

Sri Lanka Unplugged 15 days



Experience the best of Sri Lanka. Colourful Colombo, ancient cities, Buddhist temples, colonial relics, an elephant orphanage, spice and flower gardens, tea plantations, wildlife, topped off with some blissful beach time in Bentota!

TOUR DETAILS:

- Starts in: Colombo / Ends in: Colombo
- Departs: Any day of the year
- No local payment required
- Breakfast: 14, Lunch: 0, Dinner: 1
- Hotel Rating: 3-4 star
- Tour Guide: Yes at specialist sights

ONLINE RESOURCES:

- For a detailed GO GUIDE - [click here](#)
- To book this trip - [click here](#)
- To enquire about this trip - [click here](#)

TOUR MAP:



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Day 1:

Welcome to Sri Lanka and the start of your holiday! Arrive Colombo, included transfer to hotel. Tonight, enjoy Sri Lankan cuisine at our Welcome Dinner. Overnight - [Colombo](#)

Day 2:

Highlights of our sightseeing tour of Sri Lanka's capital include the Fort – once a colonial stronghold, Galle Face Green – a seaside expanse popular for informal cricket games, the Pettah – a noisy oriental bazaar, a visit to Gamgarama temple, Cinnamon Gardens and Independence Square. We also visit the national museum (closed Friday). Overnight - [Colombo](#)

Day 3:

At Kelaniya we visit the Raja Maha Vihara, a temple graced by Buddha on one of his three visits to Sri Lanka. Continuing our sightseeing, we visit the zoological gardens at Dehiwela. Overnight - [Colombo](#)



Day 4:

En route to Anuradhapura, we visit 13th century Dambadeniya, once a royal capital. Its principal surviving ruins are the Dalada Maligawa temple and the Dagoba, locally revered thanks to some corporeal relics of Buddha it is said to contain. We also visit Panduvas Nuwara which features a well-preserved walled citadel, Padeniya, Arankele and the rock fortress of Yapahuwa. Overnight - [Anuradhapura](#)

Day 5:

Today, we visit Anuradhapura, the fascinating ancient city and one of Sri Lanka's most important archaeological sites. It contains vast artificial lakes, temples, statues including the Samadhi Buddha, dagobas (solid hemispheres topped with spires), royal baths and museums. We also visit the holy Sri Maha Bodhi tree under which Prince Siddhartha attained enlightenment. It is also the oldest historically documented tree on earth. Later a visit to Mihintale. Overnight - [Anuradhapura](#)

Day 6:

En route to Giritale, we visit the stunning Aukana Buddha statue and the impressive Dambulla Rock Temple which contain beautiful frescoes of Buddha. Then we visit ancient Polonnaruwa, an 11th century city of compact size. We explore the ruins of the Royal Palace, temples and Gal Vihara which boasts 3 enormous Buddha figures. Overnight - [Giritale](#)

Day 7:

To Sigiriya – the elevated and mysterious 5th century fortress ruins of King Kasyapa. The 'Lion Rock' is a citadel of unusual beauty rising 200 metres from the scrub jungle. 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. At Matale, we visit an exotic spice garden. Overnight - [Kandy](#)



Day 8:

Today, we visit the elephant orphanage in Pinnawela, home to around 60 elephants. Continuing, we visit the ruined temples of Embekke, Gadadeniya and Lankatilleke and the Peradeniya Botanical Gardens. Back in Kandy, a scenic lakeside town, we visit the lake, bazaar, gem museum and lapidary. Tonight, we visit the Temple of the Tooth Relic. After, we enjoy a cultural dance show. Overnight - [Kandy](#)

Days 9 - 10:

Departing Kandy, we head further into Sri Lanka's hill country surrounded by tea plantations. Situated at 6,525 ft/1,990 m, Nuwara Eliya is one of the highest towns in the region. Today, we enjoy a sightseeing tour and visit Hakgala Gardens. By jeep on day 10, we depart early for Horton Plains. Located on a high windswept saddle, Horton Plains offers the walker stunning panoramic views. We'll hike to Bakers Fall passing en route the Gem Pit Pool, the Chimney Pool, and the Leg of Mutton Pool and then return to Nuwara Eliya. Overnight - [Nuwara Eliya](#)

Day 11:

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Continuing to Yala National Park, en route we visit the Mahayana Buddhist rock sculptures at Buduruwagala. This evening, we enjoy a jeep safari. The largest national park in Sri Lanka, Yala is home to elephants, wild boar, buffalo, leopard, crocodile and myriad birdlife. Overnight - [Yala National Park](#)



Day 12:

This morning, we visit Bundala National Park – a bird sanctuary. We visit the town of Galle and its 17th century fort. Within the fort, are narrow streets filled with churches and colonial buildings. We then continue to Kalutara, an ideal tropical beach holiday with its sparkling warm blue seas and a lush fringe of palm trees, all bathed in warm golden sunshine. Overnight - [Kalutara](#)

Days 13 - 14:

At leisure on Sri Lanka's tropical palm-fringed coast. Optional excursion to Ratnapura, home of Sri Lanka's famous gem trade. There are around 200 gem pits in Ratnapura and many lapidaries where the mined stones are dressed, cut and polished. You'll tour some pits, a lapidary and the museum Overnight - [Kalutara](#)



Day 15:

Today we travel via the coast road to Colombo and onward departure transfer to the airport. End of arrangements.

WHAT YOU SEE AND WHAT YOU GET:

Below is a list of key highlights and what is included on this tour. Further, where appropriate, we have listed the items that are not included in the tour price.

Trip Highlights

- Colombo - The Fort, Gamgarama Temple, National Museum
- Kelaniya - Buddhist Temple
- Dehiwela - Zoological gardens
- Dambadeniya - 13th century city
- Anuradhapura - Sri Lankan birthplace of Buddhism
- Polonnaruwa - 11th century city
- Sigiriya - 5th century fortress ruins
- Dambulla - Rock Temple
- Matale - spice gardens
- Kandy & region - Temple of the Tooth, Botanical Garden
- Pinnawela - Elephant Orphanage
- Nuwara Eliya - tea plantation, Hakgala Gardens
- Horton Plains
- Buduruwagala
- Yala & Bundala NP
- Galle - colonial town & fort
- Kalutara - laid back, beautiful palm fringed beach resort

What's Included

- 14 breakfasts
- Welcome Dinner
- 14 nights at 3 - 4 star hotels
- Elephant orphanage - Pinnawela
- Tea Plantation and tasting - Nuwara Eliya region
- Jeep visit - Horton Plains, Yala NP, Bundala NP
- Airport arrival and departure transfer - included on day 1 and departing on day 15
- Touring and excursions as per itinerary
- Local English speaking specialist guides at local sights
- Entrance fees to all included sites
- All relevant transfers and transportation

What's Not Included

- International flights and visa
- Tipping - an entirely personal gesture
- Entrance Fees: included

PRICES AND DATES: from USD \$2,599

Prices shown are 'per person', based on a travelling party of at least 2 adults. The single supplement price needs to be added to the twin/double price if single rooms are required. If travelling

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solo, an additional '1-person' supplement will apply. Prices are indicative and will vary depending on your chosen hotels, room availability as well as time of travel. Please bear this in mind if comparing prices as we always aim to deliver exceptional value. Please note that discounts will apply if there are more 4 our more people in your travelling party, since fixed costs like transportation and guiding are shared across the group. This tour is arranged and operated exclusively for you on a departure date of your choosing. You travel by yourself (with a chauffeur driven car) without joining a group.

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
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Supplementary Prices

	Price/Person	Single Supp.
Kandy Festival Supplement - 2 days	USD \$109	USD \$0