

Royal Heritage

Experience the beauty of the culture and heritage of Sri Lanka in this tour that covers the most of what this ancient island has to offer.

Locations: | Negombo | Anuradhapura | Polonnaruwa | Sigiriya | Dambulla | Minneriya National Park | Kandy | Colombo |

| Archeological Sites | Beaches | Wildlife | Culture | Ruins |

Day 01

(Airport – Negombo)



- At the airport you will be greeted by your chauffeur guide who will take your residence for the next six nights.
- After completing formalities at the airport, head straight to Negombo which is as close as minutes from the airport. Check-in to the hotel and rest & relax to recover from any jet lag.
- Spend the day at leisure relaxing at the hotel or

do some sightseeing in Negombo. You may visit a fish market and the Dutch canal. Alternatively, you can soak up some sun on Negombo's prestige beaches.

Day 02

(Negombo - Anuradhapura)



- Breakfast in the hotel.
- Transfer to Anuradhapura, to visit the sacred ancient city founded in the 04th century B.C and named as a UNESCO World Heritage site since 1982. It has the largest number of ancient monuments of the great Sinhala civilization which flourished in this region.
- You will see some of the most famous as well as the tallest Stupas of Sri Lanka and the Ruins of

ancient royal palaces. Another amazing site would be the "Sri Maha Bodhi" or the sacred Bo tree which is over 2200 years old, grown from a branch of the very tree under which "The Buddha" attained enlightenment; it is also the oldest historically documented tree in the world.

- Relax & spend the night at the historical city of Anuradhapura.

Day 03

(Anuradhapura - Polonnaruwa)



- Breakfast in the hotel.
- The day begins by transferring to Polonnaruwa & exploring the archeological sites of the best kept ruins of ancient Ceylon. This was the Capital of Sri Lanka from the 11th to 13th century, which was a well-planned medieval city defended by enclosing walls, graced by palaces, shrines, monasteries, pavilions, parks, ponds and irrigation lakes. Polonnaruwa is strewn with ruins in a resplendent state of preservation.

- The 'Gal Vihara' which consists of statues of the recumbent, standing and seated Buddha have been cut from a single granite wall and rank among the true masterpieces of Sri Lankan Art.
- Relax & spend the night at the historical city of Polonnaruwa.

Day 04

(Polonnaruwa – Sigiriya - Dambulla)



- Breakfast in the hotel.
- Set off to Sigiriya, to climb the 5th Century "Fortress in the Sky", built by King Kassapa. The fortress was a Royal Citadel for more than 18 years. The lion rock is a citadel of unusual beauty, rising 200 metres from the scrub jungle. The base of the rock is ringed by a moat and rampart and the extensive gardens are a glorious splendour pumped by advance plumbing techniques that

baffles the historians to this day. The majestic Lion's Paw picturesquely guards the stairway of the palace on the summit. See the famous frescoes of the "Heavenly maidens" of Sigiriya in a sheltered pocket of the rock and the 10 foot high Mirror Wall.

- Then we will head towards the city of Dambulla to explore the famous Golden Rock cave temple, which is one of the eight UNESCO World Heritage Sites in Sri Lanka.
- Being a sacred pilgrimage site for 22 centuries, this cave monastery is a vast isolated rock mass with its five caverns recorded as the largest best preserved cave-temple complex in Sri Lanka.
- The Buddhist mural paintings (covering an area of 2,100 sq. meters) are of particular importance as are the 157 statues including a 47 foot long statue of the recumbent Buddha.
- Spend the night at Dambulla.

Day 05

(Dambulla – Minneriya - Kandy)



- Breakfast in the hotel.
- Then we will head to Minneriya National Park for a safari. The park serves as a sanctuary for numerous species of flora and fauna, monkeys, endemic to Sri Lanka, rare and endangered animal species and many migrant and resident species of birds. Also witness a huge number of elephants too. The Minneriya National Park has a water tank that was constructed in the 3rd century and continues to

sustain the various species life forms till today.

- After the safari, you will head to Kandy.
- Kandy is also well known as the center of Buddhism. At your convenience become acquainted with the city of Kandy, and view a cultural performance in the evening.

Day 06

(Kandy - Colombo)



- Breakfast in the hotel.
- Pay your respects to the Temple of the Tooth Relic and enjoy the outer surrounding of Kandy. Other attractions in Kandy include Peradeniya Botanical Gardens, Tea Museum, Royal Palace Kandy and many more.
- Then we will set off to Colombo. With the time of our arrival we will do a city tour and spend the

rest of the day enjoying some sightseeing in Colombo along with some shopping.

Day 07

(Colombo - Airport)



- Breakfast in the hotel.
 - Do a city tour and spend the rest of the day enjoying some sightseeing in Colombo along with some shopping before catching the flight to onward destinations.
 - Alternatively, you could always soak up some sun on Colombo's prestige beaches which is close as an hour away from the airport.
- As all good things must come to an end, your chauffeur guide with comfortable take you back to the international airport for a safe journey home.

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Terms & Conditions

Your Holiday Includes:

- Per person cost of twin-sharing accommodation.
- Transport by Private air-conditioned car or van and services of English speaking chauffeur guide for the entire duration.
- Local government taxes & service charges.
- Meals: Breakfast.
- Half day safari in Minneriya (including jeep hire).

Your Holiday Excludes:

- Visas
- Meals: Lunch & Dinner
- Travel Insurance
- Optional tours & activities
- Flights
- Airport taxes
- Activities & Highlights
- Camera & video permits at cultural sights
- All expenses of personal nature
- Tips and portage; if you are satisfied we recommend tipping your chauffeur guide
- Spa and wellness treatment
- Entrances

Reservation, Cancellation Policy & Note

- All reservation subject to availability at time of booking.
- Quote is subject to availability of rooms, tax increases, price fluctuations & any peak season supplements.
- The cost is based on cash basis. For any reservation, 50% of the total tour cost should be paid 30 days prior to the arrival date and the balance payment to be paid on arrival.
- The standard check-in time in Sri Lanka is 14:00 hours and standard check-out time is 11:00 hours.
- All drive times are approximate and are subject to change.