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# **SRI LANKA, FAMILY GETAWAY**

## **11 NIGHTS / 12 DAYS**

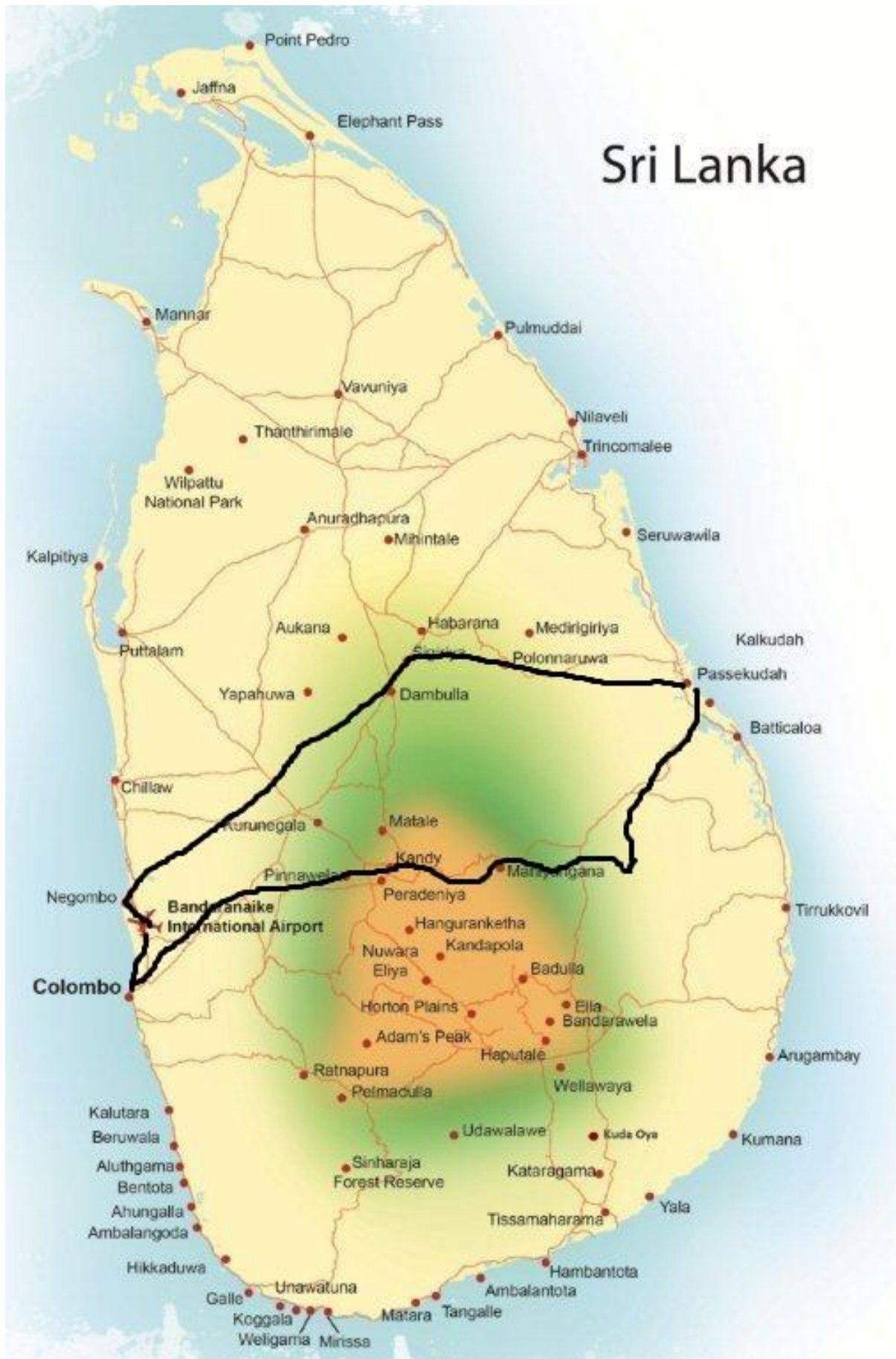
**COLOMBO – SIGIRIYA - POLONNARUWA – PASSIKUDAH - GALOYA – KANDY-  
PERADENIYA – PINNAWALA – COLOMBO – DEPARTURE**



Welcome to Eco Island... during this tour you will experience the colonial cities of Kandy, the beautiful interior of Sri Lanka and the impressive lion rock "Sigirock". You will visit the beautiful botanical gardens in Peradeniya, meet the elephants at the Pinnawala Orphanage. We have given you a relaxing break to enjoy at the Pasikudah beach

Chill out at one of Sri Lanka's best golden beaches on the east coast. you can enjoy Snorkeling and fishing excursions and explore local area on bicycle.

Travel Period > 1 May – 31 Octobre



## ITINERARY

### Day 01 Arrive Colombo Airport – Negombo

Upon arrival at Colombo Airport, you will be met by your car with chauffeur for the short transfer to your hotel in Negombo. (approx. 40 min drive.)

Check in to the hotel. Rest of the day free. Night in Negombo. **Note >** Early check in Not included. Standard hotel check in time 14h.

### Day 02 Negombo to Sigiriya

After breakfast, check out & proceed to Sigiriya. Arrive & check in to the hotel.

(Approx. 3h30min drive from Negombo to Sigiriya)

In the afternoon visit Sigiriya rock fortress in the evening. In the center of the cultural triangle lies the Sigiriya rock fortress, another remarkable feat of engineering and a fascinating example of artistic craftsmanship. Hewn out of the living rock, the Sigiriya fortress was the stronghold of King Kashyapa, a formidable royal palace and city.

Sigiriya, or the 'Lion Rock' is most famous for its frescoes; a series of "heavenly maidens" painted on the rock surface itself. From halfway up the rock you can witness the elaborately landscaped water gardens containing the royal baths and fountains; some of which still work today during the rainy seasons. Sigiriya is a still standing monument to Kashyapa, and the vision of a truly egotistical monarch. Overnight stay at hotel.

### Day 03 In Sigiriya

After breakfast you will engage with a Pottery demonstration at the hotel on how to manufacture the earthen pottery used in traditional Sri Lankan cooking. After that Enjoy a wood fire cooking demonstration on a traditional wood fire stove using clay pots and spice remedies followed by a vegetarian lunch.

#### Optional and Not Included >

- If you wish a cooking demo and the lunch with a local family in Sigiriya would be a good addition to the program. You can participate in preparing your own traditional Sri Lankan meal or simply enjoy a meal with a local family. The rice and curry meal are prepared with local produce sourced by the family from local markets and gardens. A traditional meal is full of flavor and spice, but the family tries to prepare the meal to western palates. However, be ready expect some spice and heat.

In the evening engage in a relaxing nature trail to spot the endemic and avifauna in the region. Overnight stay at the hotel.



#### **Day 04 Sigiriya – Polonnaruwa – Passikudah**

After Breakfast check out and transfer to Passikudah. (Approx. 2h30min drive from Passikudah to Sigiriya)

[En route Visit Polonnaruwa ancient city](#) > Polonnaruwa was established as the capital city after the fall of Anuradhapura and is known as the mediaeval capital of Sri Lanka. Polonnaruwa contains the ruins of some of the masterpieces of Buddhist sculpture and remarkable feats of engineering that were well ahead of their time. Most outstanding amongst these is the Gal Vihara temple with its famous rock carvings of the Buddha and Parakrama Samudra, a vast manmade reservoir covering an area of over 23 kilometers.

Afternoon free & overnight stay at the hotel

#### **Day 05 Leisure at Passikudah**

Leisure at Passikuda beach. Night stay. **Note** > Chauffer and vehicle will not be available during beach stay.

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#### **Day 07 Passikudah – Galoya**

After breakfast, check out and proceed to Galoya.

(Approx. 2h15min drive from Passikudah to Galoya)

[Farm Visit in the evening](#) > Set on a 34-acre farm, Wild Glamping Gal Oya, uses good agricultural practices to produce many of the vegetables used for your meals. Walk around the farm with our Naturalist or head gardener to discover the many types of vegetables grown in our garden and participate with the farming activities if you like. You can also harvest some of the vegetables for a cooking demonstration. Night stay at the hotel.

#### **Day 08 Galoya**

Breakfast at the hotel.

Today enjoy walk through the forest & community center visit in Veddah.

Take a leisurely walk through the jungles of rathugala with a Veddah (Sri Lanka's Indigenous Peoples) and discover their way of life as one with the jungle. Walk to the unique Pela Kandura,

a water stream that runs underground covered by boulders until it follows out in a Pela, gutter like stone carved naturally over time. On the way back or before the walk stop at the Veddah Peoples Cultural Center to learn about their origins and discover their old caves.

Evening at leisure. Overnight stay at the hotel

### **Day 09 Galoya – Kandy**

After breakfast check out and proceed to Kandy for night stay.

[\(Approx. 3h15min drive from Galoya to Kandy\)](#)

[In the evening visit Kandy temple>](#)

The Kandy Temple, which houses the famous tooth relic of the Buddha is the star attraction of the city. Puja ceremonies (Thevava) are held every morning noon and evening to honor the relic and visitors may view the casket where the sacred tooth relic is held within the chamber during these times. Observing these ritualistic proceedings to the accompaniment of traditional drums are a must for any traveler to the sacred city of Kandy.

### **Day 10 Kandy – Peradeniya – Kandy**

After Breakfast proceed to visit Peradeniya Royal botanical garden.

[\(Approx. 30 min drive from Hotel to Peradeniya\)](#)

The Royal Botanical Garden at Peradeniya was established in 1821 and now covers 140 acres, smuggled in a loop in the Mahaweli River, the longest river in Sri Lanka. Its primary purpose was the testing and acclimatizing of plants for commercial use in Sri Lanka. Today the Gardens have one of the largest collections of flora from sub-tropical climates around the world.

Return to the hotel on completion. Overnight stay at the hotel.

### **Day 11 Kandy – Pinnawala – Colombo**

After Breakfast check out and transfer to Colombo.

[\(Approx. 03h30 drive from Hotel to Colombo\)](#)

[Enroute visit Millennium Elephant foundation>](#) The foundation is located near Pinnawala and aims to help in the conservation of Elephants, a species threatened with extinction. The elephants on site are well fed, nursed and washed regularly by the team of veterinarians. They

are brought to the foundation in order to cure them from certain diseases free of charge. One can visit a small museum which hosts several photos, stories and articles of elephants as well the elephant poo paper factory. You can help the team wash and scrub the elephants by joining them in a stream, so please don't forget to bring a change of clothes

## **Day 12 Drop at Colombo Airport (official hotel check out 11h)**

Your amazing holiday in Sri Lanka has reached to the final day.

After Breakfast proceed to the Airport for the final departure.

(Approx. 45min drive from Colombo to Airport)

We wish you a safe flight back home....

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----- **END OF OUR SERVICES** -----

### **SOME OPTIONAL SUGGESTIONS.**

- These are some optional suggestions and are always subject to change and availability. Advance booking required at most of the places. Not included.
1. If required, the itinerary can be modified as per your wish.
  2. If you wish you can add / remove days at the beach stay.
  3. If you wish you can enjoy dinner with local family.
  4. You can have a local cooking demonstration.
  5. Chauffeur and vehicle will not be available during the beach stay)