

THE HOME OF SRI LANKAN HOSPITALITY

YOUR ITINERARY





ROUTE | DISTANCE | DRIVE TIMES:

ROUTE	DISTANCE	DRIVE TIME
From Bandaranayake International Airport		
Bandaranayake Airport (BIA) – Negombo	15 KM	20 Minutes
Other Routes		
Negombo – Anuradhapura	170 KM	4 Hours
Anuradhapura – Dambulla	78 KM	1 ½ Hours
Dambulla - Sigiriya	24 KM	30 Min
Sigiriya - Polonnaruwa	50 KM	1 Hour
Polonnaruwa – Dambulla	70 KM	1 ½ Hours
Dambulla – Kandy	90 KM	2 ½ Hours
Kandy – Colombo	120 KM	2 Hours
Colombo – Airport	40 KM	45 Min

Remarks:

- 🌸 Please take note that the travel times are calculated approximately & can change depending on traffic.
- 🌸 Times can also change depending on the hotel the guest will be staying.

Programme : SRI LANKA WONDERS
Duration : 5 DAYS/ 4 NIGHTS

DAY 01 |

AIRPORT – NEGOMBO

(Meals: X/X/X)

Arrive in Sri Lanka TG307 @ 00H15 + 01 Meet and assist on arrival at Airport by Jetwing Travels Representative.
Transfer to Negombo

Transfer to Hotel

Overnight Stay at A HOTEL IN NEGOMBO

DAY 02 |

NEGOMBO – ANURADHAPURA – DAMBULLA

(Meals: B/L/D)

Breakfast at Hotel & Transfer to Anuradhapura.

Proceed to Anuradhapura. En-route Lunch at a Restaurant.

Continue to Anuradhapura & visit ***Isurumuniya Temple** - Archaeologists now believe that the old Issurumuniya Temple is the Dakkina Meghagiri Viharaya, where ceremonies for the Rain God were performed. There is an Uttara Meghagiri Viharaya in ruins now, on the northern side of the Abhayagiriya Temple.

The Elephant sculpture, the small pond, the black rock formations and the beautiful sculpture of the Man & Horse, identified as Agni (lightning) and Parjanya (Rain God) at the site, are proof to recognize this Temple as the center where ceremonies for the Rain God were held. The small site museum at the Temple has the famous sculpture of Issurumuniya Lovers and other sculpture found at the site including the piece of Royal Family sculpture.

Visit ***Sri Maha Boo Tree** a sampling of the Sacred Bo Tree at Bodhgaya, under which the Buddha attained Enlightenment was brought to Sri Lanka by Rev. Sangamitta in 246 B.C., during the reign of King Devanampiyatissa and planted in the Mahamevuna Gardens. Fa-Hsien-the Chinese Traveller who was in Sri Lanka for 2 years (411-413 A.D.) saw the tree propped up as it was leaning to South East. King Vasabha (67-111 A.D.) built the Bodhi Tree Temple, which contained 4 images of the Buddha. When the capital was shifted to Polonnaruwa and Dambadeniya, the people who lived close by to the Tanks looked after the Bo Tree by lighting fires around the tree to stop wild elephants coming and damaging the tree. This is **oldest, historically authenticated** tree in the world.

Transfer to Hotel

Dinner & Overnight Stay at A HOTEL IN DAMBULLA / HABRANA

DAY 03 |

DAMBULLA – SIGIRIYA – POLONNARUWA - DAMBULLA

(Meals: B/L/D)

Breakfast at Hotel & Transfer to Sigiriya.

***Sigiriya Rock Fortress** is home to the 5th Century **"Fortress in the Sky"** which is perhaps the most fantastic single wonder of the Island. It is also known as Lion Rock because of the huge lion that used to stand at the entrance to the fortress. Within its triple- moated defence the huge rock rises almost to a sheer height of 500ft. On its summit

are the foundations of what was once a great and sumptuous palace and gardens complete with swimming pool. On one of the stairways the only known ancient work of Sinhala secular painting survived in the form of Frescoes of life sized damsels in all the freshness and delicacy of their original colour.

Lunch at Restaurant

Excursion to ***Polonnaruwa** – another “World Heritage Site” was the Capital of Sri Lanka from 11th - 13th Centuries, contains some splendid and spectacular statues. Lankatilake, Tivanka and Thuparama are the most beautiful and largest Image Houses and Tivanka has the best example of frescoes of the Polonnaruwa period. Rankoth Vehera and Kirivehera are well preserved large stupas, and Gal Vihare - a rock shrine, has four Buddha statues, two seated, one standing and one reclining and Parakrama Bahu statue are examples of Sinhalese stone carver. The Vata-da-ge is a unique creation of the Sri Lankan artists.

Transfer to Hotel

Dinner & Overnight Stay at A HOTEL IN DAMBULLA / HABRANA

DAY 04 |

HABRANA – DAMBULLA - MATALE – KANDY

(Meals: B/L/D)

Breakfast at Hotel & Transfer to Kandy.

Visit ***Dambulla Cave Temple** first came to use as a refuge for King Valagambahu in 1st century BC. Concealed by the local monks upon returning from exile to his throne at Anuradhapura he had the magnificent cave temple built for them. The cave temple consists of a complex of Buddhist image houses. Its rock ceiling is one large sweep of colourful frescoes, some of which dates back to over 2,000 years, which depicts Buddhist mythology, and the tales of the Buddha's previous births. This cave temple has the largest number of Buddha statues all housed in one place, including a 14 meter long, colossal figure of the recumbent Buddha carved out of the rock.

Lunch at a Restaurant

Proceed to Kandy, En-route visit a ***Spice Garden in Matale** to see the different spices, which Sri Lanka is famous for. You will be introduced to different spices and shown how some of these spices are grown and processed. Visit a ***Noritake Factory Outlet**.

By the night experience a **colorful show** where you will be taken to mind blowing Sri Lankan culture extravaganza... Get ready for Heavy drumbeat and acrobatic act.

Sightseeing in ***Kandy**, including Upper Lake Drive, Market Crafts Centre, Gem Museum. Kandy the hill capital, venue of the annual Perahera The last stronghold of the Sinhala Kings was finally ceded to the British in 1815.

Visit ***Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic** - ever since 4th Century A.D, when the Buddha's Tooth was brought to Sri Lanka hidden from sacrilegious hands in an Orissan princess' hair, the Relic has grown in repute and holiness in Sri Lanka and throughout the Buddhist world. It is considered Sri Lanka's most prized possession.

Transfer to Hotel

Dinner & Overnight Stay at A HOTEL IN KANDY

DAY 05 |**KANDY - COLOMBO - AIRPORT****(Meals: B/L/D)**

Breakfast at Hotel

Transfer to Colombo, en-route Lunch at Restaurant

Visit ***Kelaniya Raja Maha Vihara Temple** – One of the earliest Buddhist Dagobas traditionally believed to be the site visited by the Buddha 2500 years ago. According to the Mahavansa, the “paddy-heap” shaped dagoba at Kelaniya marks the spot where the Buddha, on the request of a Naga king, sat on a “gem-studded throne” to preach the Dharma to his subjects and convert them. It is ascribed to King Yatala Tissa of the 3rd Century B.C. An annual Perahera called “Duruthu Perahera” will be held each year during the month of January for 3 days.

City tour of ***Colombo** a drive through the city taking you to the busy commercial areas as well as the tree lined residential, Cinnamon Gardens, Visit Fort, the former British administrative centre and military garrison, Sea Street - the Goldsmiths quarters in the heart of Pettah, the Bazaar area, where is also a Hindu Temple with elaborate stone carvings, and the Dutch Church of Wolfendhal dating back to 1749. Also visit the BMICH, see the replica of Avukana Buddha & the Independence Square. Start ***Shopping** in Colombo, Visit ODEL, House of Fashion, Arcade Independence square, Race Course, and Beverly Street, visit bargain market in Colombo Pettah.

Dinner at Restaurant

Transfer to the Airport for the departure flight back TG308 01H20 + 01

--- **BON VOYAGE** ---

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- Anuradhapura Ancient City
- Dambulla Cave Temple
- Sigiriya Rock Fortress
- Polonnaruwa Ancient
- Spice Garden & Batik Factory
- Kandy City
- Temple of Tooth Relic
- Colombo City

IMPORTANT NOTES: -

- In the event of any unavoidable circumstance we reserve the right to change and reduce the coverage and sequence of the above itinerary. Therefore, In the event of adverse traffic conditions or unforeseen circumstances, Jetwing Travels (PVT) Ltd reserves the right to change the itinerary without prior notice.
- The hotels are rated as per our client feedback, in the event of any non-availability a similar standard hotel will be offered
- In the event of any enforcement of any new Government taxes, revision of entrance tickets, you will be updated accordingly & increased cost.



ATTIRE:-

Visitors of both genders have to wear decent clothing to cover the body appropriately when visiting religious places and shorts and sleeveless tops are not acceptable. This rule is strictly adhered to at all religious sites especially the Sacred Bo Tree and Stupas in Anuradhapura and the Temple of the Tooth in Kandy.

Visitors should remove hats, caps, shoes and slippers when entering buildings and sites with religious monuments. Most of these places have a secure facility at the entrance for visitors to leave behind shoes and slippers for a very small fee.

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