite breathtaking and well worth the exertion. After lunch at Chaaya Village take an excursion to the 12th Century Sinhalese capital, Polonnaruwa to see the ruins of the Royal Palace and Gal Vihara where three giant Buddha statues are carved out of rock (approx. 108 miles, 3 hours drive).

## DAY 5 - KANDALAMA

After breakfast leave for Anuradhapura, the ancient capital of Sri Lanka and visit the immense Buddha shrines. Another highlight today is your visit of Dambulla rock cave temple, where some of the finest preserved ancient frescoes can be found. A special dinner will be arranged at the hotel's restaurant (approx. 120 miles, 4 hours drive).

PARADENIYA BOTANICAL GARDENS



## DAY 6 - KANDALAMA to KANDY

Early start for Hiriwaduna Village then take a short trek towards the spice garden before stopping for a traditional lunch at the Ranweli Spice Garden. Continue to Kandy and the four and a half star Earl's Regency for two nights in a Standard room. This Royal city enjoys a picturesque lakeside setting, beautiful views, plenty of shopping and sightseeing. This evening, witness a Kandyan dance and cultural show (approx. 80 miles, 2½ hours drive).

## DAY 7 - KANDY

Proceed to Paradeniya to visit the Botanical Gardens offering a kaleidoscope of colours amid the diversity of tropical flowers and shrubs. In the afternoon visit the famous Temple of the Tooth famed for housing Buddha's tooth relic, see also a gem and jewellery factory and showroom. (approx. 15 miles, 1 hours drive).

Tour details are correct to the best of our knowledge, however, they are provided for guidance purposes only.  
Please check the details of any features that are important to you at the time of booking.

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## DAY 8 - KANDY to NUWARA ELIYA

Today you have a unique opportunity to travel by train from Kandy to Nanu Oya followed by a drive to the celebrated hill station of Nuwara Eliya located some 6,000 feet above sea level and offering spectacular views of beautiful green hillsides, rushing waterfalls and tea plantations. On the way don't miss the visit to a tea plantation and factory to enjoy the superb views of the countryside. Spend two nights at the Heritage Tea Factory (Standard room) at Nuwara Eliya and experience a high tea session (approx. 60 miles, 3 hours drive).

## DAY 9 - NUWARA ELIYA

This morning relax, or take an optional excursion to Horton Plains, and this afternoon explore Nuwara Eliya, including the lovely Botanical Gardens at Hakgala (approx. 65 miles, 3 hours drive).

## DAY 10 - NUWARA ELIYA to TISSAMAHARAMA

After breakfast, leave for Bandarawela. Enjoy lunch before proceeding to The Safari hotel in Tissamaharama for two nights.

## DAY 11 - TISSAMAHARAMA

A very early start with a jeep safari into Yala National Park where you will hopefully see boar, deer, Crocodiles and wild elephants roaming free (approx. 60 miles, 2½ hours drive excluding jeep safari). NB Yala National Park is closed Sep01-Oct15, instead you will visit Udawalawe National Park (approx 120 miles, 5½ hours drive).

NATIONAL PARKS OF SRI LANKA



## DAY 12 - TISSAMAHARAMA to COLOMBO to LONDON

Leave for Balapitya and enjoy a boat trip on the Madhu river en route. Thereafter proceed to your chosen beach hotel for any number of nights, or enjoy lunch and a brief city tour around Galle before your SriLankan Airlines flight to Heathrow.

## ESCORTED TOUR

The Sri Lanka Panorama is escorted by a local guide from Day 2 to arrival at your beach hotel on Day 12 or your departure from the airport. On the extensions assistance is provided by local reps.

Also included is:

- Air-conditioned transport throughout
- Sightseeing as indicated and all entrance fees
- Return flights by scheduled airline

### PRIVATE TOURING

For only £225 per vehicle (maximum 2 persons per car) enjoy the Sri Lanka Panorama tour In your own car with driver-guide. NB Your private car only applies following the main tour group from Day 2 to Day 12.

### MEAL PLAN

Prices include breakfast throughout, lunch on Days 3, 4, 6, 10 and 12, dinner on Day 3 to Day 11.

## ACCOMMODATION

All hotels are at least four star throughout the superior tour, and three star throughout the standard tour. All hotels have a swimming pool with the exception of your hotel in Nuwara Eliya. On occasion, it may be necessary to amend the itinerary.

## GROUP SIZE

Max group size 30. This tour is subject to minimum numbers, please ask for details.

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