Sri Lanka Maldives

10nights 11days

Highlights

Sri Lanka (6 nights)

- Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage
- Dambulla Cave Temples
- Sigiriya Rock Fortress
- Kandy City Tour
- City tour of Colombo
- Nuwara Eliya City Tour
- Yala National Park Leopard Safari (Special attraction)
- Bentota River Cruise
- Kosgoda Turtle Hatchery
- Galle Fort

Maldives (4 nights)

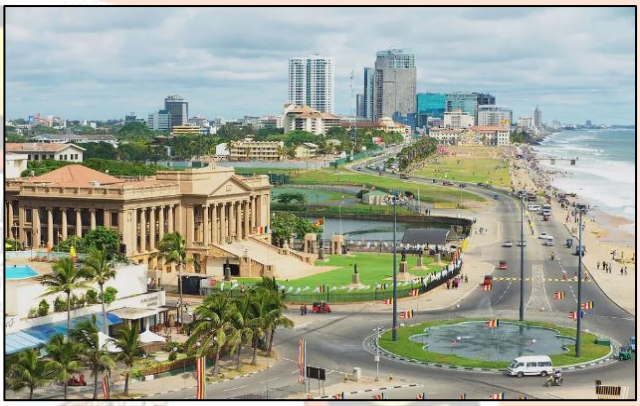
- Stay in Maafushi Island Resort
- Full day Marine tour with Sand Bank Lunch
- Full day Tour to Water Villa resort

Itinerary, Price, Flight details, Hotels etc. **(Mentioned Below)**

Date of departure : 22nd December,2023 (from Kolkata airport)

ITINERARY

DAY1 - BENTOTA - Arrival in Colombo + Colombo city tour + Transfer to Bentota



- Assemble at Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose International Airport three hours prior to the departure. Our courteous and experienced Tour Manager, who will accompany you with the tour, will meet you at Kolkata Airport. He will assist you to complete all the formalities before boarding your flight to Bangalore. Upon arrival proceed to international departure for your flight to Colombo.
- Arrive at Colombo Airport, complete all the immigration formalities
- Post Lunch Proceed to ***Colombo city orientation tour***. Drive through the city taking you to the busy commercial areas as well as the tree-lined residential, Cinnamon Gardens. Visit Fort, the former British administrative center and military garrison, Sea Street - the Goldsmith's quarters in the heart of Pettah, the Bazaar area, where is also a Hindu Temple with elaborate stone carvings, and the Dutch Church of Wolfendhal dating back to 1749. Visit the ***Gangaramaya Floating Temple*** one of the most well-known Buddhist temples in Colombo. It's exceptionally beautiful with the Beira Lake on one side and statues & carvings paving the way inside. The main sanctuary has a huge Budhha statue while the ceilings

portray his stories. Also visit the BMICH, see the replica of Avukana Buddha & the Independence Square.

- Later get transferred to Bentota , located in Lanka's mesmerizing southwest on its coastal belts. It is a spectacular part of rural Sri Lanka with green environs in the background, awash with tall coconut palm trees everywhere in the landscape.
- Check in Hotel. Lunch, Dinner & overnight..

DAY2 -BENTOTA – Madu River Cruise +Kosgoda Turtle Hatchery

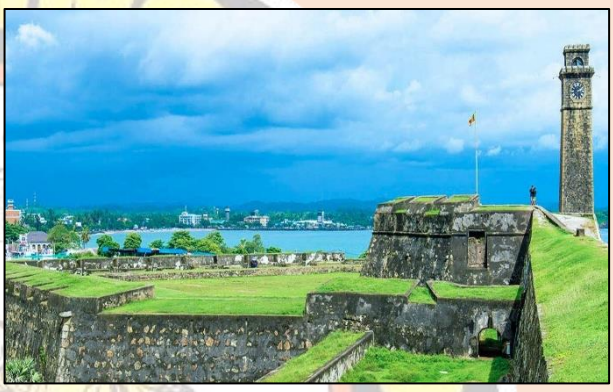
- Breakfast at the Hotel. Commence for Bentota sightseeing..
- Enjoy ***Maadu River Boat Ride.*** Spot Sri Lanka's fascinating wildlife on a private Madu River boat safari through thick mangroves, open stretches of river, and islands devoted to cinnamon cultivation.
- With the flexible, personal experience of a private tour, you'll have the option to explore along the way, visiting an old Buddhist temple, learning about cinnamon harvesting, or pausing for a treatment at an outdoor fish massage parlor (own expense). This 1- to 2-hour Madu River tour departs from Balapitiya, and it's the perfect chance to see crocodiles, water monitors, wild boars, snakes, and more.

- Visit ***Kosgoda Turtle Hatchery*** . Situated in Kosgoda on Sri Lanka's southwest coast, the Kosgoda Sea Turtle Conservation Project works to protect endangered sea turtles by conserving nesting sites and providing a hatchery for rescued eggs. Visitors can tour the small,

beachside facility to see the turtles, learn about their lifecycle, and discover the project's work.
- Enjoy Bentota Water Sports (Jet Ski, Banana Ride & Tube Ride – OPTIONAL TOUR).
- Lunch, Dinner & overnight in Bentota.

DAY 3 - YALA – Galle Fort + Yala National Park safari

- Breakfast. Proceed to Yala
- En-route visit ***Galle Fort a magnificent UNESCO World Heritage Site*** and a living monument, inhabited by a bustling community, within the great ramparts, massive bastions and pepper pot towers. The once sleepy Galle Fort is now a dynamic area with a distinctively Mediterranean atmosphere.



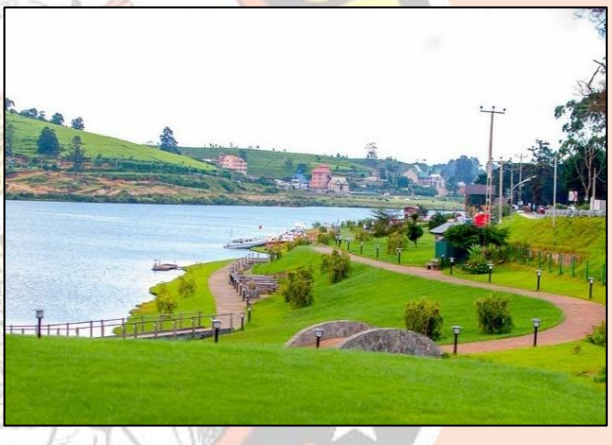
- Continue to ***Yala National Park Safari***. Yala is famous for its big herds and large number of Elephants, Leopards, Spotted Deer, Sambhur, Crocodiles, Mongoose, Wild Boar, Wild Buffalo, and many other animals. More than 130 bird species are recorded which includes the resident and winter visitors.

- Check in. Lunch, Dinner & overnight at Yala

DAY4 – NUWARA ELIYA –9 Arch Bridge + Little Adams Peak + Pinnawala elephant Orphanage + Nuwara Eliya City Tour

- Breakfast and then transfer to Nuwara eliya.
- En route visit ***9 Arch Bridge*** & ***Little Adams Peak.***

- En route visit ***Pinnawala Elephant Orphanage*** - orphanage was started in 1975 to house the abandoned and the wounded elephants. The number of elephants has increased to more than 65 now; including Baby Elephants brought from various parts, as well as the 23 babies born, as a result of the captive breeding programme.
- Continue to ***Nuwara Eliya - The 'Little England' of Sri Lanka***, is set against beautiful backdrops of Mountains, Valleys, Waterfalls and Tea Plantations. It is supposed to be one of the coolest places in the Island, but it is really just like an English spring day, although the temperature does drop at night.



All around Nuwara Eliya you will see evidence of the British influence, houses like country cottages or Queen Ann style mansions. The Victoria Park, in the middle of the town, is a lovely place for a stroll or a picnic and is also good for Birding as you get some rare birds in this Park. Seasons may be absent elsewhere in Sri Lanka, but here you can read them by the flowers, which bloom in the spring (March to May) and the fall (August and September).

- Visit ***Hanumanji Temple (Mani Kattuther)***- This is a

rock in the Labukalle estate. Lord Hanuman met Sitadevi and on his way to announce this happy information to Lord Rama, rested on this hill top. The hill where Lord Hanuman is believed to have rested after meeting Sitadevi is known as Mani kattuther. Today an open temple with statues of Lord Rama , Sitadevi, Lakshmana and Lord hanuman stands on top of it . Locals visit the temple often.

- Visit ***Tea Plantation & Ramboda Falls***
- Visit ***Gregory Lake, enjoy a Boat ride on Gregory Lake.***
- Visit ***Seetha Amman Temple Ashoka Vatika***.(***Kondakalai)*** like many other cities and villages in Sri Lanka also derives its name from the Ramayana, when King Ravana took Sitadevi in a chariot to ashoka vatika her hairs got de ranged because of the speed of the chariot. Konda kalai in tamil means deranging of hair.
- Check in. Lunch, Dinner & overnight.

DAY5 - KANDY – Kandy City tour + Evening Cultural Show

- Have breakfast and check-out from the hotel.

- Get transferred to Kandy and go ***for Kandy City Tour*** Lying amidst the hills, Kandy is the last capital of the ancient kings of Sri Lanka. While being the second largest city in Sri Lanka it is also famous for its immense beauty and is named ***as one of the seven UNESCO declared World Heritage sites*** in the country. With its luxuriant

prairie, picturesque lake, longest river of the country and misty mountains, Kandy successfully mesmerizes every visitor unsurprisingly. While on your city tour you will visit one of the world heritages as well as a sacred place for the Buddhists all over the world; namely the ***Temple of tooth Relic*** known to the Sri Lankans as Dalada Maligawa. The real evidence of the richness will be affirmed by your visit to the ***Gem Museum***. Sri Lanka produces the finest quality of gems in the world. Semi-precious gems, the sapphires of Sri Lanka, which are very exclusive and comes in shades of blue, red, green, white etc. Enjoy a delicious breakfast at your hotel and visit ***Peradeniya Botanical Garden*** is a paradise for nature lovers. This beautiful flower Eden is restored with over 300 different varieties of orchids, other spices, medicinal plants and Palm trees. Every year more than 1.2 million people are enchanted by the beauty of these 147 acre flower gardens.

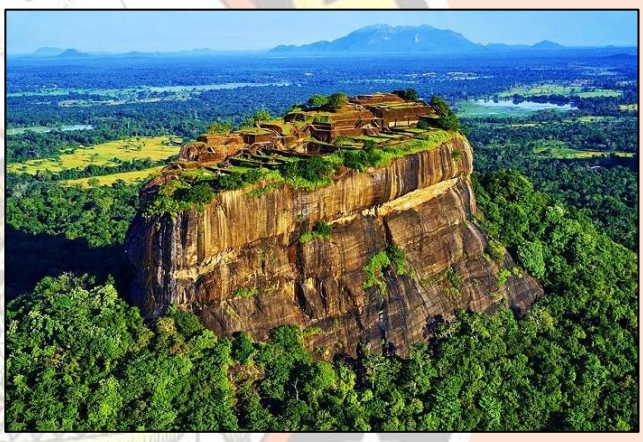
- Evening enjoy ***Kandy Cultural*** Show. which features a variety of dances that will get you immersed in Kandy's art and cultural traditions. To name a few, you will see the Pooja dance, a traditional dance of innovation. The performance invokes the blessing of the devol maduwa performed in honor of Goddess Patina. The Peacock dance, a dance falls that within the Kandyan vannam tradition that depicts the movement of the

peacock bird. The Raban dance which involves balancing a number of flat drums on sticks. This is the traditional dance of Sabaragamuwa province. The Kulu dance, the traditional folk dances usually performed by village damsels. To end the performance is a fire dance and walking demonstration just outside of the theater. A fun experience that will leave you with great memories of your visit to Kandy.

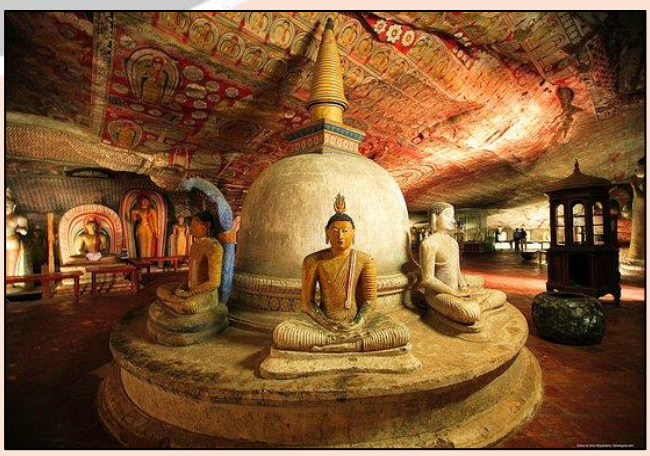
- Check in. Lunch, Dinner & overnight.

DAY6 - COLOMBO – Sigiriya Rock Fortress + Dambulla cave Temples + Transfer To Colombo

- Your tour will commence with the visit to one of the wonders of the ancient world -the ***Sigiriya Rock Fortress***. It is also a ***UNESCO world Heritage site.*** Sigiriya Rock was once an ancient Castle used both as a palace and a fortress and was created by the great King Kasyapa. The magnificent rock fortress of Sigiriya is visible for miles from all directions and dominates the surrounding plain. The Sigiriya Complex consists of the central rock, which arises abruptly 200 meters above the surrounding plain with the two rectangular precincts on the east and the west. The rock is surrounded by two wide moats, where crocodiles were introduced in ancient times and three ramparts. The moats and walls that surround the lower palace are still exquisitely beautiful.



- ***Dambulla Cave Temples*** the largest and best-preserved cave temple compound in Sri



Lanka. There are above 80 chronicle caves around this location. The most prominent allures are advanced over 5 caves, which contain statues and paintings. These paintings and statues are depicted to Lord Buddha and his life. There are a total of 153 Buddha statues, 3 statues of Sri Lankan kings and 4 statues of gods and goddesses.

- Get transferred to Colombo and shopping, you may visit Odel, House of Fashion, Beverly Street, Majestic City, Noritake, etc.
- Overnight stay at the Hotel.

DAY7 – MAFUSHI ISLAND - Flight to Male + Transfer to Maafushi Island

- After breakfast get transferred to the airport for flight to Male.
- Meet on arrival at the Capital of the ***Paradise Country of Maldives*** and transfer by Boat to your accommodation in Maafushi Island, one of the inhabited islands of Kaafu Atoll and the proposed capital for the Medhu Uthuru Province of the Maldives.

- Lunch, dinner and overnight at Mafushi.

DAY8 – MAFUSHI – Full day Marine Tour with sand bank lunch

- Breakfast. Visit the beautiful ***Biyadhoo or Guilhi Island.***
- Set off on this Day Trip by boat. Once you reach the island, the way you spend time there is all up to you. Explore the Island. Spend time in Undersea activities,

Swimming, Kayaking, Snorkelling, Scuba Diving or explore the shops and restaurants or just relax on the Beach.

- Keep a lookout for local marine life in the water including Dolphin watching. Retire for the day with a beautiful sunset on the horizon.
- Lunch, Dinner and Overnight.

DAY 9 - MAFUSHI – Full day Water villa Resort tour

- You don't need to be staying at ***Maafushi's Adaaran Club Rannalhi*** resort to enjoy its facilities. This day trip lets you enjoy the beautiful views, warm water, and food and drink at this stunning resort. You can pay a bit extra to make use of the resort's kayaking, snorkeling, and windsurfing gear.

Stroll through the lavish corridors and common spaces of the hotel such as the lobby, the poolside, and the beachfronts. Depending on the package you choose, you can also avail extra frills and activities to do such as a chance to use the common swimming pools, along with access to their changing rooms. A buffet lunch, snacks, and unlimited drinks are included
- Enjoy relaxing at this exclusive resort
- Get active with a range of outdoor activities

DAY 10 - MAFUSHI – Day at leisure

Breakfast. It is the 4th day in this paradise today and we can vouch that you can see only blue around you!!

Lunch. A day to relax and enjoy the beauty around you. If you are an avid Diver there are some excellent Dive Sites available. If you are not, well you can still get a course at Diving by professional PADI experts and at the end of your stay

have indulged in many Dives!! Spend the rest of the day on the white sands or in the Pool. Unrivalled luxury, stunning white-sand beaches and a dazzling underwater world make Maldives an obvious choice for a true holiday of a lifetime!!!! Come evening and the place is alive with Live Bands and the Disco etc. Dinner and Overnight.

DAY 11 - KOLKATA - Arrival at Kolkata airport

- Arrive at Kolkata and complete all the immigration formalities before leaving the airport. Bid goodbye to all the friends you have met during the tour.
- We will look forward for your next trip with us.

Accomodation

- **Kandy (1 nights) –** Hotel Swiss Residency or similar
- **Nuwara Eliya (1 night) –** Hotel Rippon Grand or similar
- **Yala (1 night) –** Magampura eco Lodge or similar
- **Bentota (2 nights) –** Club Bentota or similar
- **Colombo (1 night) –** The Ocean Colombo or similar
- **Maldives (4 nights) –** Kaani Mafushi or similar

Flight Details :

Date	Destination	Flight Name	Flight timing	Flight duration
22nd December	Kolkata to Chennai	Indigo 6E344	05:15 to 07:35	2 hrs 20 mins
22nd December	Chennai to Colombo	Air India AI 671	11:20 to 12:45	1 hr 15 mins

28th December	Colombo to Male	FITS Aviation 8D813	12:30 to 13:30	1 hrs 30 mins
2nd January	Male to Bangalore	Indigo 6E1789	15:40 to 18:10	2 hrs
2nd January	Bangalore to Kolkata	Indigo 6E975	20:30 to 23:00	2 hr 30 mins

Price : ~~**Rs. 1,50,000**~~ ***(10% DISCOUNT)***

Rs. 1,35,000 per adult (Twin sharing Basis)

- Child (7-11 years) – 80% of cost of an adult (with extra bed)
- Child (3-6 years) – 70% of cost of an adult (without extra bed)
- Child (0-2 years) – Free of cost

PACKAGE COST INCLUDES

- **Economy Class round trip airfare to Kolkata.**
- **Visa Charges.**
- **Accommodation at 3-star or 4-star hotels on double/twin/triple sharing basis.**
- **Daily Breakfasts, Lunch & Dinners as mentioned in the itinerary.**
- **Transfer to and from and tour of all the places mentioned in the itinerary by luxury coach.**
- **Internal transfers & tours (if any mentioned in the itinerary) by cruise, train and flight.**
- **Entry fees to places that are included in the itinerary.**
- **Travel insurance premium up to 60 years (only the difference will have to be paid for people above 60 years old).**

PACKAGE COST EXCLUDES

- **5% GST on the Total Tour Cost (including tips and any optional tour)**

- **5% T.C.S is applicable on total foreign exchange part (including GST) which will be adjusted with your income tax return.**
- **RT-PCR tests cost (both ways, India & abroad, if required).**
- **Expenses and services of personal nature .**
- **Cost of optional tours.**
- **Any Porterage Charges at airports, ports, waterways, stations or any hotels etc.**
- **Any services not mentioned in the 'Tour Cost Includes'.**

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

- **Registration amount / Booking Advance of Rs.50000/- (amount may vary time to time) per person is required at the time of booking along with signed Passport & Pan card copies.**
- **The Foreign exchange amount equivalent in INR [calculated at the specified exchange rate of the payment date: Inter Banking Rate + Corporate Remittance charge] is payable at least 45 days before the travel date.**
- **The final payment [balance amount of the tour cost] should be completed before 25 days prior to the travel date.**

NOTE : The Tour Itinerary as well as the Package Price is subject to change if any unforeseen/unavoidable situations occur before or during the tour AND/OR if there is any increase or decrease of cost per Airline, IATA rule, Visa & Rate of Exchange (ROE) at the time of final payment & departure of the tour, respectively.

Thank You!

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