

This tour highlights the best of Sri Lanka on her beautiful sceneries, cultures and people. Please come with us to explore this superb destination which covers some ancient cities and UNESCO World Heritage Sites, spice coast and finishing your holiday with beach resort.

#### Day 01 Australia - Colombo

Fly from Australia to Colombo, Sri Lanka's Capital city with a rich colonial heritage. Upon arrival at Colombo International Airport, you are met and transferred to your hotel for 2 nights.

#### Day 2 Colombo Meal: B/D

Enjoy sightseeing of Colombo and visit the residential areas where you find the stately homes of the affluent families, the Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall, the New Parliament in Sri Jayewardenepura, the Folk Art Centre, Art Galleries, Parks, Independence Square, the Ceramic Corporation famous for its well-known brand "Noritake" and ODEL the renowned shopping centre.

#### Day 3 Colombo – Pinnawala – Dambulla – Habarana (205 Kms) Meal: B/D

After breakfast drive to Habarana in north central Sri Lanka en route visit Pinnawala & Dambulla.

Pinnawala Elephant orphanage, conversation breeding centre Elephants; today it is considered as one of the largest elephant breeding centres in the world with 80 elephants. Afternoon we visit the World Heritage site of Dambulla Caves, the largest and best-preserved cave complex in Sri Lanka with over 80 documented caves in the surrounding areas. However, the major attractions are spread over 5 caves which contain statues and paintings related to Lord Buddha's life. Continue drive to Habarana, check into your hotel for overnight stay.

# Day 4 Polonnaruwa & Minneriya National Park Meal: B/D

After breakfast enjoy a visit to Polonnaruwa, the ancient capital of Sri Lanka. The city remains as one of the best planned archaeological relic sites in the country. It is now declared a World Heritage site by the UNESCO. Afternoon enjoy wildlife Safari at Minneriya National Park, it famous for Sri Lanka's large elephant population. Besides elephants, Minneriya is also home to many species of mammals; like the deer, sambur and sloth bear.

#### Day 5 Habarana – Sigiriya – Kandy (106 Kms / 3 Hrs) Meal: B/D

Travel to Kandy, en-route visit the 5th century old Sigiriya Rock Fortress. The palace still has remains of four indoor swimming pools where the King's 500 concubines bathed. The mirrors walls of the Sigiriya rock still retain the world famous frescoes of the concubines, who originated from all parts of the world. Later visit the Spice Garden at Matale to see varieties of spice plantation and purchase as a locally grown souvenir. On arrival check in at hotel in Kandy and stay two nights.









#### Day 6 Kandy Meal: B/D

In the morning explore the town and visit Temple of the Tooth Relic, which houses the Tooth Relic of Lord Buddha. The Tooth is kept in a two-story shrine fronted by two large elephant tusks and rests on a gold lotus flower, encased in jewelled casket that sits on a throne. Later in the afternoon visit the Gem Museum and, in the evening, enjoy upper Lake drive and watch a cultural show before finishing your day.

#### Day 7 Kandy - Bentota (182 Kms / 4.5 Hrs) Meal: B/D

Travel by road to Bentota, a small resort town in the southwestern coastal belt where the beaches boast of its dazzling combination of sun, sea and sand. Soft golden sand that feels like talcum powder under the feet, giant palm fronds rustling lightly in the tropical breeze; all in a breath stopping beautiful, corralled bay, make your two nights at resort simply gorgeous! Enjoy and immerse yourself in the serenity of the area.

#### Day 8 Bentota Meal: B/D

Day is at leisure. Enjoy the beautiful beach and relax.

## Day 9 Bentota – Colombo Airport (110 Kms / 2.5 Hrs) Meal: B

This morning is at leisure until in time transfer to Colombo Airport for your flight bound for Australia.



### Sri Lanka Explorer Dates & Prices

Tour Code	Colombo	Colombo	Land Only
SL250226	26-Feb-25	06-Mar-25	\$2,580
SL250319	19-Mar-25	27-Mar-25	\$2,580
SL250423	23-Apr-25	01-May-25	\$2,450
SL250528	28-May-25	05-Jun-25	\$2,450
SL251008	08-Oct-25	16-Oct-25	\$2,580
SL251029	29-Oct-25	06-Nov-25	\$2,580
SL251126	26-Nov-25	04-Dec-25	\$2,580
SL260228	28-Feb-26	08-Mar-26	\$2,680
SL260325	25-Mar-26	02-Apr-26	\$2,680
SL260415	15-Apr-26	23-Apr-26	\$2,580
SL260527	27-May-26	04-Jun-26	\$2,580

#### Remarks:

- This tour is guaranteed to depart with a minimum of 2 participants.
- Land Only price: Tour starts with the arrival transfer in Colombo and ends with the departure transfer in Colombo; excluding any international air travel.
- You need a visa in the form of an <u>Electronic Travel</u> Authorization (ETA)
- 4\* Hotels used in this tour: Colombo Radisson Hotel, Habarana Cinnamon Village, Kandy Amaya Hills, Bentota Tangerine Beach Hotel or similar.
- Single supplement: \$820
- Please refer to Page 5 for the Tour Inclusions.

