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Ramayana Trail 12 Days /11 Nights

Day	Place	Attraction
1	Airport-Chilaw- Sigiriya	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Punchi Kataragama Temple Madampe(Ramayana Site) - Manvari Temple(Ramayana Site) - Munneshwaram Temple (Ramayana Site) -
2	Sigiriya-Trincomalee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sigiriya Rock Fortress(Ramayana Site) - Cobra Cave at Sigiriya Rock(Ramayana Site) - Nilaveli Beach
3	Trincomalee-Kandy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kinniya Hot Water Wells (Ramayana Site) - Thiru Koneshwaram Temple (Ramayana Site) - Local Sightseeing -
4	Kandy-Nuwara Eliya	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Temple of the Tooth Relic of Buddha - Sri Bhaktha Hanuman Temple(Ramayana Site) - Ramboda Waterfall - Tea factory & Tea Plantation
5	Nuwara Eliya	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Seetha Amman Temple(Ramayana Site) - Asoka Vatika(Ramayana Site) - Hakgala Botanical Garden(Ramayana Site) - Gayathri Temple(Ramayana Site)
6	Nuwara Eliya – Ella	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Istripura – Konda Kattu Gala(Ramayana Site) - Divurumpola Temple(Ramayana Site) - Dowa Temple
7	Ella	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ella (Ramayana Site) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ella Waterfall • Ella Ravana cave • Ella gap
8	Ella-Kataragama	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kataragama temple (Kadigamam)
9	Kataragama – Galle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ussangoda Rock (Ramayana Site) - Leisure at the beach
10	Galle – Bentota	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Galle Dutch fortress - Rumassala Sanjeevani Drops (Ramayana Site) - Turtle Farm - Madu river Boat Safari
11	Bentota- Colombo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Panchamuga Anjaneyar Temple(Ramayana Site) - Colombo city Tour <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independent Memorial Hall • Old Parliament • Galle Face Green • BMICH • Shopping

		- <i>Kelaniya Raja maha Viharaya (Ramayana Site)</i>
12	Colombo-Airport	- <i>Departure</i>

Punchi Kataragama Temple Madampe

This neat and colourful new Replica of Kataragama temple in Madampe was dedicated to Lord Murugan in January 2012.

Munneswaram Temple

The Munneswaram Kovil close to Chilaw is one of the 5 major Shiva temples of Sri Lanka and Rameswaram islands. They are called Ishvarams. According to a Tamil legend, the temple is situated at a place where King Rama prayed to Shiva after committing the worst crime according to Hindu Dharma, namely Brahmahasti, the killing of a priest, because Ravana who had to be killed by Rama in order to liberate Sita, was of Brahmin caste. Rama stopped the Vimana vehicle at Munneswaram because of his feeling that the Doshana sin was not following him at this place. So he ascended from the vimana and prayed to God Shiva asking for a remedy. Shiva advised Rama to install four lingams at Manavari, Trinco, Mannar and Rameswaram for this purpose.

Manavari Temple

Manavari, about 6 kms north of Chilaw, is the first place where Lord Rama installed a Lingam, as a remedy to Lord Shiva after committing Brahmicide by killing the King Ravana who was a Brahmin. This Shiva Lingam in Manavari is called Ramalingam because it was made by Lord Rama. There are only two Lingams in the world named after Lord Rama, the other is in Rameswaram in India.

Thiru Koneshvaram

Thiru Koneswaram is a wonderful temple located on a rock promontory of Trincomalee. It was built by Rishi Agastya on the instructions of Lord Shiva who was impressed by the devotion of King Ravana. This place is unique in this respect because the Lord built a temple for his devotee as a reward for his devotion. Lord Rama is believed to have offered his prayers here, too, in order to get rid of the malediction of killing Ravana who was a Brahmin, meaning Brahmahasthi Dosham. The famous temple built here during the glorious era of the Tamil Pallava and Chola and Pandya empires, was destroyed by bigoted Portuguese Christians between 1622 and 1624

Kanniyai

The hot wells of Kanniyai or Kanniya are close to the main road to Anuradhapura only about 10 kms from Trincomalee town. Pilgrims believe in their healing power. There are many different versions of the myth on how these curative hot water wells came into existence; most of them are connected to Ravana. One legend about Kanniya's origin has it, that this is the place where King Ravana carried out the last rites for his mother. When he was unable to find water to duly perform the rites, he in anger pierced his Trishula into the ground seven times. Water started gushing out immediately. The very hot water cooled down to the present degree when Ravana's anger calmed down. The temperature of the water is different in all the seven wells.

Sigiriya

Is home to the "5th century Fortress in the Sky" which is the 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 defense the huge rock rises almost to a sheer height of 600ft. 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 Sinhalese secular painting which has survived in the form of Frescos of life-sized damsels in all the freshness and delicacy of their original color.

Cobra Hooded cave: This is called Cobra Hooded Cave as it has its shape. The tradition states that Sita was held in captivity here. There are many pre-historic drawings on its ceiling. There is a distinct link between Sita and the cave and it the following is inscribed, 'Parumaka naguliya lene'. It would have been inscribed after Rawana's period but positively it has a connection to Sita's stay in this cave, as the word 'naguliya' refers to Sita.

Temple of the tooth relic

This temple, the most important one for The Sri Lankan Buddhists was built in the 16th Century A.D. solely for the purpose of housing the tooth relic. Observe the magnificent Architecture of that period and experience the tranquility of the atmosphere.

Sri Bhakta Hanuman Temple

In the hills of Ramboda where Hanuman was searching for Sita, the Chinmaya Mission of Sri Lanka built the Sri Bhakta Hanuman Temple which is visited by thousands of devotees every year.

Sita Amman Temple

The Sita Amman Temple can be seen en route to the Hakgala Botanical Gardens. The prominent temple architecture will not fail to attract your attention. Ancient statues of Rama and Sita can be seen on one side of the temple. The temple today is a modern building with its paintings, statues and pillars decorated with sculptures; all depicting the tale of Rama and Sita.

Hakgala Botanical Gardens

The Hakgala Botanical Gardens was one of the pleasure gardens of King Ravana. This garden was expanded during the British period and has a wide variety of flowers including an excellent collection of orchids. This is the exotic pleasure garden where King Ravana kept the depressed Sita, insisting that she marries him. It was here where the heartwarming meeting took place between her and Hanuman, who brought her Rama's ring with the news that Rama was looking for her. He offered to carry her back but she refused saying it would be an insult to Rama's honor if she did so. Part of this majestic garden still exists. It is also said that Hanuman nearly destroyed it in order to prove to Ravana of the forces against him.

Istripura – Konda Kattu Gala

Istripura means an area of women in Sinhala. This was one of the places to which King Ravana shifted Seetha Devi as a precautionary measure, which he was forced to take by Lord Hanuman's advent. Seetha Devi took a bath in the stream close by and had dried her hair sitting on a rock and put clips to her hair, hence this rock is known as Konda Kattu Gala.

Divurumpola Temple

Still revered by thousands, this holy haven was the place where Sita performed her Agni Pariksha (proving her chastity) to her husband Rama. Continuing the practice for thousands of years, villagers still pledge their fidelity or take oaths there and even in certain courts, this agreement was binding. This place has been respected and worshipped by people down the ages.

Dova Temple

The Dova ancient rock temple next to the Bandarawela - Badulla mainroad is one of the foremost rock temples in the Uva province. Dova is believed to have served as a refuge of the famous king Walagambha in the first century BC. At the rear of the Buddhist cave temples and image houses there is a small stupa inside a cave. This stupa marks the entrance, now locked, to a tunnel which is said to be 11 kms long and leading to the Ravana Ella cave and to be a part of an underground network of tunnels already built by Lanka's legendary king Ravana.

Ella

Ella is a small mountain village near Bandarawela and boasts three locations linked to the Ramayana where local legend claims Ravana was hiding Sita. First there is the Ravana Ella Cave, located at the massive Ella Falls; a breathtaking 1080 feet high waterfall that cascades into several falls. The rocky undergates of the waterfall is Khondalite, a kind of limestone which undergoes faster decay as hard gneiss or granite. This has resulted in many caves being formed near the falls. King Ravana is said to have lived in one of the caves above the waterfall. A nearby pool bored out of the rock by the gushing waters is where Sita is said to have bathed Ravana.

Ussangoda

Ussangoda is a strange coastal area because of its lack of trees. Its serpentine rock contains heavy toxic metals. Only specific smaller plants were able to adapt to this soil. But according to the Ramayana legend,

there are two more explanations for the baldness of Ussangoda. After meeting Sitadevi, Lord Hanuman provoked the mighty King Ravana and his army of Rakshasas. It resulted in Lord Hanuman's tail being set on fire by Rakshasas. Hanuman in turn went on to torch parts of King Ravana's empire with his burning tail. Ussangoda is said to be one of these burnt areas. Besides the Ramyana Trail legend has it that earlier on the Ussangoda plateau was used an airport by King Ravana for his Dandu Monara peacock chariot, before Hanuman devastated the landing site.

Kelaniya Raja Maha Viharaya

The Kelaniya Raja Maha Vihara or Kelaniya Temple is a Buddhist temple in Kelaniya, Sri Lanka, seven miles from Colombo. Kelaniya is a Buddhist sanctuary because it was believed to have been visited by the Buddha himself. Within the temple premises there is a Hindu shrine, too. It is dedicated to Lord Vibhishana who was the younger brother of Ravana but during the legendary war on Lanka a supporter of Lord Rama, because he disapproved of Ravana's abduction of Sita. After Ravana's death Rama appointed Vibhishana as the new King of Lanka. Vibhishana is venerated by Sinhalese Buddhists as a God; they believe him to be one of the main protectors of the island, especially in its western territories.

Panchamuga Anjaneyar

Hanuman is often called Anjaneyar by Tamils, as his mother's name is Anjan. This Kovil is the first Anjaneyar temple in Sri Lanka and the only one on the island dedicated to Lord Hanuman in his Panchamuga form; meaning five faces. And it is said to be the only temple in the world to have a chariot for Anjaneyar. Its chariot festival is held annually at the end of December or in the beginning of January. It is one of the most popular processions in Sri Lanka's capital Colombo. Visitors are advised to wash hands and feet before entering the temple and not to cross hands inside the temple.

Double/twin sharing rooms with Dinner & Breakfast and Transport – Per person	2 pax	4 pax	6 pax	10 pax	12 pax	20 pax
01st September – 20th December 2019	787 USD	667 USD	621 USD	628 USD	607 USD	567 USD
21st December 2019 – 31st March 2020	872 USD	753 USD	706 USD	713 USD	692 USD	652 USD

The package includes:

- * Daily Accommodation with Breakfast & Dinner (3 star Hotels)
- * All Transport in an **A/ C Vehicle with** the service of English **speaking Chauffeur Guide / Driver.**
(The service of a National Guide is provided in case of number of persons exceeds 7.)
- * Driver/ Guide allowances. **(Tips not included)**
- * Meet & Assistance at the airport.
- * Highway chargers / tolls during the tour.

Complements (Given on Free):

- **Two Small Size (500 ml) Water bottles per day per person**
- **Free Wi-Fi inside the vehicle.**

The above price excludes:

- * Daily Lunch
- * Christmas & New Year Supplement at the hotels.
- * Entrance Tickets at relevant sites
- * Any Air Fares + Visa Fees.
- * Expenses of personal nature such as laundry, mini bar charges, beverages, liquor, telephone charges, etc.

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