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SRI LANKA – 8 NIGHTS TOUR/6 NIGHTS BEACH

Meals As mentioned on itinerary.

Note Early check in is NOT included

Day 1 – COLOMBO - Arrival

You will be welcomed by our driver and be transferred to your hotel for check in. Upon arrival you are free at your leisure to sight see or relax at the hotel.

Colombo has long been the traditional gateway to the orient. Today, it is a fascinating city with a happy blend of eastern and western influences with a charm of its own. The main seaport of Sri Lanka is in Colombo and adjoining it is Pettah which is the local bazaar and trading area.

Overnight in Colombo

Day 2 – COLOMBO – Free and Easy (B/-)

After your breakfast, you are free at your leisure to explore Colombo and sample the cities charming array of attractions or perhaps visit a local restaurant.

Overnight in Colombo

Day 3 –SIGIRIYA – Full day tour (B/-)

AM. After breakfast proceed to Habarana via Pinnawela Elephant Orphanage. This unique Elephant Orphanage situated near Kegalle, 20 km (12 miles) west of Kandy on the Colombo highway is home to young orphaned or abandoned elephants. The herd usually numbers about 50, from tiny infants to hefty adolescents and young adults where they are cared for and trained. The best time to visit is between 10:00am - 12:00pm, and 14:00pm - 16:00pm, when the keepers bring their charges down to the river to bath and play.

PM. Excursion to the medieval capital Polonaruwa. This Medieval capital of Sri Lanka rose to fame as the capital after the decline of Anuradhapura. The entire landscape of the region is punctuated by huge man made reservoirs, veritable seas the most famous of which is the "Parakrama Samudra" or the "Sea of Parakrama", larger in size than the Colombo harbour. Don't miss the "Gal Vihare Complex", with the fine sculptures of the recumbent, standing and seated Buddha's.

Overnight in Sigiriya.

Day 4 – SIGIRIYA – Full day tour (B/-/-)

This morning you will leave on a full day excursion to Anuradhapura. The best known of Sri Lanka's cities, it was the capital of the island for more than a thousand years from the 5th Century BC. A number of Buddhist monuments here date back over 2000 years. "The Brazen Palace", the "Sri Maha Bodhi" which is a sampling of the original Tree at which the Buddha sat as he attained enlightenment, "Ruwanwelisaya" & "Jethawanaramaya Dagoba" are some of the main highlights.

Overnight in Sigiriya.

Day 5 – SIGIRIYA – KANDY (B/-/-)

After early breakfast, transferred to the magnificent Rock Fortress of Sigiriya. The remains of Sigiriya, constructed by King Kasapa I, whom the Mahavamsa introduces as a preside, lie five miles off Inamaluwa on the Dambulla-Habarana Road. On the west of the rock are ponds, the remains of summer palaces and other structures, and the first part of the ancient road, which led to the summit. In the past the entire western face of the rock had been covered with plaster and painted upon, but only those paintings in two sheltered pockets now survive. The last lap of the ancient path to the summit had been through the mouth of a lion. At present only parts of the lion's legs and some of the lime stone steps from within the lion's mouth survive. Thereafter proceed to Kandy visiting a batik factory and spice garden en-route. Kandy, whilst being the last independent kingdom of the Singhalese kings, it is the most important place of worship for the present day Buddhist as the sacred "Temple Of The Tooth Relic" is situated in Kandy. It is also termed as the most beautiful city of Sri Lanka due to its location, where the city is surrounded by hills with its picturesque lake built by the last king. Some of the highlights in the city are its devales, the oldest being the "Natha devale" belonging to the 14th century, the palace of the last king of Kandy, which are now the districts courts and the Archaeological museum. This is also the centre for Buddhist cultural affairs. On reaching Kandy, check in to your hotel. Late afternoon, city tour of Kandy including visits to the bazaar and market place, upper lake drive, sacred Temple of the Tooth and ending with a traditional cultural dance performance in the evening.

Overnight in Kandy

Day 6 – KANDY – NUWARA ELIYA (B/-/-)

After breakfast visit the famous Royal Botanical Gardens in Kandy. The Royal Botanical Gardens, located 460m above sea level, close to Kandy and surrounded from three sides by the River Mahaweli, Paradeniya Botanical Gardens was founded in the year of 1824. Some of the best and most valuable collection of plants and trees in the world (More than 4000 species, indoor and outdoor) can be found here. Giant trees of "Ficus" family, different species of bamboo and palm trees of the world and rare Ayurvedic plants are just some of them. After an upper lake drive, visit the bazaar area and the arts and crafts centre after which you will proceed to "Little England" or the town of Nuwara Eliya. P.M. City tour of Nuwara Eliya, Sri Lanka's picturesque hill resort at 5199 ft above sea level is renowned for its perennial spring like climate, pretty waterfalls, and carpets of lush green tea between deep chasms. Once the favourite town of British planters, the buildings still resemble old English cottages.

Overnight in Nuwara Eliya



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Day 7 – NUWARA ELIYA – TISSAMAHARAMA Free and Easy (B/-)

After your breakfast, you will check out of your hotel to then be met by our driver. He will then transfer you to Tissamaharama, home to the Yala National Park where you will check in to your hotel. From there you are free to wonder and explore at your leisure.

Overnight in Tissamaharama

Day 8 – TISSAMAHARAMA Full day park tour (B/-)

Early morning jeep safari of the Yala National Park. Yala National Park is Situated 309 km. south of Colombo. Yala is approximately 1,259 sq/km in extent and is located in the south eastern corner of the island. Its northern boundaries border on the Lahugala Elephant Sanctuary and it has the added bonus of a scenic ocean frontage.

The terrain is varied flat plains alternating with rocky outcrops. The vegetation ranges from open park- land to dense jungle. Water holes, small lakes, lagoons and streams provide water for the animals and birds. The specialty here is the large numbers of elephants and the Leopard population. P.M. Free to explore the surrounding.

Overnight in Tissamaharama

Day 9 – 14 TISSAMAHARAMA – BERUWALA via Galle (B/-)

Following your breakfast and check out from hotel, your driver will meet you where you will be transported to your beach hotel. En-route visiting the historical city of Galle.

Galle (pronounced "gawl" in English and 'gaar-le' in Sinhala) is the big omissible destination in the south. It's at once endlessly exotic, bursting with the scent of spices and salty winds, and yet also, with its wonderful collection of Dutch-colonial buildings, a town of great beauty. Classic architecture melds with a dramatic tropical setting to create a reality that is endlessly interesting.

From Galle you will then be transferred to the City of Beruwala where you will enjoy the entirety of your stay relaxing on its simply stunning beaches.

Overnight in Beruwela

DAY 15 BERUWALA – Departure (B/-)

After your breakfast, you will then proceed to the Bandaranaike International Airport for your international flight back and complete your journey.

HOTEL INFORMATION

Colombo	<u>Grand Oriental</u> Double
Siguriya	<u>Hotel Sigiriya</u> Deluxe
Kandy	<u>Queens Hotel</u> Double
Nuwara Eliya	<u>Sherwood Cottage</u> Double
Tissamaharama	<u>River Face Inn</u> Double
Beruwala	<u>Tapro Footprint</u> Double Deluxe

TOUR INCLUDES

- International flights departure and arrival.
- Hotels based on 2 people sharing 1 x double room
- Tour as per the above itinerary
- Bed & breakfast meal basis
- Private AC vehicle with an English speaking driver

TOUR EXCLUDES

- Lunch and dinner
- All entrance fees
- All tips and portages
- Tips to driver/guide
- Entrance fees: US\$ 160 per person which includes the following places:
Anuradhapura, Mihintale, Polonnaruwa, Sigiriya, Dambulla, Temple of the tooth, Cultural show, Pinnawela, Peradeniya garden, Haggala garden.

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