

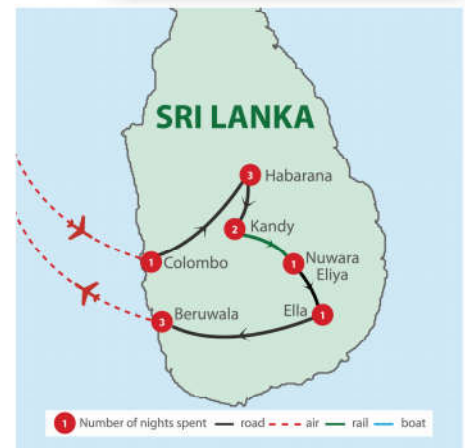
# TROPICAL SRI LANKA

Nuwara Eliya

13 Days / 12 Nights

**R**ooting its existence firmly with a surprising trail of more than 2,550 years of continuous written history is the unique significance of Sri Lanka! With strong traces of Indian influences, this home next to home reflects an entire legacy of ancient history written on the same lines as India. The simplicity of this land and its people leaves you spellbound. Interesting traditions, enchanting forests, mystical architecture, intriguing mythology draped in history, and native wildlife all come together in this island of mystery. All of nature's beauty along with the smiling and heart-warming locals make Sri Lanka a memory worth experiencing!

**Highlights:** Minneriya Elephant Gathering • Anuradhapura • Sigiriya Rock Fortress • Dambulla Cave Temple • Peradeniya Gardens • Temple of the Tooth



## Day 1: OVERNIGHT TRAVEL

Meet Citibond Representative at the airport and board your flight from London to Colombo.

## Day 2: COLOMBO (L/D)

Welcome to your Citibond Tropical Sri Lanka tour! On arrival, an English representative will greet you after immigration and customs, helping you to transfer comfortably to your hotel. Lunch at a restaurant on the way to the hotel. Check in to the hotel. Rest of the day at leisure. Dinner and overnight at your hotel in Colombo.

## Day 3: COLOMBO - HABARANA (B/L/D)

After breakfast, we drive to Habarana (approx. 3hrs) Stop for lunch at a restaurant on the way. Continue to Habarana and check in to the hotel. In the evening, head to Minneriya to witness the largest elephant gathering in the world - over 700 at a time - which has garnished the park to become a magnet for wildlife enthusiasts across the globe. Dinner and overnight at your hotel in Habarana.

## Day 4: DAMBULLA - ANURADHAPURA - DAMBULLA (B/L/D)

After breakfast today we proceed to Anuradhapura, the sacred ancient city of Anuradhapura founded in the 4th century B.C., a UNESCO World Heritage Site since

1982. It has the largest number of ancient monuments of the great Sinhala civilization which flourished in this region. You will see some of the most famous as well as the tallest Stupas of Sri Lanka and the ruins of ancient royal palaces. Another amazing site would be the 'Sri Maha Bodhi' or the sacred Bo tree which is over 2200 years old and grown from a branch of the very tree under which "The Buddha" attained enlightenment - the oldest historically documented tree in the world. After lunch, return to Habarana. Evening at leisure. Dinner and overnight at your hotel in Habarana.

## Day 5: DAMBULLA - SIGIRIYA - POLONNARUWA - DAMBULLA

After breakfast, get ready for an early morning climb up the Sigiriya Rock Fortress. Later, go for a village tour and lunch at Hiriwadunna village. On completion, you will proceed to the ancient capital of Polonnaruwa. Visit one of the best planned archaeological relic cities in the country. Evening return to the hotel and rest at leisure. Dinner and overnight at your hotel in Habarana.

## Day 6: HABARANA - KANDY (B/L/D)

After breakfast, we drive to Dambulla (approx. 30 mins), and visit the Dambulla Cave Temple which is a world heritage site and is the largest and best-preserved cave temple complex in Sri Lanka. On completion, proceed to the royal city of Kandy. En route,

you will visit a spice garden in Matale to get the bigger picture of Sri Lanka's authentic taste and colour, where you will also be having lunch and taking a visit to a Batik Factory. Upon arrival, check-in to your hotel and evening at leisure. Dinner and overnight at your hotel in Kandy.

## Day 7: KANDY (B/L/D)

After breakfast, visit Peradeniya Gardens where you'll walk into a 147 acre bliss of an experience, passing well-tended lawns, pavilions, and an octagon conservatory to be greeted by the vast expanse of a magnificently landscaped lush green turf which will encourage you for an exhilarating break. After lunch, visit the Temple of the Tooth Relic which houses the tooth relic of the Buddha. In the evening, feast your eyes to the Kandy dance cultural show that displays the heritage and art Sri Lanka is renowned for. Dinner and overnight at your hotel in Kandy.

## Day 8: KANDY - NUWARA ELIYA (B/L/D)

After breakfast, you will proceed to Kandy Railway Station for a train ride to Nuwara Eliya (approx. 4hrs), which captures the glorious scenery of rolling mountains and green valleys - a journey regarded as one of the most scenic train journeys in the world. Get off at Nanu Oya and leave for the hotel. Later, proceed for lunch and a tea factory and estate visit. Spend the rest of your day at leisure and enjoy the profusion

of serenity Nuwara Eliya has to offer. Dinner and overnight at your hotel in Nuwara Eliya.

**Day 9: NUWARA ELIYA - ELLA (B/L/D)**

After breakfast, drive to Ella (approx. 2hrs). En route, visit Sita Amman Temple, Ashok Vatika, Rawana Caves, Rawana Waterfalls, Divurumpola Temple. Lunch at a local restaurant. Later, proceed to the hotel for check-in and spend the evening at leisure. Dinner and overnight at your hotel in Ella.

**Day 10: ELLA - BERUWALA (B/L/D)**

After breakfast, drive to Beruwala (approx. 5hrs) and check into a hotel for your beach stay for three nights. Lunch at a local restaurant. Dinner and overnight at your hotel in Beruwala.

**Day 11: BERUWALA - GALLE (B/L/D)**

After breakfast head out to Galle for a tour around the Galle fort. After lunch visit the Turtle hatchery. Return to the hotel on completion and relax. Dinner & Overnight at your hotel in Beruwala.

**Day 12: BERUWALA (B/L/D)**

Today's day at leisure in Beruwala. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner at the hotel in Beruwala.

**Day 13: DEPART TO LONDON (B)**

After breakfast, good times never end! As you get ready for the airport and your flight back home, relive the high points of your 'Citibond Tropical Sri Lanka' tour. We are confident you will join us again, sometime soon...



Departure dates		
Departure	Number of days	Price per person
02-Apr-24	13 days / 12 nights	from £2309
30-May-24	13 days / 12 nights	from £2309
20-Jun-24	13 days / 12 nights	from £2309
18-Sep-24	13 days / 12 nights	from £2309
14-Nov-24	13 days / 12 nights	from £2309
16-Jan-25	13 days / 12 nights	from £2309
18-Feb-25	13 days / 12 nights	from £2309

What's Included in Your Tour?

- International & domestic airfares (Economy Class)
- Accommodation as specified in the itinerary.
- Meals as mentioned in the itinerary. Sightseeing as mentioned in the itinerary.
- English-speaking tour manager throughout the tour.
- All transportation in an air-conditioned private vehicle.

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