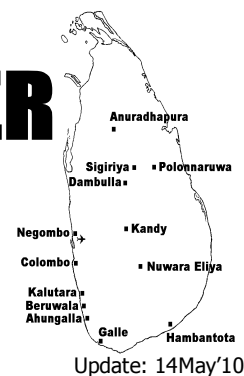


8D7N SRI LANKA EXPLORER

**NEGOMBO / DAMBULLA / SIGIRIYA / KANDY / NUWARA ELIYA /
KATARAGAMA /SOUTHWEST BEACH / COLOMBO**



Tour Highlights

- *Negombo Fishing village
- *Peradeniya Botanical Gardens
- *National Park
- *St. Clare's and Devon Waterfalls
- *Dambull Cave Temple
- *Kandy Cultural Heritage
- *Colombo City
- *Fort of Galle
- *Southwest Beach
- *Sigiriya Rock Fortress

- *Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic
- *Shopping
- *Ella Gap
- *Nuwara Eliya Tea Plantation

Day 1 Singapore ✈ Colombo

Upon arrival in Sri Lanka, clients will be met by our representative and transferred to **Negombo** for your overnight stay.

Paradise Beach 3* or similar (STD/DLX)

Day 2 Negombo ⇄ Sigiriya

After Breakfast do a city tour of **Negombo**. Negombo is in the heart of Sri Lanka's fishing industry. The sea and catamarans is the backdrop of the Negombo scenery. Visit the **Negombo lagoon** and a **fish auction**. Also visit the **Dutch Fort** and a **Catholic Church**. Thereafter proceed **Sigiriya** via **Pinnawala**. The **Pinnawela Elephant Orphanage**, established in 1975, commenced with seven orphans. Today some of these orphans enjoy the fortune of seeing their grandchildren born in the same location. With the help of local and foreign elephant experts, Pinnawela started a scientific captive-breeding program for elephants. The free movement of the herd enhanced the chances for respective individuals of both sexes to get together and mate. The nearby river played a dominant role in this regard, and in 1984, the first baby of Pinnawela was born. **Lunch at Elephant Bay Restaurant.**

Visit to **Sigiriya** and (Optional) Climb the 5th century Sigiriya rock fortress which is a world heritage site, built by King Kashyapa (477-495 AD). The 'Lion Rock' is a citadel of unusual beauty rising 200 metres from the scrub jungle. The rock was the innermost stronghold of the 70 hectare fortified town. A moat, rampart, and extensive gardens including the renowned water gardens ring the base of the rock. 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. These frescoes are painted in earth pigments on plaster.

Sigiriya Village 3* (STD) / Amaya Lake 4*(DLX)

Day 3 Sigiriya ⇄ Kandy

After Breakfast proceed to **Kandy** via **Dambulla**. **Dambulla rock temple** has been built by King Walagambahu in the 1st century B.C. and it is a world heritage site. Also, it is the most impressive of Sri Lanka's cave temples. The complex of five caves with over 2000 sq. metres of painted walls and ceilings is the largest area of paintings found in the world. It contains over 150 images of the Buddha of which the largest is the colossal figure of the Buddha carved out of rock and spanning 14 metres.

Visit a **Spice Garden** in **Matale** to see different spices for which Sri Lanka is famous. Here, clients could see different spices and how some of these spices are grown and processed. Witness a Cookery demonstration. **Lunch at Senani Restaurant.**

Do a city tour of ***Kandy** – the last capital of the Sri Lankan kings, is also a World Heritage site. The name Kandy conjures visions of splendor and magnificence. Many of the legends, traditions and folklore are still lovingly kept alive. Drive around the **Kandy Lake** built by the last Sinhala king Sri Wickrama Rajasinghe in 1798. Visit the **Kandy Town** and **Bazaar**, the arts & crafts centre and a gem museum and a lapidary. In the evening, visit the ***Temple of the Tooth Relic** and thereafter, witness a cultural show featuring traditional Sri Lankan dances. **Dinner at Hotel.**

Hotel Topaz 3* (STD) / Amaya Hills 4* (DLX)

Day 4 Kandy ⇄ Nuwara Eliya

After Breakfast, depart Kandy for **Nuwara Eliya** via **Peradeniya**. Visit the ***Peradeniya Botanical Gardens** – this botanical garden was first built as a pleasure garden by a Sinhala king and was expanded by the British. It is 147 acres in extent and provides an amazing variety of trees, plants and flowers. En route, visit a **Tea Plantation** and a **Tea Factory**, where the best tea in the world is produced. You will be told all about the process of manufacturing tea. You can also see how tea is graded. Taste a cup of pure Ceylon tea in the factory. **Lunch en route.** Visit **Nuwara Eliya** ~ because of its invigorating mountain climate and scenery, is Sri Lanka's most popular hill resort. Nuwara Eliya is also the heart of Sri Lanka's tea country producing a significant share of the world best tea. Sri Lanka's highest mountain Pidurutalagala (8282 feet) is located here.

Galway Forest 3* (STD) / Grand Hotel (Golf Wing) 4* (DLX)

Day 5 Nuwara Eliya ⇄ Yala National Park

After Breakfast proceed to **Yala**. Lunch en route at Tissamaharama Resort Do a safari of the **Yala National Park by jeep**. Yala is the largest National Park in Sri Lanka, which is the home for wild elephants, wild boars, wild buffaloes, leopards, bears, deers and crocodiles. Large flocks of migratory and indigenous birds are also found here. Dinner at Hotel

***The visits to wild life parks will be at client's own risk. The jeeps available are very basic with basic insurance cover (not comprehensive as in the case of the vehicle, which will be used on the tour).**

Tissa Resort 3* (STD) / Rosen Renaissance Hotel 4* (DLX)

Day 6 Yala National Park ⇄ Southwest Coast

After Breakfast proceed to **Southwest beach** via **Galle** ~ was once the chief port of Sri Lanka. It is still well known for hand-made lace. You can also visit the Galle Fort (spanning 90 acres), which was originally built by the Portuguese and later extended by the Dutch in 1663. This is also a World Heritage Site. **Lunch at Closenber Hotel.**

Villa Ocean View 3* (STD) / Golden Sun, Kalutara 4* (DLX)

Day 7 Southwest Coast ⇄ Colombo

After Breakfast proceed to **Colombo**. Upon arrival a **city tour of Colombo**, like many capital cities in developing countries is fast changing its face. Almost overnight, skyscrapers arise from where old buildings once stood. Yet in some parts, the old world charm is retained. For example, there is a **100-year-old clock tower** and several British built colonial buildings. Other places of interest are the **Pettah bazaar** - where one can shop for bargain, a **Hindu** and a **Buddhist temple**, residential areas where you find the stately homes of the affluent, the **Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall** (BMICH)- an outright gift to Sri Lanka from the People's Republic of China. **Lunch at Raja Bojun Restaurant. Dinner at Orient Hong Kong**

Grand Oriental Hotel 3*(STD) / Ceylon Continental 5* (DLX)

Day 8 Colombo ✈ Singapore

Morning after breakfast, free at leisure remember room checkout at 12noon. Till transfer to airport for departure flight back to Singapore. Arrive home with wonderful souvenirs and sweet memories of your memorable holiday with **Asia~Euro Holidays**.

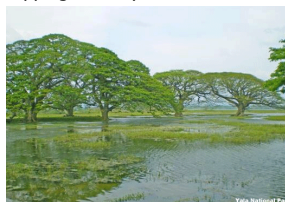
The sequence of the tour may be re-arranged by the local tour operators as deemed necessary

Package includes:

- *Accommodation at hotels specified or similar on Full Board basis, meals commencing with Breakfast on Day02 and ending with breakfast on last day of the tour;
- *Transportation in an A/C vehicle with English speaking chauffeur guide;
- *Entrance fees to places of interest except Sigiriya Rock Fortress.

Package does not include:

- * SIN/CMB Airport Taxes, War Risk & Fuel Taxes.
- * Sigiriya Rock Fortress (US\$25.00).
- * Camera/video permits at attraction sites.
- * Tipping and any other services not specified above.



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