

HERITAGE & BEACHES OF SRI LANKA

08 Nights / 09 Days

1 Colombo - 2N Giritale – 1N Nuwara Eliya – 4N Bentota

PACKAGE HIGHLIGHTS

- Visit to Pinnawela Elephant Orphanage
- Visit to Polonnaruwa – A UNESCO World Heritage site
- Sigiriya Rock Fortress & Golden temple of Dambulla – Both UNESCO World Heritage sites
- Nuwara Eliya – Popular as Hill station, Tea estate and Tea factory
- Beaches of Bentota
- Excursion to Dutch Galle Fort, Galle and Beruwala
- Services of English speaking driver cum guide during sightseeing tours
- Assistance at airport and sightseeing tours by private air-conditioned vehicle
- Start and End in Colombo



Dumbulla Buddha Stupa

Day 01 Arrival in Colombo

Our representative will meet you upon arrival in Colombo. The capital of Sri Lanka, Colombo is a bustling city and a hop-off point for beaches in the island nation's south. It has had a long history as a port and is a melting pot of races, religions and cultures. The heritage is reflected in its spicy cuisine as well as its architecture, mixing colonial buildings with high-rises and shopping malls. Stay the night in Colombo.

Day 02 Colombo - Giritale (205 kms/approx. 4 hours)

After breakfast proceed to Giritale – A small town with picturesque landscapes and a beautiful lake. En route explore the Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage established to protect wild elephants found wandering in the surrounding forests. Enjoy a comfortable overnight stay at Giritale.

Day 03 Giritale – Polonnaruwa - Giritale

After breakfast, embark on a road trip to the ancient city of Polonnaruwa – a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy your visit to the magnificent structures of the bygone era - Gal Vihara or the rock temple of Buddha, the Council Chamber, Tivanka Pilimage and Rankot Vihara stupa. Later return for comfortable overnight stay at your hotel in the evening.

Day 04 Giritale - Sigiriya - Dambulla - Nuwara Eliya (205 kms/approx. 4 hours)

After breakfast, check-out from the hotel and drive towards Sigiriya - one of the oldest cities in Sri Lanka declared as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Upon arrival, explore the Sigiriya Rock Fortress, which encompasses a series of flights and galleries. This lofty rock fortress, has several inscriptions of poems, alternatively called Sigiri graffiti. After an insightful tour of Sigiriya, depart for Dambulla and explore its majestic Golden Temple – an archaeological site that holds great historical significance. This cave temple boasts of Buddhist mural paintings and 157 statues, which epitomize the rich heritage of the region. Later, drive to Nuwara Eliya for overnight stay.

Day 05 Nuwara Eliya - Bentota (209 kms/approx. 4 hours)

Nuwara Eliya is the country's popular hill resort and Tea estate. After breakfast, enjoy a visit to the Tea Estate & Tea Factory situated at around 2000m above sea level and surrounded by lush tea plantations, and Horton Plains National Park. Later, proceed to Bentota for overnight stay at your hotel.

Day 06 Bentota

Bentota is the city of the Golden Beaches. You will be able to relax and feel the spirit of the sea and the warmth of the soft sand. After breakfast, spend the day swimming in the cool waters and relaxing on the beach. Bentota provides the perfect turf for a heavenly beach vacation. While enjoying the sun, sea and sand, beach lovers can try their hand at various water sports. Enjoy a comfortable overnight stay at Bentota.

Day 07 Bentota

Post breakfast set out to explore Galle (56 Kms/45 minutes' drive approx). Visit the Dutch Galle Fort and enjoy a boat ride for whale and dolphin watching in Mirissa. You can also experience a glass bottom boat ride to the coral reef, and enjoy scuba diving in Hikkaduwa. Visit the Turtle Hatchery in Kosgoda and choose to go on a boat ride on the Madu River, which is famous for its biodiversity. You can also visit the blowhole in Induruwa. Spend of the rest of the day exploring at leisure and stay overnight in Bentota.

Day 08 Bentota

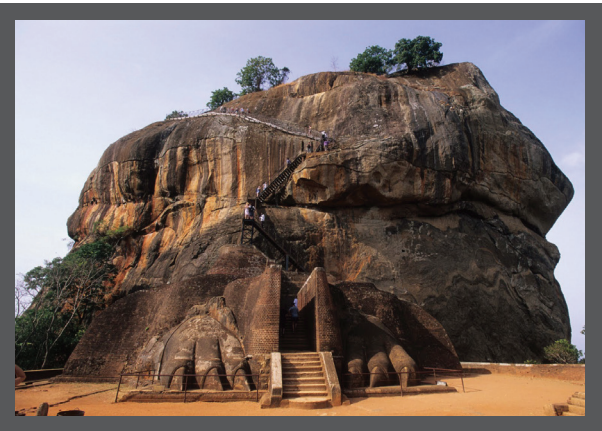
Take the day off to enjoy the hotel and stay overnight in Bentota.

Day 09 Departure from Colombo

Post breakfast proceed to Colombo (65 kms/ 1.5 Hours drive approx.) to board the flight back home.

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Sigiriya



Dambulla Golden Temple



Nuwara Eliya



Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage

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