

Buddhist Pilgrimage Tour

09 DAYS

Theravada Buddhism is the State religion of Sri Lanka practiced by 70.2% of the Sri Lanka's population. The island has been a center of Buddhist scholarship and learning since the introduction of Buddhism in the third century BCE producing eminent scholars such as Buddhaghosa and preserving the vast Pāli Canon. Throughout most of its history, Sri Lankan kings have played a major role in the maintenance and revival of the Buddhist institutions of the island.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Anuradhapura City Tour
- Polonnaruwa City Tour
- Sigiriya Rock Fortress
- Dambulla Cave Temple
- Temple Of Tooth Relic
- Nuwara Eliya City Tour
- Colombo City Tour

HOLIDAY OF

Customer Name

TRAVELING IN

01st July to 31st October 2019
&
01st November to 31st December 2020

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Lakpura, meaning the 'Whole of Lanka' pays homage to the resplendent Island that is Sri Lanka. Our own journey began in 2008 and ever since then, we've been creating memorable adventures and vibrant encounters for travelers to Sri Lanka with an eye of details and an insightful approach that is best fitted in crafting tailor-made packages.

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Day 01

Overnight

See Hotel Collection

Room Type

Room Category

Meals

No Meals on This Day

Airport > Negombo

Arrive at Colombo International Airport. Here, you will be met by a designated chauffer guide from Lakpura. After the formalities at the airport you will be escorted to your air-conditioned vehicle and proceed to Negombo and check in to the hotel. (Travel Time: 20 to 30 mins)



Enjoy the sun on the sandy beaches of Negombo on the Western Coast of Sri Lanka. Watch the flourishing fish industry, which is a centuries-old tradition. Ride an adrenaline high with some fun water sports. Enjoy the corals and underwater life while diving. See the 50-year-old ship-wreck just off the coast, where many varieties of fish make their home.

Overnight stay at Hotel

Day 02

Overnight

See Hotel Collection

Room Type

Room Category

Meals

Breakfast

Negombo > Anuradhapura

After breakfast at the hotel and proceed to Anuradhapura & check-in to Hotel

In the evening partake for a chanting and pooja ceremony at Sri Maha Bodhiya & Ruwanweliseya.

On completion of the visit return back to the hotel and relax.

Day 03

Overnight

See Hotel Collection

Room Type

Room Category

Meals

Breakfast

Anuradhapura > Mihintale > Anuradhapura

In the Morning Breakfast at the hotel, then commence a City tour of Anuradhapura.



Walk through the ancient ruined city of Anuradhapura, which was the capital for over a millennium until the 10th century AD. View the pagodas, monastic buildings and ponds that are scatter all over the vast area. Visit important landmarks such as Jetavanarama, which was one of the tallest buildings of the ancient world, the Sri Maha Bodhi and the ruins of the huge Abhayagiri Monastery. Gain more knowledge about Sri Lanka's history as you walk in the footsteps of Kings. On completion return back to your hotel and relax.



Mihintale is a mountain peak near Anuradhapura in Sri Lanka. It is believed by Sri Lankans to be the site of a meeting between the Buddhist monk Mahinda and King Devanampiyatissa which inaugurated the presence of Buddhism in Sri Lanka. It is now a pilgrimage site, and the site of several religious monuments and abandoned structures.

On completion of the visit return back to the hotel and relax

Day 04

Overnight

See Hotel Collection

Room Type

Room Category

Meals

Breakfast

Anuradhapura > Polonnaruwa > Sigiriya

After breakfast check out of the hotel and proceed to Visit Ancient Kingdom of Polonnaruwa



Visit the ancient city of Polonnaruwa, which was the second major capital of Sri Lanka. Walk through the ruins of the city that flourished between the 10th to the 13th century AD. View important monuments such as Gal Vihara, Vatadage, the lotus bath, Lankathilaka Temple and the statue of King Parakramabahu whose reign was considered the golden age of Polonnaruwa. Get to know more about Sri Lanka's ancient history.

Thereafter proceed to Dambulla and check in to the hotel.

Day 05

Sigiriya > Dambulla > Kandy

Overnight

See Hotel Collection

Room Type

Bungalow

Meals

Breakfast

After breakfast check out of the hotel and proceed to Sigiriya Rock Fortress.



Climb the 5th century AD rock fortress, Sigiriya, where the King Kasyapa ruled. Walk through the entrance framed by the paws of a lion that is quite appropriate for its name, 'the Lion Rock'. View the beautiful unfading murals that brought Sigiriya its fame. Climb the steep staircase to see the terraced gardens and still-working cisterns. Walk through the tunnels leading to the palace as you get a feel for times long past

Later visit Cave Temple in Dambulla.



Enter the historic caves of the Golden Temple of Dambulla, dating back to the 1st century BC. View the ancient murals depicting the life story of Lord Gautama Buddha. Look at the hundreds of figurines of Buddha and other deities scattered throughout the five main caves. Visit the Cave of the Divine King, Cave of the Great King and the Great New Monastery. See the giant golden Buddha Statue just a little distance outside the cave complex.

Thereafter proceed to Kandy and check in to the hotel.

Later in the evening Go on technical tours related to arts such as gem crafting, woodcarving and batiks. Watch the Kandyan Cultural Show with its colorful traditional dances and delightful music.



The Kandy Cultural Show gives an opportunity to experience some of the traditions of Sri Lanka. Enjoy this hour-long extravaganza as some of the most popular art forms of the island take to the stage. Get wowed by fire dancers and sword dancers. Watch the colorful Kandyan dancers take to the air to the thrumming primal beat of the drums.

On completion proceed back to the hotel and relax...

Day 06

Kandy > Nuwara Eliya

Overnight

See Hotel Collection

Room Type

Superior Room

Meals

Breakfast

After breakfast check out of the hotel and proceed to Nuwara Eliya.



Visit the Temple of the Tooth Relic a UNESCO World Heritage Site which was built in the 16th century as the place of veneration and protection for Lord Buddha's sacred tooth. Walk through the beautifully embellished passageways and elaborately painted halls, done in red, cream and black. Lounge against delicately carved pillars and get amazed by the beautiful golden statues. Get an unforgettable experience of history and art.

Thereafter proceed to Nuwara Eliya. En-route make a stop at Ramboda Falls and visit Ramboda Falls, which is the 11th tallest in the country and a Tea factory and get a guided tour through a Tea Estate and learn more about the varieties, processing methods and qualities of tea. (Travel Time: 1 to 1 ½ hrs)



Visit a Tea Factory and a plantation where you would see how the world's famous "Ceylon Tea" is manufactured. In 1824 a tea plant was brought to Ceylon by the British from China and was planted in the Royal Botanical Gardens in Peradeniya for non-commercial purposes. James Taylor was a British citizen who introduced commercial tea plantation in Sri Lanka (Ceylon). He arrived to Sri Lanka in 1852 and settled down in Loolecondera estate in Kandy. Today even people who have never heard of Sri Lanka are familiar with Ceylon tea, which is

known for its quality.

Thereafter continue to Nuwara Eliya and check into the hotel.

Later in the evening go and explore the scenic city of Nuwara Eliya.



Visit the highland city that was the premium holiday resort town of the British in the 19th and early 20th centuries. Enjoy walking through the streets with their pretty little cottages, quaint villas and beautiful mansions. Make a memory in the old red-bricked postoffice as you purchase an inexpensive and colorful postcard to take home or send to your friends. Relax at Queen Victoria Park or on the shores of Lake Gregory.

On completion return to the hotel and relax.

Day 07

Overnight

See Hotel Collection

Room Type

Superior Room

Meals

Breakfast

Nuwara Eliya > Adam Peak

Early in the morning around in the morning start climbing the Adam's Peak.



Adams Peak, there is probably no mountain anywhere more famous than Sri Pada – Adam's Peak (7362ft/2250m) for non-mountain reasons than this. It is sacred to three religions; to Buddhists the human-foot-shaped hollow on the pinnacle boulder marks one of the personal appearances of the Buddha; the Muslims believe that the depression marks Adam's expiation of his disobedience by standing there for an age on one foot; to the Hindus, by whom the Peak has been venerated for millennia, its name is Sivan Adi Padham, for it is the Creative Dance of the god Siva

that the 'print' calls to remembrance. Whichever legend you may believe; this beautiful place has been a pilgrimage center for over a thousand years.

On completion return to the hotel

Day 08

Overnight

See Hotel Collection

Room Type

Superior Room

Meals

Breakfast

Adam Peak > Colombo

After the breakfast proceed to Colombo city



Experience the colorful lights and bright life of Colombo, the capital City of Sri Lanka. Visit historic monuments such as the Old Lighthouse, the Old Parliament, Galle Face Hotel, Galle Face Green, Gangarama Temple, the National Museum and more. Enjoy the malls of Independence Square or the Race Course. Visit boutique shops and designer stores. Enjoy the nightlife as you party till the morning

Thereafter proceed to colombo and check in to the hotel.

Day 09

Meals

Breakfast

Colombo > BIA

After the breakfast check out from the hotel and proceed to airport after spending a memorable time in this island.

~ End of Tour ~

COST INCLUDES

- Accommodation on sharing double room at the hotels specified in hotel collection.
- Meal plan on Bed and Breakfast basis starting with breakfast on day 2 and ending with breakfast on day 6.
- Transport in a Private Vehicle, inclusive of all chauffer accommodation, cost of fuel, parking & highway tolls.
- Private Transport with airport transfers in an Air-Conditioned Vehicle throughout the tour. (2015 and Above Manufactured)
 - 1 to 2 Pax by Standard Car.
 - 3 to 5 Pax by Small Van.
 - 6 to 8 Pax by Large Van.
- Service of an English-Speaking Chauffer Guide. Service of an English-Speaking Chauffer Guide throughout the tour.
- All prevailing taxes and service charges (Except for Credit Card/Bank Charges).

COST EXCLUDES

- Entry Visa Fees, please visit www.eta.gov.lk for more details / submit your individual visa application.
- **X' Mas & New Year Evening Gala Dinner Supplements at Standard Hotel Collection.**
- International / Domestic Airfare.
- Any expenses of personal nature.
- Tips & Portages.
- Cost of Beverages
- Meals where not specified.
- Entrance fees.