Hill Country & Beach - Overview

SRI LANKA
Set in the Indian Ocean in South Asia, the tropical island nation of Sri Lanka has a history dating back to the birth of time. It is a place where the original soul of Buddhism still flourishes and where nature’s beauty remains abundant and unspoilt.

Few places in the world can offer the traveler such a remarkable combination of stunning landscapes, pristine beaches, captivating cultural heritage and unique experiences within such a compact location. Within a mere area of 65,610 kilometers lie 8 UNESCO World Heritage Sites, 1,330 kilometers of coastline - much of it pristine beach - 15 national parks showcasing an abundance of wildlife, nearly 500,000 acres of lush tea estates, 250 acres of botanical gardens, 350 waterfalls, 25,000 water bodies, to a culture that extends back to over 2,500 years.

This is an island of magical proportions, once known as Serendib, Taprobane, the Pearl of the Indian Ocean, and Ceylon. Discover refreshingly Sri Lanka!
Day 01 – Arrival to Sri Lanka
On arrival you will be met by your English-speaking chauffer guide at the Airport and will be transferred to your hotel in Negombo. **Transfer Time: Approx. 30 Min.**

Check into the hotel. Relax & unwind.

Negombo – sometimes known as “Little Rome” due to the profusion of Christian Churches, this archetypical fishing village has now grown to a major beach resort on the west coast, north of Colombo and 15 minutes from the International Airport. The wide sandy beaches and safe sea bathing are major attractions, as is the fish market where busy trading of a variety of fish, prawns and crabs takes place each morning (except Sunday) when the fishing craft return to shore. Traditional large sailed outrigger canoes are a picturesque sight in this village which was once a trading port for the Portuguese and Dutch. Other attractions are the old Dutch fort gate built in 1672 now a part of the prison and the Dutch Canal which was then a supply route for the Dutch administration.

**Overnight stay at a 3* Hotel in Negombo - HB Basis**
Day 02 – Travel to Kandy and visit to Temple of the Tooth Relic & Royal Botanical Gardens

After breakfast, leisurely transfer to your hotel in Kandy.

Thereafter conduct a city tour including a visit to the Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic in the evening in time for the Puja Ceremony. The Temple of the Tooth which is commonly known as "Sri Dalada Maligawa" is situated in the city of hills, Kandy.

Thereafter visit Royal botanical Gardens

Kandy – a lovely exotic city, the Hill Capital and last stronghold of the Sinhala Kings is a UNESCO World Heritage Site which retains an aura of grandeur, time has not affected. Encircled by hills, with a tranquil lake in its centre, it is the site of the renowned temple that enshrines the Tooth Relic of the Buddha and the Royal Botanical gardens - home to one of the world’s best collections of Orchids. A cultural sanctuary where many legends, traditions and folklore are still lovingly kept alive, Kandy and its satellite villages are the centre of the islands handicraft industry (items of wood, brass & silver) exquisite silver or gold jewellery and precious gems of many varieties including the world’s best blue and star sapphires. The highlight of the city’s calendar is the Esala Perahera, when a replica of the casket enclosing the Tooth is taken in procession for ten glittering nights in July/August by exotically costumed dancers, drummers and approximately 100 Elephants.

Kandy is also famous for its shopping, gems, jewelry, handicrafts, batiks, silks etc. You will have the opportunity of browsing to your heart’s content.

Overnight stay at a 3* Hotel in Kandy - HB Basis

Day 03 – Train journey to Nuwara Eliya and visit to a Tea Plantation/ Factory

After breakfast you will be dropped off at the Kandy Train Station. Enjoy a scenic train journey to Nanu Oya. Transfer Time: Approx. 4.5 Hrs. You will be met by the Chauffeur Guide at the Nanu Oya Train Station and will be transferred to the hotel in Nuwara Eliya. On arrival check in to the Hotel.

Thereafter enjoy a sightseeing tour of Nuwara Eliya, including a visit to a Tea Plantation/ Factory and enjoy a tea plucking experience with the locals.

Nuwara Eliya – Sri Lanka’s premier hill resort with a fine bracing mountain climate, Nuwara Eliya is also the heart of Sri Lanka’s tea country, producing some of the world’s best tea. The mountain slopes and valleys are a carpet of velvety green tea plantations, interspersed with gushing streams and tumbling waterfalls. Red or green roofed plantation bungalows, English country style homes and hotels with lovely flower gardens, a fine 18 hole golf course and a racecourse gives Nuwara Eliya a decidedly British character.

Overnight stay at a 3* Hotel in Nuwara Eliya - HB Basis
**Day 04 – Travel to Bentota for your onward beach stay.**

After breakfast, leisurely transfer to Bentota. **Transfer Time: Approx. 5 Hrs.**

Bentota – is situated on the Northern limit of the Southern Province, at the confluence of the sea and the Bentota River, 62 km from Colombo. Its location in the sun drenched southern coast at the mouth of the Bentota River and its picturesque, sandy, palm-fringed beaches which border the warm, sparkling waters of the Indian ocean made it a natural choice for development as Sri Lanka’s first planned tourist resort. Today its famed in Sri Lanka’s global tourist markets as a highly attractive holiday resort with a vide and varied choice of distinctive hotels to suite every taste and purse. Bentota also have a complete range of tourist facilities with in the resort complex including very popular water sports centers.

**Overnight stay at a 3* Hotel in Bentota - HB Basis**

**Day 04 – Leisure**

After breakfast spend your day at leisure by the beach.

**Overnight stay at a 3* Hotel in Bentota - HB Basis**

**Day 05 – Transfer to Colombo and City tour including a visit to Important sites, Shopping Malls & Galle Face Green**

After breakfast, leisurely transfer to Colombo via the Southern Express Highway.

On arrival, conduct a city tour including a visit to Important sites such as St. Peter’s church, Grand oriental hotel, Cargills building, President’s (former governors) house, The Chatham street clock tower/lighthouse, central point building guard post with Sri Wickrama Rajasingha’s bust and the Dutch hospital.

And thereafter include a visit to shopping malls such as ODEL, Kandy uptown and to esteemed jeweler shops such as Vogue, Mallika Hemachandra Jewelers etc.

Thereafter in the evening, take walk in the Galle Face Green and witness colorful kites, snake charmers etc. This is situated right in front of your hotel and is a very popular place for Street Food.

**Colombo** is the business and commercial center and the new capital is Sri Jayawardhanapura Kotte, which is only a few miles away. Colombo was only a small seaport, which came into prominence in the 16th Century with the arrival of the Portuguese in 1505 and the development of it as a major Harbour during the British period and became the capital in 1815 after Kandy was ceded to the British. The remains of the buildings during the period and the Portuguese, Dutch and British rule are found in every area of the city. None of the Portuguese & Dutch fortifications are found today but some of their buildings and churches could be seen in the Fort & Pettah areas.
Overnight stay at a 3* Hotel in Colombo - BB Basis

Day 06 – Departure from Colombo

After breakfast, transfer to the Airport in time for the connecting flight. **Transfer Time: Approx. 1 Hr.**

***End of Services***

**FINE PRINT**

Cost is as follows

*Availability of the hotels are subject to confirmation of the tour*

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Compulsory Perahera Supplement from 5th – 15th August 2019 – USD 50 Per room per night

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X’mas/ New Year Eve Supplements – USD 80 per person
CHILD POLICY

- 0 – 2.11 years: Meals on complimentary basis
- 3 – 11.11 years: 50% off the per person sharing Double Room rate, inclusive of an extra bed. Only 01 extra bed can be accommodated in a Double Room

NOTE:

02 Children below 12 years are considered as ONE ADULT. Therefore, 02 children can share a Triple room with 02 adults. However, no extra bed is allowed in a Triple room.

INCLUSIONS & EXCLUSIONS

Inclusions:

- Accommodation based on the standard room categories at the specified hotels.
- Meal plan as mentioned above.
- *Train Tickets from Kandy to Nuwara Eliya – Subject to Availability*
- Government Tax

Exclusions:

- All entrance fees
- Early check-in & late checkout.
- Alcohol
- Meals & beverages not included in the package price.
- Tips & Expenses of personal nature
- Travel Insurance, VISA & Air Fare

COMPLEMENTARY VALUE ADDITIONS:

- 02 Complimentary mineral water bottles of 500 ml per person per day
- Visit to a gem lapidary
- Visit to a Tea Factory
- Wheel Chair upon request. (Upon request only)
- Airport assistance by WALKERS TOURS representative with the English-speaking Chauffeur/ National Guide at the arrival lounge at the AIRPORT. (24 hours x 07 days)
- *Complimentary Kandy Cultural Show – Gem Gallery Visit Is A Must to Obtain the Complimentary Coupon For Kandy Cultural – Only During Kandy Stay*