Program: Dambulla & KandyDuration: 3 DAYS / 2 NIGHTSPeriod/Dates: June 2025

# DAY 1 : COLOMBO – MINNERIYA - SIGIRIYA

Proceed from Colombo to Minneriya. (appr. 04 hrs & 30 min)

Visit the Minneriya National park in the afternoon.



If you're up for a serious rumble in the jungle, then Minneriya is your Colosseum! Spreading over 8800 hectares, this is a sanctuary for Elephants. Minneriya is home to herds of Deer and ample birdlife, but its spotlight remains between swaying Trunks & flapping ears. Park your jeep on the bank of the reservoir and switch off its engine. Watch carefully as herds of Elephants - one by one - roll on to the grass-covered banks, to feed on tender shoots. In fact, this is the largest Elephant gathering in the world - over 300 at a time - which has garnished the park to become a magnet for wildlife enthusiasts across the globe.

(Incase if the Elephants are not to be seen at the National Park Minneriya, visit Kaudulla or Eco Park)

Proceed from Minneriya to Sigiriya. (appr. 30 mins)

Dinner and overnight stay at Aliya Resort & Spa, Sigiriya.

# DAY 2 : SIGIRIYA — KANDY

Early morning visit the Sigiriya Lion Rock (departure 6.00 am)



The 5th century rock citadel of King Kasyapa and world heritage Site - Sigiriya -doesn't only boast of ancient Sri Lankan engineering & urban planning supremacy but also acclaims to be one of the finest monuments of art & culture. Step through the gigantic **'Lion Paws'** - overlooking the symmetrical Royal gardens below - to comprehend the absolute splendor that once dominated this Rock Fortress. Surrounded by ramparts & moats the Lion Rock - resembling the mythological **'City of Gods'** - is coated by frescoes that relate to Gupta style paintings found in Ajanta caves of India. Walk in the shade of an eminent **'mirror wall'** embracing the Western face of Sigiriya representing an artistic hundred meters laminated with graffiti. Wander into the well-fabricated museum downstairs for an epic journey of yesteryears to realize how the citadel floated above citizens with the castle, ponds and irrigation systems that pumped water right onto its summit with an ingenious hydraulic system describing a colossal masterpiece of the great king which remained a wonder in Asia for centuries.

### Return to Aliya Resort & Spa for breakfast.

### Thereafter proceed from Sigiriya to Kandy (appr. 02 hrs & 20min)



Enroute visit the Spice Garden in Matale

The Herbal and Spice Garden in Matale is overabundant with exotic, tantalizing and luscious spices and herbs. The ayurvedic medicine made from the herbs provides cures for a huge variety of illnesses such as arthritis, paralysis, cancer and many more with practices dating back to ancient times.



Kandy - the World Heritage Site & last royal capital of Sri Lankan kings - crafts an array of culture, history and heritagein the minds of visitors across the globe. Experience an ancient Kandyan legacy engraved around its crown jewel,

## Visit the temple of the sacred tooth relic of Lord Buddha.

Fine tune your evening by stepping to the beat of traditional music & drumming amplified by a **cultural show** enhancing the rich and vibrant culture of the Wonder of Asia, Sri Lanka.

## Dinner and overnight stay at Mahaweli Reach Hotel, Kandy.

## DAY 3 : KANDY – COLOMBO

Breakfast at Mahaweli Reach Hotel, Kandy.

**Embark on an enchanting Kandy sightseeing and shopping tour** & immerse yourself in the cultural and vibrant heart of Sri Lanka. A stroll across this small lakeside town - cradled among the misty hills - will feature the Kandy City Centre - bundled with the latest and world class brands, bazaar, an arts & crafts center. walk in color as you glide through fresh fruits and vegetables in the Kandy market.

### Visit the Botanical Gardens



Royal Botanic Gardens, Peradeniya is about 5.5 km to the west of the city of Kandy in the central province of Sri Lanka. In 2016, the garden was visited by 1.2 million locals and 400,000 foreign visitors. It is near the Mahaweli River (The longest river in Sri Lanka). It is renowned for its collection of orchids. The garden includes more than 4000 species of plants, including orchids, spices, medicinal plants and palm trees. Attached to it is the "**National Herbarium of Sri Lanka''**. **On completion return from Kandy to Colombo. (appr. 03hrs & 30 Min)** 

## **Quotation in USD:**

#### **Price per person sharing:**

02 pax – Car	03 pax – Micro Van	04 to 06 pax – Micro Van
350/-	330/-	310/-

#### **Inclusions:**

- \* Accommodation on Half Board basis at hotels specified or similar hotels.
- \* Transportation by airconditioned vehicle as per the itinerary.
- \* Services of an English-speaking chauffeur guide.
- \* Mineral water bottles (500ML).
- \* Entrance fees at the relevant sites indicated: Minneriya National Park Entrance & Jeep Safari, Sigiriya Lions Rock, Kandy Temple of Tooth Relic & the Peradeniya Botanical Gardens.

### **Exclusions:**

- \* Lunch throughout the tour.
- \* Video Camera and Still Camera permits at the Temple of the Tooth Relic in Kandy.
- \* Cost of beverage throughout the tour.
- \* Expenses of a personal nature.

## **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

Unforeseen escalation in fuel prices, new taxes/levies on hotels and transportation services or any hikes in entrance fees. Any large tax hikes and new levies shall be payable extra and shall be billed accordingly with reasonable prior notice.

## **HEALTH & SAFETY :**

We care about your health and safety while you are having an enjoyable stay in Sri Lanka. Therefore, please pay attention on updates of prevailing health & safety status inSri Lanka prior to your visit to Sri Lanka.

## HOTEL RULES AND REGULATIONS :

The official check-in time at all hotels will be 14.00 hrs (depends on the hotel). The official check-out time at all hotels will be 12.00 hrs.

### **ATTIRE:**

Visitors of both genders have to wear decent clothing to cover the body appropriately when visiting religious places and shorts and sleeveless tops are not acceptable. This rule is strictly adhered to at all religious sites especially the Sacred Bo Tree and Stupas in Anuradhapura and the Temple of the Tooth Relic, Kandy.