



TRAVELLING TO NEW PLACES WITH CONFIDENCE

Heritage of Sri Lanka

7-Day, 6-Night Journey

Colombo, Sigiriya, Kandy

Embark on a week-long journey through Sri Lanka's Cultural Triangle. Begin in the bustling streets of Colombo, soaking in the city's rich history and savoring its delectable cuisine. Venture on to the majestic Sigiriya rock fortress which is adorned with ancient frescoes, before immersing yourself in the tranquil beauty of Kandy where we also find the revered Temple of the Tooth Relic. Enjoy the many delicious local dishes, fragrant spices and famous Ceylon tea while your there!

This memorable tour is crafted to give you a profound sense of Sri Lanka's rich cultural and historical tapestry.



Birds Eye view of the Rock



Entrance to Sirgiriya Rock



480 AD Sigiriya Frescoes



Sri Lanka Tea Pickers



Temple next to Kandy Lake



The Sacred Tooth Relic Temple

Inclusions

- ▶ Airport Transfers
- ► Hotel Accommodations
- Daily Breakfast & Dinner (See tour plan for details)
- ► English-speaking driver cum guide
- Entrance Fees to Monuments and Attractions per Itinerary

Exclusions

- ► International Air Fare
- ▶ Government Tourism Fee
- ► Travel Insurance
- ▶ Medical Expenses
- ▶ Visa Fee
- Gratuities
- ► Personal Expenses

Nearby Airport

Colombo - Bandaranaike International Airport (CMB)

Itinerary

DAY 1: ARRIVE AT COLOMBO

Upon arrival at **Bandaranaike International Airport (CMB)** in **Colombo**, you will be transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is free.

The legacy of colonial Colombo's garden roots are still very much intact along its often-shady boulevards. Colombo's modern cosmopolitan side supports ever-more stylish eateries, galleries and shops.

[2 Nights in Colombo]



DAY 2: COLOMBO - COLOMBO CITY TOUR

Start with a half-day guided tour of Colombo, the capital of Sri Lanka. Learn about the city's rich history dating back to the Portuguese, Dutch and British colonial periods. (Led by Driver-cum-Tour Guide 4 hours @9am)

Admire BMICH (Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall), World Trade Center, Independence Square, Galle Face Green (Ocean promenade), Old Parliament and Viharamahadevi Park. [Meals: Breakfast]

DAY 3: COLOMBO - SIGIRIYA, SIGIRIYA ROCK FORTRESS EXPERIENCE

This morning we drive to **Sigiriya** which is located in the heart of the Cultural Triangle. (About 4 hours @9am)

We visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site of **Sigiriya Rock** built by King Kassapa in the 5th century AD. Today **Sigiriya Rock** is a treasure trove of rare ancient art. In a pocket of the giant rock are the famous

frescoes of the heavenly maidens of Sigiriya. It is also called the 'Rock Fortress' or 'the Lion Rock' because of the huge crouching lion that is carved at the entrance to the fortress. This citadel is more than 1,000 ft above the jungles below. (About 4 hours @3pm)

[2 Nights in Sigiriya. Meals: Breakfast]

DAY 4: SIGIRIYA CULTURAL SITES

Today, we visit the 2000 year-old **Sri Maha Bodhi** (one the world's oldest trees). **Ruwanweli Maha Saya** is a prominent Buddhist stupa that houses of the Buddha's relics. Next is the ancient Buddhist **Ritigala Monastery** on **Ritigala Mountain** (the highest mountain in northern Sri Lanka).

(Led by Driver-cum-Tour Guide 4 hours @9am)

[Meals: Breakfast]

DAY 5: - KANDY | SPICES & GEM OF KANDY

After breakfast we drive to **Kandy**.

Explore Kandy with your driver-cum-tour guide (4 hours @3pm). Herbs and spices are tasty and yet healthy treats. We visit a **spice plantation** where you will find cocoa, vanilla, cinnamon, coffee and more! Visit a **gem gallery** (window shopping for precious stones such as blue sapphire, pink sapphire, ruby and more). Followed by a **Kandy cultural show**.

[2 Nights in Kandy. Meals: Breakfast]

DAY 6: KANDY | KANDY CITY TOUR, TEMPLE OF THE TOOTH RELIC

After breakfast we explore Kandy city. (Led by Driver-cum-Guide 8 hours @9am)

Visit the **Temple of Tooth Relic of Buddha**, located in the royal palace complex, which houses the relic of the tooth of Buddha. It is one of Sri Lanka's eight UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

Next is the **Royal Botanical Gardens at Peradeniya** which spreads over 160 acres of exquisite beauty with more than 4,000 species of flora. This is a haven for nature lovers.

Wander around **Kandy Lake**. At **Kandy View Point** you will enjoy an unparalleled view of Kandy city and Kandy Lake.

The Royal Bar is a Kandy institution. This afternoon we relax at the Royal Bar where you can enjoy Sri Lankan style tapas.

[Meals: Breakfast]

DAY 7: KANDY – COLOMBO (CMB)

 $\hbox{Enjoy your breakfast, after which the tour ends. We drive back to \textbf{Colombo} for your flight home. }$

[Meals: Breakfast]

*Hotel check-out time is generally around 11 am. If your flight departs in the evening or past midnight, we suggest you consider adding a post-tour hotel night during booking, to be comfortable and well rested before your flight home.

*The duration and start time of excursions are subject to change without prior notice.

Hotels

We carefully handpick our hotels to ensure they provide you with the best comfort and experience. For Private Tours, you may request a specific hotel as one of the customizable options.







